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### MEETING SET FOR BROWNFIELDS COMMUNITY ASSESSMENT IN MAMOU

**Mamou, Louisiana:** The Town of Mamou announced today that it will host, in conjunction with Acadiana Planning Commission, a community meeting as a part of its current Brownfields Community Assessment Initiative on Tuesday, August 6, 2024, from 4:00 – 6:00 pm at 94 Main Street, Mamou, LA. The public is invited to attend the meeting.

The Brownfields Community Assessment Initiative identifies and evaluates areas in need of revitalization to stimulate economic growth and enhance the overall quality of life. The initiative is especially focused on properties that are vacant or underutilized where environmental concerns are inhibiting the reuse or expanded use of the site (i.e. Brownfield sites). The meeting is intended to engage residents, business and property owners, local officials and other stakeholders on potential redevelopment opportunities and considerations within the community.

Mayor Leisa Deshotel said, "This meeting brings everyone together to be part of the future of Mamou. Our citizens' input is needed and extremely important. I encourage everyone to attend and join our efforts to develop a community ready for new opportunities and growth."

The meeting will provide information about the Brownfields Community Assessment Initiative. Participants may review maps of the areas targeted for revitalization, ask questions, share suggestions for future development and voice concerns.

The Brownfields Community Assessment program is funded by a grant from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and Louisiana Department on Environmental Quality and is managed by the Acadiana Planning Commission.

For more information about the scheduled community meeting, please contact Kade Jones at [kjones@planacadiana.org](mailto:kjones@planacadiana.org) or (337) 806-9376.

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