

# **Coastal Wetlands Planning Protection & Restoration Act**

28<sup>th</sup> Priority Project List



Region 2 Regional Planning Team Meeting

February 1, 2018 Lacombe, LA

### **CWPPRA**

1. Welcome and Introductions



• RPT Region 2 Leader: Brad Inman - USACE

#### Announcements

- Copies of the PPL 28 Selection Process & Schedule available at the sign-in table.
- PPL 28 RPT meetings to accept project nominees:
  - Region IV, Rockefeller Wildlife Refuge, Jan. 30, 2018, 1:00 pm
  - Region III, Port of Morgan City Office, Jan. 31, 2018, 9:30
  - Region II, USFWS SE LA Refuges Complex (Big Branch), Feb. 1, 2018, 10:00 am
  - Region I, USFWS SE LA Refuges Complex, Feb. 1, 2018, immediately following Region II
- For parishes that do not have a voting registration form filled out already Parish representatives must identify themselves during the RPT meetings and **fill out a voting registration form**, including contact information for the primary and secondary voting representatives that will cast votes during the Coastwide Electronic Vote.

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## Region 2 Parishes

- Eligible parishes for basins in Region 2 include:
- Barataria Basin
  - Plaquemines Parish
  - Jefferson Parish
  - Orleans Parish
  - Ascension Parish
  - Assumption Parish
  - St. James Parish
  - St. Charles Parish
  - Lafourche Parish
  - St. John the Baptist Parish
- Breton Sound Basin
  - Plaquemines Parish
  - St. Bernard Parish



## **RPT Meetings**

- Project proposals should be consistent with the 2017 State Master Plan.
- · A project can only be nominated in one basin except for coastwide projects
- Proposals that cross multiple basins, excluding coastwide projects, shall be nominated in one basin only, based on the majority area of project influence.
- If similar projects are proposed within the same area:
  - RPT representatives (CWPPRA agencies and only the parishes located within the project's basin) will determine if those projects are sufficiently different
    - · If sufficiently different:
      - · Each project will move forward
    - · If not sufficiently different:
      - · Projects will be combined
      - · Federal sponsor will be determined prior to coastwide vote (February 27th).
  - This decision will be made at the meeting where the projects are proposed



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## **RPT Meetings**

- Presenters without factsheets MUST complete a PPL 28 Nomination Sign-Up Sheet for <u>each</u> project nominee (demo projects too).
- Presenters with factsheets, please give a factsheet each to Kaitlyn, Michelle & Lonnie <u>before</u> your presentation.
- Limit project proposals to 5 minutes and Powerpoint presentations to 5 slides.
- Public comments on project proposals will be accepted orally during the RPT meetings and in writing by February 20, 2018.
- Limit comments/questions during meeting to PPL 28 subject proposals and processes.



## Coastwide Projects

- Proposes a technique applicable across the coast (e.g. vegetative planting)
- · Nominated at any RPT meeting
- All coastal parishes & agencies will vote on selection of coastwide nominee
- Only one coastwide nominee may be selected from the coastwide nominee pool during the Electronic Coastwide Vote on February 27, 2018.
- The Technical Committee may or may not select a coastwide project in April 2018.



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### **Demonstration Projects**

- Demonstrates a technology which can be transferred to other areas in coastal Louisiana
- Engineering/Environmental Workgroups will validate that demos fit CWPPRA Standard Operating Procedures criteria
- The RPTs select up to 6 demos during the February 27th Coastwide Electronic Vote.
- The Technical Committee selects up to 3 demos in April 2018.
- Workgroups may recommend that no demos move forward to candidate stage
- Previous demo candidates must be *re-nominated* for PPL 28.



#### Coastwide Electronic Vote (Feb. 27th) to select:

#### **Projects per Basin**

(Determined by loss rates, the highest loss rates have the most projects)

- 4 Barataria
- 4 Terrebonne
- 3 Breton Sound
- 3 Pontchartrain
- 2 Mermentau
- 2 Calcasieu/Sabine
- 2 Teche/Vermilion
- 1 Atchafalaya
- 1 Coastwide
- 22 Total

& up to 6 demos

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### Coastwide Electronic Vote

- Each officially designated parish representative, each Federal agency, and the State (CPRA) will have one vote.
- No additional projects can be nominated after the RPTs.
- No significant changes to projects proposed at the first round of RPT meetings will be allowed (this includes combining projects).
- Public comments will be heard today and written comments must be submitted by February 20, 2018.



## Coastwide Electronic Voting Process

- USACE will send out voting sheets as both Excel spreadsheet and PDF documents 1 week prior to the Coastwide Electronic Vote. Voters will only receive voting sheets for the basins that they are eligible to vote for & the column that they need to mark their vote will be highlighted. Voting instructions will be provided with the voting sheets.
- Voters must email their voting sheets to <u>kaitlyn.m.carriere@usace.army.mil</u>

All votes must be received by 10:30 am on February 27, 2018.



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### Nominee Project Evaluations

- Following the Coastwide Electronic Vote, an agency will be assigned to each project to prepare a Nominee Project factsheet (1 page + map).
- CWPPRA Engineering & Environmental Workgroups review draft features and assign preliminary cost and benefit ranges.
- Work groups will also review demo & coastwide projects and verify that they meet PPL 28 criteria.



## PPL 28 Candidate Project Selection

Candidates evaluated between May and October

- Workgroups conduct site visits and meetings to identify needs and establish project baselines and boundaries.
- Workgroups determine benefits, project features, and cost estimates



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## PPL 28 Candidate Project Evaluation & Selection

- Coastwide Electronic Vote, Feb. 27, 2018
  - 21 basin-project nominees, 1 coastwide nominee, and 6 demos selected
- Technical Committee Mtg, Apr. 12, 2018, Baton Rouge
  - Selection of 10 candidates and up to 3 demos
- Technical Committee Mtg, Dec. 6, 2018, Baton Rouge
  - Typically recommend up to 4 projects for Phase 1 funding
- Task Force Mtg, Jan. 2019, New Orleans
  - Final Selection of projects for Phase 1 funding



#### **Written Comments**

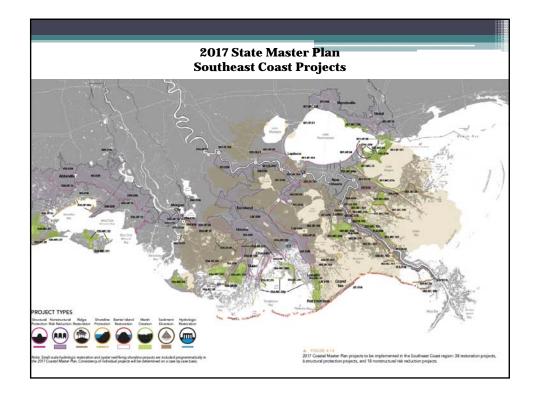
- Send written comments on projects & demos proposed today to the CWPPRA program manager
- Deadline: February 20, 2018

Brad Inman CWPPRA Program Manager U.S. Army Corps of Engineers 7400 Leake Avenue New Orleans, Louisiana 70118

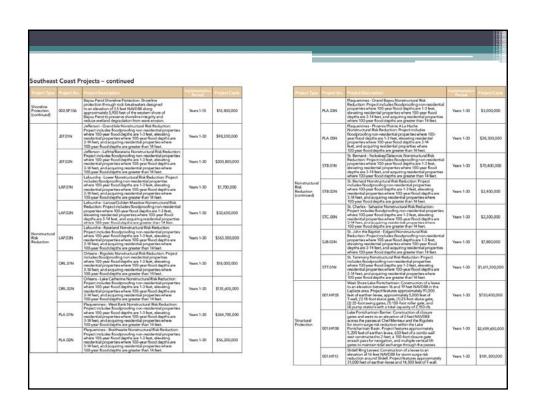
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Hydrologic Restoration	001.HR.100	LaBranche Hydrologic Restoration: Construction of a 750 cts hybrid pumpo-siphon structure, intake structure, and an approximantely 1 mile long conveyance system to LaBranche wetlands via the Mississics filter for restorate the historically fresh	Veers 1-10	\$80,900,000	Siting and Michigan	001,01.100	Manchac Landbridge Diversion: A structure in the existing western spillway guide levies to divert 2,000 of their bly increasing feshwater exchange with adjacent wetlands. Union Freehwater Diversion: Diversion histo West Mausepas a wearpness Parmide to provide sediment.	Wears 1-10	\$146,200,0
	001.MC.05	to intermediate marshes. Features also include a conveyance channel, nodeway, and railroad crossings. New Orleans East Landbridge Retoration: Creation of approximately 11,600 acres of marsh in New Orleans East Landbridge to create new wetland habitat and restore de-gloaded marsh.	Years 1-10	\$396,500,000		001.04.102	for emergene men's creation and freel/water and fine sediment to author existing wetterfold, 25,000 cfs sediment to author existing wetterfold, 25,000 cfs capacity (modeled at 25,000 cfs when Massappi River flow equals 400,000 cfs; dosed when niver flow is below 200,000 cfs or show e00,000 cfs, a variable flow rate calculated using a linear function from 0 to 25,000 cfs or show the between 200,000 cfs.	Years 1-10	\$876,700,0
Marsh Creation	001.MC.13	Golden Triangle Marsh Creation: Creation of approximately 3,900 acres of marsh in Golden Triangle Marsh between the MROO and GNWV to create new welfand habitat and rectors degraded marsh.	Years 1-10	\$273,700,000	Sediment		and 400,000 cfs and held constant at 25,000 cfs for river flow between 400,000 cfs and 600,000 cfs).  Mid-Breton Sound Diversion: Sediment diversion		
	001.MC.108	Guste Island Marsh Creation: Creation of approximately 700 acres of marsh in St. Tammany Parish along the northwest Lake Portchartain shoreline to create new wetland habitat and restore degraded marsh.	Years 1-10	\$64,400,000	(continued)	001.01.104	into Mid-Breton Sound in the vicinity of Whate's Ditch to build and maintain land, 35,000 cfs capacity throdelied at 35,000 cfs when the Mississippi River flow equals 1,000,000 cfs, flow rate calculated using a Reser function for river flow from 200,000 cfs	Years 1-10	\$479,100,0
Ridge Restoration	001.RC.100	Bayou Terre aux Boeufs Bidge Restoration: Restoration of approximately 91,200 feet of historic ridge to an elevation of 5 feet NMVDDB to provide costatil upland habitat, restore natural hydrology, and provide were and storm surge attenuation along (Buyou Terre aux Boeufs.	Years 1-10	\$15,200,000			to 1,000,000 cfs; flows variable above 1,000,000 cfs; 5,000 cfs minimum flow maintained when Missinsippi River flow is below 200,000 cfs).  Miss Bankans Diversion: Sediment diversion into Mid-		
	001,RC103	Carlula Ridge Restoration: Restoration of approximately 38,200 feet of historic ridge to an elevation of 5 feet NAVDB8 to provide coastal upland habitat, restore natural hydrology, and provide wave and stom surge attenuation near Carlinia.	Years 1-10	\$9,300,000		002.04102	Barataria near Myrthe Grove to build and maintain land, 75,000 ch capacity invokaled at 5,000 ch for Mississippi River Flows below 200,000 ch; variable Rivers to capacity between 200,000 and 1,250,000 ch calculated using a linear function; diverts exactly 75,000 ch when files year or 1,250,000 ch.	Years 1-10	\$998,800,0
	002.RC.101	Adams Bay Ridge Restoration: Bestoration of approximately 31,600 feet of historic ridge to an elevation of 5 feet tNAVDBI to provide coastal upland habitat, restore natural hydrology, and provide wave and storm surge attenuation along Adams Bay.	Years 1-10	\$7,200,000		001.SP01	Manchac Landbridge Shoreline Protection: Shoreline protection through 100k breakwaters designed to an elevation of 3.5 feet NAVD38 along approximately 5, 900 feet of the west side of Lake Protecharton control of Peas Manchac near Stirikins	Years 1-10	\$11,600,00
	002.RC.102	Bayou Eau Noire Ridge Restoration: Restoration of approximately 34,800 feet of historic cidge to an elevation of 5 feet NAVOSE to provide coastal upland habitat, restore natural hydrology, and provide wave and storm surge attenuation along Bayou Eau Noire.	Years 1-10	\$9,800,000			Bayou to preserve shoreline integrity and reduce weekland degradation from wave erosion. Unknown Pass to Rigolets Shoreline Protection: Shoreline protection through rock breakwaters designed to an elevation of 3.5 feet NAVDBS along		
	002.RC.103	Grand Bayou Ridge Restoration: Restoration of agroxymately 45(100 feet of historic ridge to an elevation of 5 feet NAVDS8 to provide coastal upland habitat, restore natural hydrology, and provide wave and storm surge attemation along Grand Bayou.	Years 1-10	\$10,300,000		001.SP101	approximately 2,000 feet of the east side of the New Orleam Landbridge from Unknown Pass to the Rigolets to preserve shoreline integrity and reduce wetland degradation from wave strosion.	Years 1-10	\$5,200,00
Sediment Diversion	001.04.02	using attenuation along Grand Bayou.  Lower Breach Diversions: Sediment disension of \$0,000 cfs into Lower Breach Sound to build and maintain land Imadeled at \$0,000 cfs for river Bows at \$1,000,000 cfs variable Bows above 200,000 cfs calculated using a Finant Function up to \$1,000,000 cfs.	Vears 1-10	\$383,200,000	Shoreline Protection	001.SP304	LaBranche Wertunds Storeline Protection: Shoreline protection through not be advanted selegized to an elevation of 3.5 feet NAVIOBS along approximately 11,100 feet of the southern through of Lisia Protechartrain near the LaBranche werllands to preserve shoreline integrity and reduce werlland disroptionation from www.erosion.	Years 1-10	\$23,100,00
		variable flow rate (larger than 50,000 cfs, estimated using linear extrapolation) for river flow above 1,000,000 cfs. No operation below 20,000 cfs.  Central Wetlands Diversion: Diversion into Central				002.SP.100	Lake Hermitage Shoreline Protection: Shoreline protection through rock breakwaters designed to an elevation of 3.5 feet NAVDBS along approximately 6,500 feet around the southern shore of Lake Hermitage to preserve shoreline integrity and motuse	Years 1-10	\$14,500,00
	001.D4.18	Wetlands near Violet to provide sediment for energent marsh creation and freshwater to sustain selsting wetlands, 5,000 cfs capacity (modeled at a constant flow of 5,000 cfs, independent of the Mississippi River flow).	Years 1-10	\$231,000,000			Hermitage to preserve shoratine integrity and include welfand degradation from wave enrosion.  East Snail Bay Shoneline Protection: Shoreline protection through rock breaksasters designed to an elevation of 3.5 feet NAVDBB along approximately		
	001.04.21	East Maurepas Diversion: Diversion into East Maurepas near Angelina to provide sediment for emergent manh creation and freshwater to sustain existing welfands, 2,000 ch capacity incodeled at a constant flow of 2,000 ch, independent of the Missis pipel River flow).	Years 1-10	\$184,900,000		002.5P.102	7,300 feet of the north-eastern shore of Snall Bay south of Little Lake to preserve shoreline integrity and reduce wetland degradation from wave erosion.	Years 1-10	\$15,400,00



