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A compendium of what's happening in Biloxi

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Barring any storms, Oscar Renda, Hemphill see progress in offing for Irish Hill, Division

Biloxi's infrastructure contractors are facing thunderstorm season, but both expect rain delays to be minimal, barring storms.

Oscar Renda is replacing water, sewer and drainage from I-110 to Point Cadet north of CSX, while Hemphill is working south of the railway from downtown to Seashore Methodist.

"We're on final drain lines on Division," Oscar Renda's John Cowart says, "and Division will be paved from one end to the other before October."



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Meanwhile, expect curbs and gutters on Porter at Circle Park shortly, which signals paving.

Tim Murrah of Hemphill says work along 90 is complete – save for south of the cemetery – and crews are installing water lines on Irish Hill.

"We cross Irish Hill with water lines in about 10 places," Murrah says. "We're looking to cut into the roadway instead of tunneling, as at White and 90. This reduces the Irish Hill timeframe from months to weeks."

Then, Hemphill will focus on the myriad narrow streets between Irish Hill and 90. Adds Cowart: "We're all working as quickly as we can."



Up, up and away, it's the Blue Angels

July promises to be gangbusters in Biloxi, with fireworks shows, Biloxi Shuckers games, plus a host of other events. And now, it's over the top, literally. The Blue Angels, the U.S. Navy's high-flying flight demonstration squadron, will be joined by a host of other aerial attractions July 21-22 over the beach in Biloxi. Front row will be Harrah's Great Lawn and the Blind Tiger. You'll find an army of gourmet food trucks and premium seating.

Get the inside story on Blues Over Biloxi on Page 4.

Get ready for a trio of fireworks shows to celebrate the Fourth

"We love our fireworks, and we love to celebrate," Biloxi businessman Jerry Munro says of the three fireworks shows planned to mark the Fourth of July in Biloxi.

The shows are Sunday, July 1, 9 p.m., over Back Bay between IP and Scarlet Pearl casino resorts; Tuesday, July 3, post-game Biloxi Shuckers Independence Day Fireworks Extravaganza at MGM Park; and Wednesday, July 4, 9 p.m., fireworks off the Biloxi beachfront.

And it's not just about quantity, says

Munro, who has followed in the footsteps of his father, the late Tommy Munro, who founded the Boom-Boom Committee in the '70s when the city was short of funding.

"We have the largest fireworks show in the southeast," Munro says. "It's a \$40,000, 18-minute show that pays real tribute to our country."

The fireworks, fired from a barge just inside Deer Island, have come a long way since that year in the '80s when the committee

inadvertently set off all the charges at once and set the west end of Deer Island on fire.

"That's when we quit doing it ourselves and hired a professional fireworks company," Munro said with a chuckle. "It's spectacular. It's all electronically-fired, by computerized, and set to music on FM 105.9, The Bob."

Best viewing location: On the beach between the Biloxi Small Craft Harbor and Oak Street, where the city has established a fireworks-free zone for spectators.



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Woolmarket city water: A progress report

More than 240 homes and businesses in the Woolmarket area have received access to city sewer in the past year or so, meaning that nearly 1,700 of the 3,100 homes and businesses in Woolmarket now have access to city water and/or sewer.

But, says Ward 7 Councilman Nathan Barrett, even with the progress, a new community center, county public library and fire station, there's still much to be done in the city's largest ward, which became part of the city in 1999 and accounts for more than half of the city's 50-square miles.

"Woolmarket poses some unique challenges when it comes to water and sewer hookups," Barrett said. "One of those problems is the cost, because many of the homes are farther from the road than in other areas of the city, and it's the responsibility of the property owner to connect to their home or business. I proposed, and the council unanimously passed, the resolution changing the required amount of time for hook up from 60 days to 12 months, because it gives people more time to secure funds for the hookups."

Barrett, who is seeking grants to help further reduce the cost of hookups, noted that drainage is another issue in Woolmarket. "We are currently working on a drainage plan that will go out for bid soon for the East Woolmarket Road area. In the meantime, I would like to thank Mike Hosli and his Public Works crews for helping alleviate the flooding problem by going through the ward and cleaning out and re-digging ditches."

Added Barrett: "We recently got our first sidewalks on a public road in Ward 7, and are about to open a community center on Kayleigh Cove that now houses the library. I am encouraged that we are seeing progress, but there is still much to do. We will continue to work daily to meet the needs of Ward 7 one at a time."



The Woolmarket City Center houses the Harrison County Public Library's Woolmarket branch.

Check it out: A new chapter for the library in Woolmarket



The days of browsing small shelves in a small trailer are history for residents of the Woolmarket area. A larger, more accommodating public library is now in place.

The Woolmarket branch of the Harrison County Library System, housed in a small trailer since Hurricane Katrina, has re-opened at the Woolmarket

City Center, a new facility that will also house a community center, at 13034 Kayleigh Cove Drive.

"Staff are very excited to have almost twice the space in the new location," Harrison County Library System Director Sarah Crisler-Rusky says. "They have worked hard to serve the community in the old location, but the new space has a better layout."

The 2,000-square-foot space allows an increased children's collection and a more comfortable area for patrons to read or use computers.

News & notes

- The **Biloxi Natatorium**, the city's indoor Olympic-size swimming pool open weekdays throughout the year, is open Saturdays, noon to 5 p.m. throughout the summer. The facility, of course, is also a great locale for birthday parties. For group reservations, call 228-435-6205.
- June was a big month for the **Biloxi Fire Department**. Besides the arrival of the "Serena G.," the city's new fire boat, BFD welcomed a new breathing-air truck, which fills air bottles on fire scenes; and a new, educational tool: a safety trailer that uses sight, smell and sound to simulate catastrophes of all sorts.
- Was your **garbage, trash or recycling missed?** If so, just call the handy number on side of the green or brown cans: 228-701-9086.
- The City of Biloxi, by the way, has 656 employees; 610 are fulltime. The **workforce** swells in the summer, when about 60 seasonal workers are hired to help with summer camp. The biggest department year 'round: **Police**, with 173, closely followed by **Fire**, with 172.
- The city's **YouTube** page has thousands of videos about Biloxi history and current events. Get to it through the city website.
- The city's two **dog parks**, Biloxi Dog Park off Popp's Ferry Road and the Pixie Memorial Dog Park at Hiller Park, are open daily from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. For more information call the Biloxi Parks & Recreation Department at 228-388-7170.



