



PROJECT PROFILE

Project Name/Location: Jean Lafitte Auditorium / Louisiana
 Install Completed: 2016
 Nature of Business: Auditorium for the City of Jean Lafitte
 Grasscrete System: Single Use Molded Pulp Former – Concealed

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PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS/INFORMATION

Description:

In September 2008, Hurricane Ike destroyed the town auditorium while flooding thousands of homes and businesses in Jefferson Parrish. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), funded the new auditorium, however they required that the site be raised out of the flood plain before new construction could begin. Filled with more than nine feet of a local soil known as River Sand, the site was raised, and a pile-supported building was designed for the new 18,000 sf auditorium. Elevating the site resulted in some drainage complications along the parking lot where a steep embankment transitions down to a ball field at the original grade. The hill descended about 7 feet in just 12 feet of distance and with rain runoff in Louisiana’s damp climate, the hill side would likely deteriorate quickly. Once it did it would be potentially dangerous in a highly trafficked area between the schools and library. The Grasscrete Slope Protection System covered with sod was the ideal solution because the root system grown within the voids, thus adding the stabilization necessary for the success of this project. Beyond the ability to be planted naturally, a key to Grasscrete’s success is its overall strength and durability.





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