

# ABOVE THE SEA

A yearlong study by Tulane and Xavier universities' Center for Bioenvironmental Research concludes half of the city in the study area is at or above sea level. It recommends this "valuable natural resource should be prioritized for human habitation" whenever practical. And it has identified throughout New Orleans open and underutilized parcels above sea level.

- At or above sea level
- Below sea level
- Orleans Parish study area

**SOMETHING TO CONSIDER:**  
Lake Pontchartrain is one foot above sea level

