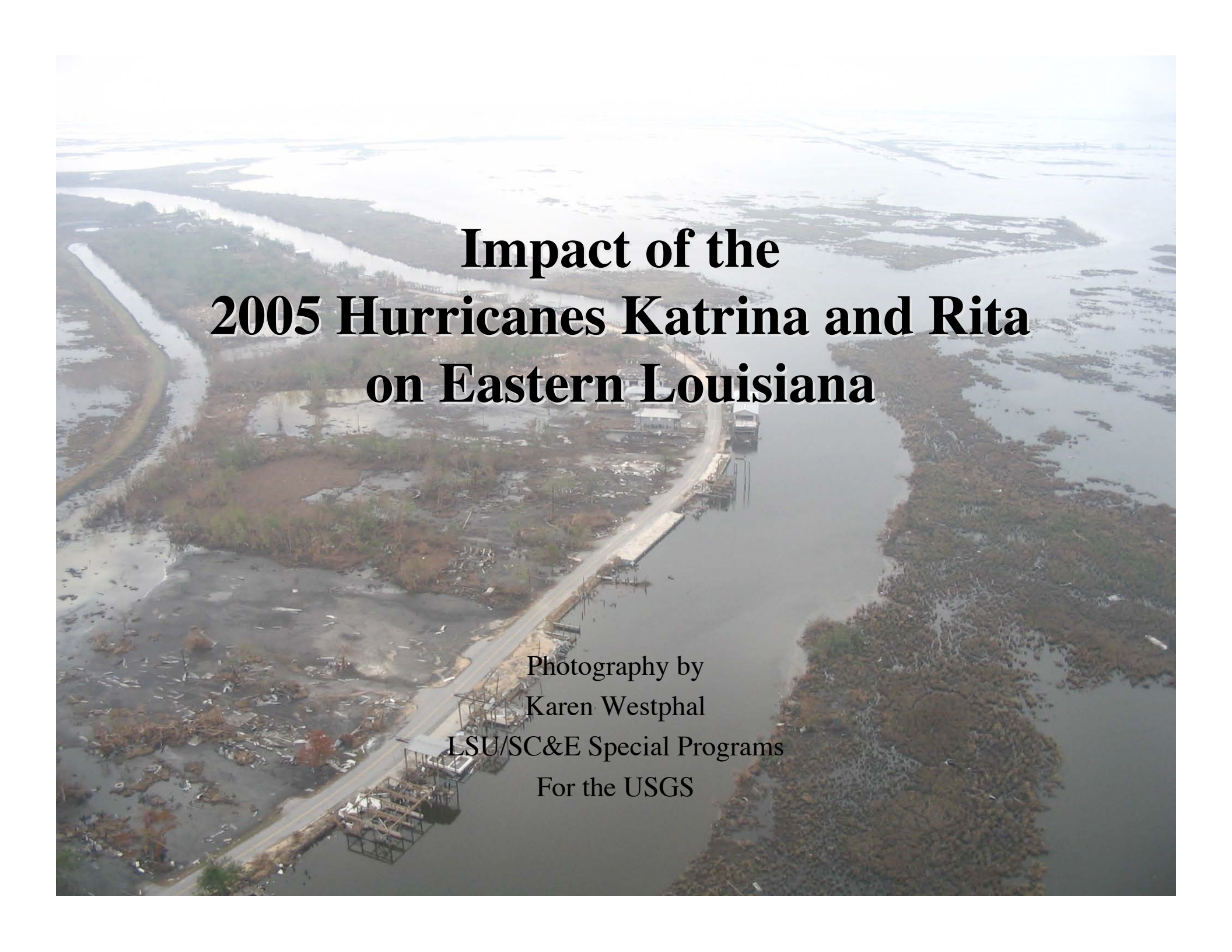
