Opportunity Is Knocking
4 hrs after landfall
Population of Towns Impacted:
730,000
+ Parts of Houston

FEMA Storm 36
• 132 mph max winds
• 25 mi radius to max winds
Industrial Risk

Implications are
- Local
- Regional
- National
Elements of the Galveston Bay Park Plan

1. Houston-Galveston industrial complex & West-side Protection to 25 Feet
2. Texas City Levee Raised to 25 Feet
3. Backside Levee around Galveston
4. Elevated FM 3005 and Highway 87 for Evacuation
5. Sand Nourishment for Beach
6. Possible Extension of Galveston Levee to Pelican Island
WILSON TOUCHES A BUTTON AND THE SHIP CHANNEL IS OPENED

WITH BOOM OF CANNON
PORT OF HOUSTON OPENS
TO WORLD'S COMMERCE

Many Notables Present to Witness Formal Opening of Houston's Waterway—Score or More Gaily Decorated Vessels in Port—Perfect Weather Prevails and Thousands Line Banks of the Channel as the Port Is Christened.

Interrupts Cabinet Meeting

The Houston Ship Channel is formally open to the commerce of the world. Amid scene inspiring visions, Port Houston was dedicated at its peak. The day was marked by a joyous occasion. The opening was accompanied by the christening of a ship. The ceremony was followed by a gala banquet attended by many distinguished guests.
Existing Disposal Area Looking West Toward Bayport
WIDENING IS ESSENTIAL
- for safety
- for increased operations

Proposed Widening (700’-900’)

Federal Recommended Plan (Partial Widening)
25% of petrochemical activity in the U.S.

13% of U.S. Refining Capacity (2.2 m bbls)

20% of Texas GDP

200+ Chemical Plants

800,000+ people at Risk
A Jesse Jones Moment