

Jim Blackburn Short Bio 2024

Jim Blackburn is an environmental lawyer and Professor in the Practice in Environmental Law in the Civil and Environmental Engineering Department at Rice University. At Rice, Blackburn is a Faculty Scholar at the Baker Institute and co-director of the Severe Storm Prevention, Education and Evacuation from Disaster (SSPEED) Center and teaches courses in Sustainable Design and Environmental Law. He is currently CEO and Chairman of BCarbon, a carbon credit non-profit registry that was formed from research at the SSPEED Center and the Baker Institute. At SSPEED Center, Blackburn is working on the Galveston Bay Park Plan, an innovative in-bay hurricane surge solution. Among other awards, he was designated a Rice University distinguished alumni laureate in 2018