

Description of Map Units

QUATERNARY SYSTEM

HOLOCENE

- Ha** **Holocene undifferentiated alluvium**—Undifferentiated deposits of small upland streams; unconsolidated alluvial deposits of minor streams and creeks filling valleys incised into older deposits, with textures varying from gravelly sand to sandy mud.
- Hb** **Backswamp deposits**—Fine-grained Holocene deposits of the Mississippi River, underlying the flood basins flanking Mississippi River meander belt 1.
- Hmc1** **Crevasse complex of Mississippi River meander belt 1**—Silty to sandy crevasse channel and splay deposits of Mississippi River meander belt 1.

PLEISTOCENE

- LOESS**—Eolian silt veneer of late Wisconsin age (Peoria Loess) mantling Pleistocene and older strata. Loess is 1-3 m thick in Prairieville quadrangle (Miller, 1983) and consists of gray to brown clayey silt to silty clay, in places with rootlets, organic matter, calcareous and/or iron-oxide stains and/or nodules, light gray to dark brown mottles, and some very fine to fine sand.

PRAIRIE ALLOGROUP

- Pph** **Hammond alloformation**—deposits of middle to late Wisconsin Coastal Plain streams, blanketed by Peoria Loess, in the Florida Parishes of southeastern Louisiana. Includes floodplain deposits of the late Pleistocene Mississippi River, exposed in the eastern valley wall of the modern Mississippi River alluvial valley, originally defined as the Mt. Pleasant Bluff Alloformation by Autin et al. (1988). In the Prairieville quadrangle it consists of grayish sandy clay to clayey very fine to fine sand.

Open Water, Inundated Area, Wetland

**Contact**—includes inferred contacts.

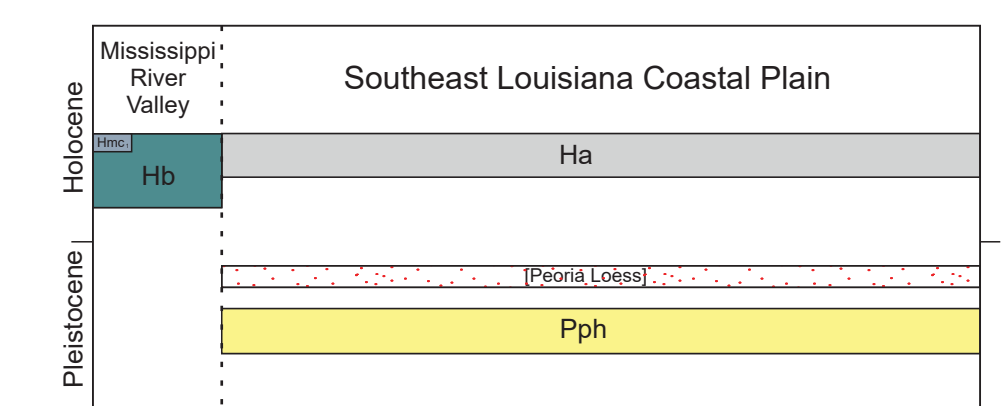
**Streams**

**Topographic Contours**

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Correlation of Map Units

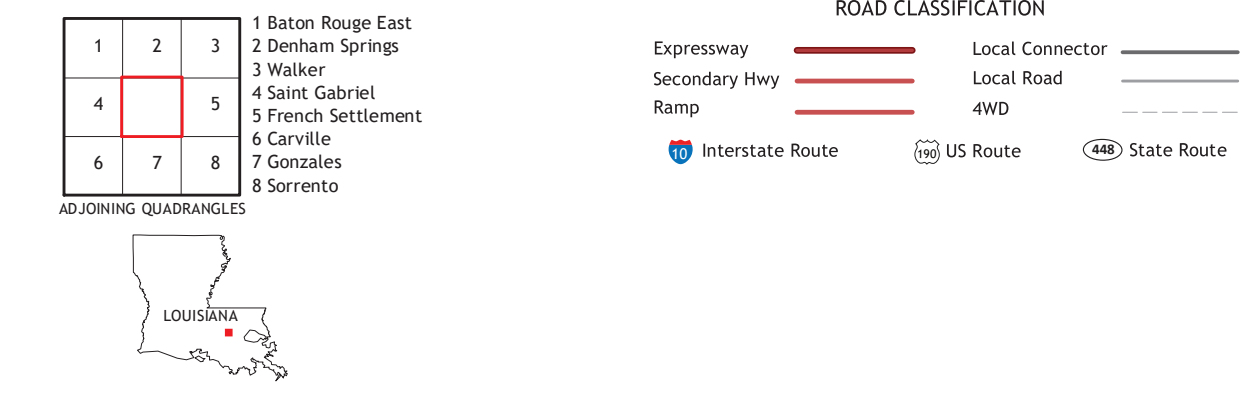
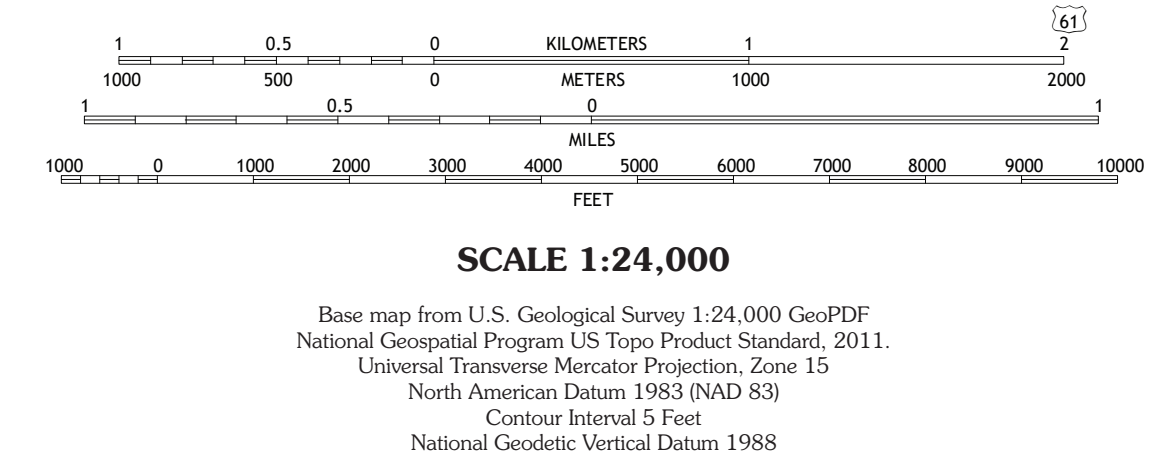
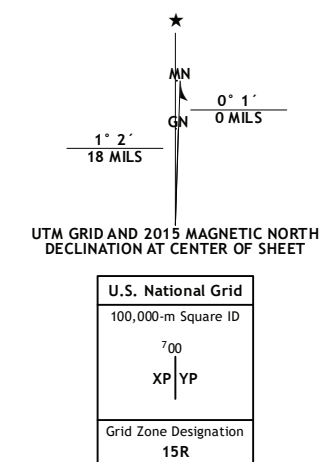


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Boundaries	LaDOTD, 2007
Contours	National Elevation Dataset, 2008 - 2011
Hydrography	National Hydrography Dataset, 2002 - 2017
Names	GNIS, 1980 - 2017
Roads	U.S. Census Bureau, 2017
Wetlands	FWS National Wetlands Inventory 2021

**Geologic Map of the Prairieville 7.5 minute quadrangle**  
**Ascension, E. Baton Rouge, and Livingston Parishes, Louisiana**

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