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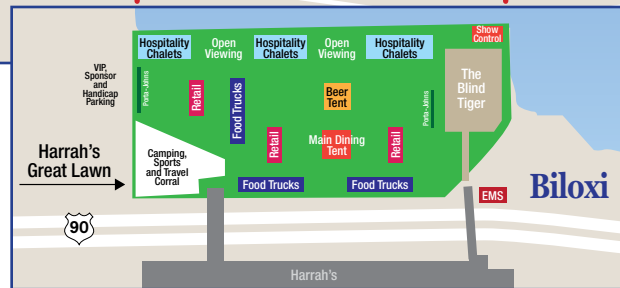
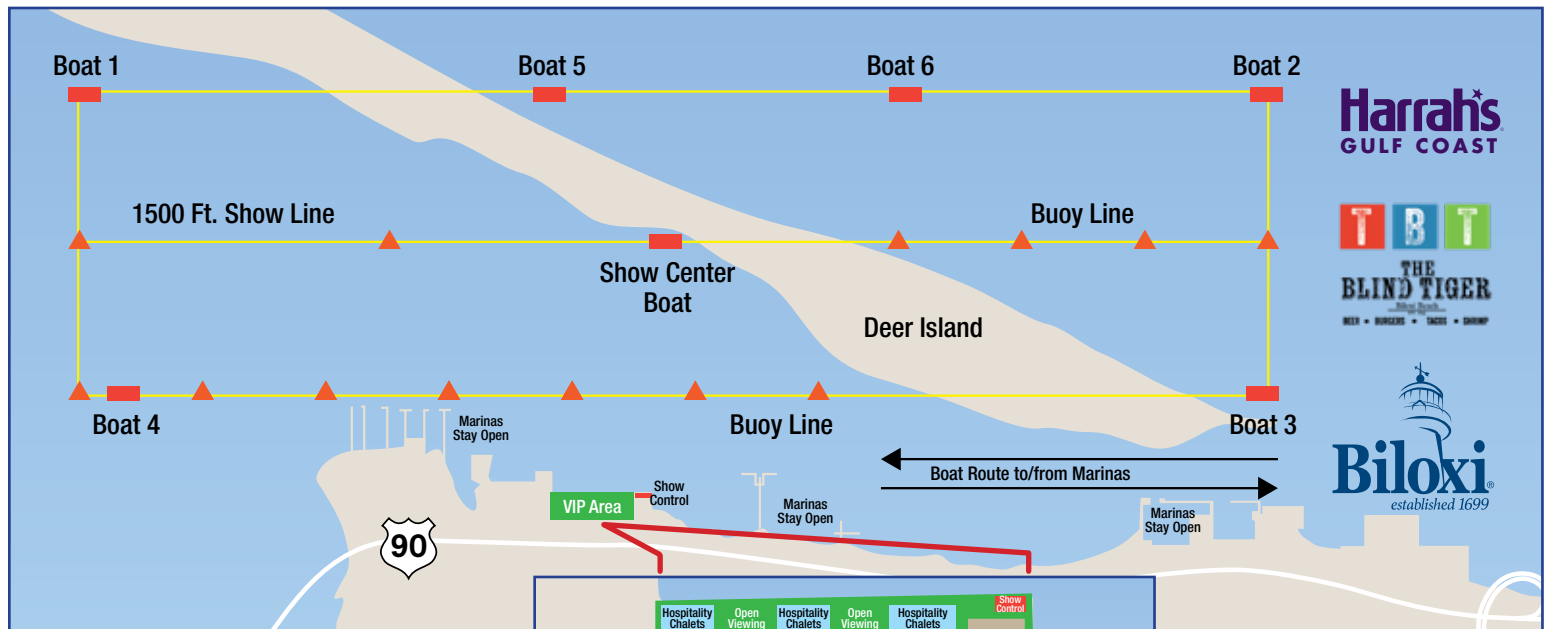
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Blue Angels to perform over Biloxi Beach



The Blue Angels, the United States Navy precision flying team known for its daring aerobatics, will be flying over the Biloxi beach July 21 and 22 for the “Blues Over Biloxi” airshow.

The City of Biloxi has teamed up with Harrah's and The Blind Tiger as the title sponsors of the event that will feature an array of aerial stunt performers, military flybys, and demonstrations.

The action will begin at 9 a.m. each day when the gates open at Harrah's Great Lawn, centered off the beachfront between Harrah's and Margaritaville. The area will feature a public viewing area, merchandise vendors, an exhibitors areas, food trucks and VIP areas.

Admission is free and the public is invited

to bring chairs and sunscreen. No ice chests or outside food will be allowed. Performances will take place in the sky from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day.

“We’re honored that the Blue Angels will be here to punctuate another summer of family fun in Biloxi,” Mayor Andrew “FoFo” Gilich said of the show. “With the perfect location for viewing aerial acrobatics over the water, we expect huge crowds both days.”

The “Blues Over Biloxi” show will be operated by David Schultz Air Shows, which will coordinate the event. Seizing upon the natural viewing area, Schultz will offer dozens of gourmet food trucks to serve the thousands expected to gather at the Great Lawn and along the beachfront. There will

also be a large hospitality chalet with catered food at the Great Lawn. Admission to the public chalet is \$30 per adult and \$10 for ages 12 and younger.

“We wanted to give spectators a huge variety of dining options,” said Mark Boyd, Schultz’s Project Development Manager. “Many air shows are under-served by food vendors and attendees sometimes miss some of the air show action waiting in line.”

The Blind Tiger is planning a concert both nights beginning shortly after the Blue Angels show and continuing until dark. According to Boyd, “Instead of everyone trying to get home at once, this should alleviate some of the traffic issues common to huge outdoor events.”

Blues Over Biloxi Airshow July 21 & 22, 2018

Gates Open at 9 a.m.

Performances 11 a.m.-5 p.m.

Biloxi Police expect heavy traffic on east beach U.S. 90 on Thursday and Friday, July 19-20, when the Blue Angels are rehearsing, and heavier traffic for the air show on Saturday and Sunday, July 21-22.

Some things to keep in mind:

- Bring your lawn chairs, blanket and sunscreen.
- Carpool and expect delays. Obey the commands of officers at intersections.
- Park only in legal parking spaces. Respect private property.
- No glass containers on the beach. No outside food, drinks or ice chests allowed at Great Lawn.
- Make sure that your parked vehicle provides ample room for passing vehicular and pedestrian traffic.
- Keep in mind that fire trucks and other emergency vehicles require wide berths.
- See more online at www.biloxiirshow.com

Air show to host large gourmet food truck rally

An army of mobile food vendors – from three states and offering a host of gourmet treats – will be positioned on the Great Lawn to keep the tens of thousands of spectators fed during the Blues Over Biloxi air show.

“Instead of having one major contracted food provider with a limited menu or several food vendors serving generic event fare, we decided to spice it up a bit,” says Mark Boyd of David Schultz Airshows, co-producer of the show.



“By bringing in a couple dozen gourmet food trucks you vary the menu options tremendously. Food trucks are famous for their exotic foodie meals and are quite reasonable too,” Boyd says.