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	Propert Na.			Propert Code	Propert Type	Project No.	Project Concruits-	Name and Address of the Owner, where	Transmit Co.
Structural Protection (continued)	002HP:06	Upper Barnaraia Risk Reduction: Construction of a larves to an elevation between 12.5 and 15 feet NW/ORG along Highway 90 between the West Bark and Larous Project Induses 2013/30/feet of earther leves, 8,200 feet of F-wall, (8) 10-hoot studies gates, (11) 250-foot barge gates, (2) 40-hoot swing gates, and (8) pump stations with a state (appear) of 6,837 cfs.	Years 1-30	\$940,900,000	Ridge Restoration (continued)	002.RC 100	Red Pass Ridge Restoration: Restoration of approximately 23,000 feet of historic ridge southwest of Verrice to provide coastal upland habitat, restore natural hydrology, and provide were and storm surge at tenuation along the banks of Red Pass. Ama Diversion: Sediment diversion into Upper Barataria	Years 11-30	\$3,500,000
	03aHP20	Larose to Golden Meadow: Improvements to the existing Larose to Golden Meadow leves system; including sitting to an elevation between 12 and 21 feet NAVDBE. Project features approximately 2479700 feet of earther levee and approximately 6,700 feet of T-wall.	Years 1-30	\$355,500,000	Sediment Oversion	001.04.101	near Anna to provide sed then the emergent mush creation and freshwater to sustain existing welfands, 50,000 cfs capacity (modeled at 50,0000 cfs when the Mississopi River flow equals 1,000,000 cfs, open with a variable flow rate calculated using a linear function from 0 to 50,000 cfs for mer flow between 200,000 cfs and 1,000,000 cfs, diverties exactly 50,000 cfs	Years 11-30	\$882,400,00
Marsh Creation	001.MC.05	New Orleans East Landbridge Restoration: Creation of approximately 2, 1800 acres of marsh in New Orleans East Landbridge to create new wetland habitat and restore degraded marsh.	Years 11-30	\$1,106,700,000			chi and 1,000,000 ch, diverti seactly 50,000 ch when the Mississippi River flow is 1,000,000 ch; and openwith a variable flow rate (larger than 50,000 ch; estimated using linear entargolation) for river flow above 1,000,000 ch. No operation below 200,000 ch;		
	001.MC.06+	Breton Marsh Creation - Component A: Creation of approximately 12,000 acres of marsh in the Breton Marsh east of Delacropic Island to create new wetland habitat and restone degraded marsh.	Years 11-30	\$982,400,000	Shoreline Protection	002.SP.103	West Snail Bay Shoreline Protection: Shoreline protection through took breakwaters designed to an elevation of 3.5 feet NAVOBB along approximately 16,600 feet of the western shoreline of Snail Bay south of Little Lake	Years 11-30	\$30,000,000
	001.MC.07a	Lake Borgne Marsh Creation - Component A: Creation of approximately 5,900 acres of marsh along the south shoreline of Lake Borgne near Proctors Point to create new wetland habitat and restore degraded marsh.	Years 11-30	\$271,790,000	10000000	-	to preserve shoreline integrity and reduce wetland degradation from wave erosion.  St. Charles - Hahmville/Luling Nonstructural Risk		
	001.MC.08e	Central Wetlands Marsh Creation - Component A: Creation of approximately 2,800 acres of marsh in Central Wetlands near Bayou Bienvenue to create new wetland habbat and restore degraded marsh.	Years 11-30	\$122,300,000	Nonstructura	STC.01N	Reduction: Project includes Boodproofing non-residential properties where 100-year flood depths are 1-3 feet, elevating residential properties where 100-year flood depths are 3-14 feet, and acquiring residential properties where 100-year flood depths are greater than 14 feet.	Years 31-50	\$829,500,000
	001.MC.102	Pointe a la Hache Marsh Creation: Creation of approximately 13,700 area of marsh on the eastbank of Plaquemines Parish near Pointe a la Hache to create new watland habitat and restore degraded marsh.	Years 11-30	\$647,800,000	Risk Reduction	STLIDZN	James - Vacherie Nonstructural Risk Reduction: Proyect includes Boodproofing non-residential properties where 100-year Bood depths are 1-3 feet, elevating residential properties where 100-year Bood depths are	Years 31-50	\$3,900,000
	001.MC.104	East Bank Land Bridge Marsh Creation: Creation of approximately 2,700 acres of marsh in Plaquemines Parish between Grand Lake and Lake Lery to create new wetland habitat and restore degraded marsh.	Years 11-30	\$154,200,000			3-14 feet, and acquiring residential properties where 100-year flood depths are greater than 14 feet. Greater New Orleans High Level Improvements of		
	001.MC.105	Spanish Lake Marsh Creation: Creation of approximately 800 acres of marsh in Plaquernines Parish along the eastern shore of Spanish Lake to create new wetland habitat and restore degraded marsh.	Years 11-30	\$59,900,000	Structural Protection	001.HP.04	existing Humicane and Storm Carrage Bisk Reduction System is view surrounding the East Bank of Greater New Orleans to elevations between 19 and 35 feet NAVOBB. Project features approximately 202,000 feet of Evall leves and approximately 242,100 feet of E-wall.	Years 31-50	\$2,222,700,00
	001.MC.106	St. Tammany Manh Creation: Creation of approximately 6,700 acres of marsh in St. Tammany Parish along the northern shore of Lake Poinchartrain to create new wetland habitat and restore degraded mansh.	Years 11-30	\$199,300,000		001.MC.101	Uhan Bay Marsh Creation: Creation of approximately 700 acres of marsh on the east bank of Flaquemines. Parish around Uhlan Bay to create new wetland. Pabitat and nestore degraded marsh.	Years 31-50	\$29,000,000
	001.MC.107	Tiger RidgerMaple Knoll Marsh Creation: Chaetion of approximately 4,700 agree of marsh in Plaquemines Farsh near Tiger Ridge to create new wetland habitat and restore degraded marsh.	Years 11-30	\$214,600,000	Marsh Creation	001.MC.102	Points a la Hache Marsh Creation Creation of approximately 5,400 acres of marsh on the east bank of Plaqueminss Parish near Portita is la Haden to create new welfand habitat and restore degraded marsh.	Years 21-50	\$353,700,000
	002 MC 05e	Large-Scale Barat aria Manh Cheation - Component E: Creation of approximately 12,900 acres of meth in the Bestaria Basin south of the Pen to the Barataria Landbridge to create new welfand habitat and restore degraded menh.	Years 11-30	\$674,500,000	7	002.MC.04a	Lower Baratania Marsh Creation - Component A: Creation of approximately 7,400 acres of marsh in Jefflerson Panish on the east shore of Little Lake and Turtle Bay to create new sentiand habitat and restore degraded marsh	Years 31-50	\$709,500,000
Ridge Restoration	001.RC.01	Beyou LaLoutre Ridge Restoration: Restoration of approximately 108,700 feet of his tonic ridge to an elevation of 5 feet NAVD88 to provide coastal upland habitat, restore natural hydrology, and provide wave and storm surge attenuation along Beyou LaLoutre.	Years 11-30	\$20,200,000					
	002.RC.02	Spanish Pass Ridge Restoration: Restoration of approximately 46,000 feet of historic nidge to an elevation of 5 feet NM/VDB to provide costall upland habitat, restore natural hydrology, and provide wave and storm ourge attenuation west of Venice along the banks of Spanish Pass.	Years 11-30	\$11,600,000					



#### ATTENDANCE RECORD



DATE	SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	LOCATION
February 1, 2018 10:00 A.M.	COASTAL WETLANDS PLANNING, PROTECTION AND RESTORATION ACT	USFWS SE LA Refuges Complex 61389 Hwy 434 Lacombe, LA 70445
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#### **PURPOSE**

#### MEETING OF THE REGIONAL PLANNING TEAM REGION I & 2

	PARTICIPANT REGISTER*	
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proof Crawford	USEPA	214 665 7253
Sharon Osowshi	US EPA	214-665-2506
Jason Smith	Jefferson Parish Coastal Division	504 731-4625 Smith@ Jeffpavish.net
Sinead Borchert	CWPPRA	337-266-8626
Ronny Gille	FWS	337-291-3117
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Jason Knoll	NUAA	2257575411
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Ron Bowtany	NRCS	337 291-3067
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Carol Giardina	LCCA	504.331.5326
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February 1, 2018
10:00 A.M.

COASTAL WETLANDS PLANNING, PROTECTION
AND RESTORATION ACT

USFWS SE LA Refuges
Complex
61389 Hwy 434
Lacombe, LA 70445

#### **PURPOSE**

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NAME	PARTICIPANT REGISTER*	
NAME	JOB TITLE AND ORGANIZATION	PHONE NUMBER
Charles Saven	LSU	225 578 63 75
Alisha Renfro	National wildlife Federation	564-512-1014
John Bootman	NRCS	985-331-9084
Thomas Milain	CPRA	225 342-6307
PETER LOLE	FUERO	504-464-5355
BARRET FORTIER	USFWS	985882.2011
Paniel Breaux	USFUS	965-882-2030
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Michael Backer, or	MARINE GARDENS	504 430 8900
Tyler Ditego	ORA Technologies	225-372-572
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Amarde your	Catorish Parish Gov 4	935-493-6616
Amanda Phillips	Edward Wisner Donation	504-210-1152
Gary Starton	Southeestery	9855492886
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## **REGION 2 – BARATARIA BASIN**

Project Number	Project Proposals
R2-BA-01	Grand Pierre Island Restoration
R2-BA-02	Barataria Bay Waterway East Marsh Creation
R2-BA-03	East Golden Meadow Marsh Creation
R2-BA-04	Bayou eau Noire Ridge and Marsh Creation
R2-BA-05	Three Bayou Bay Marsh Creation
R2-BA-06	North Fourchon Marsh Creation
R2-BA-07	Grand Bayou Ridge and Marsh Restoration
R2-BA-08	East Bayou Lafourche
R2-BA-09	Buras Boat Harbor Marsh Creation - Increment 1 inconsistent with 2017 State Master Plan
R2-BA-10	East Pen Shoreline and Marsh Restoration

# R2-BA-01 Grand Pierre Island Restoration

#### PPL28 PROJECT NOMINEE FACT SHEET February 1, 2018

#### **Project Name**

Grand Pierre Island Restoration

#### Louisiana's 2017 Coastal Master Plan

Barrier Island/Headland Restoration - 002.BH.04

#### **Project Location**

Region 2, Barataria Basin, Plaquemines Parish

#### Problem

As part of the Barataria Barrier Shoreline, Grand Pierre Island is dominated by marine processes including overwash. The island has receded rapidly and decreased in elevation. The extent of fragmentation is not as advanced as other island projects; therefore, the present island status may lend itself to greater ease of construction and cost effectiveness. The land loss rate is -0.27% based on data from 1985 to 2009 in the Barataria Barrier Island LCA mapping subunit. The 1884 to 2000 Gulf shoreline erosion rate is -50.6 ft/yr and is -46.8 ft/yr from 1988 to 2000.

#### Goals

The project goal is to create and/or nourish approximately 330 acres (305 acres created and 25 acres nourished) of emergent brackish marsh using sediment from a nearshore Gulf borrow area.

#### **Proposed Solution**

The proposed features consist of constructing 127 acres of beach/dune and create and enhance 229 acres (93 acres creation and 136 acres nourishment) of back-barrier marsh. Sediment would be mined from nearshore borrow sites in the Gulf of Mexico. The project includes planting dune, swale, and marsh vegetation as well as construction of sand fences.

#### **Preliminary Project Benefits**

- What is the total acreage benefited both directly and indirectly? This total project area is 356 acres. Some indirect benefits to marsh north of the proposed restoration footprint may result.
- 2) How many acres of wetlands will be protected/created over the project life?

  Between 200 and 258 acres of barrier island habitat will be protected/created over the project life are estimated at this time.
- What is the anticipated loss rate reduction throughout the area of direct benefits over the project life (e.g., 50% reduction in the background loss rate)?
  Using a 50% reduction in the background rate, 258 acres would remain. A performance analysis has not yet been projected for Grand Pierre. Alternatively, 57% of the target year 1 constructed acres are projected to remain at year 20 based upon the average from all island projects (i.e., 200 acres).
- 4) Do any project features maintain or restore structural components of the coastal ecosystem such as barrier islands, natural or artificial levee ridges, beach and lake rims, cheniers, etc? Yes, the project restores a barrier island.

- 5) What is the net impact of the project on critical and non-critical infrastructure? The project will have a minor net positive effect on non-critical infrastructure.
- 6) To what extent does the project provide a synergistic effect with other approved and/or constructed restoration projects?
  The project provides synergy with the overall Barataria Barrier Shoreline Complex as well as the adjacent constructed East Grand Terre Project (BA-30) and Chenier Ronquille Restoration Project (BA-76).

#### Considerations

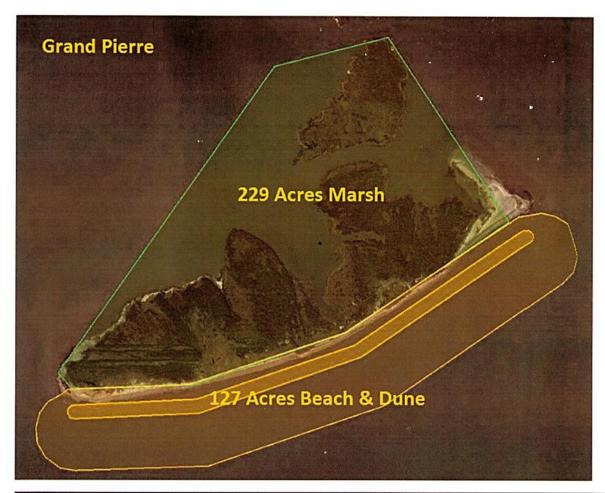
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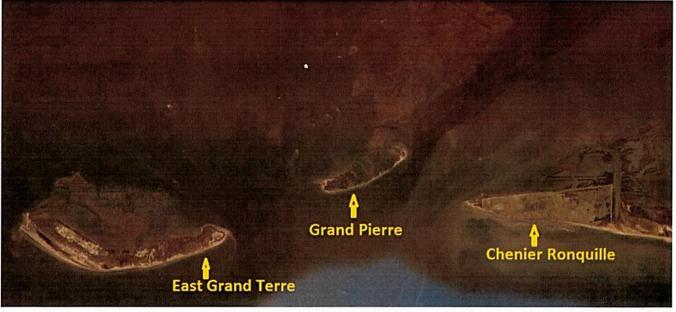
#### **Preliminary Construction Costs**

The estimated construction cost plus 25% contingency is \$15M - \$20M

#### Preparer(s) of Fact Sheet:

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## Why is Grand Pierre Important?

- Final jewel in the Gulf perimeter defense for W. Plaquemines, Jefferson, S. Orleans, and E. Lafourche
- Protects approx. 1,000 acres of lower-basin saline marsh forming the inland coastline of SE Barataria Bay
- Loss would create 2.8 mile tidal pass into the Barataria Basin
- Not identified by the state or feds as a priority for restoration under any DWH funding mechanism



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## What is the Solution?

- Complete barrier island restoration (356 acres)
- Create 127 acres beach and dune
- Create 93 acres & nourish 136 acres marsh (229 acres)
- Nearshore borrow area
- Construction cost plus 25% contingency
   \$15 \$20 million



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# R2-BA-02 Barataria Bay Waterway East Marsh Creation

BA-02

#### PPL28 PROJECT NOMINEE FACT SHEET January 25, 2018

**Project Name** 

Barataria Bay Waterway East Marsh Creation

Project Location

Region 2, Barataria Basin, Jefferson Parish

#### Problem

The marshes located east of the Barataria Bay Waterway and north of the Bayou Barataria ridge have completely converted to open water. This loss of marsh was caused by subsidence, sediment deprivation, and construction of access canals, including Barataria Waterway.

#### Goals

The goal of the project is to create marsh with dredged material from the Mississippi River.

#### **Proposed Solution**

The proposed project would create marsh using sediment dredged from the Mississippi River. The dredged material would be fully contained. Containment dikes will be degraded as necessary to reestablish hydrologic connectivity with adjacent wetlands. In case the area does not re-vegetate on its own, the estimated cost includes funds to plant 50% of the created marsh.

#### **Preliminary Project Benefits**

The proposed project would create approximately 240 acres of marsh east of the Barataria Bay Waterway and north of the Bayou Barataria ridge. The anticipated land loss rate reduction throughout the area of direct benefits will be 50% over the project life, resulting in an estimated rate of -0.4%/year. Net acres created over the project life is estimated at 227 acres. The project will serve to complete a band of healthy marsh extending from the Bayou Barataria ridge northward to Bayou Dupont and would buffer the effect of tropical weather events for the communities of Lafitte and Barataria which lie to the north. This project would be synergistic with the CWPPRA BA-41 and BA-48 projects, the State-only small-dredge marsh creation project, and the BA-43 Mississippi River Long Distance Sediment Pipeline Project.

#### **Identification of Potential Issues**

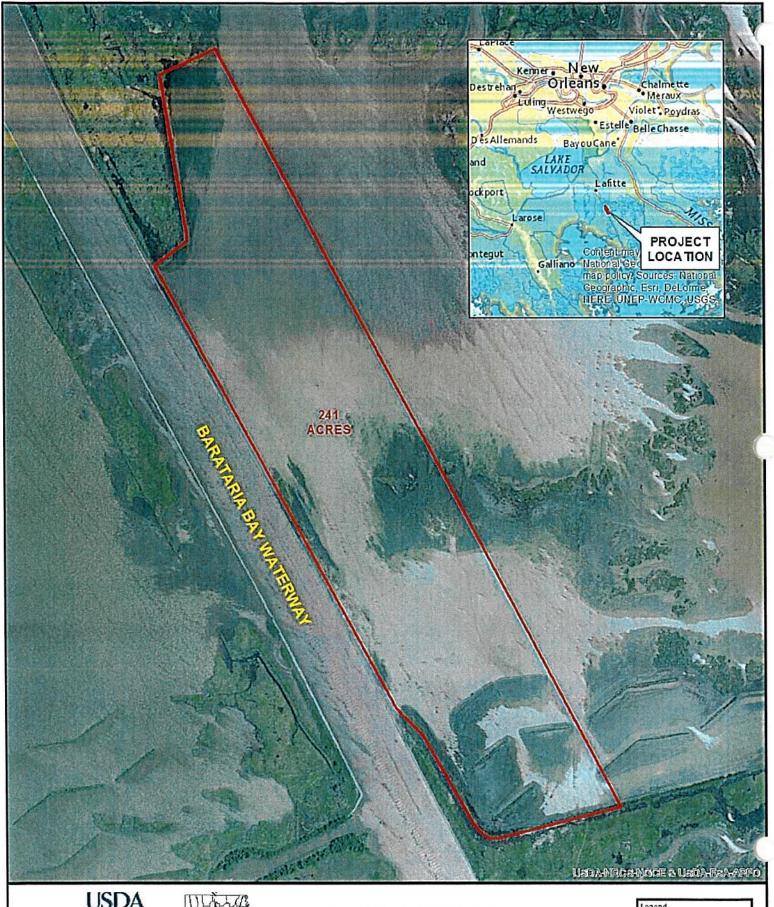
The proposed project has the following potential issues: pipeline(s) would have to be avoided for containment dikes.

#### **Preliminary Construction Cost**

The estimated construction cost including 25% contingency is \$35M - \$40M.

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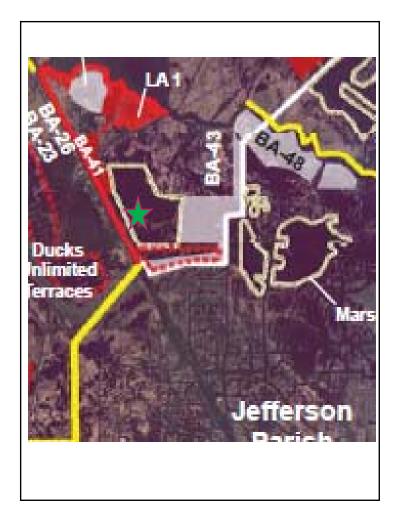


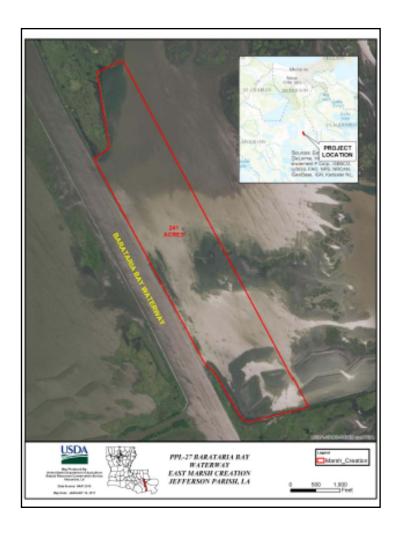
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Region 2 Barataria Basin

Barataria Bay Waterway East Marsh Creation





#### **BBWW East MC**

- 240 acres of marsh creation
- Furthers concept of Long Distance Dredge Project
- Preliminary Construction Cost \$35M - \$40M including 25% contingency

## R2-BA-03 East Golden Meadow Marsh Creation

#### PPL28 PROJECT FACT SHEET February 1, 2018

#### **Project Name**

East Golden Meadow Marsh Creation

#### **Master Plan Strategy**

03a.MC.07 Belle Pass-Golden Meadow Marsh Creation: Creation of approximately 23,200 acres of marsh from Belle Pass to Golden Meadow to create new wetland habitat and restore degraded marsh.

#### **Project Location**

Region 2, Barataria Basin, Lafourche Parish

#### **Problem**

The project area is an open water body immediately adjacent to the levee near Golden Meadow, LA. The area has experienced wetland loss due to subsidence and storm effects. In addition, oil and gas canals disrupted hydrology and facilitated saltwater intrusion further degrading the marsh.

