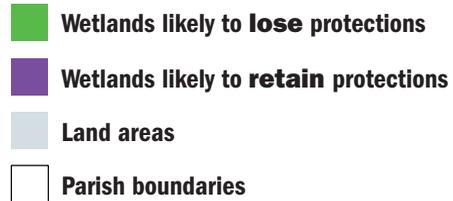


# Louisiana wetlands to lose federal protection

A proposed change from the Environmental Protection Agency would strip huge swaths of wetlands of federal protection. In Louisiana, a state known for its wetlands, a report finds that up to 3.9 million acres of wetlands could lose federal protection.



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