The air show, which is still enlisting sponsors and retail vendors, will be centered at the Great Lawn in front of co-title sponsors, Harrah's Casino and The Blind Tiger. Sponsors will be able to entertain up to 100 VIP guests in their own 40'x80' hospitality “chalets” at the very front of the viewing area.

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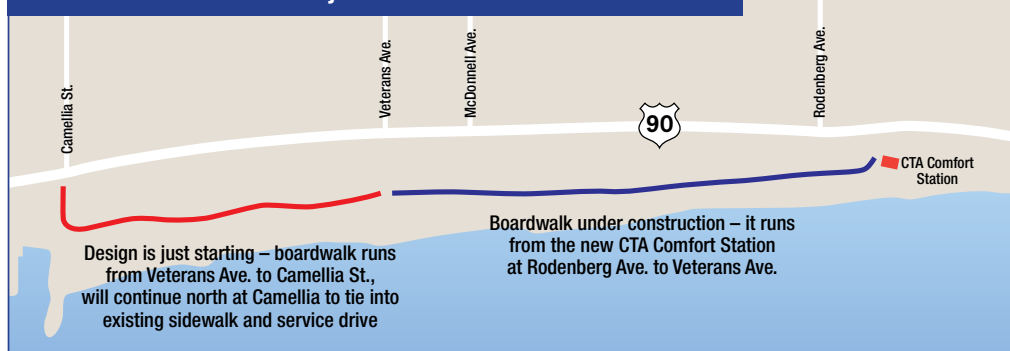
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The West Biloxi Boardwalk as seen from the Coast Transit Comfort Station, looking west.

West Biloxi Boardwalk Project



West Biloxi boardwalk progressing; Point Cadet work around the corner

The West Biloxi boardwalk continues on track for its completion this summer, and plans are already in the offing for a boardwalk wrapping around the tip of the Biloxi peninsula on Point Cadet.

The West Biloxi work, a city-county project using more than a million dollars in Tidelands funds, will be more than 3,000 feet long and 10-feet wide and run along the beachfront, connecting the Coast Transit Authority Comfort Station near Rodenberg Avenue to Veterans Avenue.

Among the work remaining: Installation of the western end of the composite deck walkway, east of Veterans Avenue, and LED lighting, which will be placed along the south side of the boardwalk.

Meantime, on Point Cadet, the boardwalk connecting the Golden Nugget and Palace casino resorts, officially known as the East Biloxi Public Access and Living Shoreline Project, will be 12-feet wide and concrete, with benches and steps that lead to the water's edge for fishing, floundering or soft shelling.

Bids are expected to be received in mid-July with construction expected about a month or so later. The \$1.5 million project is being funded locally.

"These projects are important because they tie our beachfront together and make it more accessible," said Mayor Andrew "FoFo" Gilich, who has called for contiguous boardwalks -- existing concrete and new ones -- to stretch from DeBuys Road to Point Cadet and around to areas of Back Bay.

"An attraction of this type creates interest

East Biloxi Public Access & Living Shoreline



along the waterfront, in terms of visitors and locals, as well as new waterfront-related businesses, whether they are restaurants or other economic development opportunities. You can't say enough about the synergy that this will create."

The Point Cadet project, says City Engineer Christy LeBatard, "will also include improvements to the surface parking lots south of the Palace parking garage, including better drainage and improving the traffic flow and parking lot layout."

The next phase of the West Biloxi Boardwalk also is in the works. It will run from Veterans Avenue to Camellia Street, near Treasure Bay Casino, and is moving through the state and federal permitting process.

"This boardwalk, which will be funded with Tidelands money, will be a combination of wood and concrete," LeBatard said. "The design is just now starting on this phase of the project, but I would estimate that this project would be out to bid by the end of the year, depending on the permitting process and any easements that would be needed."

The boardwalk behind restaurant row.

Best Bets!



Fireworks extravaganza

Celebrating the county's independence is done with a bang in Biloxi. And this year there are three fireworks shows to celebrate the Fourth of July. The annual Back Bay fireworks presentation takes place Sunday, July 1 at 9 p.m. with viewing from locations near either IP Casino Resort Spa or Scarlet Pearl Casino, the co-sponsors of the event. Then on Tuesday, July 3 the Biloxi Shuckers host an Independence Day Fireworks Extravaganza at MGM Park after the Shuckers vs. BayBears game, and on Wednesday, July 4 the Biloxi's front beach fireworks display begins at 9 p.m.

Watch fireworks from a schooner

Want to set sail on a new adventure? Well, climb aboard a Biloxi Schooner and sail the Mississippi Sound. The Maritime & Seafood Industry Museum offers charters on their two authentic Biloxi oyster schooner replicas, the Glenn L. Swetman and the Mike Sekul. In fact, you can watch the fireworks shows and the Blues Over Biloxi airshow aboard a schooner. Visit www.maritimemuseum.org or call 228-435-6320.



Back Bay Annual Fireworks, July 1, 9 p.m.; IP Casino Resort & Spa and Scarlet Pearl Casino Co-sponsored. Bring lawn chairs and blankets to watch from locations near either casino, on the top floor of the IP parking garage, and Scarlet Pearl's Back Bay Car Park.

"Crooked Letter" Brass Band, July 2, 6:30 p.m. Biloxi Lighthouse Pavilion, 1050 Beach Blvd. Free concert of the 41st Army Band. Details: 228-377-1179.

Biloxi's Annual Fourth of July Fireworks, July 4, 9 p.m.; Viewing from Biloxi Lighthouse eastward to the Biloxi Bay Bridge; Listen on Bob 105.9. Hosted by the City of Biloxi and the Boom Boom Committee. Details: 228-374-3105.

First Friday Downtown Biloxi Art District (#artontherue), July 6, 5-8 p.m. Downtown Biloxi, Rue Magnolia Art District. Live entertainment, Classic Car night south of the Mardi Gras Museum, 119 Rue Magnolia. Shops and galleries stay open late and offer specials and refreshments. Details: 228-435-6339.

Freedom Ball, July 14, 4 p.m.: Golden Nugget, 151 Beach Blvd. Annual Crusaders for Veterans Ball with social hour from 5 to 6 p.m. followed by dinner and awards ceremony. Tickets available at www.crusadersforveterans.com. Details: 228-261-1937 or 573-253-0311.

Biloxi Bulls, July 28, 10 a.m.-11 p.m., Mississippi Coast Coliseum and Convention Center, 2350 Beach Blvd. American Bully Kennel Club dog show where dogs, kennels, rescues and vendors will be on display. Tickets: \$20 adults; Free for ages 12 and younger. Details: 501-253-5284.