#### **Proposed Solution**

The proposed project would create/nourish approximately 456 acres of marsh using sediment dredged from Little Lake. Additional borrow sources may be investigated and used if determined to be more cost effective. The dredged material would be contained as needed however full containment is not expected as a portion of the marsh creation cells are adjacent to the existing levee. Containment dikes would be degraded post construction as necessary to reestablish hydrologic connectivity with adjacent wetlands. The created marsh would be planted.

#### **Project Benefits**

Create/nourish approximately 456 acres of marsh (create 327 acres and nourish 129 acres) using sediment dredged from Little Lake.

#### **Project Costs**

The estimated construction cost including 25% contingency is \$25M - \$30M.

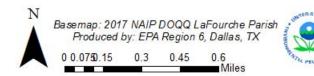
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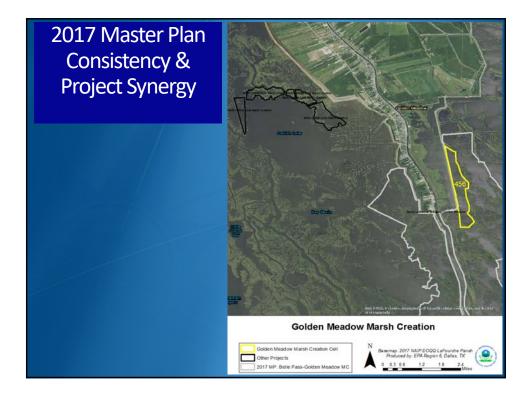
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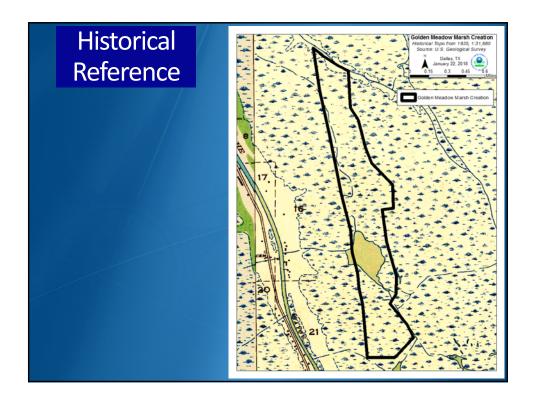


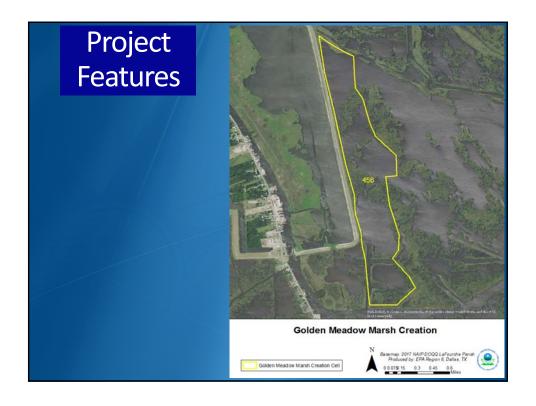




## **Problems**

- Subsidence & storm events
- Oil & gas canals disrupted hydrology
- LaFourche Parish could lose an additional 41% of its land area over the next 50 years.
- Golden Meadow could face flooding of 13-15ft with no future protection (2017 MP).





## Species & Habitats Protected or Restored

## T & E Species

## **Migratory Birds**

- Piping Plover
- Red Knot
- Sea Turtles
- Sturgeon
- Manatee

- American Golden-plover
- Am Oystercatcher (Breeding)
- Black Skimmer (Breeding)
- Many shorebirds

## **Project Goals**

- Create/nourish 456 acres (create 327 acres and nourish 129 acres) of emergent marsh with sediment from Little Lake
- Restore degraded wetland habitat
- Provide increased protection from storm surge and flooding
- Construction cost + 25% contingency is \$25M \$30M

# R2-BA-04 Bayou eau Noire Ridge and Marsh Creation

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#### PPL28 PROJECT FACT SHEET February 1, 2018

#### **Project Name**

Bayou eau Noire Ridge Restoration and Marsh Creation

#### Master Plan Strategy

Bayou Eau Noire Ridge Restoration (2017 Master Plan 002.RC.102): Restoration of approximately 34,800 feet of historic ridge to an elevation of 5 feet NAVD88 to provide coastal upland habitat, restore natural hydrology, and provide wave and storm surge attenuation along Bayou Eau Noire.

#### **Project Location**

Region 2, Barataria Basin, Plaquemines Parish

#### Problem

The project area is a broken marsh area immediately adjacent to the west bank of the Mississippi River levee just east of Bay de la Chenier. The historic ridge has degraded over time and marshes have become fragmented and converted to open water due to ongoing subsidence and storm events. In addition, oil and gas canals disrupted hydrology and further degraded the marsh. The land loss rate for the area is -1.00% per year.

#### Proposed Solution

The proposed project would restore approximately 26,997 linear feet of historic ridge and create/nourish approximately 448 acres of marsh using sediment dredged from the Mississippi River as additional support for the ridge feature.

#### **Project Benefits**

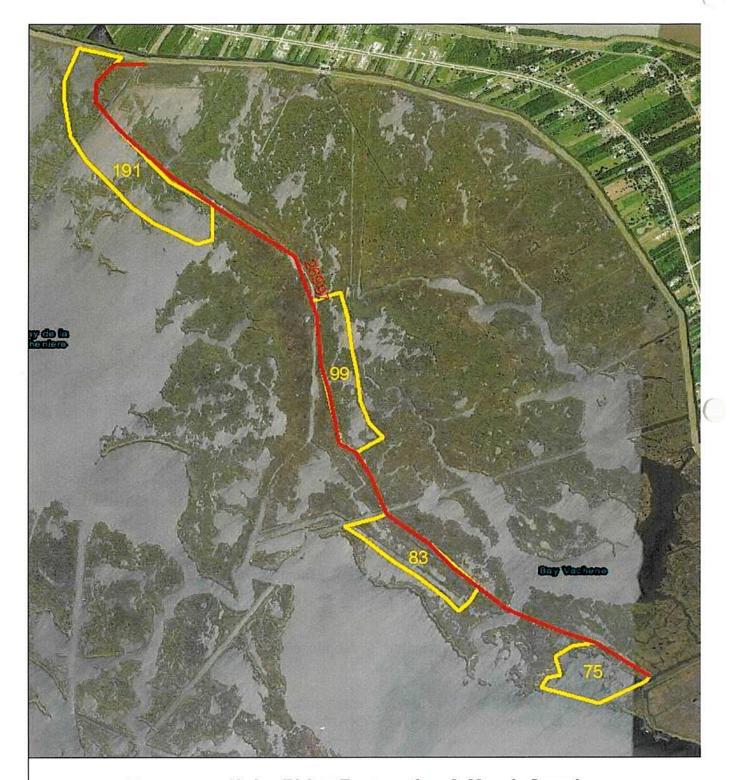
Restore 26,997 linear feet of historic ridge and create/nourish approximately 448 acres (create 269 acres and nourish 179 acres) of marsh.

#### **Project Costs**

The estimated construction cost including 25% contingency is \$25M - \$30M.

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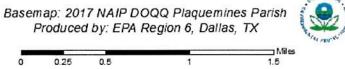
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Bayou eau Noire Ridge Restoration & Marsh Creation







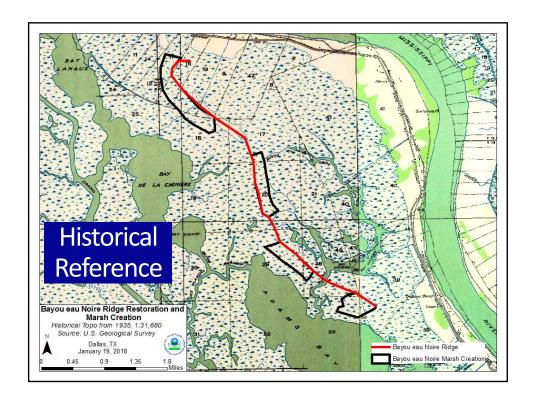


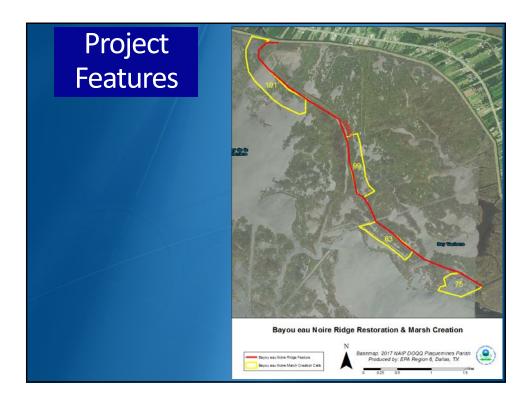




# **Problems**

- Historic ridge feature has degraded over time
- Marsh has degraded and converted to open water over time due to multiple stressors
- Subsidence & storm events
- Plaquemines Parish could lose an additional 55% of its land area over the next 50 years & faces extensive wetland loss & severe storm surge flood risk (2017 MP).





# Species & Habitats Protected or Restored

# T & E Species

- Piping Plover
- Red Knot
- Sea Turtles
- Sturgeon
- Manatee

# **Migratory Birds**

- American Golden-plover
- Am Oystercatcher (Breeding)
- Black Skimmer (Breeding)
- Many shorebirds

# **Project Goals**

- Restore 26,997 linear feet of historic ridge
- Create/nourish 448 acres (create 269 acres and nourish 179 acres) of emergent marsh with sediment from the Mississippi River as additional support for the ridge feature
- Address Plaquemines Parish Phase 1 (construct wetlands adjacent to levees protecting fastlands) and Phase 2 (enhance wetlands in identified areas) priorities
- Restore wetland habitat & provide increased protection from storm surge and flooding
- Construction cost + 25% contingency is \$25M \$30M

# R2-BA-05 Three Bayou Bay Marsh Creation

# PPL28 PROJECT FACT SHEET February 1, 2018

# **Project Name**

Three Bayou Bay Marsh Creation

### Master Plan Strategy

Lower Barataria Marsh Creation-Component A (2017 Master Plan 002.MC.04a): Creation of approximately 7,400 acres of marsh in Jefferson Parish on the east shore of Little Lake and Turtle Bay to create new wetland habitat and restore degraded marsh.

# **Project Location**

Region 2, Barataria Basin, Jefferson Parish

#### **Problem**

The project area is a semi-open water body near Three Bayou Bay. Wetland loss has occurred in the project area and are not able to maintain viable elevations due to ongoing subsidence. In addition, oil and gas canals disrupted hydrology and facilitated saltwater intrusion further degrading the marsh.

# **Proposed Solution**

The proposed project would create/nourish approximately 539 acres of marsh using sediment dredged from the Little Lake. The dredged material would be fully contained. Containment dikes would be degraded as necessary to reestablish hydrologic connectivity with adjacent wetlands. The created marsh would be planted.

### **Project Benefits**

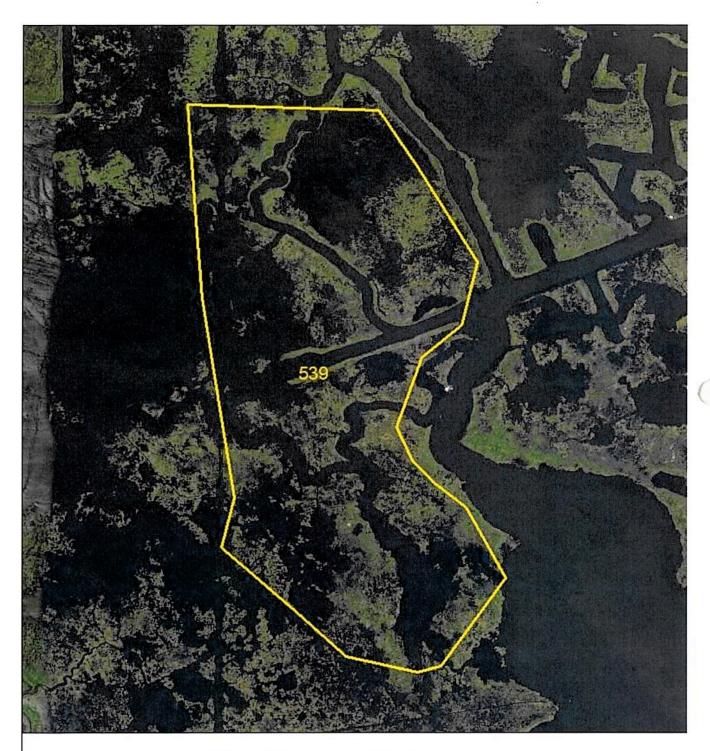
Create/nourish approximately 539 acres (create 338 acres and nourish 201 acres) of marsh using sediment dredged from the Little Lake.

### **Project Costs**

The estimated construction cost including 25% contingency is \$25M - \$30M.

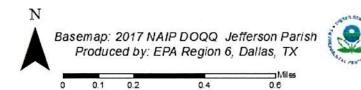
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Three Bayou Bay Marsh Creation













# **Problems**

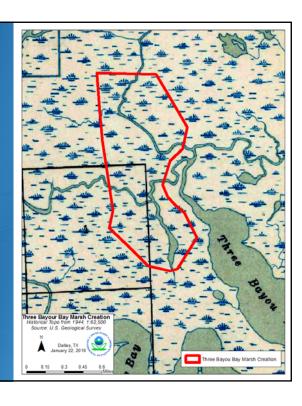
- Subsidence
- Oil & gas canals disrupted hydrology
- Saltwater intrusion
- Decreased sediment input
- Jefferson Parish could lose an additional 42% of its land area over the next 50 years and face severe storm surge flood risk (2017 MP).

# Species & Habitats Protected or Restored

# T & E Species

- Piping Plover
- Red Knot
- Sea Turtles
- Sturgeon
- Manatee

# Historical Reference





# **Project Goals**

- Create/nourish 539 acres (create 338 acres and nourish 201 acres) of emergent marsh with sediment from the Little Lake
- Restore degraded wetland habitat
- Provide increased protection from storm surge and flooding
- Construction cost + 25% contingency is \$25M -\$30M

# R2-BA-06 North Fourchon Marsh Creation

# PPL28 PROJECT FACT SHEET February 1, 2018

### **Project Name**

North Fourchon Marsh Creation Project

### Master Plan Strategy

Belle Pass-Golden Meadow Marsh Creation (2017 Master Plan 03a.MC.07): Creation of approximately 23,200 acres of marsh from Belle Pass to Golden Meadow to create new wetland habitat and restore degraded marsh.

# **Project Location**

Region 2, Barataria Basin, Lafourche Parish

#### Problem

Historic wetland loss in the project area stems from subsidence, sediment deprivation, and construction of pipeline canals. According to USGS data, nearly 324,000 ac of land were lost between 1932 and 2010 within the basin, which had the highest land loss rate in the state from 1985 to 2004. Wetlands have been replaced by open water where canals are dug, while spoil banks convert them to upland habitat. Bounded by Bayou Lafourche to the east and Timbalier Bay to the west the project area is also subject to shoreline erosion.

### **Proposed Solution**

This project would create marsh habitat and increase the longevity of existing marsh habitat and provide protection to surrounding wetlands, Bayou Lafourche, and the community and infrastructure of Port Fourchon. Sediment for marsh creation would be mined in Timbalier Bay or Little Lake, hydraulically dredged and pumped to the marsh creation and nourishment cells.

### **Project Goals**

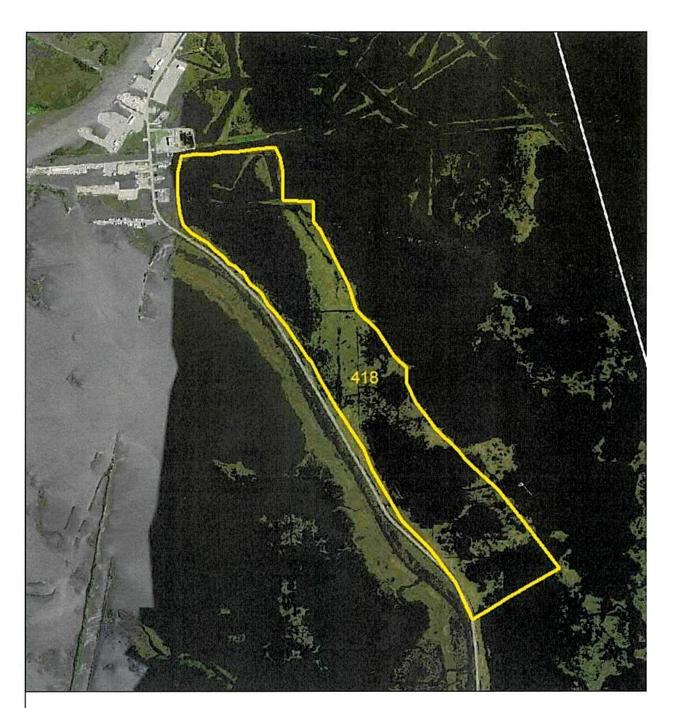
Create/nourish approximately 418 acres (create 284 acres and nourish 134 acres) of marsh using sediment dredged from Timbalier Bay or Little Lake.

### **Project Costs**

The estimated construction cost including 25% contingency is \$20M - \$25M.

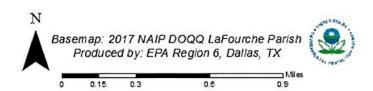
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North Fourchon Marsh Creation





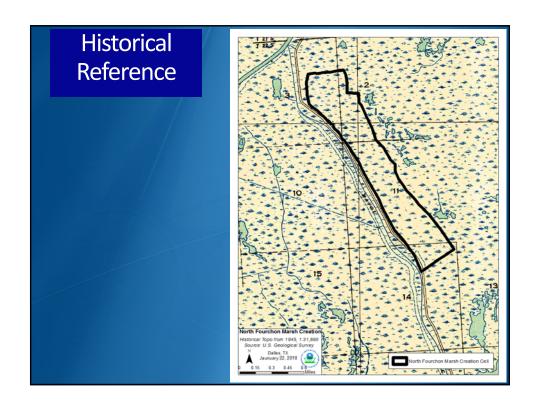


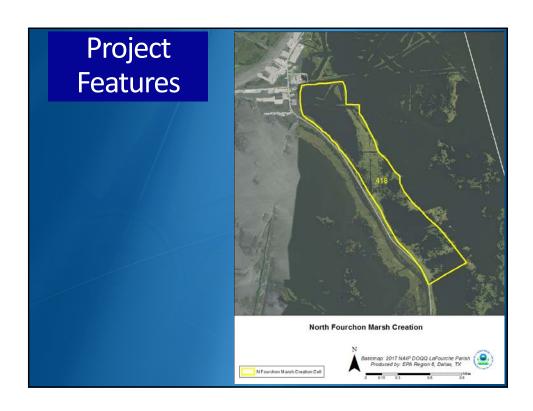




# **Problems**

- This area has experienced wetland loss due to:
  - Subsidence
  - Sediment deprivation
  - Erosion
  - Construction of pipeline canals
- The area had the highest land loss rate in the state from 1985-2004 (USGS)
- LaFourche Parish could be at risk for increased storm surge and flooding in the next 50 years (2017 MP).





