

CANEY BAYOU MOUND

GPS Coordinates: *Latitude: 32.917916 Longitude: -91.771527*

Driving Directions:

- *From US 165, head west on La 140 (Old Bonita Road). Go 7.2 miles to Knox Ferry Road (0.4 mile past Venable Mound); turn right. Go 1.6 miles to marker on left.*
- *From US 425, head northeast on La 140. Go 7.4 miles to Knox Ferry Road; turn left. Go 1.6 miles to marker on left.*

Number of Mounds: *1*

Number of Visible Mounds: *1*

Summer Viewing: *Fair*

Winter Viewing: *Good*



Caney Bayou Mound may be one of the oldest mounds in Louisiana. This dome-shaped mound is now about 5½ feet high, and about 130 by 165 feet at the base. It has one construction stage, but originally was taller than it is today. Although Caney Bayou Mound has been significantly disturbed by years of plowing, it's still an important site on the Mounds Trail because of its antiquity. Projectile points and stone tools found near the mound are from the Archaic period, and no pottery has been found at the site. Based on soil weathering and artifacts, Caney Bayou Mound appears to be as old as 3000 BC. By comparison, the first Egyptian pyramids were constructed in approximately 2800 BC. □