New Orleans City Council candidates to debate water issues

*The Water Runoff event will be held in person Nov. 30 at the Broadside*

At least four of eight New Orleans City Council runoff candidates will meet in person Nov. 30 for a policy-driven debate focusing on topics including green infrastructure, stormwater drainage and flooding, coastal restoration, hurricane protection and Sewerage & Water Board water shut-offs. Another City Council candidate who won election outright will also speak at the event, which will be held at the Broadside from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. The debate is hosted by the Water Collaborative of Greater New Orleans, Urban Conservancy and Coalition to Restore Coastal Louisiana, and it is sponsored by National Wildlife Federation.

Three women who lead New Orleans-based nonprofits will moderate the debate. They are: Jessica Dandridge of the Water Collaborative of Greater New Orleans, Dana Eness of Urban Conservancy and Kim Reyher of the Coalition to Restore Coastal Louisiana.

"Everybody should be here because water impacts every aspect of our lives," said Dandridge. "Whether you're focused on safety, criminal justice, education, food justice or any other issue, water is at the center of it."

The Broadside is located at 600 N. Broad Street in New Orleans. The debate will be from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Nov. 30. Doors will open at 5 p.m. The event is open to the public and media. Food and drinks will be served. To attend, register [here](#).

The runoff will be on December 11.

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*The Coalition to Restore Coastal Louisiana* is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to drive bold, science-based action to rebuild coastal Louisiana through outreach, restoration and advocacy. *The Urban Conservancy* is a leader and collaborator in strengthening our urban environment and local economy through equitable practices, policies and programs. *The Water Collaborative of Greater New Orleans* seeks to build a diverse network for all impacted by flood risk by focusing on equitable practices to sustainably live and thrive with water.

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