# Species & Habitats Protected or Restored

# T & E Species

- Piping Plover
- Red Knot
- Sea Turtles
- Sturgeon
- Manatee

# **Migratory Birds**

- American Golden-plover
- Am Oystercatcher (Breeding)
- Black Skimmer (Breeding)
- Many shorebirds

# **Project Goals**

- Restore 418 acres (create 284 acres and nourish 134 acres) of emergent wetland habitat using borrow from Timbalier Bay or Little Lake to increase the longevity of existing marsh habitat
- Provide storm surge & flood protection for the community and infrastructure of the Port Fourchon area
- Restore degraded wetland habitat
- Construction cost + 25% contingency is \$20M \$25M

# R2-BA-07 Grand Bayou Ridge and Marsh Restoration

# PPL28 PROJECT NOMINEE FACT SHEET February 1, 2018

### **Project Name**

Grand Bayou Ridge and Marsh Restoration

### **Project Location**

Region 2, Barataria Basin, Plaquemines Parish, Grand Bayou near West Pointe a la Hache

#### Problem

Within the Lake Hermitage basin, between Bayou Grande Cheniere and the Mississippi River, significant marsh loss has occurred with the construction of oil/gas canals, subsidence, and sediment deprivation. From examination of aerial photography, it appears that the majority of this loss occurred during the 1960s and 1970s when numerous oil/gas canals were dredged in the area. Based on the hyper-temporal analysis (1984-2016) conducted by USGS for the PPL27 candidate project, loss rates in the area are estimated to be -1.65% per year.

#### Goals

The primary goals of this project are; 1) restore marsh habitat in the open water areas via marsh creation and terracing and 2) restore forested ridge habitat along Grand Bayou.

Specific goals of the project are: 1) Create approximately 356 acres (344 acres of creation; 12 acres of nourishment) of marsh with dredged material from the Mississippi River; 2) create 25,000 linear feet (19 acres) of terraces; 3) Create 10,657 linear feet (13 acres) of forested ridge.

Service goals include restoration/protection of habitat for threatened and endangered species and other at-risk species. This project would restore habitat potentially utilized by the black rail, saltmarsh topminnow, and Louisiana eyed silkmoth, which are petitioned for listing as threatened/endangered species. The project could also benefit other species of concern including the seaside sparrow and neotropical migrants.

### **Proposed Solution**

Sediments from the Mississippi River will be hydraulically dredged and pumped via pipeline to create/nourish approximately 356 acres of marsh (Figure 1). The proposed design is to place the dredged material to a fill height of +1.1 ft NAVD88 (per the BA-42 Lake Hermitage Marsh Creation Project). Dewatering and compaction of dredged sediments should produce elevations conducive to the establishment of emergent marsh and within the intertidal range. Containment dikes will be gapped at the end of construction.

Approximately 25,000 linear feet of terraces (19 acres) will be constructed in open water areas west of Grand Bayou (Figure 1). Terraces will have a 15-ft crown width, a height of +2.5 ft NAVD88, and side slopes of 1(V):4(H). A bucket dredge will be utilized for construction. The terraces will be planted with seashore paspalum on the crown and smooth cordgrass on the side slopes.

Approximately 10,657 linear feet (13 acres) of forested ridge will be created along the western bank of Grand Bayou using material from the bayou. The ridge will be constructed to a crown elevation of +4.0 feet NAVD88, 25 feet wide, and will be planted on the crown and slopes.

# **Preliminary Project Benefits**

- 1) What is the total acreage benefited both directly and indirectly? Approximately 719 acres would be benefited directly and indirectly. Direct benefits include 13 acres of forested, coastal ridge habitat, 356 acres of marsh creation/nourishment, and 19 acres of terraces. Indirect benefits would occur to surrounding marshes and marsh within the terrace field.
- 2) How many acres of wetlands will be protected/created over the project life? The total net acres protected/created over the project life is approximately 321 acres.
- 3) What is the anticipated loss rate reduction throughout the area of direct benefits over the project life (<25%, 25-49%, 50-74% and >75%). The anticipated loss rate reduction throughout the area of direct benefit is estimated to be 50%.
- 4) Do any project features maintain or restore structural components of the coastal ecosystem such as barrier islands, natural or artificial levee ridges, beach and lake rims, cheniers, etc. Yes. Forested coastal ridge habitat would be created.
- 5) What is the net impact of the project on critical and non-critical infrastructure? The project would afford some protection to flood protection levees east of the project area along Hwy. 23.
- 6) To what extent does the project provide a synergistic effect with other approved and/or constructed restoration projects? The project would provide a synergistic effect with the BA-173 Bayou Grande Cheniere Marsh and Ridge Restoration Project (Phase 1), the BA-42 Lake Hermitage Marsh Creation Project (Completed; PPL15) and the West Pointe a la Hache Siphons.

#### Considerations

Landrights and oil and gas infrastructure are considerations for this project.

### **Preliminary Cost**

The estimated construction cost plus contingency is \$30M - \$35M.

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# Grand Bayou Ridge and **Marsh Restoration (PPL28 Nominee)**





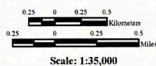
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**Project Boundary** 

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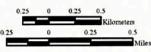




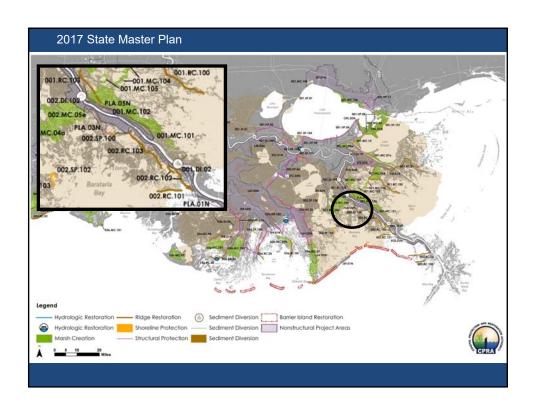
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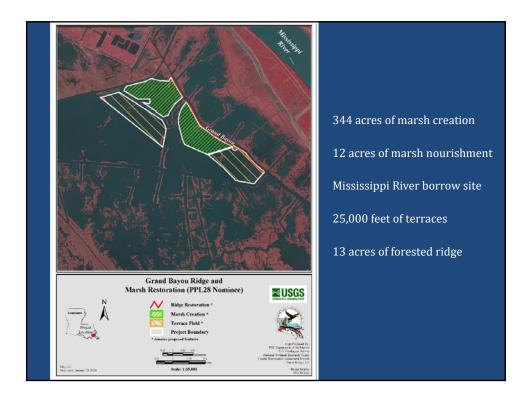
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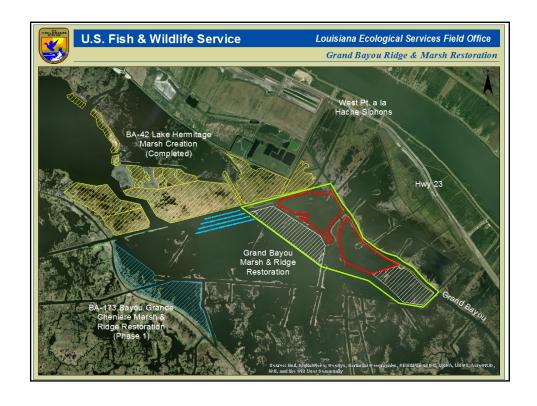
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# Grand Bayou Ridge and Marsh Restoration

- Mississippi River borrow site
- 10,657 LF (13 acres) of ridge restoration
- 356 acres of marsh creation/nourishment
- 25,000 LF of terraces (19 acres)
- Net acres = 321
- Construction plus contingency = \$30M \$35M
- Project synergy BA-42, BA-173, Siphons
- Infrastructure nearby

# R2-BA-08 East Bayou Lafourche Marsh Creation

# PPL28 PROJECT NOMINEE FACT SHEET February 1, 2018

### **Project Name**

East Bayou Lafourche Marsh Creation

### **Project Location**

Region 2, Barataria Basin, Lafourche Parish, south of Golden Meadow adjacent to Bayou Lafourche

#### **Problem**

The Leeville area has experienced extensive loss of emergent wetlands from subsidence, storms, canal dredging, and altered hydrology. Wetland loss has increased the vulnerability of Leeville and Louisiana Highway 1 to damage from tropical storms. Based on the hyper-temporal analysis conducted by USGS for the PPL26 candidate, the project area loss rate is estimated to be -1.42% per year for the period 1984 to 2016.

### Goals

The primary goal of this project is to restore marsh along the Highway 1-Bayou Lafourche corridor via marsh creation. The specific goal of the project is to create approximately 417 acres (368 acres of marsh creation and 49 acres of marsh nourishment) of marsh with dredged material.

Service goals include restoration/protection of habitat for threatened and endangered species and other at-risk species. This project would restore habitat potentially utilized by the black rail, saltmarsh topminnow, and Louisiana eyed silkmoth, which are petitioned for listing as threatened/endangered species.

# **Proposed Solution**

Sediments from a Little Lake/Caminada Bay borrow site will be hydraulically dredged and pumped via pipeline to create/nourish approximately 417 acres of marsh. Dewatering and compaction of dredged sediments should produce elevations conducive to the establishment of emergent marsh and within the intertidal range. Perimeter containment dikes will be constructed. Containment dikes exposed to open water will be planted with appropriate vegetation. Containment dikes will be gapped at the end of construction or by target year 3.

### **Preliminary Project Benefits**

- What is the total acreage benefited both directly and indirectly? Approximately 417 acres would be benefited directly. Direct benefits include 368 acres of marsh creation and 49 acres of marsh nourishment. Indirect benefits would occur to marsh surrounding the project area.
- 2) How many acres of wetlands will be protected/created over the project life? The total net acres protected/created over the project life is approximately 325 acres.

- 3) What is the anticipated loss rate reduction throughout the area of direct benefits over the project life (e.g., 50% reduction in the background loss rate)?

  The anticipated loss rate reduction throughout the area of direct benefit is estimated to be 50%.
- 4) Do any project features maintain or restore structural components of the coastal ecosystem such as barrier islands, natural or artificial levee ridges, beach and lake rims, cheniers, etc?

  The project would restore marsh along what remains of the historical natural levee ridge along Bayou Lafourche.
- 5) What is the net impact of the project on critical and non-critical infrastructure? Some protection could be afforded to Highway 1, which is not elevated along this reach.
- To what extent does the project provide a synergistic effect with other approved and/or constructed restoration projects?
   The project is complementary to the BA-194 East Leeville Marsh Creation Project. Both projects would restore marsh along the Bayou Lafourche/Hwy 1 corridor.

### **Considerations**

Oil and gas infrastructure (i.e., pipelines), landrights, and oyster leases would have to be considered in the project design.

### **Preliminary Cost**

The estimated construction cost plus contingency is \$30M - \$35M.

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# East Bayou Lafourche Marsh Creation (PPL28 Nominee)



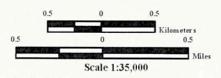
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Marsh Creation \* **Project Boundary** 

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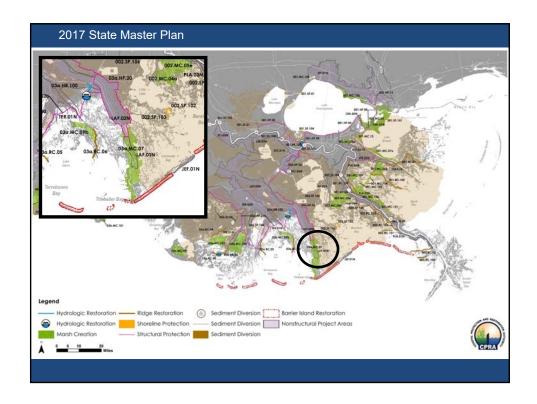


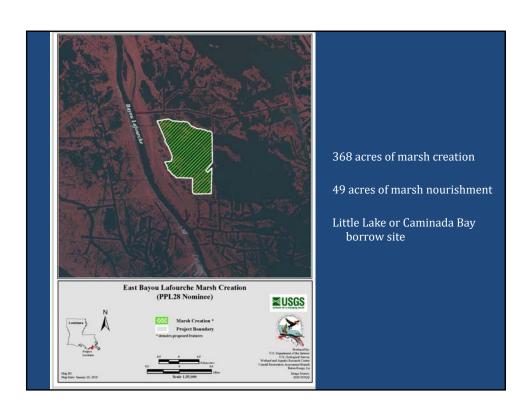


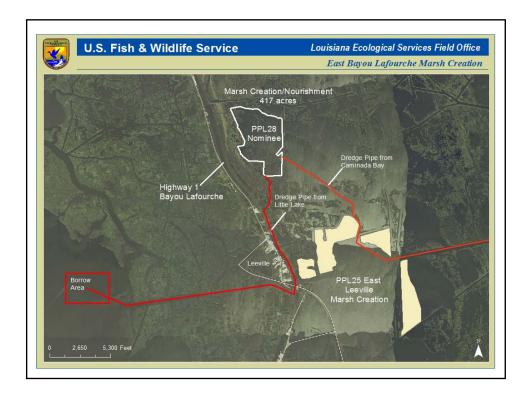


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# East Bayou Lafourche Marsh Creation

- Little Lake/Caminada Bay borrow site
- 417 acres of marsh creation/nourishment
- Net acres = 325
- Construction plus contingency = \$30M \$35M
- Project synergy BA-194 East Leeville Marsh Creation (Phase 1)

# R2-BA-09 Buras Boat Harbor Marsh Creation Increment 1 Inconsistent with the 2017 State Master Plan

# PPL28 PROJECT NOMINATION FACT SHEET

February 1, 2018

not consistent

**Project Name** 

Buras Boat Harbor Marsh Creation- Increment 1

Coast 2050 Strategy

Regional: Restore and sustain marshes

**Project Location** 

Region 2, Barataria Basin, Plaquemines Parish

Problem

Project area was severely damaged when the USACE dredged a 17 mile borrow pit canal extending from Empire, La. to Venice, La. in 1974 after hurricane Camille. The borrow was used as the base for the new west bank back hurricane protection levee. The canal was 17 miles long, 450' wide and 60' deep. The surrounding marshland subsequently eroded into the deep canal causing approximately 30 square miles of marshland to disappear. The canal in currently 4' to 5' deep throughout its length.

Proposed solution

The proposed primary feature is to restore the area east of the Buras Boat Harbor bordered by the ridge which was created by the CIAP project completed in 2014. This will be the first increment of a larger marsh creation project extending in the area which was affected by the borrow pit canal.

Goals

This area has subsequently subsided and eroded to the point of causing open water to approach the back side of the hurricane protection levee. The whole extent of the 17 mile USACE 1974 project footprint is eroding and will eventually lap at the outer base of that levee. The project area is the area of greatest threat to the integrity of the hurricane protection back levee on the west bank of southern Plaquemines Parish.

**Preliminary Project Benefits** 

Approximately 173 acres would be benefited directly as marsh creation and nourishment to provide protection of the base of the hurricane back levee and habitat for native species.

**Preliminary Construction Cost** 

There are two primary material sources for this project.

1) Dredging and pipelining borrow from near shore of the Gulf of Mexico. The material for project BA-68, the Bayou Grand De Liard Project, was sourced from that location. Weeks Marines provided borrow for that project at \$6 /cubic yard and the total projected cost of that project was \$42.5 million dollars for creation of 484 acre of marsh platform and ridge. The project was approximately 7 miles in length extending from the Gulf of Mexico to the outlet of the Triumph Drainage Pumping Station canal. Using that projects parameters the Buras Boat Harbor project would cost approximately 17 million dollars.

