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Washing Away to Air August 29

(GALLIANO, LA, AUGUST 23, 2006) – On the anniversary of Hurricane Katrina, “Washing Away”, the story of Louisiana’s disappearing coastline and how this unfolding crisis affects all of America, will be aired.

Narrated by Academy Award Winner Susan Sarandon, the documentary will premiere statewide in Louisiana Tuesday, August 29 at 8 p.m. and will rebroadcast on Sunday, September 3 at 4 p.m. on Louisiana Public Broadcasting Network (channel 12). The program will air nationally on PBS Thursday, September 7 at 8 p.m.

The documentary looks at the effect that Hurricanes Katrina and Rita have had on Louisiana’s already shrinking coastline. It uses personal stories to show how the storms affected the coastline, their land and their livelihoods. The characters share their stories and their knowledge of the larger impacts of coastal land loss on the environment, wildlife, economics, industry, culture and community.

The story is told through the eyes of six Louisianans, Kerry St. Pe, a marine biologist and Director of the Barataria-Terrebonne National Estuary; Leah Chase, famed New Orleans chef and owner of Dooky Chase Restaurant; Errol Domingue, a sugar cane, rice, cattle and crawfish farmer from Erath; Preston Dore, a shrimper from Delcambre; Marlon Harton, a New Orleans musician; and Ted Falgout, Director of Port Fourchon.

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