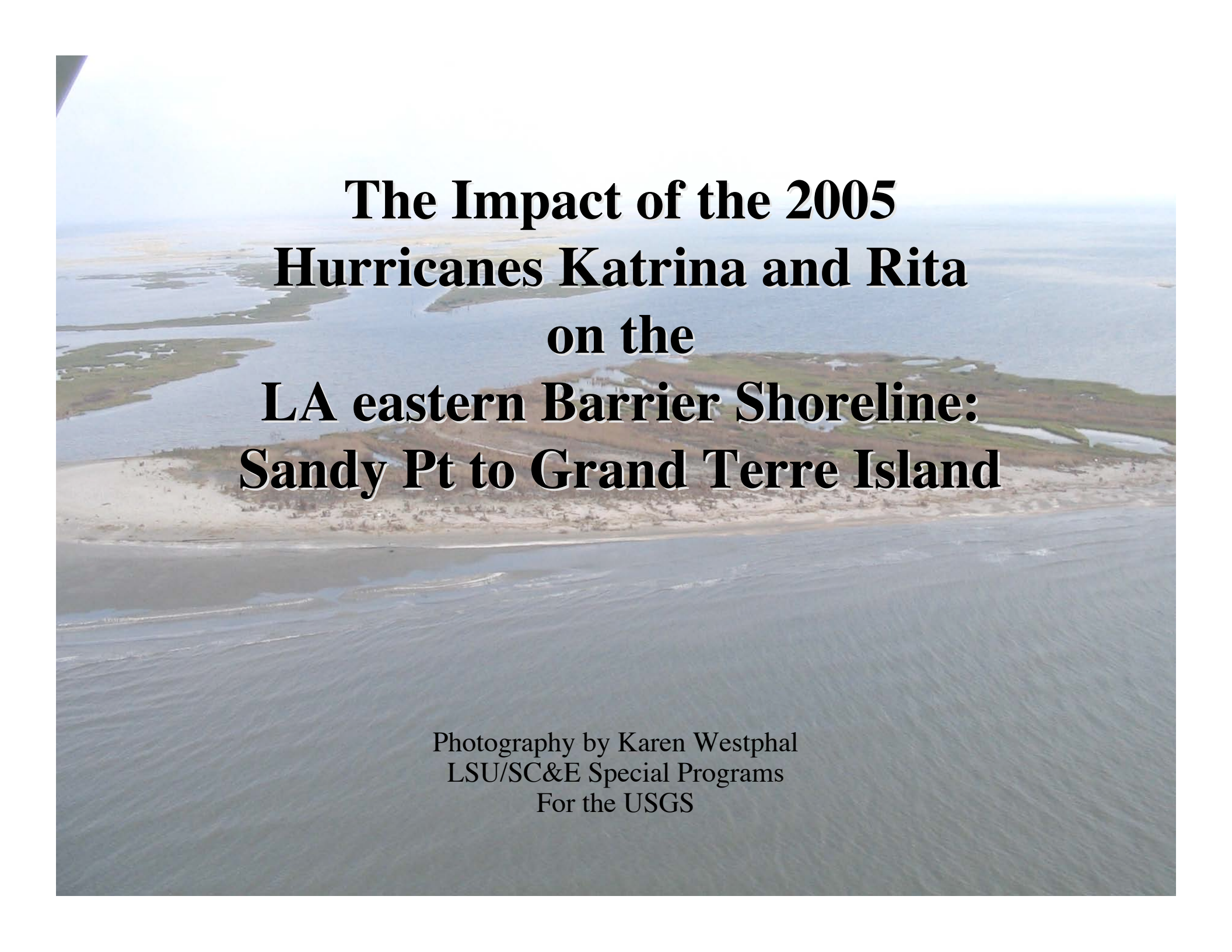
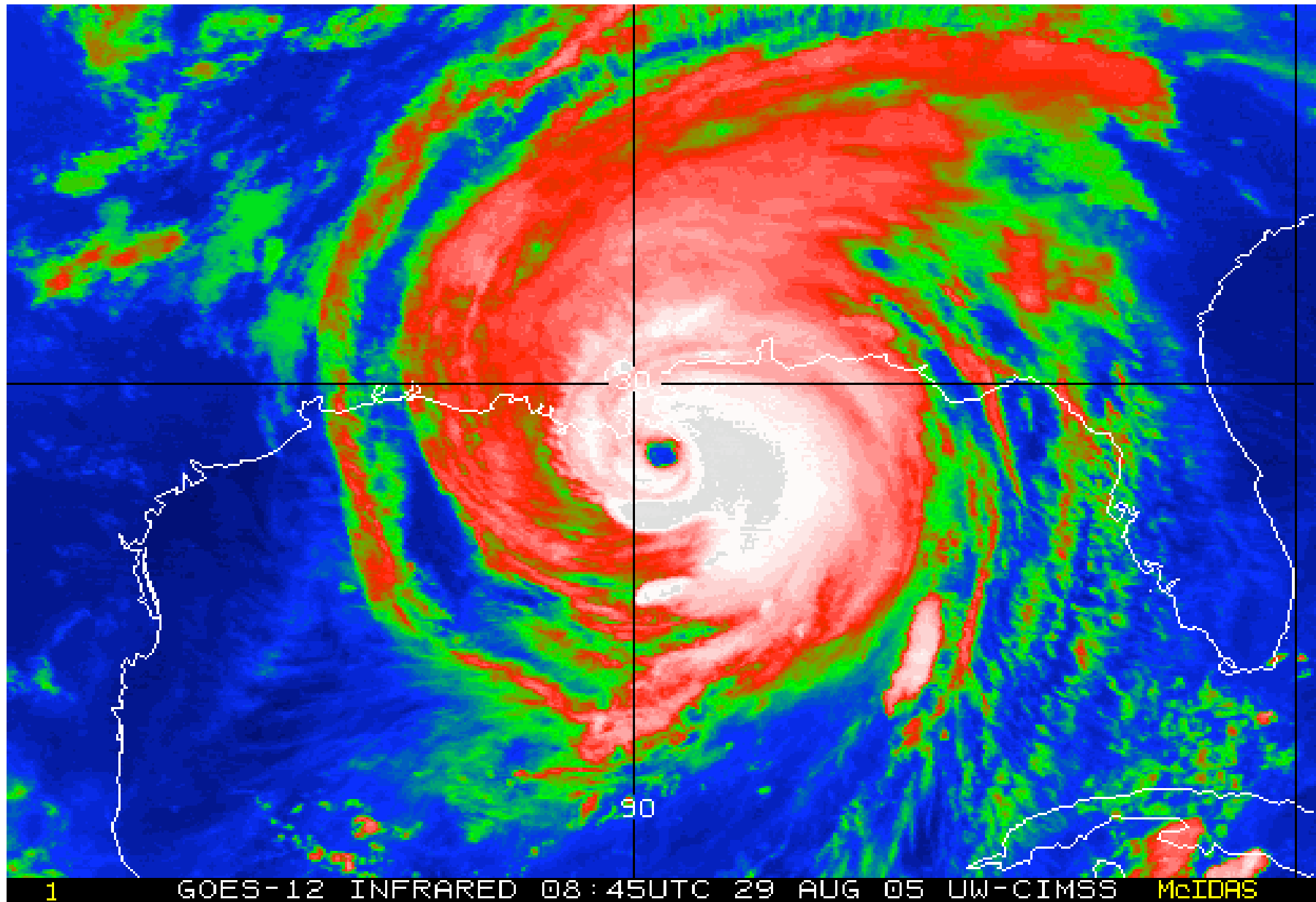