2) Dredging material from the area adjacent to the CIAP Ridge outward toward the Gulf of Mexico beginning several hundred yards from the ridge would cost approximately 8 to 10

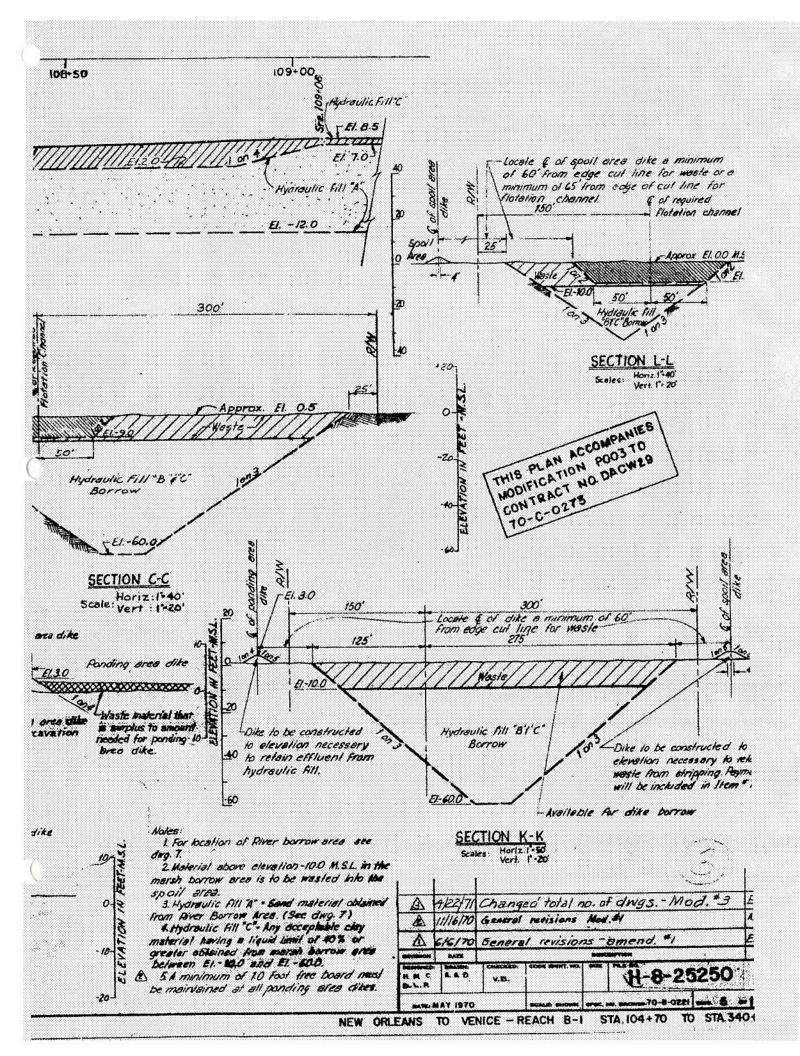
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# BURAS BOAT HARBOR CIAP PROJECT Completed in November 2014



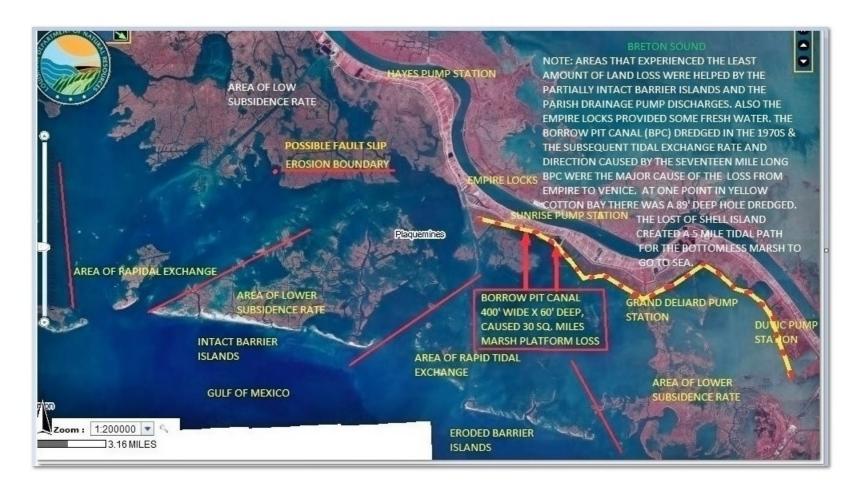




# BURAS BOAT HARBOR CIAP PROJECT Completed in November 2014



### **USACE BORROW PIT CANAL**



# R2-BA-10 East Pen Shoreline and Marsh Restoration



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### **REGION 2 – BRETON SOUND BASIN**

Project Number	Project Proposals
R2-BS-01	Breton Landbridge Marsh Creation (West), River aux Chenes to Grand Lake
R2-BS-02	Breton Landbridge Central Marsh Creation
R2-BS-03	Spanish Lake Marsh Creation, South Shoreline
R2-BS-04	North Lake Lery Wetland Restoration
	Grand Lake West Marsh Creation and Terracing
	Marsh creation and terracing features in the Grand Lake West Marsh Creation and Terracing project are inconsistent with the 2017 State Master Plan, however the hydrologic features denoted as the North Lake Lery Wetland Restoration are consistent
R2-BS-05	Wills Point South Marsh Restoration
R2-BS-06	Phoenix Marsh and Ridge Restoration
R2-BS-07	Bayou Terre aux Boeuf Ridge Restoration and Marsh Creation
R2-BS-08	Bayou Terre aux Boeufs South Ridge Restoration and Marsh Creation
R2-BS-09	Reggio Marsh Creation and Hydrologic Restoration
R2-BS-10	Davant Marsh Creation
R2-BS-11	East Delacroix Marsh Creation and Terracing
R2-BS-12	North Delacroix Marsh Creation and Terracing

### **R2-BS-01**

Breton Landbridge Marsh Creation (West), River aux Chenes to Grand Lake

### PPL28 PROJECT NOMINEE FACT SHEET February 1, 2018

**Project Name** 

Breton Landbridge Marsh Creation (West), River aux Chenes to Grand Lake

**Project Location** 

Region 2, Breton Basin, Plaquemines Parish

### Problem

The wetlands within this area have a unique history. Historically this area was nourished by the fresh water, sediment and nutrients delivered by the Mississippi River. Following the creation of levees along the lower river, these inputs ceased, with exception of levee breaches in 1923 and 1927. In 1991, the Caernarvon Freshwater Diversion Structure became operational with capabilities to divert up to 8,000 cubic feet/sec. As a result of these freshwater influences, the marshes in the area have fluctuated between fresh/intermediate and brackish/saline habitat types over time. The major cause of wetland loss for this area has been attributed to storm activity (i.e. Hurricanes Betsy and Katrina), causing both storm-induced scour and forcing salt water into the lower salinity marshes. Altered hydrology and oil/gas development have exacerbated storm-related loss. Subsidence, high in this area, ranges from 2.1-3.5 ft/century. Natural lakes and bays continue to increase in size due to coalescence with marsh lost to water and increased wave fetch. The 1984 to 2016 USGS loss rate is -1.58%/yr for the extended boundary area.

### Goals

The project goals are to restore 423 acres of marshes and bank lines along the south side of Grand Lake. The proposed first phase would address the critical reach of the landbridge by restoring the Grand Lake shoreline. This project is part of an overall, long-range, restoration goal which would create/nourish 1,000 to 2,000 acres of intermediate marsh across 7 miles of the Breton Basin from River aux Chenes to Bayou Terre aux Bouefs.

### **Proposed Solution**

There will be 315 and 108 acres of marsh creation and marsh nourishment, respectively, via confined disposal in four disposal areas of sediment dredged from Grand Lake. Three disposal areas will be fronted by constructing a lakeside berm. The berm would be constructed with a combination of bucket dredge and marsh buggies. The lakeside slope of the berm would be planted with appropriate vegetation. The marsh creation acres would not be planted. The non-lakeside portions of the dikes will be gapped no later than three years post construction (i.e., the lakeshore berm would not be gapped). Data will be acquired from 224 additional acres to allow for robust alternatives analysis and/or upscaling the project during engineering and design.

The overall landbridge concept incorporates marsh and shoreline restoration in a west-to-east configuration across the basin to be completed in three phases. Once restored, the land-bridge would reduce the potential for coalescence of Lake Lery with Grand Lake and Lake Petit.

### **Preliminary Project Benefits**

What is the total acreage benefited both directly and indirectly? The total project area of this phase is approximately 423 acres.

- 2) How many acres of wetlands will be protected/created over the project life? Approximately 250-300 acres of intermediate marsh would be protected/created over the project life for this phase.
- 3) What is the anticipated loss rate reduction throughout the area of direct benefits over the project life (e.g., 50% reduction in the background loss rate)?

  The anticipated land loss rate reduction throughout the area of direct benefits will be 50-74% over the projects life.
- 4) Do any project features maintain or restore structural components of the coastal ecosystem such as barrier islands, natural or artificial levee ridges, beach and lake rims, cheniers, etc?

  The project will help restore portions of Orange Bayou and Grand Lake shorelines.
- 5) What is the net impact of the project on critical and non-critical infrastructure?

  The project may have moderate net positive impact to non-critical infrastructure comprised of pipelines and oil and gas wells.
- 6) To what extent does the project provide a synergistic effect with other approved and/or constructed restoration projects?

  The project will have synergistic effects with: 1) BS-16 South Lake Lery Shoreline and Marsh Restoration, 2) BS-24 Terracing and Marsh Creation South of Big Mar, 3) CIAP project constructed west of Delacroix, 4) the Caernarvon Freshwater Diversion, and 5) Mid-Breton Landbridge (recently authorized).

### Considerations

The proposed project has land rights considerations.

### **Preliminary Cost**

The estimated construction cost plus contingency is \$25M-\$30M.

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### Breton Landbridge Marsh Creation (West), River aux Chenes to Grand Lake (PPL28 Nominee)



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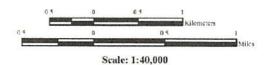


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**Project Boundary** 

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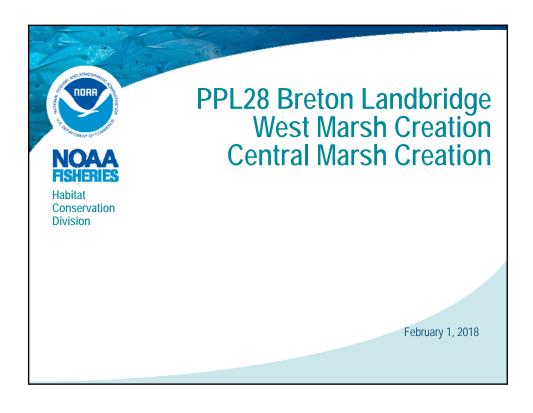




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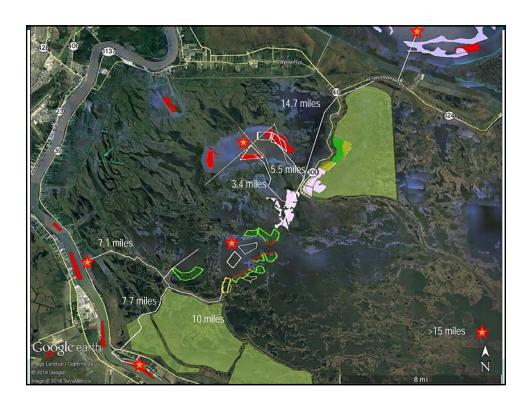
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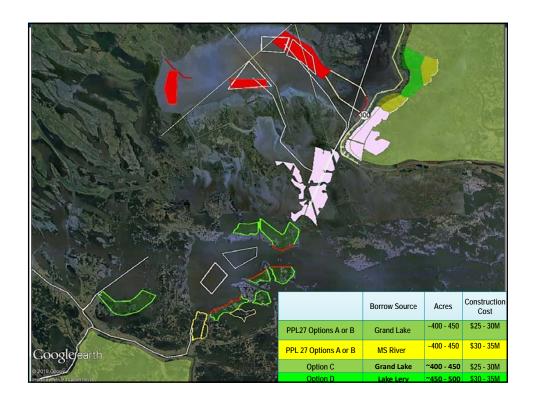
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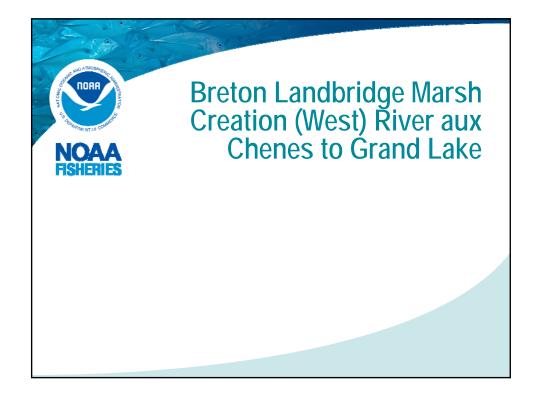




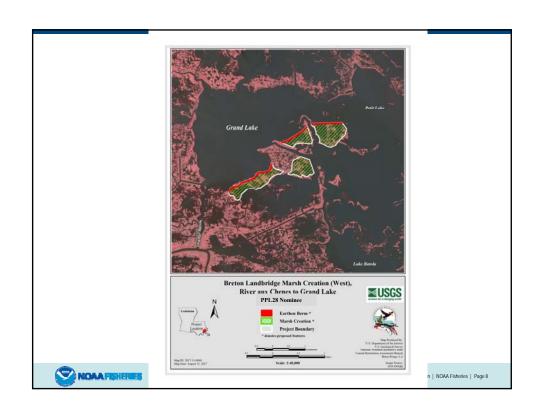












## **Summary**

• Total: 423 ac

• Marsh Creation: 315 ac

• Marsh Nourishment: 108 ac

• TY20 Net: 250 - 300 ac

Grand Lake Borrow

• Construction Cost + 25% Contingency Range: \$25M - \$30M



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# R2-BS-02 Breton Landbridge Central Marsh Creation

## PPL28 PROJECT NOMINEE FACT SHEET February 1, 2018

Project Name
Breton Landbridge Central Marsh Creation
Project Location
Region 2, Breton Basin, Plaquemines Parish

#### Problem

Historically, this area was nourished by the freshwater delivered by the Mississippi River until the creation of the levees along the lower river. In 1991, the Caernarvon Freshwater Diversion began delivering freshwater to the marshes in the area. The major cause of wetland loss has been to storm activity (i.e. Hurricanes Betsy and Katrina), causing both storm-induced scouring and salt water intrusion. High subsidence rates range from 2.1-3.5 ft/century. Natural lakes and bays are increasing in size due to coalescence with marsh lost to water and increased wave fetch. The 1984 to 2016 USGS loss rate is -1.79%/yr for the extended project boundary area from the average of the adjacent Breton Landbridge West and Mid-Breton Landbridge projects.

#### Goals

The project goal is to restore approximately 410 acres of marsh and banklines along the north shore of Grand Lake at the intersection with Bayou Gentilly and Petit Lake. This is the proposed third phase in a comprehensive restoration goal to create/nourish 1,000 to 2,000 acres of marsh across 7 miles of the Breton Basin from River aux Chenes to Bayou Terre aux Bouefs.

### **Proposed Solution**

There will be 310 and 100 acres of marsh creation and marsh nourishment, respectively, via confined disposal in two disposal areas of sediment dredged from Grand Lake. A portion of the disposal area at the intersection of Grand Lake, Bayou Gentilly, and Petit Lake would be fronted by constructing a lakeside berm. The lakeside slope of the berm would be planted with appropriate vegetation. The marsh creation acres would not be planted. The non-lakeside portions of the dikes will be gapped no later than three years post construction (i.e., the lakeshore berm would not be gapped). If selected for candidacy, small terrace fields may be added north of the marsh creation to provide protection from shoreline erosion.

The overall landbridge concept incorporates marsh and shoreline restoration in a west-to-east configuration across the basin to be completed in three phases. Once restored, the land-bridge would reduce the potential for coalescence of Lake Lery with Grand Lake and Lake Petit.

### **Preliminary Project Benefits**

- What is the total acreage benefited both directly and indirectly?
   This total project area is 410 ac.
- 2) How many acres of wetlands will be protected/created over the project life? Approximately 250-300 acres of habitat will be protected/created over the project life.
- 3) What is the anticipated loss rate reduction throughout the area of direct benefits over the project life (e.g., 50% reduction in the background loss rate)?

The anticipated land loss rate reduction throughout the area of direct benefits will be 50-74% over the projects life.

- 4) Do any project features maintain or restore structural components of the coastal ecosystem such as barrier islands, natural or artificial levee ridges, beach and lake rims, cheniers, etc?
  - The project will restore the structural frame work of Grand Lake and Bayou Gentilly.
- 5) What is the net impact of the project on critical and non-critical infrastructure?

  The project would have minor net positive impact non-critical oil and gas infrastructure in the project vicinity.
- 6) To what extent does the project provide a synergistic effect with other approved and/or constructed restoration projects?
  The project will have synergy with the authorized Mid-Breton Landbridge project, South Lake Lery Shoreline and Marsh Restoration (BS-16), Terracing and Marsh Creation South of Big Mar (BS-24), and other increments along the Breton Landbridge.

### Considerations

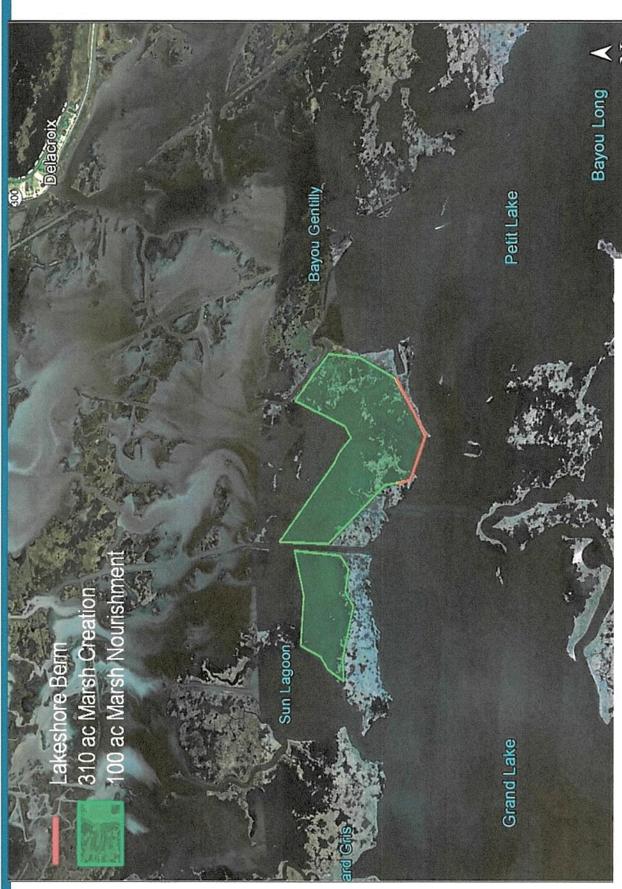
The proposed project has potential utility/pipeline considerations.

### **Preliminary Construction Costs**

The construction cost + 25% contingency range is \$20M-\$25M.

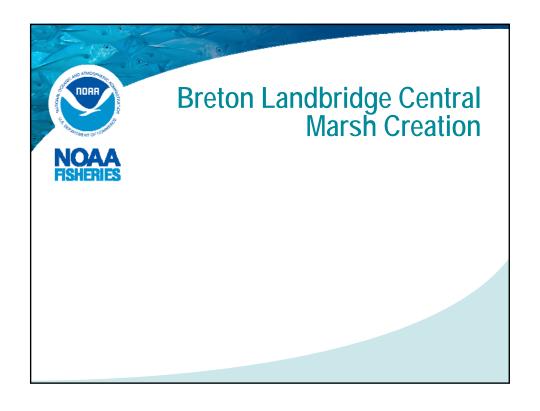
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### **Summary**

• Total: 410 ac

• Marsh Creation: 310 ac

• Marsh Nourishment: 100 ac

• TY20 Net: 250 – 300 ac

Grand Lake Borrow

 Construction Cost + 25% Contingency Range: \$20M - \$25M



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# R2-BS-03 Spanish Lake Marsh Creation, South Shoreline

### PPL28 PROJECT NOMINEE FACT SHEET February 1, 2018

### **Project Name**

Spanish Lake Marsh Creation, South Shoreline

### **Project Location**

Region 2, Breton Basin, Plaquemines Parish

### Problem

Wetland loss in Breton Sound Basin from subsidence, saltwater intrusion, erosion of wetlands, river levee and oil/gas construction has caused large impacts to this region in recent decades. After Hurricane Katrina in 2005, a major wetland loss event occurred in this area due to both storm-induced scour and salt water intrusion into the lower salinity marshes. The altered hydrology and oil/gas development have exacerbated this storm-related loss. Spanish Lake continues to increase in size due to coalescence with marsh lost to water and increased wave fetch. High subsidence rates range from 4.4-6.5 mm/year. The 1984 to 2016 USGS land loss rate for this area is -1.58%/yr (adjacent Breton Landbridge West project (PPL27 candidate)).

