

Season Two Trailer

The Gulf Podcast

[Ray Allen]: A lot of people here appreciate that, you know, we're not Lubbock.

<<upbeat violin music comes in and fades underneath the next speaker¹>>

[Jen Brown]: In season two of The Gulf Podcast, we'll be exploring water, one of the most pressing coastal issues.

[Myron Hess]: The freshwater inflow is that master variable that really is kind of the key to the productivity of that whole estuarine system.

[Ray Allen]: We're blessed to have our bays at our front door, and the people who live here understand that. And they understand that good water quality and lack of pollution in the bay system is good for everyone, it's good for business.

[Cindy Loeffler]: Reading *Silent Spring* by Rachel Carson about when everything in the Colorado River here in Texas died, from Austin to the coast, including all the fish in the bay...an event like that certainly gets people's attention that we need to be doing a better job with protecting habitat.

[Andy Sansom]: ...you're always led back to water.

[Eric Kern]: And we got probably ten or fifteen miles down the King Ranch shoreline...all of a sudden, we come across a line and the water turns yellow, orange. They called it brown tide, but it looked almost orange to me.

[Myron Hess]: In Texas, it's a big place. We've got a tremendous diversity of habitats, but water is critical to all of them.

[Paul Montagna]: Everyone understands a two-foot-long redfish (laughs) and holding it up in front of a camera, but how do you take a picture of just some bay water and come to the conclusion, that's great redfish habitat? You know, it's harder. <<music fades out>>

¹ Lee Rosevere, "Biking in the Park," *Music for Podcasts – The Complete Collection*, April 6, 2021, <https://leerosevere.bandcamp.com/track/biking-in-the-park-2>. This song is licensed under a Creative Commons attribution license (CC-BY).

<<rain drops becoming a heavy downpour, alongside slow piano music²>>

[Jen Brown]: Watersheds, a series from The Gulf Podcast, devoted entirely to exploring the master variable for coastal ecosystems: freshwater inflow. <<rain and music fade out>>

<<upbeat violin music>>

[Brown]: You can listen to The Gulf Podcast on Apple Podcasts, Google Podcasts, and all the major platforms as well as on YouTube. You can read episode scripts on our website and follow along on Instagram for the latest updates. And a special thanks to Lee Rosevere for the music.

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