

INTERVIEWEE NAME: Freddie Matherne

IDENTIFICATION (title): Freddie Matherne Interview

INTERVIEWER: Don Davis

DATES: July 2013

FOCUS DATES (dates of things they're talking about): 1930s to 1940s to 2000s, present

SUMMARY: Freddie Matherne takes us on a trip around the bayous and coast of Louisiana in this interview about the changing coastline. He describes navigating the bayous and canals for shrimping, logging, fishing, and crabbing. With 50 years of experience shrimping, he details his process of catching and preserving the best shrimp through knowledge of the waters, cleanliness, boats, and attention to improvements in technology, like cell phones and GPS. Matherne also discusses his interactions with oil companies while shrimping and his work for shrimp drying platforms with his father at a young age. The disappearing coastline and subsequent major changes to lives and communities are prominent themes within this interview. Different types of boats and modifications used for shrimping and crabbing are also discussed.

RECORDINGS (1 of 1, 1 of 2...): 1 of 1.

TOTAL PLAYING TIME: 01:50:15

# PAGES TRANSCRIPT: 36

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