Breakfast with the Mayor, July 18, 8 a.m. Hard Rock Live at Hard Rock Hotel and Casino, 777 Beach Blvd. Mayor Andrew "FoFo" Gilich will address a Biloxi Chamber of Commerce audience on what's happening now in Biloxi. Event is free and open to the public. Details: 228-604-0014.

Living Life with Purpose, July 29, 3-5 p.m. Biloxi Civic Center, 578 Howard Ave. Event held in support of autism awareness featuring T.C. Stallings and The Nelons. Tickets: Advance, \$30; At door, \$40. Details: 228-218-1687.

Gulf Coast Big Rig Truck Show, July 13 & 14, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Mississippi Coast Coliseum & Convention Center, 2350 Beach Blvd. Admission: \$10; Free for ages 12 and younger with adult ticket. Details: 985-630-9171 or 228-594-3700.

3 Doors Down and Collective Soul with special guest Soul Asylum, July 14, 7 p.m. Mississippi Coast Coliseum, 2350 Beach Blvd. Tickets start at \$22; Details: 594-3700.

11th Annual Back Bay Croaker Classic, July 14 & 15, Gollott's Fresh Catch Seafood Restaurant, 200 8th St. Suite B; Details: www.croakerclassic.com.



A word about BNews Monthly

Welcome to the second issue of BNews Monthly. It's a compendium of things you should know about your city: status reports on current and pending public works, and a calendar of community events covering the next 30 days.

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Bike Biloxi, July 17, 6 p.m., Biloxi Visitor Center, 1050 Beach Blvd. Free, fun-filled ride through downtown. Bike rental available through Zagster app or provide your own bike. Helmets and lights are recommended. Details:

Cathedral of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary- 175th Anniversary Year, July 19, 6 p.m., Nativity Cathedral Church, 870 Howard Ave. Stained Glass window presentation. Details: 228-374-1717.

Blues Over Biloxi, July 21-22, 9 a.m. gates open; 11 a.m.-5 p.m. performances. Free viewing at Harrah's Great Lawn, 280 Beach Blvd. U.S. Navy Blue Angels headline; world-famous performers; street vendors; food trucks. Large public hospitality chalets on the Great Lawn available for purchase. Details: 407-883-1628.

Downtown Biloxi Community Market Festival, July 26, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. under the I-110 at Howard and Hopkins. Themed Hot Summer Fun with Community Market vendors, entertainment by Amber Dawn, hourly giveaways, kids' waterslide, grilled hot dogs, and hamburgers, and cool snowballs from the Blizzard Wizard. Details: 228-435-6339.



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- **Biloxi Shuckers vs. Mobile BayBears**, June 28-3
- **Biloxi Shuckers vs. Jackson Generals**, July 8 -11
- **Biloxi Shuckers vs. Tennessee Smokies**, July 18-22



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- **OKLAHOMA: Summer fundraiser**, July 19-29 – TBA

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Rodrigue's Blue Dog

One of the largest exhibitions in history to celebrate the Cajun folklore inspired artwork of the late Louisiana artist George Rodrigue is on display at Ohr-O'Keefe Museum of Art. The **Rodrigue's Blue Dog: Discovering Late Works on Canvas and Metal** features twenty-five contemporary and rarely seen works of art created during the last decade of the artist's life, as well as selections from the artist's repertoire.

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Biloxi Mardi Gras Museum

119 Rue Magnolia, 228-435-6308, www.biloxi.ms.us
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Maritime & Seafood Industry Museum

115 1st St., 228-435-6320, www.maritimemuseum.org

- **Rod Hedgecock** – Rustic old to rustic new; Through August 5
- **Sail aboard a schooner:** July 1, 6:30-9:30 p.m. & July 4, 7-9:30 p.m. to watch fireworks; July 21-22 – watch Blues Over Biloxi. Airshow viewing also available at the Schooner Pier. Complex-food and cocktails. Tickets available at the Museum.
- **Sea-n-Sail Adventure Camp** (Ages 6-12): July 9-13; 16-20; & 23-27; Register online

Ohr-O'Keefe Museum of Art

386 Beach Blvd., 228-374-5547, www.georgeohr.org

- **Works from the Tougaloo College Art Collections**, 1963-1967, through August 11
- **Rodrigue's Blue Dog: Discovering Late Works on Canvas and Metal**, through August 18
- **Happy Birthday George Ohr**, Thursday, July 12, 10 a.m.-7 p.m. FREE Admission Day
- **Sushi Rolling Class with Fatsumo Sushi**, July 19, 6 -9 p.m. \$50 all supplies included
- **In Flux: A Ceramics Workshop with Jason Wilson**, Saturday July 21, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., \$80 per student before July 16, \$95 per student after
- **Sew Your Mind with Suzanne D. Findeisen**, Saturday July 14, 10 a.m.-12 p.m., \$60 per student

Check the website for more events at OOMA!

Biloxi Mardi Gras Museum

119 Rue Magnolia, 228-435-6308, www.biloxi.ms.us
Currently closed for renovations

West End Hose Co. No. 3 Fire Museum

1046 Howard Ave., 435-6119/435-6200, www.biloxi.ms.us
Historic 1937 fire house open Saturdays 9 a.m. 2 p.m. or by appointment.

Fleur de Lis Society of Biloxi (French Club)

182 Howard Ave., 228-436-6472

- **Friday Night Dinners**, July 6, 13, 20, & 27, 6 p.m.
- **Saturday Night Dance**, July 14 & 21, 7- 11 p.m.; \$8 per person

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Biloxi Community Market

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6 a.m.-4 p.m. under the I-110 overpass on the corner of Howard Avenue and Hopkins Boulevard. Details: Tina Cowart at 228-388-2443.

City of Biloxi Senior Program

Activities for ages 55 and older weekdays at the Donal M. Snyder Sr. Community Center and the East Biloxi Senior Citizen Center. Details: Gwen Johnson, 228-388-2494, seniors@biloxi.ms.us.

Biloxi Libraries

- Biloxi Library, 580 Howard Ave., 228-436-3095
- Margaret Sherry Library, 2141 Popp's Ferry Road, 228-388-1633
- West Biloxi Library, 2047 Pass Road, 228-388-5696
- Woolmarket Library, 13034 Kayleigh Cove, 228-354-9464

For more information call the Harrison County Library System at 228-436-3095.