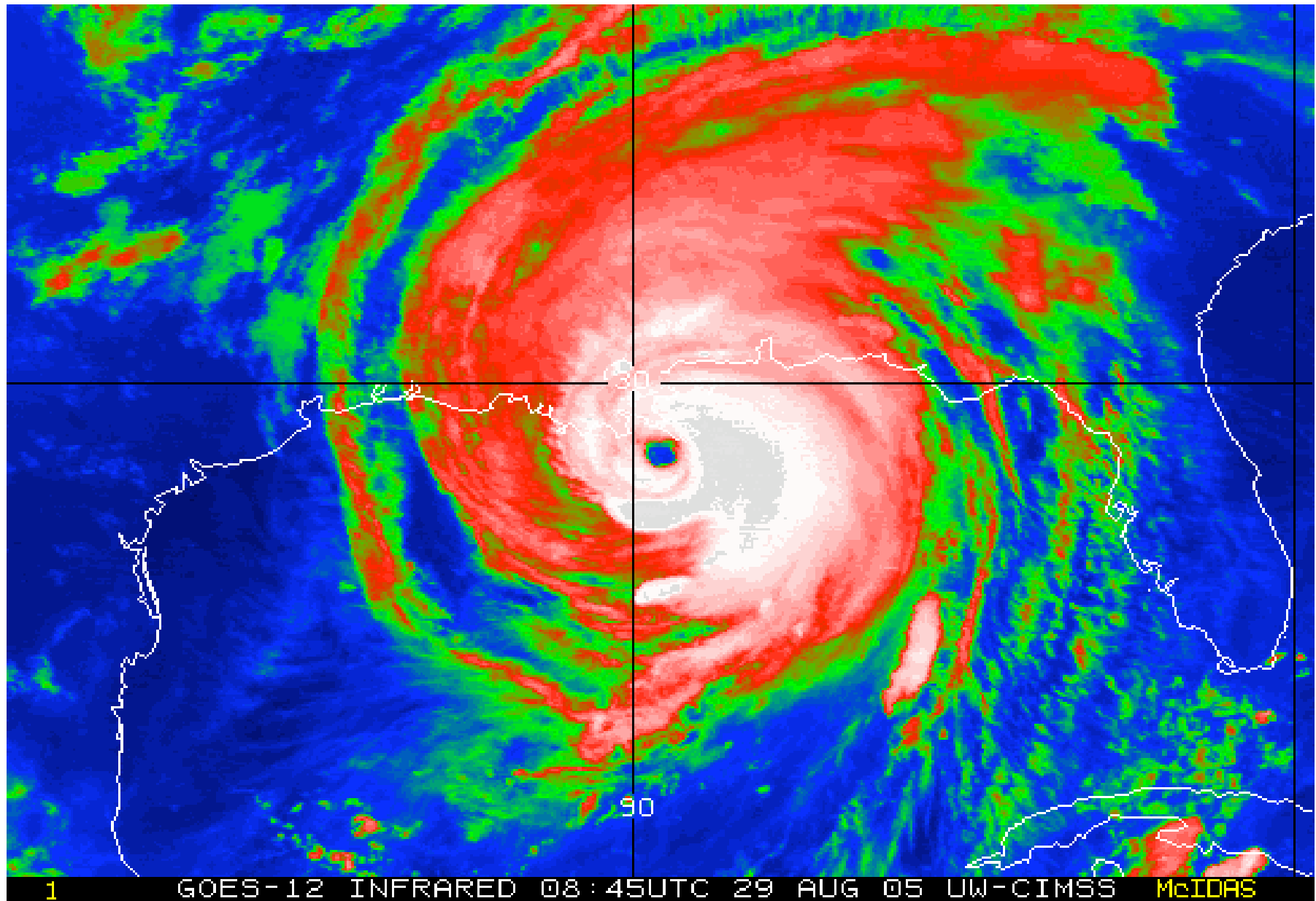