#### Goals

The project goal is to create and nourish approximately 324 acres of intermediate marsh along the southern bank of Spanish Lake.

### **Proposed Solution**

The proposed solution would be to create approximately 275 acres and nourish 49 acres to restore the southern portion of the Spanish Lake shoreline. Sediment will be hydraulically pumped from the Myrtle Grove borrow source in the Mississippi River near Phoenix, LA. Temporary containment dikes will be constructed and gapped within three years of construction to allow greater tidal exchange and estuarine organism access. This marsh creation project is envisioned as part of a larger restoration effort of continuing to restore the northeastern shoreline of Spanish Lake with an additional phase of marsh creation.

### **Preliminary Project Benefits**

- 1) What is the total acreage benefited both directly and indirectly? The total project area is approximately 324 acres.
- 2) How many acres of wetlands will be protected/created over the project life? The net acre benefit range is 200-250 acres after 20 years.
- What is the anticipated loss rate reduction throughout the area of direct benefits over the project life (e.g., 50% reduction in the background loss rate)?
   A 50% loss rate reduction is assumed for the marsh creation and marsh nourishment.
   (USGS hyper-temporal data from 1984 to 2016 shows from -1.58%/year from an adjacent CWPPRA PPL27 candidate in the area)

- 4) Do any project features maintain or restore structural components of the coastal ecosystem such as barrier islands, natural or artificial levee ridges, beach and lake rims, cheniers, etc? The project will help restore portions of Spanish Lake shoreline.
- 5) What is the net impact of the project on critical and non-critical infrastructure? The project may have minor net positive impact to non-critical infrastructure comprised of pipelines and oil and gas wells.
- 6) To what extent does the project provide a synergistic effect with other approved and/or constructed restoration projects?
  The project will have synergistic effects with: 1) BS-16 South Lake Lery Shoreline and Marsh Restoration, 2) BS-24 Terracing and Marsh Creation South of Big Mar, 3) CIAP project constructed west of Delacroix, 4) the Caernarvon Freshwater Diversion, and 5) Mid-Breton Land Bridge Marsh Creation and Terracing (recently authorized).

### Considerations

The proposed may have land rights considerations.

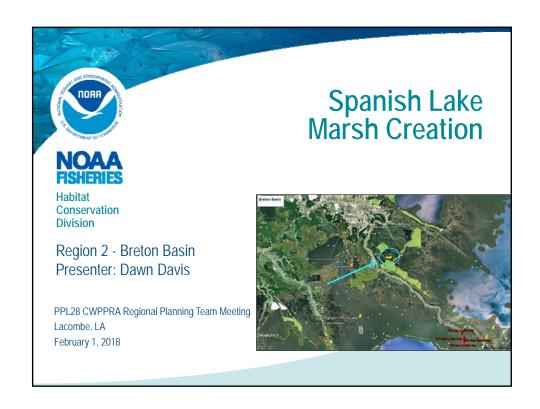
### **Preliminary Construction Costs**

The estimated construction cost plus 25% contingency range is \$35M-\$40M.

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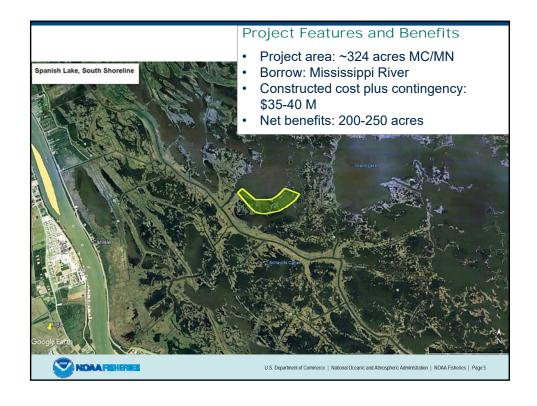


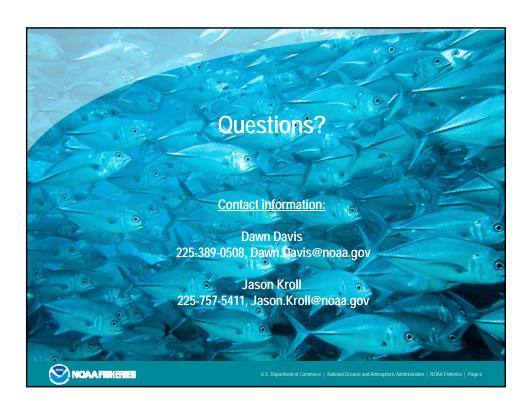












# R2-BS-04 North Lake Lery Wetland Restoration

# PPL28 PROJECT NOMINEE FACT SHEET February 1, 2018

Project Name: North Lake Lery Wetland Restoration

### **Project Location:**

Region 2, Breton Sound Basin, St. Bernard Parish, North and West of Lake Lery

### **Problem:**

According to USGS-NWRC mapping, much of the wetlands surrounding Lake Lery were heavily damaged along with the Lake Lery shoreline due to Hurricane Katrina. Since 2005 this area has been hit with 4 Hurricanes (Gustav, Ike, Ida, Issac) and at least 1 Tropical Storm (Lee). The marshes in the area have never had time to completely heal before the next major storm hit. Wind induced waves are now damaging the interior marshes north of the Lake causing accelerated interior marsh loss. In addition, the storms deposited material into the 40-Arpent canal until now it has been plugged allowing no or very little water to flow into the marshes east of Bayou Mandeville.

There is also a canal that carries water directly from the Carnarvon Freshwater Diversion Canal to marshes west and south of Big Mar. The levees that have been constructed along this canal due to maintenance events are not gapped and therefore do not allow sediment and nutrient rich waters to nourish adjacent marshes.

### Goals:

The project goals are to 1) clear an 80 ft. x 8 ft. channel of debris for up to 25,000 ft. to allow water from Bayou Mandeville via Caernarvon Freshwater Outfall Canal to flow eastward down the 40-arpet canal.

Service goals include the creation of habitat or improvement of habitat for rare species, species of concern, and threatened and endangered species. The creation of brackish intertidal marsh habitat would be beneficial to several species that are currently on the lists of rare species and species of concern. These include, but are not limited to Least Bittern, Black Rail, Mottled Duck, Brown Pelican, King Rail, and Saltwater topminnow.

### **Proposed Solutions:**

The proposed project would: 1) Restore the 40-arpent canal to a width of 80ft. and a depth of 8 ft. up to 25,000 ft. with the use of a bucket dredge. Naturally occurring material (mud) would be placed along the southern shoreline of the canal and "storm debris" would be placed in a barged to be disposed of off-site. This would allow water from the Caernarvon Freshwater Diversion Outfall Canal to flow toward the east. The southern bank of the canal directly south of Big Mar would be gapped in several places to allow water to flow south through the marshes.

### **Preliminary Project Benefits:**

- 1) What is the total acreage benefited both directly and indirectly? Approximately 16,000 acres would be benefited.
- 2) How many acres of wetlands will be protected/created over the project life? The total net acres protected/created over the project life has yet to be determined.

- 3) What is the anticipated loss rate reduction throughout the area of direct benefits over the project life (<25%, 25-49%, 50-74% and >75%). Loss rate reduction should be 50-74%.
- 4) Do any project features maintain or restore structural components of the coastal ecosystem such as barrier islands, natural or artificial levee ridges, beach and lake rims, cheniers, etc. No
- 5) What is the net impact of the project on critical and non-critical infrastructure? Adding fresh nutrient rich water into the area east of Bayou Mandeville will help marshes protecting the Levee.
- 6) To what extent does the project provide a synergistic effect with other approved and/or constructed restoration projects? This project would work synergistically with the constructed BS-16, BS-?, and St. Bernard CIAP project. This would also be synergistic with the BS-24 project which is in Phase II.

### **Identification of Potential Issues:**

The proposed project has the following potential issues: There could be pipelines in the project area.

### **Preliminary Construction Costs:**

The estimated construction cost including 25% contingency is < \$5 M.

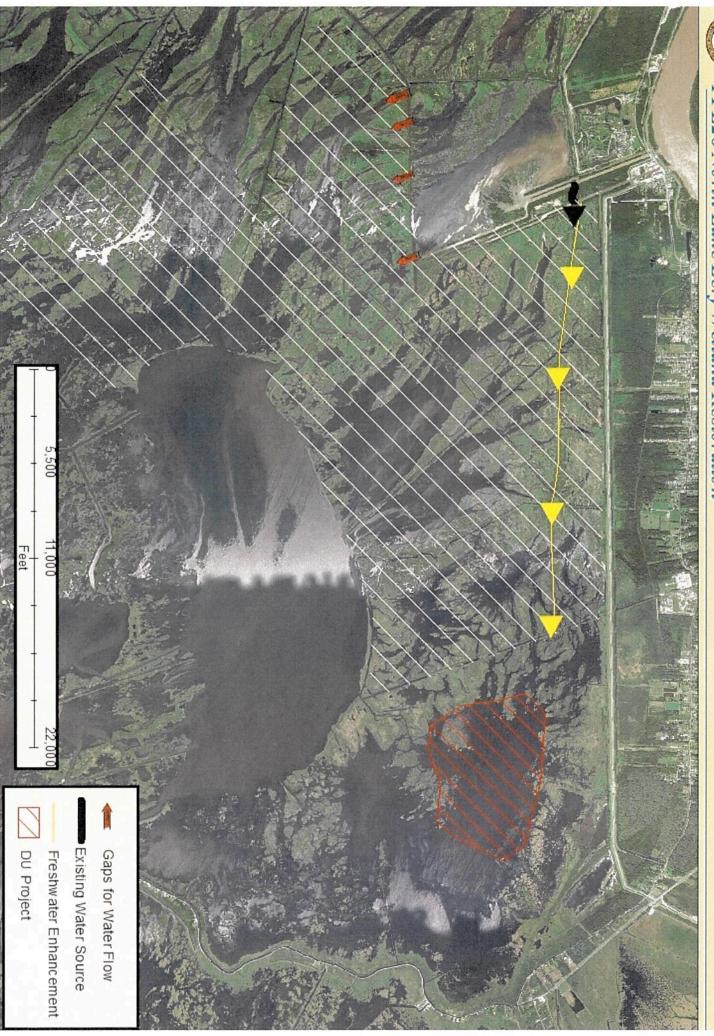
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PPL28 North Lake Lery Wetland Restoration







# GRAND LAKE WEST MARSH CREATION AND TERRACING

### **Problem:**

- Hurricane Katrina destroyed thousands of acres of marsh
- Estimated over 40 sq. miles of marsh were converted to open water from Hurricane Katrina
- Because of increased open water, wave fetch induced erosion is now a problem
- 40 Arpent Canal plugged; impedes water flow from Bayou Mandeville
- Canal levee south of Big Mar impedes water flowing south from Caernarvon.









## GRAND LAKE WEST MARSH CREATION AND TERRACING

#### **Solution:**

- Hydraulically dredge material from Grand Lake to create and nourish emergent intertidal marsh
- Construct Terraces in open water areas between Grand and Spanish Lake
- Remove debris from the 40 Arpent Canal to allow water to flow and nourish marshes east of Bayou Mandeville
- Gap canal levee located south of Big Mar allowing direct nourishment of marshes south of canal.

### GRAND LAKE WEST MARSH CREATION AND TERRACING

#### Goals:

- Create/nourish 360 acres of marsh between Spanish and Grand Lakes
- Create 25,000 LF of terraces (365 acre terrace field) east of Spanish Lake
- Remove storm debris from the 40 Arpent Canal (25,000 LF)
- · Gap levee south of Big Mar

#### **Net Acres:**

- Total net acres = 248 acres (not including hydraulic components)
- Acres impacted = 16,700 acres

#### **Preliminary Construction Costs**

• The estimated construction cost range plus 25% contingency \$15-\$20M.

# **Species of Concern and Rare Species**

- Least Bittern
- Black Rail
- Mottled Duck
- Brown Pelican
- King Rail

# R2-BS-05 Wills Point South Marsh Creation

BS-05

#### PPL 28 PROJECT FACT SHEET 1 February 2018

#### **Project Name**

Wills Point South Marsh Restoration

#### 2017 Master Plan Strategy

001.MC.107 Tiger Ridge/ Maple Knoll Marsh Creation: Creation of approximately 4,700 acres of marsh in Plaquemines Parish near Tiger Ridge to create new wetland habitat and restore degraded marsh.

#### **Project Location**

Region 2, Breton Sound Basin, Plaquemines Parish

#### Problem

The project area is mostly shallow water that appeared when marsh was lost between 1958 and 1974. Hurricane Katrina further exacerbated the deterioration of interior wetlands, and accelerated losses of critical habitat. The area lies amongst the natural ridges of Rive aux Chenes and Tiger Ridge. Losses over time have increased the vulnerability to wave fetch and tidal exchange. Furthermore another major hurricane could be devastating to the stability of the marshes in this area.

#### **Proposed Project Features**

Approximately 3.1 million CY of material would be mined from the Mississippi River from the point bar at Wills Point. It would be used to restore 576 acres of marsh adjacent to the River aux Chenes and Tiger Ridges. Containment dikes would be constructed around entire perimeter, however existing spoil banks and ridges will be considered as well for containment of river material.

#### **Project Benefits**

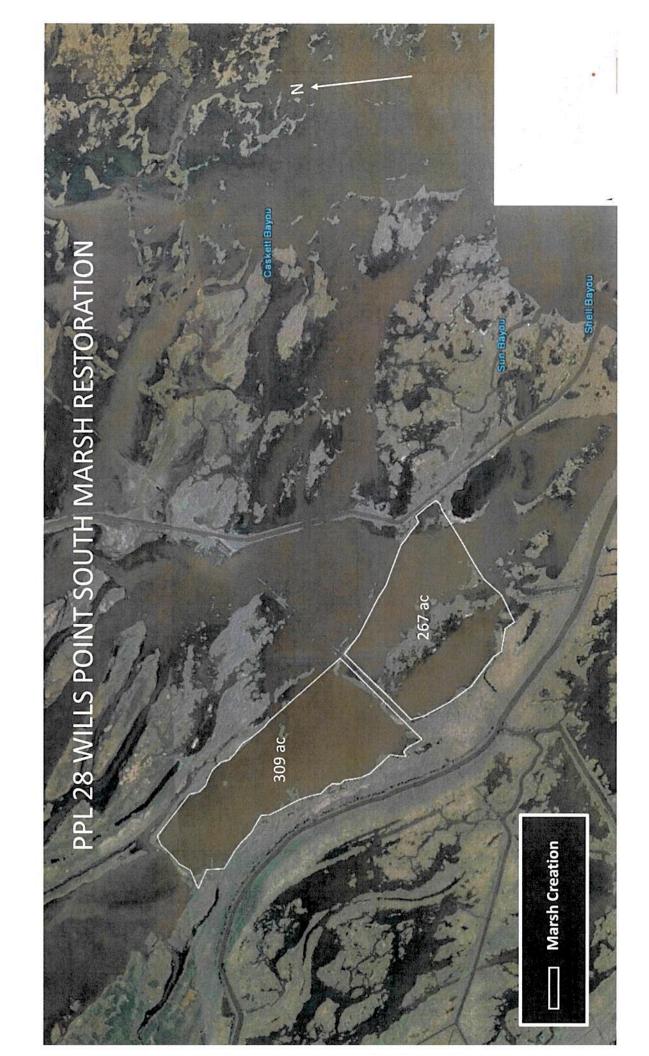
468 acres of open water would be filled with sediment dredged from the Mississippi River, and 108 acres of degraded marsh would be nourished. Project also protects natural ridges of Rive aux Chenes and Tiger Ridge, as well as adjacent levees which are critical to neighboring communities of Bertrandville and Wills Point.

#### **Preliminary Construction Costs**

The estimated construction cost including 25% contingency is \$30M – \$35M

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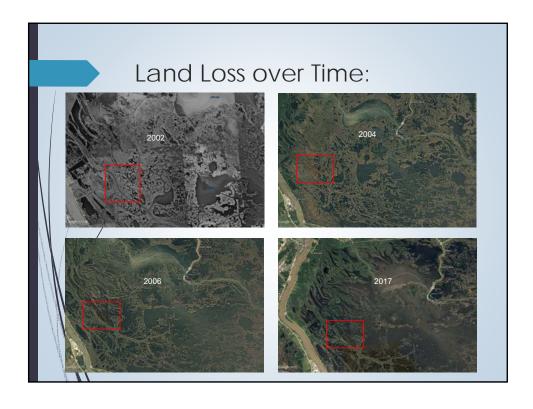


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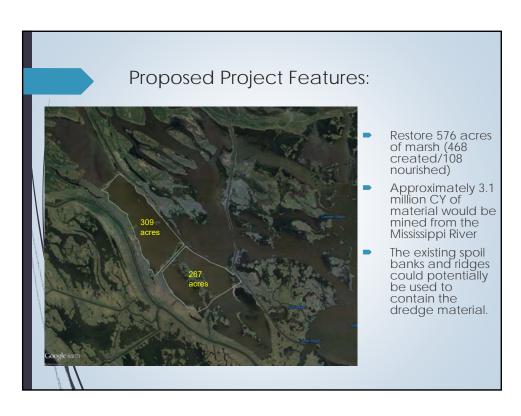


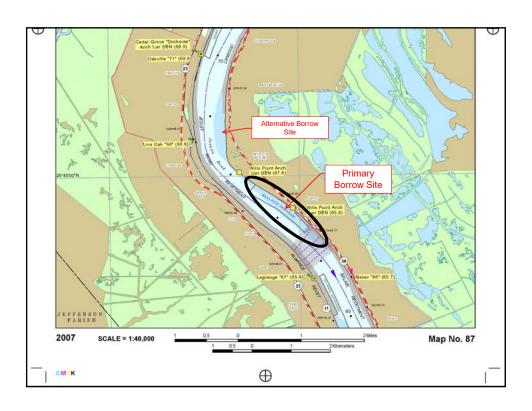
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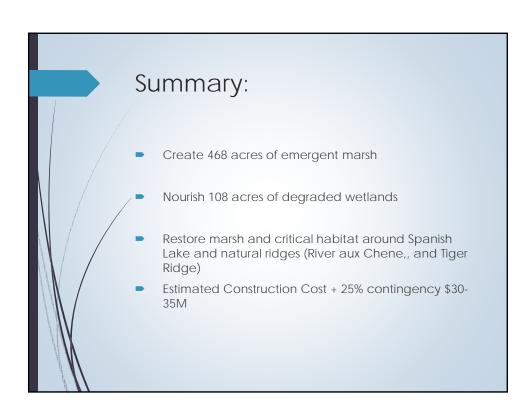
- The project area is mostly shallow open water that began to appear when marsh was lost between 1958 and 1974, due to subsidence, salinity spikes and tropical events.
- However the major losses incurred in this area were a result of Hurricane Katrina in 2005, and have experienced steady deterioration since.