Biloxi Main Street

Promoting, preserving, revitalizing and enhancing the economic growth of the downtown Main Street district. Details and membership: 228-435-6339, mainstreetbiloxi.com



City of Biloxi Public Meetings

- **Architectural Review Commission:** Regularly scheduled meetings: second and fourth Thursday of the month at 8:30 a.m.; Community Development, 676 MLK Blvd. Details: 228-435-6266.
- **Biloxi City Council:** Regularly scheduled meetings: first Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. and the third and fourth Tuesday of each month at 1:30 p.m.; City Hall, 140 Lameuse St. Details: 228-435-6257.
- **Biloxi Civil Service Commission:** Regularly schedule meetings: second Thursday of the month at 4 p.m.; City Hall, 140 Lameuse St. Details: 228-435-6259, Courtney Lamar
- **Biloxi Planning Commission:** Regularly scheduled meetings: first and third Thursday of the month at 2 p.m.; Community Development, 676 MLK Blvd. Details: 228-435-6266.
- **Development Review Committee:** Regularly scheduled meetings: Wednesdays at 9 a.m.; Community Development, 676 MLK Blvd. Details: 228-435-6266.
- **Tree Committee:** Regularly scheduled meetings: second Monday of each month at 4 p.m.; Gulf Coast Community Design Studio, 769 Howard Ave. Details: 228-435-6266.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Sail a Schooner Schooner Pier Complex Back Bay Fireworks IP Casino Resort Spa Scarlet Pearl Casino  Shuckers vs. BayBears MGM Park	2 Story Time Woolmarket Library  Shuckers vs. BayBears MGM Park	3 Community Market Story Time W. Biloxi  Shuckers vs. BayBears MGM Park	4  Biloxi's Annual Fourth of July Fireworks Annual Fireworks Biloxi Lighthouse to Biloxi Bay Bridge Sail a Schooner Schooner Pier Complex	5 Community Market Story Time MSherry Library Tompison Twins' Tom Bailey IP Casino Resort Spa	6 First Friday Downtown Biloxi The Whistler "Urge to Kill"... Biloxi Little Theatre Culture Club IP Casino Resort Spa Gary Allan Beau Rivage	7 The Whistler "Urge to Kill"... Biloxi Little Theatre Ultimate Queen Celebration Hard Rock
8  Shuckers vs. Generals MGM Park	9 Story Time Woolmarket Library  Shuckers vs. Generals MGM Park	10 Community Market Story Time W. Biloxi  Shuckers vs. Generals MGM Park	11  Shuckers vs. Generals MGM Park	12 Community Market Story Time MSherry Library	13 Gulf Coast Big Rig Truck Show MS Coast Coliseum Eddie B IP Casino Resort Spa Rachel Platten Beau Rivage	14 Gulf Coast Big Rig Truck Show MS Coast Coliseum Back Bay Croaker Classic Gollott's Fresh Catch Seafood Restaurant 3 Doors Down, Collective Soul MS Coast Coliseum Eddie B IP Casino Resort Spa Cedrick The Entertainer Hard Rock
15 Back Bay Croaker Classic Gollott's Fresh Catch Seafood Restaurant	16 Story Time Woolmarket Library	17 Community Market Story Time W. Biloxi Bike Biloxi Visitors Center	18  Shuckers vs. Smokies MGM Park	19 Community Market Story Time MSherry Library Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary 175th Anniversary  Shuckers vs. Smokies MGM Park	20 Vicki Lawrence & Mama, A Two Woman Show IP Casino Resort Spa Wynonna Beau Rivage  Shuckers vs. Smokies MGM Park	21 Blues Over Biloxi Harrah's Great Lawn Sail a Schooner Schooner Pier Complex Skid Row with Vixen Hard Rock Atlas Fights 33 IP Casino Resort Spa  Shuckers vs. Smokies MGM Park
22  Blues Over Biloxi Harrah's Great Lawn Sail a Schooner Schooner Pier Complex  Shuckers vs. Smokies MGM Park	23 Story Time Woolmarket Library	24 Community Market Story Time W. Biloxi	25	26 Community Market Story Time MSherry Library  Festival	27 Isley Brothers Beau Rivage	28 Michael Grimm IP Casino Resort Spa Great American Speakeasy Hard Rock
29	30 Story Time Woolmarket Library	31 Community Market Story Time W. Biloxi	1	2 Community Market Story Time MSherry Library	3	4

OK, we're in July, the second month of hurricane season, and we're headed into August, traditionally prime time for major storms. Here is more information to help you prepare for storm season.

FLOOD INSURANCE

Are you aware that your homeowners insurance does NOT cover floods? Only federal flood insurance reimburses you for flood damage to your property. You should consider buying flood insurance now.

Some homeowners may have been required to buy flood insurance when they obtained a mortgage or home-improvement loan. However, in many cases, these policies cover only the structure and not your possessions. You can protect your home and contents through the National Flood Insurance Program, in which the City of Biloxi participates.

Local insurance agents can sell a flood insurance policy separate from your homeowner or windstorm policy.

Anyone can get – and everyone should have – flood insurance. These policies are regulated by the federal government. Any agent can sell a policy and all agents must charge the same rates, which are set nationally. Your rates will not change even if you file a claim.

There is a 30-day waiting period before the policy becomes effective. Contact your insurance agent to determine what type of coverage you have.

LOWER FLOOD INSURANCE PREMIUMS

The City of Biloxi is an active participant in the National Flood Insurance Program's Community Rating System, a voluntary incentive program designed to encourage local floodplain management activities that exceed the minimum federal requirements.

Flood insurance premium rates are discounted to reflect reduced flood risks that result from City actions to meet the three goals of the CRS:

1. Reduce flood losses,
2. Facilitate accurate insurance rating, and
3. Promote the awareness of flood insurance.

For CRS participating communities, flood insurance premium rates are discounted in increments of 5 percent. A Class 1 community would receive a 45 percent premium discount, while a Class 9 community would receive a 5 percent discount. The CRS rates are based four broad categories:

1. Public information,
2. Mapping and regulations,
3. Flood damage reduction, and
4. Flood preparedness.

In 2013, the City of Biloxi earned a Class 5 CRS rating and continues to work actively to further lower it.



"The city takes a comprehensive approach in its efforts to reduce the risk of flooding," said Kristin Greger, Biloxi CRS coordinator. "Of course, we want to help property owners through lower insurance premiums, but our primary goals are to reduce risks to our residents and to minimize property damage from weather-related events."

For more information about Biloxi's CRS Program, contact Kristin Greger at 228-435-6270 or kgreger@biloxi.ms.us.

BUILDERS, THIS IS FOR YOU

All Biloxi-licensed contractors are required to participate in annual stormwater management training before being issued a building permit, in compliance with the Biloxi Stormwater Management Ordinance. This training is offered at no cost to the contractors, to be sure they have information about how to protect local water quality and, at the same time, minimize the risk of flood and stormwater runoff damage by properly maintaining their construction sites.

City building and code inspectors, Public Works, and Parks and Recreation crews also are being trained to improve the management of stormwater in the city by:

- enforcing construction site erosion and sediment control regulations;
- identifying and correcting illicit discharges, such as illegal dumping;
- implementing "good housekeeping" practices at

city-owned facilities; and

- holding violators accountable for their actions
- The Biloxi stormwater management ordinance and related information are available on the city's website. Click on the Stormwater Management button on the Public Works page.