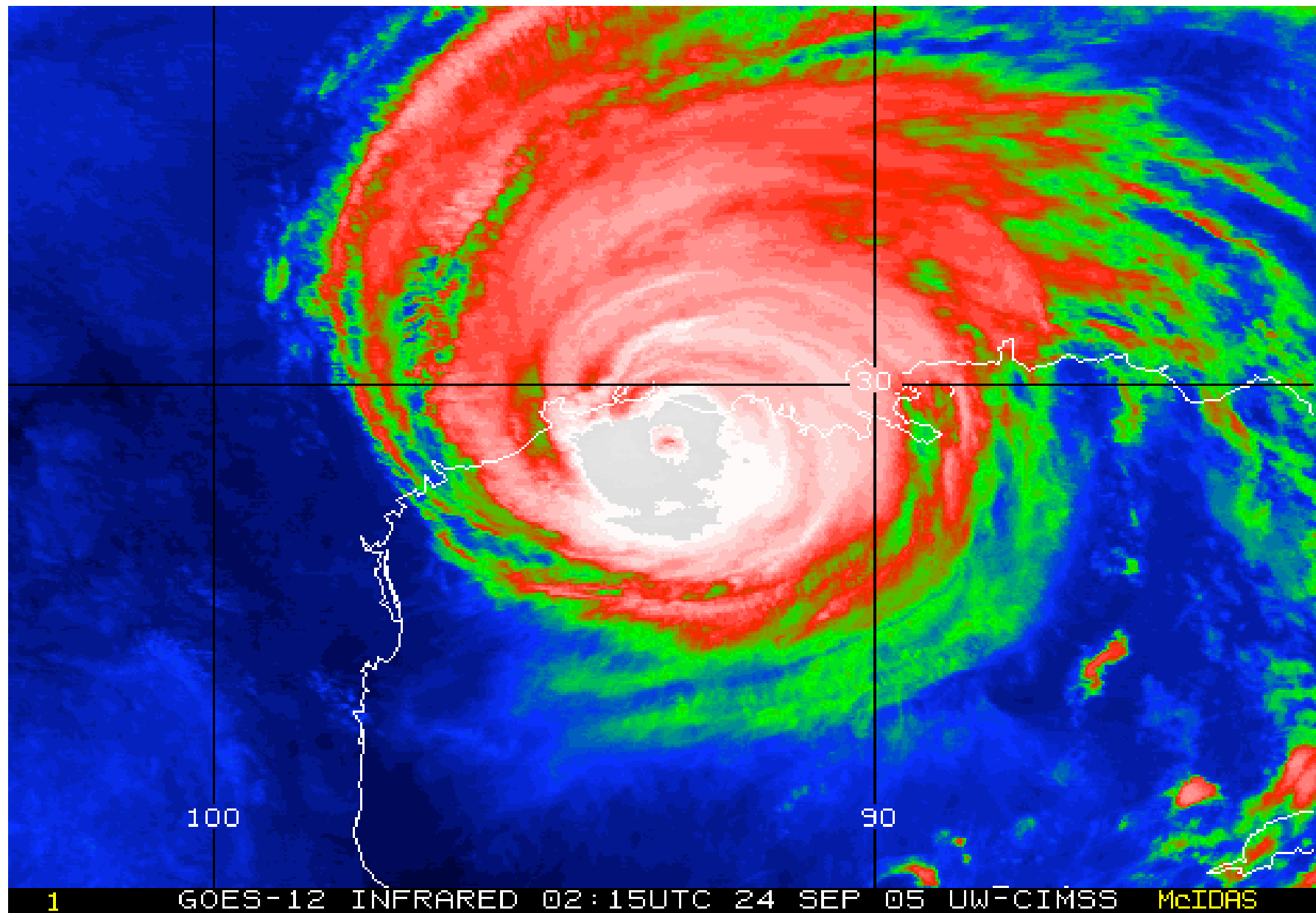
An aerial photograph showing a coastal area heavily impacted by flooding. A road runs diagonally through the center, flanked by large areas of standing water and debris. The water appears murky and brown, likely due to sediment and organic matter. The surrounding land is mostly submerged, with only some patches of vegetation and structures visible. The overall scene depicts the aftermath of a major disaster, such as a hurricane.

Impact of the 2005 Hurricanes Katrina and Rita on Eastern Louisiana

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Hurricane Katrina made landfall on August 29, 2005 along the Louisiana
Plaquemines shoreline,



Hurricane Rita made landfall in western Louisiana near Sabine, TX on September 24, 2005



Marsh damage, St Bernard Parish, Louisiana. - September 30, 2005



Delacroix, St Bernard Parish, Louisiana. - September 30, 2005



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Yscloskey, La. south of Lake Borgne - September 30, 2005



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East bank of the MSR looking north; across from Venice, LA - September 30, 2005



West bank of the MSR looking north; at Venice, LA - September 30, 2005



Venice, La. looking north - September 30, 2005. Notice wrack against levee.



Venice, LA looking north - September 30, 2005



Venice, LA looking north along Highway 23 - September 30, 2005



Venice, LA looking north - September 30, 2005



West levee at Venice, LA looking north - September 30, 2005.
Notice heavy wrack line against levee