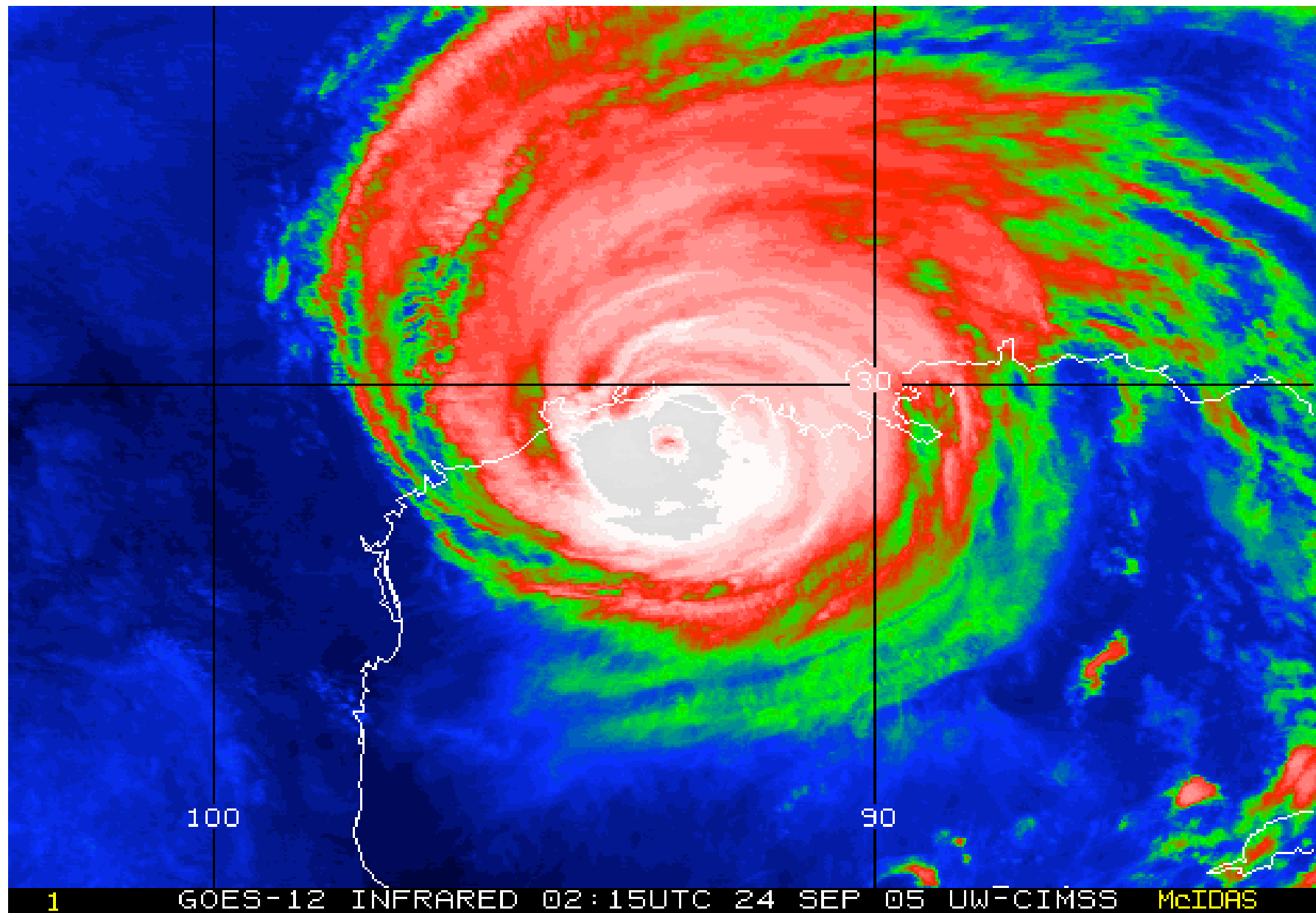
An aerial photograph of a coastal area, likely in Louisiana, showing the impact of hurricanes Katrina and Rita. The image captures a mix of water, sand, and vegetation. In the foreground, there's a wide expanse of water with some small waves. A sandy beach or barrier island runs horizontally across the middle of the frame. Behind the beach, there's a strip of land with some green vegetation and a few small structures. Further back, more water and some distant land are visible under a hazy sky. The overall tone is somewhat muted, with a lot of blue and grey, reflecting the aftermath of a major disaster.