# R2-BS-06 Phoenix Marsh and Ridge Restoration

BS-06

#### PPL28 PROJECT NOMINEE FACT SHEET February 1, 2018

#### **Project Name**

Phoenix Marsh and Ridge Restoration

#### **Project Location**

Region 2, Breton Sound Basin, Plaquemines Parish, East of Phoenix, LA

#### Problem

Within the project vicinity, marsh loss has occurred with the construction of oil/gas canals, subsidence, and sediment deprivation. Based on USGS' hyper-temporal analysis (1985-2016) for the Schayots Canal mapping unit, the loss rate for this area is estimated to be -1.00% per year.

#### Goals

The primary goals of this project are; 1) create forested, coastal ridge habitat, 2) restore marsh habitat in the open water areas via marsh creation and terracing, and 3) reduce fetch and wave energy in open water areas via the construction of terraces. Specific goals of the project are: 1) Create approximately 8,450 feet (17 acres) of forested ridge; 2) create approximately 390 acres of marsh with dredged material from the Mississippi River; and 3) create 9,500 linear feet (7 acres) of terraces.

Service goals include restoration/protection of habitat for threatened and endangered species and other at-risk species. This project would restore habitat potentially utilized by the black rail, which is petitioned for listing as a threatened/endangered species. The project could also benefit other species of concern including the peregrine falcon, osprey, mottled duck, seaside sparrow, and neotropical migrants.

#### **Proposed Solution**

- 1. Riverine sediments will be hydraulically dredged and pumped via pipeline to create 17 acres of ridge habitat and create/nourish approximately 390 acres of marsh.
- 2. Approximately 9,500 linear feet (7 acres) of terraces will be constructed.
- 3. Containment dikes will be gapped and the ridge and terraces will be planted.

#### **Preliminary Project Benefits**

- 1) What is the total acreage benefited both directly and indirectly? Approximately 577 acres would be benefited directly and indirectly. Direct benefits include 17 acres of forested, coastal ridge habitat, 390 acres of marsh creation, and 7 acres of terraces. Indirect benefits would occur to surrounding marshes and within the terrace field.
- 2) How many acres of wetlands will be protected/created over the project life? The total net acres protected/created over the project life is approximately 300-350 acres.

- 3) What is the anticipated loss rate reduction throughout the area of direct benefits over the project life (<25%, 25-49%, 50-74% and >75%). The anticipated loss rate reduction throughout the area of direct benefit is estimated to be 50%.
- 4) Do any project features maintain or restore structural components of the coastal ecosystem such as barrier islands, natural or artificial levee ridges, beach and lake rims, cheniers, etc. Yes. Forested coastal ridge habitat would be created.
- 5) What is the net impact of the project on critical and non-critical infrastructure? The project would afford some protection to flood protection levees west of the project area.
- 6) To what extent does the project provide a synergistic effect with other approved and/or constructed restoration projects? None identified at this time.

#### **Identification of Potential Issues**

None identified at this time.

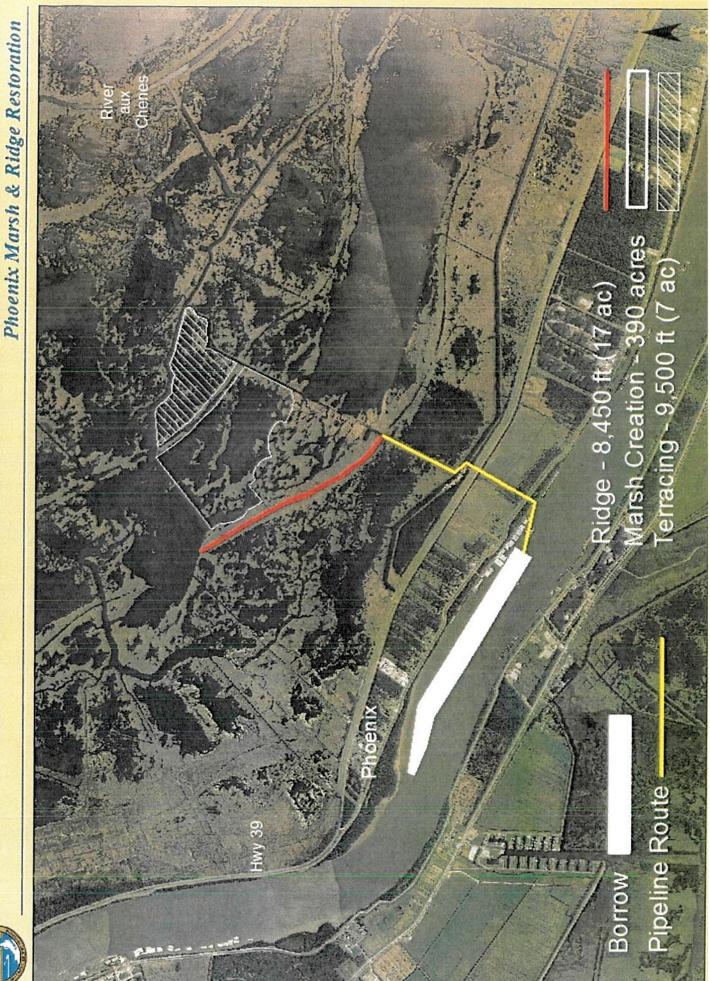
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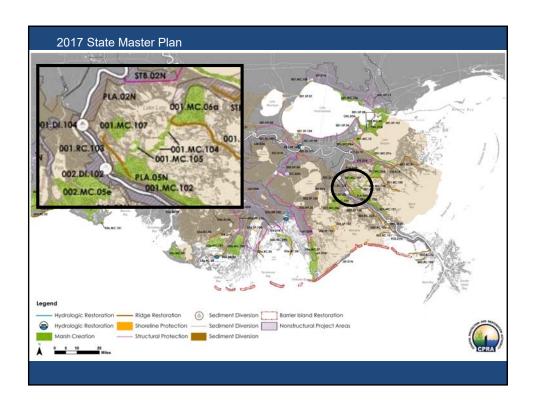
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#### Phoenix Marsh and Ridge Restoration

- Mississippi River borrow site
- 8,450 ft (17 acres) of ridge restoration
- 390 acres of marsh creation/nourishment
- 9,500 ft of terraces (7 acres)
- Net acres = 300 350
- Construction plus contingency = \$30M \$35M



# R2-BS-07 Bayou Terre aux Boeuf Ridge Restoration and Marsh Creation

BS-07

#### PPL 28 PROJECT FACT SHEET February 1, 2018

#### **Project Name**

Bayou Terre aux Boeuf Ridge Restoration and Marsh Creation

#### Master Plan Strategy

Master Plan 2017: Utilizes Ridge Creation 100 and Marsh creation .06a concepts.

#### **Project Location**

Region 1, Breton Basin, Plaquemines Parish.

**Problem:** Historic ridge habitat loss occurs in the form of subsidence and shoreline erosion along Bayou Terre Aux Boeuf (BTAB). The shoreline erosion is caused by boat traffic from recreational and commercial vessels. The ridge is subsiding due to anthropogenic and natural processes. The habitat associated with ridges in Louisiana is Live Oak Hackberry forest. This ecosystem is utilized by trans-gulf migratory bird species as a first and last stop when crossing the Gulf of Mexico. This critical habitat is rated as S1 and S2 priority by the state of Louisiana. Interior marsh loss in the project site is caused by subsidence, increased tidal prism and salinities due to construction of access and or transmission canals. The BTAB ridge is the barrier that separates brackish form intermediate marsh in the Breton Basin. Loss of this hydrological barrier could pose greater threats to already diminishing intermediate marshes.

**Goal:** Restore 4.73 miles or 25 acres of Live Oak Hackberry forest ridge along the southern bank of BTAB and construct 508 acres of marsh creation/nourishment west of the ridge. The total project acreage will be 533 acres.

Proposed Solutions: Create approximately 4.73 miles of ridge equaling 25 acres of Live Oak Hackberry forest habitat along BTAB. The ridge habitat restoration will consist of bucket dredging the bayou and partially constructed out into the shallow shoreline of the bayou, to minimize the impact on healthy adjacent marsh. The structure will have a +5 elevation and 50% of the newly created ridge will include vegetative plantings. The marsh creation site will create 206 acres of marsh and nourish approximately 302 acres of marsh (508 acres total) using sediment dredged from Lake Cuatro Caballo, Jean Louis Robin or Cochon Bay. The marsh creation portion is currently 93% contained. A total open water berm length of 3,018 ft. is needed to enclose the site, which might provide considerable cost savings. Upon completion containment will be degraded as necessary to re-establish hydrologic connectivity with adjacent wetlands.

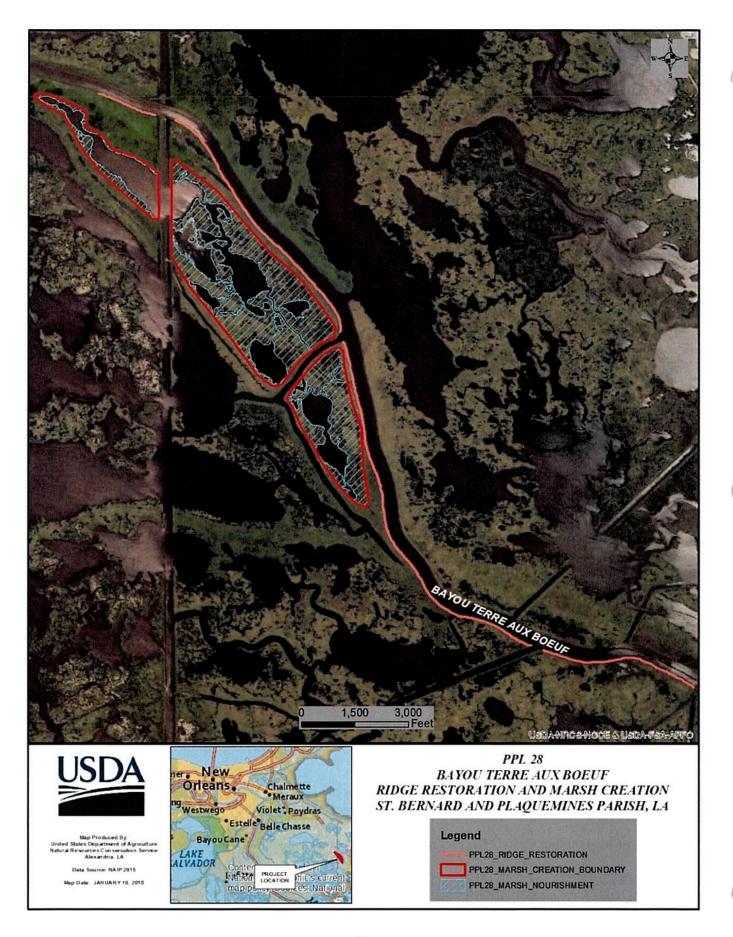
Preliminary Project Benefits: Restore historical Live Oak Hackberry forest and strengthen the geomorphological barrier between brackish and intermediate marsh in the Breton basin. The proposed project will have significant synergistic effects with the South Lake Lery Shoreline Marsh Creation (BS-17), the Breton Landbridge and institutes components of the MRGO Ecosystem Restoration Plan. The BTAB ridge also serves as a structural line of defense for communities in Plaquemines, St. Bernard and the greater New Orleans area from highly erosional storm surge events.

**Identification of Potential Issues:** The proposed project has the following potential issues: pipelines would have to be avoided for the borrow site and oysters leases exist adjacent to the project site.

**Preliminary Construction Costs:** The preliminary construction cost with 25% contingency is \$20M -\$25M.

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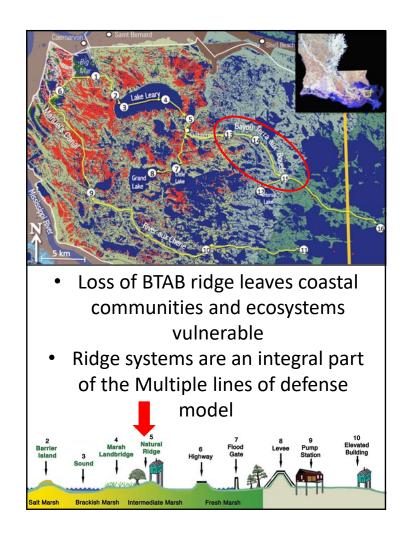


#### Bayou Terre aux Boeuf Ridge Restoration and Marsh Creation

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Region 1 Breton Basin

# Consistent with 2017 Master Plan Correct Stuart Brown???





#### Bayou Terre Aux Boeuf Ridge Creation

- 4.73 miles of Ridge
- 25 acres of S1/S2 Live Oak Hackberry Forest Habitat

#### **Marsh Creation**

- 206 acres of marsh creation
- 302 acres of marsh nourishment
- 533 acres total

Total cost + Contingency =20-25 Million



#### R2-BS-08

Bayou Terre aux Boeuf South Ridge Restoration and Marsh Creation

BS-08

#### PPL28 PROJECT FACT SHEET February 1, 2018

#### **Project Name**

Bayou Terre aux Boeufs South Ridge Restoration and Marsh Creation

#### Master Plan Strategy

Bayou Terre aux Boeufs Ridge Restoration (2017 Master Plan 001.RC.100): Restoration of approximately 91,200 feet of historic ridge to an elevation of 5 feet NAVD88 to provide coastal upland habitat, restore natural hydrology, and provide wave and storm surge attenuation along Bayou Terre aux Boeufs.

#### **Project Location**

Region 2, Breton Sound Basin, Plaquemines & St. Bernard Parishes

#### Problem

The project area is a ridge that separates Lake Campo from Lake Calebasse and the larger nearby Bays. As a result of storm events, subsidence, and sea level rise among other factors, the ridge has degraded in this area. As the ridge continues to degrade the water bodies on each side merge creating a much larger open water area, bringing increased wave fetch, storm surge, and conversion of the remaining fragmented wetlands into open water areas. The area remains vulnerable to future hurricane damage and subsidence and is a Tier 1 Priority Project area for St. Bernard Parish (St. Bernard Priority Coastal Projects 2016).

#### **Proposed Solution**

Create 30,912 linear feet of ridge along Bayou Terre aux Boeufs to provide coastal upland habitat, restore natural hydrology, and provide wave and storm surge attenuation. Create/nourish 443 acres emergent marsh with sediment from the Black Bay and/or Breton Sound.

#### **Project Benefits**

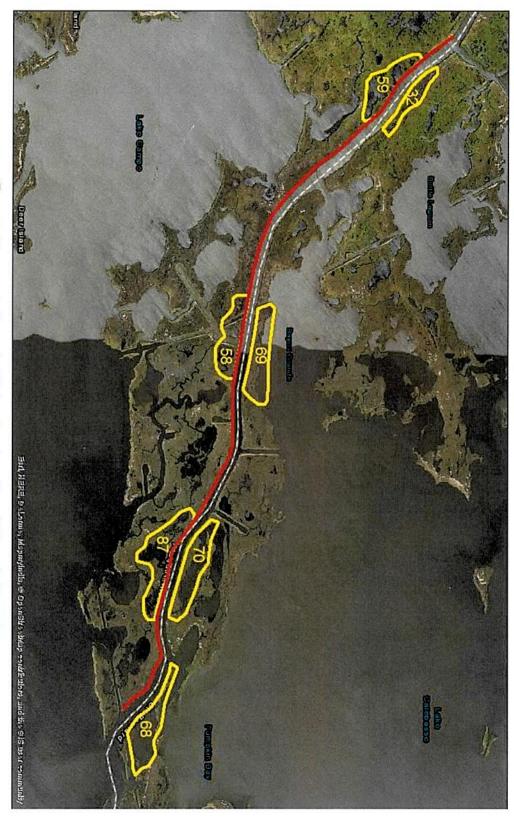
Create 30,912 linear feet of ridge along Bayou Terre aux Boeufs and create/nourish 443 acres (create 211 acres and nourish 232 acres) emergent marsh.

#### **Project Costs**

The estimated construction cost including 25% contingency is \$20M - \$25M.

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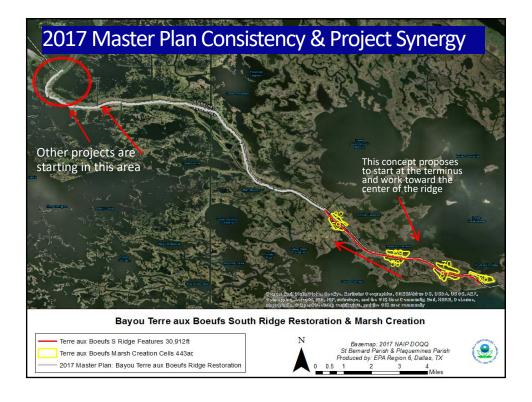
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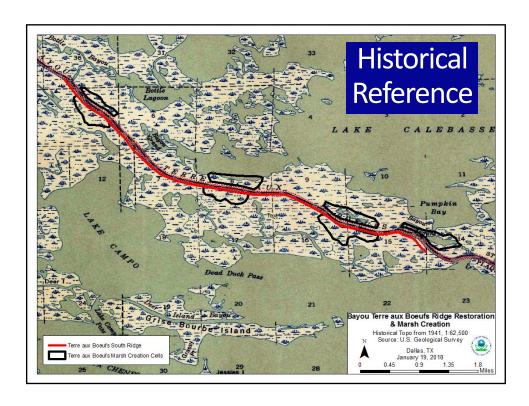


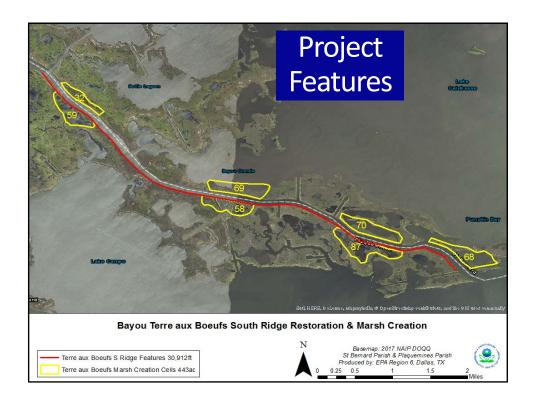




#### Problems

- Historic ridge is degrading between the water bodies on both sides which may cause them to merge creating additional impacts
- Subsidence
- Storm events
- Fragmenting wetlands supporting the ridge
- Both Plaquemines (55%) and St. Bernard (72%) Parishes could lose extensive land area over the next 50 years and experience severe storm surge flood risk (2017 MP).