If you have questions about the training requirements or the city's comprehensive stormwater management plan, contact Kristin Greger in the Community Development Department at kgreger@biloxi.ms.us or at 228-435-6280.

DO WHAT YOU CAN

There are some steps that you can take now to prepare your property against flooding.

One option may be "retrofitting," which is altering your home to eliminate or reduce flood damage.

A few things to consider:

- Elevate your building so that flood waters do not enter or reach any susceptible portions.
- Construct barriers out of fill or concrete between your building and flood waters.
- "Dry flood proof" your non-residential building, which entails making walls and flooring watertight so water cannot enter.
- "Wet flood proof" your non-residential building, which entails modifying the structure and relocating contents to lessen the damage caused by any flood waters that enter your structure.
- Sandbagging is a short-term measure that can also be helpful.

CHECK THAT LICENSE

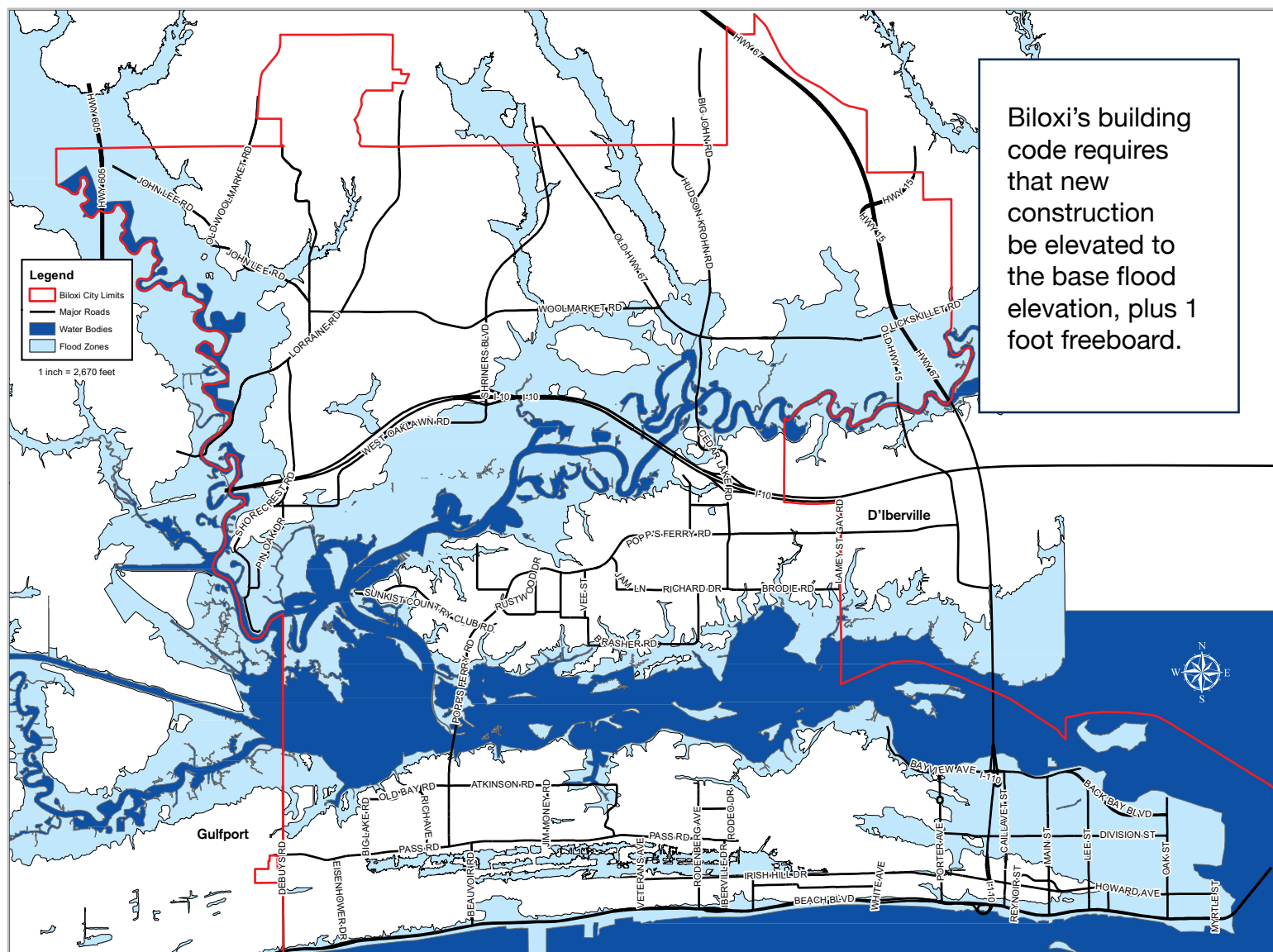
The City of Biloxi is home to many reputable, licensed building contractors who are qualified to make repairs for you. However, after each storm, a number of transient contractors sets up temporary shop in our community.

Before signing any contract or paying any money for repair work, you should ask to see the person's City of Biloxi license.

If you have any doubts or questions, contact the Building Division at 228-435-6270 or online at building@biloxi.ms.us to ensure that this individual is licensed to operate in the City of Biloxi.

KNOW THE FLOOD ZONES OF BILOXI? SEE PAGE 12

Flood Zones



A few words about this map

Much has been made and said about the federal government's new flood elevations, which went into effect in Biloxi in May 2009.

While much of the focus has been on the height of construction, this map shows the significant increase in the size of the flood zone.

For instance, nearly all of Point Cadet, the eastern tip of the Biloxi peninsula, is now in a flood zone, as is Eagle Point in north Biloxi.

Completed elevation certificates are available from the city's Community Development Department or on the city's website, biloxi.ms.us.

Where to turn for help

The Community Development Department is here to help minimize the risk you face from storms and flooding. If you are having flooding problems, advice is available to help you resolve your flooding issues. To make an appointment, call contact Floodplain Manager Rick Stickler at 228-435-6270 or rstickler@biloxi.ms.us.

Flood Protection Assistance also is available from such sources as the American Red Cross, the Small Business Administration, FEMA's Hazard Mitigation Grant Program, United Way, Salvation Army, Catholic Social and Community Services, Back Bay Mission.

Need More Info?

- To read FEMA's answers to frequently asked questions about repairing significantly damaged properties in flood zones, visit biloxi.ms.us.
- To read FEMA's "Homebuilder's Guide to Coastal Construction," which provides technical guidance and recommendations concerning the construction of coastal residential, visit biloxi.ms.us.
- Those with other questions can call the Community Development Department at 228-435-6280 or e-mail building@biloxi.ms.us.