The Impact of the 2005 Hurricanes Katrina and Rita on the LA eastern Barrier Shoreline: Sandy Pt to Grand Terre Island

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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



Sandy Point, looking northwest along the Plaquemines shoreline - September 30, 2005



Camp at Bay Coquette, Plaquemines shoreline- September 30, 2005



Scofield Bayou, Plaquemines shoreline- September 30, 2005



Cypress Bayou, looking north from the Plaquemines shoreline- September 30, 2005



Empire Pass jetties, looking north from the Plaquemines shoreline- September 30, 2005



Bastian Island, looking north from the Plaquemines shoreline- September 30, 2005



Shell Island and Grand Bayou, looking north from the Plaquemines shoreline-
September 30, 2005



Bay Joe Wise and Grand Bayou, looking north from the Plaquemines shoreline-
September 30, 2005



Multiple breaks along Bay Joe Wise. Looking north from the Plaquemines shoreline-
September 30, 2005



Chaland Pass, Plaquemines shoreline- September 30, 2005



Breach into access canals west of Bay Chaland - September 30, 2005



Robinson Canal, Plaquemines shoreline- September 30, 2005



Bay la Mer Canal- September 30, 2005



Breach into Bay la Mer, Plaquemines shoreline- September 30, 2005



Cheniere Ronquille, Plaquemines shoreline- September 30, 2005



East Grand Terre Island - September 30, 2005



West Grand Terre Island looking W - September 30, 2005



West Grand Terre restored marshes - September 30, 2005



West Grand Terre; natural marshes to the left, restoration area to the right -
September 30, 2005



West Grand Terre natural marshes - September 30, 2005



West Grand Terre Island - September 30, 2005



Ft. Livingston on West Grand Terre Island - September 30, 2005