Annual Report on the Quality of Drinking Water

Public Water Systems 0240001, 0240036 and 0240084 – April 2018



The Federal Safe Drinking Water Act requires community public water systems to develop and distribute a Consumer Confidence Report to customers each year. The City of Biloxi operates three water systems, which are served by nearly two dozen water wells throughout the city's 50 square miles.

The source water assessment for Biloxi's three public water systems has been completed to determine the overall susceptibility of the city's drinking water supply to identified potential sources of contamination. This report informs you about the quality of water the city delivers to you every day.

Water source: Biloxi's water source is from wells drawing from the Pascagoula Formation, Graham Ferry Formation and the Miocene Series Aquifer.

The findings: Water wells for the City of Biloxi public water systems have received lower to higher susceptibility rankings to contamination. What does this mean? To determine susceptibility rankings and findings for your neighborhood, consult the list of water wells in this report and then refer to the corresponding water system findings.

The bottom line: The results in this report show that Biloxi's water system had no violations. The drinking water supplied by the city meets or exceeds all federal and state requirements. Monitoring and testing has detected some contaminants, but the Environmental Protection Agency has determined that your water is safe at these levels.

Etc.: In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. All drinking water, including bottled drinking water, may be reasonably expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. It's important to remember that the presence of these contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk.

Testing period: To satisfy federal and state regulations, the city on a monthly basis monitors your drinking water for specific contaminants. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether the drinking water meets health standards. The Mississippi State Department of Health monitors the city's monthly reports. The tables in this report list drinking water contaminants detected between Jan. 1 and Dec. 31, 2017. In cases where monitoring wasn't required in 2017, the table reflects the most recent results.

Questions and more info: If you have any questions about this report or quality of your water, contact Tracey Forehand in the city's Public Works Department at 228-435-6271 or tforehand@biloxi.ms.us. A detailed report on how the susceptibility determinations were made is available for viewing upon request.

Council meetings: You also can attend any meeting of the Biloxi City Council. A section of each meeting is set aside for citizen comments. The council's regularly scheduled meetings are on the first, third, and last Tuesdays of each month at the Biloxi City Hall, 140 Lameuse St. You can find council agendas online at biloxi.ms.us.

Origin of contaminants: As water travels over land or underground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive materials. In its travels, the water can pick up substances or contaminants from animals or human activity; microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria that may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife; inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be

naturally occurring or result from urban storm-water runoff, industrial, or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming; pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm-water runoff, and residential uses; organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations and septic systems; and radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

Lead warnings: If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. The city is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control materials used in plumbing components.

Minimize the risk: When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to two minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline, 1-800-426-4791, or www.epa.gov/ground-water-and-drinking-water. The Mississippi State Department of Health Public Health Laboratory offers lead testing. Call 601-576-7582 for information on testing.

Typical contamination: All sources of drinking water are subject to potential contamination by substances, either naturally occurring or man-made. Substances can be microbes, inorganic or organic chemicals and radioactive substances. All drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. For more information about contaminants and potential health effects, call the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791 or visit www.epa.gov/ground-water-and-drinking-water.

Vulnerable citizens: Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water. Immuno-compromised persons – such as those undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, those with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, and some elderly and infants – can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. Guidelines from the EPA and the Centers for Disease Control provide appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbiological contaminants. Call the Safe Drinking Water Hotline, 1-800-426-4791 or visit www.epa.gov/ground-water-and-drinking-water.

Biloxi Water Well Listing

Health Dept Tag No	Facility Name	Street
240001-01	Maple Street	Maple St
240001-04	Hospital Water Well	Bayview Ave
240001-05	Greater Ave	Greater Ave
240001-06	Porter Ave	Irish Hill Dr
240001-10	Bradford St Well	Bradford St
240001-11	Debuys Water Well	Debuys Rd
240001-12	Kuhn St	Kuhn Street
240001-13	Iberville	Iberville Dr
240001-14	Park Circle Water Well	Park Dr
240001-15	Father Ryan	Father Ryan Ave
240001-16	Pine Street Well	Pine St
240001-17	Tullis	Beach Blvd
240001-18	Lakeview	Lakeview
240036-02	North Rivervue	N Riviere Vue Dr
240036-03	Oaklawn	Oaklawn Dr
240036-05	Hwy. 67 & Oaklawn	Hwy. 67 & Oaklawn Dr
240036-06	Superior	Woolmarket Rd
240084-01	Rustwood	Rustwood Dr
240084-04	South Hill	South Hill Dr
240084-05	N Biloxi #1	Popp's Ferry Rd
240084-06	Vee Street	Vee Street
240084-07	Cedar Lake Subdivision	Penton Dr
240084-08	Biloxi Sports Complex	Wells Dr

In these tables, you will find many terms and abbreviations you might not be familiar with. To help you better understand these terms we've provided the following definitions:

- **Action Level** - the concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
- **Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL)** - The "Maximum Allowed" (MCL) is the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.
- **Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG)** - The "Goal" (MCLG) is the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.
- **Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL)** - The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control microbial contaminants.
- **Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG)** - The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk of health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.
- **Parts per million (ppm) or Milligrams per liter (mg/l)** - one part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.
- **Parts per billion (ppb) or Micrograms per liter** - one part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000.

Test Results – PWS ID#: 0240001

Contaminant	Violation Y/N	Date Collected	Level Detected	Range of Detects or # of Samples Exceeding MCL/ACL	Unit Measurement	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
Inorganic Contaminants								
10. Barium	N	2017	.0053	No Range	ppm	2	2	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits
14. Copper	N	2015/17*	.1	0	ppm	1.3	AL=1.3	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives
16. Fluoride**	N	2017	.35	No Range	ppm	4	4	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
17. Lead	N	2015/17*	3	0	ppb	0	AL=15	Corrosion of household plumbing systems, erosion of natural deposits
Disinfection By-Products								
81. HAA5	N	2017	12	3 – 12	ppb	0	60	By-product of drinking water disinfection
82. TTHM [Total trihalomethanes]	N	2017	40.2	1.99 – 40.2	ppb	0	80	By-product of drinking water chlorination
Chlorine	N	2017	1.1	.3 – 3.5	mg/l	0	MDRL = 4	Water additive used to control microbes
Unregulated Contaminants								
Chloromethane	N	2013*	0.394	No Range	UG/L	0	MRL 0.2	Halogenated alkane; used as foaming agent, in production of other substances, and by-product that can form when chlorine used to disinfect drinking water
Chromium-6	N	2013*	0.045	0.039 – 0.045	UG/L	0	MRL 3.03	Naturally-occurring element; used in making steel and other alloys. Forms are used for chrome plating, dyes and pigments, leather tanning and wood preservation
Strontium	N	2013*	37.346	7.479 – 37.346	UG/L	0.3	MRL 0.3	Naturally-occurring element found in the earth's crust and at low concentrations in seawater, and in some surface and ground water; cobaltous chloride was formerly used in medicines and as a germicide
Vanadium	N	2013*	.258	.21 – .258	UG/L		MRL 0.2	Naturally-occurring elemental metal; used as vanadium pent oxide which is a chemical intermediate and a catalyst

Test Results – PWS ID#: 0240036

Contaminant	Violation Y/N	Date Collected	Level Detected	Range of Detects or # of Samples Exceeding MCL/ACL	Unit Measurement	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
Inorganic Contaminants								
10. Barium	N	2017	.0029	No Range	ppm	2	2	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits
14. Copper	N	2015/17	0	0	ppm	1.3	AL=1.3	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives
16. Fluoride	N	2017	348	No Range	ppm	4	4	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
17. Lead	N	2015/17	1	0	ppb	0	AL=15	Corrosion of household plumbing systems, erosion of natural deposits
19. Nitrate (as Nitrogen)	N	2017	.16	No Range	ppm	10	10	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits
Disinfection By-Products								
81. HAA5	N	2017	14	No Range	ppb	0	60	By-product of drinking water disinfection
82. TTHM [Total trihalomethanes]	N	2017	30.5	No Range	ppb	0	80	By-product of drinking water chlorination
Chlorine	N	2017	1.5	.3 – 3.3	mg/l	0	MDRL = 4	Water additive used to control microbes

Test Results – PWS ID#: 0240084

Contaminant	Violation Y/N	Date Collected	Level Detected	Range of Detects or # of Samples Exceeding MCL/ACL	Unit Measurement	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
Inorganic Contaminants								
8. Arsenic	N	2017	.7	No Range	ppb	n/a	10	Erosion of natural deposits; runoff from orchards; runoff from glass and electronics production waste
10. Barium	N	2017	.0031	No Range	ppm	2	2	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits
13. Chromium	N	2017	1.4	No Range	ppb	100	100	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; erosion of natural deposits
14. Copper	N	2014/16*	.1	0	ppm	1.3	AL=1.3	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives
16. Fluoride	N	2017	.33	No Range	ppm	4	4	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
17. Lead	N	2014/16*	1	0	ppb	0	AL=15	Corrosion of household plumbing systems, erosion of natural deposits
Disinfection By-Products								
81. HAA5	N	2017	10	10	ppb	0	60	By-Product of drinking water disinfection
82. TTHM [Total trihalomethanes]	N	2017	24.9	21.8 – 24.9	ppb	0	80	By-product of drinking water chlorination
Chlorine	N	2017	1.3	.30 – 3	mg/l	0	MDRL = 4	Water additive used to control microbes
Unregulated Contaminants								
Chromium-Total	N	2013*	1.975	No Range	UG/L	0	MRL 3.03	Naturally- occurring element; used in making steel and other alloys. Forms are used for chrome plating, dyes and pigments, leather tanning and wood preservation
Strontium	N	2014*	36.187	8.539 – 36.187	UG/L	0.3	MRL 0.3	Naturally-occurring element found in the earth's crust and at low concentrations in seawater, and in some surface and ground water; cobaltous chloride was formerly used in medicines and as a germicide
Vanadium	N	2013*	2.15	.209 – 2.15	UG/L		MRL 0.2	Naturally-occurring elemental metal; used as vanadium pent oxide which is a chemical intermediate and a catalyst

* Most recent sample. No sample required for 2017.



Frequently asked questions regarding city water service

Why did my bill increase dramatically this month?

You probably have a water leak. It could be a “silent toilet leak,” which, in some cases, has seen customers use an additional 30,000 gallons of water in a month, which can increase the bill by nearly \$200. (Remember, the use of water impacts the sewer and HCUA fees on your bill.)

To determine if you have a “silent toilet leak,” remove the lid off the back of the toilet and pour in food coloring. Do not use or flush the toilet for an hour. If you see colored water in your toilet bowl then you have a leak. Replace the flapper inside the tank.

What is the HCUA fee on my water bill?

This is a fee paid to the Harrison County Utility Authority and is assessed to water and sewer customers in the six municipalities in Harrison County. The fee, which is based on population, is used to repay a pre-Katrina loan to upgrade the sewer plants. These upgrades were necessary to meet new federal and state treatment and standards after Katrina,

Each city chose its method of repayment, and the amount each city owes is based on water usage. Biloxi customers owe \$4.7 million; the loan is scheduled to be paid off in 2033.

For several years, Biloxi, which has the lowest water and sewer rates on the Coast, absorbed the fee but once it created a deficit in water department operations, the fee was added to individual customer’s bills. In short: The more water you use, the higher your sewer and HCUA fee will be.

Why does my water sometimes smell like rotten eggs?

If you do not use a tap in a spare restroom in your home or business for some time, the chemicals that help keep that water clean, namely chlorine, are allowed to settle. Hence, the smell. To avoid the smell, run the water a minute or two. Same for hot water. Sediment that has settled in your hot water heater could be causing the smell.

Why do I sometimes see a fire hydrant open and spewing water onto the curb?

This could be for a number of reasons. It could be to help make sure chlorine is traveling adequately throughout the city water system. The fire department could be testing the hydrant to ensure that it is operating effectively.

Where can I pay my water bill, and what payment methods does the city accept?

You can pay your bill in person, by drive through, at the office, 195 Main St., or at one of the three drop boxes: at the Main Street office, on the north side of City Hall, or at the Woolmarket fire station.

Additionally, you can pay by phone or online via the city website. Payments can be made using cash, check or money order. The city also offers automated draft, where the payment would be drafted from your bank account each month on the due date.

Who do I call about garbage, trash or recycling not being picked up?

Call the number on side of your trash or recycling cart, 228-701-9086. If the response is not satisfactory, contact Craig Ross with the City of Biloxi at 228-435-6271 or cross@biloxi.ms.us.

Frequently Called Numbers

Area code is 228 unless otherwise noted.

- Animal control 392-0641
- Auto Tag/Property Tax Information 435-8242
- Birth Certificates 601-576-7960
- Building Permits 435-6270
- Business Licenses 435-6247
- City Council 435-6257
- City Court 435-6125
- Code Enforcement 435-6270
- Drivers Licenses 396-7400
- Emergency Police and Fire 911
- Garbage Collection 701-9086
- Housing Authority 374-7771
- Human Resources 435-6259
- Mayor’s Office 435-6254
- Museums information 435-6244
- Parks & Recreation 388-7170
- Planning Commission 435-6266
- Public Schools 374-1810
- Streets and Drainage 435-6271
- Visitor Info 374-3105 or 1-800-BILOXI-3
- Water Service 435-6236

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