# Species & Habitats Protected or Restored

#### T & E Species

#### **Migratory Birds**

- Piping Plover
- Red Knot
- Sea Turtles
- Sturgeon
- Manatee

- American Golden-plover
- Am Oystercatcher (Breeding)
- Black Skimmer (Breeding)
- Many shorebirds

#### **Project Goals**

- Restore 30,912 linear feet of historical ridge
- Provide separation between Lake Campo and Lake Calebasse
- Address St. Bernard Parish Priority Project Tier 1
- Create/nourish 443 acres (create 211 acres and nourish 232 acres) of emergent marsh as additional support for the ridge feature with sediment from either Black Bay or Breton Sound
- Construction cost + 25% contingency is \$25M \$30M

# R2-BS-09 Reggio Marsh Creation and Hydrologic Restoration

#### PPL28 PROJECT FACT SHEET February 1, 2018

#### **Project Name**

Reggio Marsh Creation and Hydrologic Restoration

#### Master Plan Strategy

Breton Marsh Creation-Component A (2017 Master Plan 001.MC.06a): Creation of approximately 12,000 acres of marsh in the Breton Marsh east of Delacroix Island to create new wetland habitat and restore degraded marsh.

#### **Project Location**

Region 2, Breton Sound Basin, St. Bernard Parish

#### Problem

St. Bernard Parish may experience some of the highest rates of wetland loss over the next 50 years of any coastal parish and with no further action, it could lose an additional 237 sq. miles (72% of the parish land area; 2017 Master Plan Appx A). Locations outside the levees could experience increased storm surge flood risk. This project area has experienced wetland loss due to a variety of factors including subsidence, saltwater intrusion, and storm damage. Hurricane Katrina devastated the area resulting in substantial marsh loss which has exposed infrastructure to open water conditions. Canals in the area have increased the effects of salt water pulses in the fall which subsequently cause the vegetation to die off and decay to the W and N of the canals (identified in red on the map).

#### **Proposed Solution**

Create/nourish 404 acres of wetlands by converting open water into marsh and nourishing existing marsh remnants with sediment hydraulically dredged from a borrow source in Lake Lery (if Lake Lery becomes impractical, Lake Borgne could also be targeted). In addition, two canals (1563ft) are proposed to be plugged to counteract saltwater intrusion. Temporary containment dikes will be constructed and gapped within three years of construction to allow greater tidal exchange and estuarine organism access. Restoration in this area would build the area's defenses against hurricanes and flooding.

#### **Project Benefits**

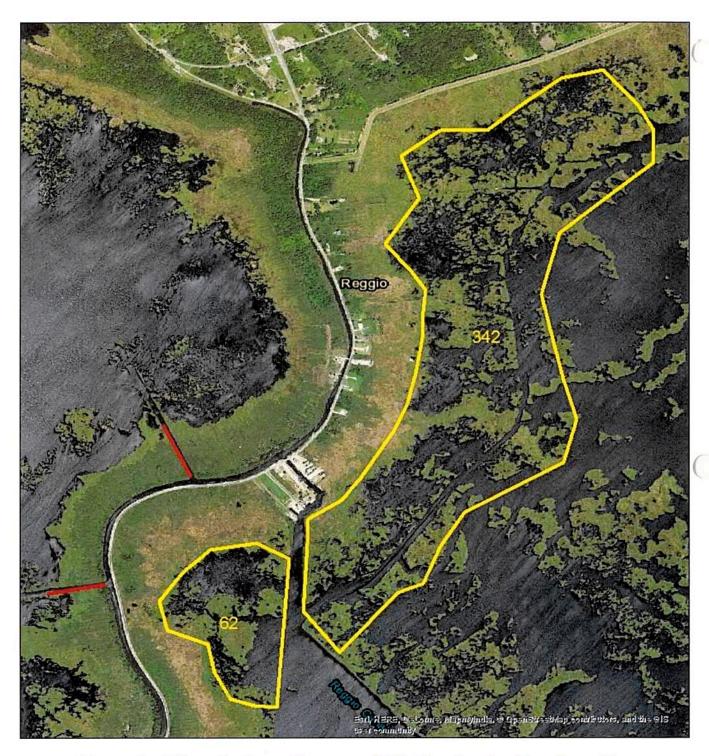
Create/nourish 404 acres (create 208 acres and nourish 196 acres) of emergent marsh with sediment dredged from Lake Lery and plug two canals totaling 1,563ft.

#### **Project Costs**

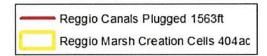
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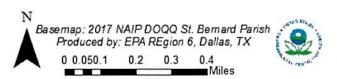
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Reggio Marsh Creation and Hydrologic Restoration





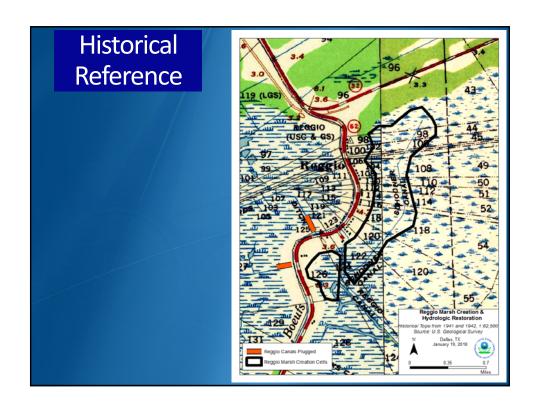


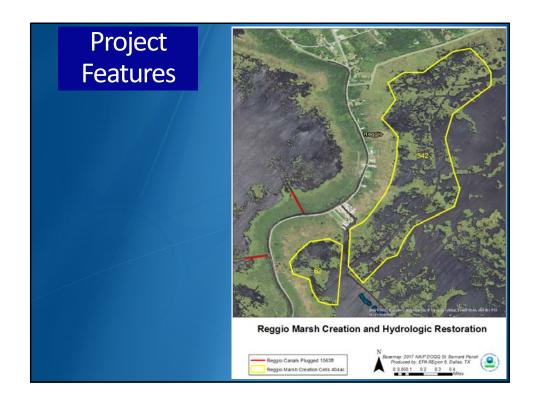




#### **Problems**

- Storm impacts from Hurricane Katrina
- Saltwater intrusion through the MC polygons makes its way to the W via the two small canals causing high salinity conditions in the fall which then causes vegetation die off and decaying conditions to the W & N of the canals
- Subsidence & Sea-level rise
- St. Bernard Parish may experience some of the highest rates of wetland loss and increased flood risk over the next 50 years (2017 MP)





# Species & Habitats Protected or Restored

## T & E Species

# **Migratory Birds**

- Piping Plover
- Red Knot
- Sea Turtles
- Sturgeon
- Manatee

- American Golden-plover
- Am Oystercatcher (Breeding)
- Black Skimmer (Breeding)
- Many shorebirds

# **Project Goals**

- Create/nourish 404 acres (create 208 acres and nourish 196 acres) of emergent marsh with sediment from Lake Lery and close 1563 ft of canal
- Resiliency from storm surge for the community of Reggio
- May address St. Bernard Parish Priority Project Tier 1: Lake Lery MC polygon
- Restore wetland habitat by reducing fall high salinity conditions so that intermediate/freshwater marsh can remain viable all year long
- Construction cost + 25% contingency is \$25M \$30M

# R2-BS-10 Davant Marsh Creation

## PPL28 PROJECT FACT SHEET February 1, 2018

## **Project Name**

**Davant Marsh Creation** 

### Master Plan Strategy

Pointe a la Hache Marsh Creation (2017 Master Plan 001.MC.102): Creation of approximately 19,100 acres of marsh on the east bank of Plaquemines Parish near Pointe a la Hache to create new wetland habitat and restore degraded marsh.

#### **Project Location**

Region 2, Breton Sound Basin, Plaquemines Parish

#### Problem

The project area is an open water body immediately adjacent to the east bank of the Mississippi River levee. As a result of leveeing the Mississippi River for navigation and flood control, the Pointe a la Hache wetlands were cut off from the historic overbank flooding of the river. Without continued sediment input, marshes could not maintain viable elevations due to ongoing subsidence. In addition, oil and gas canals disrupted hydrology and facilitated saltwater intrusion further degrading the marsh. The land loss rate for the area is -1.00% per year.

#### **Proposed Solution**

The proposed project would create/nourish approximately 284 acres of marsh using sediment dredged from the Mississippi River. The dredged material would be fully contained. Containment dikes would be degraded as necessary to reestablish hydrologic connectivity with adjacent wetlands. The created marsh would be planted.

#### **Project Benefits**

Create/nourish approximately 284 acres (create 222 acres and nourish 62 acres) of emergent marsh using sediment dredged from the Mississippi River.

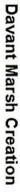
#### **Project Costs**

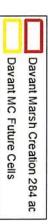
The estimated construction cost including 25% contingency is \$20M - \$25M.

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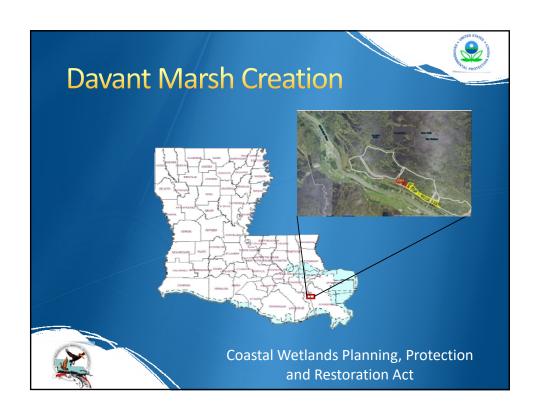
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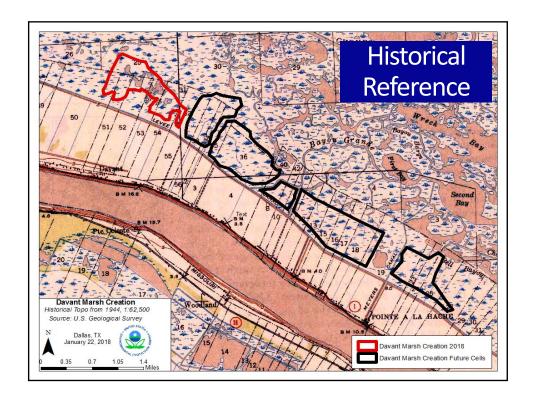


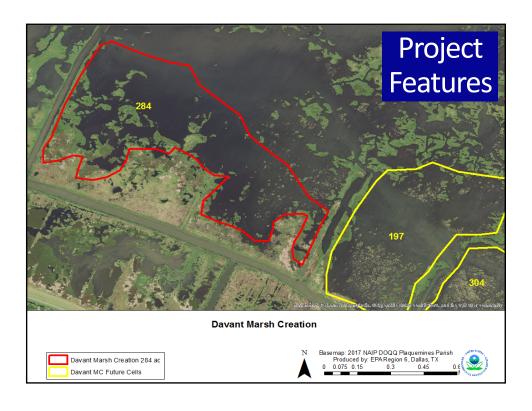




# **Problems**

- Levees for navigation and flood control cut off wetlands from overbank flooding
- Marsh areas could not maintain viable elevations without sediment input
- Subsidence
- Oil & gas canals disrupted hydrology
- Saltwater intrusion
- Plaquemines Parish could lose an additional 55% of its land area over the next 50 years and face severe storm surge flood risk (2017 MP).





# Species & Habitats Protected or Restored

## T & E Species

## Migratory Birds

- Piping Plover
- Red Knot
- Sea Turtles
- Sturgeon
- Manatee

- American Golden-plover
- Am Oystercatcher (Breeding)
- Black Skimmer (Breeding)
- Many shorebirds

# **Project Goals**

- Create/nourish 284 acres (create 222 acres and nourish 62 acres) of emergent marsh with sediment from the Mississippi River
- Address Plaquemines Parish Phase 1 (construct wetlands adjacent to levees protecting fastlands) and Phase 2 (enhance wetlands in identified areas) priorities
- Restore wetland habitat & provide increased protection from storm surge and flooding
- Construction cost + 25% contingency is \$20M \$25M

# R2-BS-11 East Delacroix Marsh Creation and Terracing

## PPL28 PROJECT NOMINEE FACT SHEET February 1, 2018

#### **Project Name**

East Delacroix Marsh Creation and Terracing

#### **Project Location**

Region 2, Breton Basin, St. Bernard Parish

#### Problem

Hurricanes Katrina and Rita caused the majority of wetland loss in the project area. Wind erosion and saltwater intrusion have resulted in loss of marsh vegetation and wetland soils. Marsh loss has increased exposure of Delacroix to flooding from the east/southeast. The 1985 to 2016 Tanasia Lagoon subunit loss rate is -0.61%/yr.

#### Goals

The project goal is to create and nourish approximately 406 acres of marsh (347 acres creation 59 acres nourishment) and construct approximately 12,950 linear feet of terraces (approximately 8 acres) utilizing a layout to help protect the community of Delacroix.

#### **Proposed Solution**

The proposed project goals are to create 347 acres and nourish 59 acres of marsh. Sediment would be mined from Lake Lery and placed east of Delacroix via pipeline. The borrow area would be designed to avoid adverse impacts to the existing shoreline of Lake Lery. In addition to marsh creation approximately 12, 950 linear feet of terraces would be constructed. The terrace slopes and crown would be planted with appropriate marsh vegetation. During Phase 0 and Phase 1, opportunities would be explored to increase the amount of marsh creation.

#### **Preliminary Project Benefits**

- 1) What is the total acreage benefited both directly and indirectly? This total project area is 597 ac.
- 2) How many acres of wetlands will be protected/created over the project life? Approximately 307 acres of marsh will be protected/created over the project life.
- 3) What is the anticipated loss rate reduction throughout the area of direct benefits over the project life (e.g., 50% reduction in the background loss rate)?

  The anticipated land loss rate reduction throughout the area of direct benefits will be 50-74% over the projects life.
- 4) Do any project features maintain or restore structural components of the coastal ecosystem such as barrier islands, natural or artificial levee ridges, beach and lake rims, cheniers, etc?

  The project will help protect the Bayou Terre aux Boeuf Ridge.
- 5) What is the net impact of the project on critical and non-critical infrastructure?

  The project would have moderate net positive impact to critical infrastructure which consists of Delacroix Highway, a hurricane evacuation route, and residences of Delacroix.

Net positive impact would result from providing synergistic flood protection with the back levee and protection of the highway.

To what extent does the project provide a synergistic effect with other approved and/or constructed restoration projects?
 The project will have a synergistic effect with the CIAP project constructed west of Delacroix helping to protecting Delacroix from wave fetch.

#### Considerations

The proposed project has potential utility/pipeline considerations.

### **Preliminary Construction Costs**

The estimated construction cost +25% contingency cost range is \$25M-\$30M.

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# **East Delacroix Marsh Creation** and Terracing PPL 28 RPT Nominee

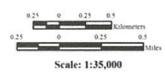




Marsh Creation \* Terrace Field \*

**Project Boundary** 

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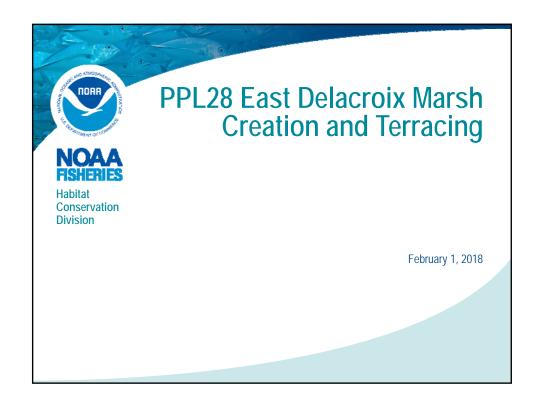


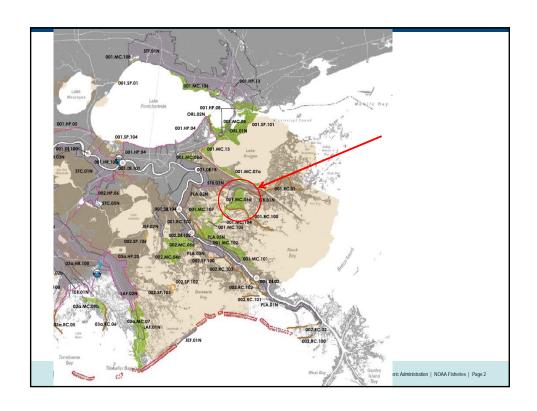


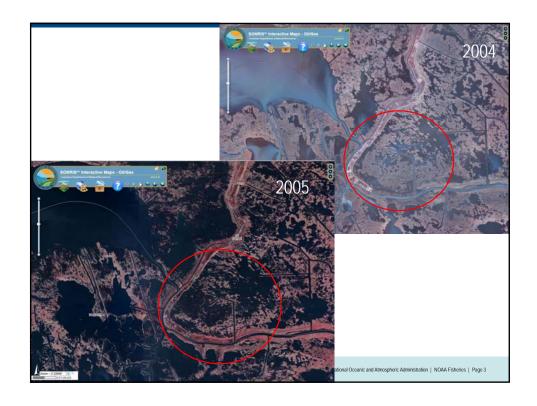
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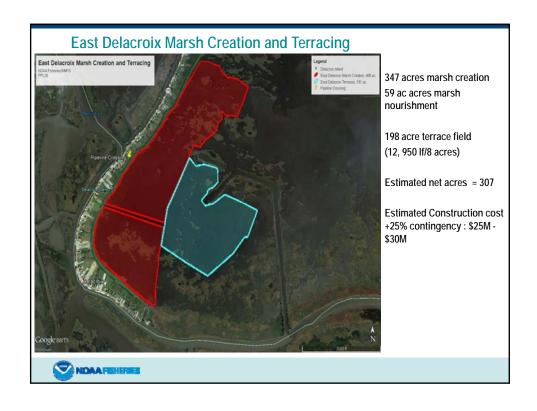
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# R2-BS-12 North Delacroix Marsh Creation and Terracing

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## PPL28 PROJECT NOMINEE FACT SHEET February 1, 2018

### **Project Name**

North Delacroix Marsh Creation and Terracing

#### **Project Location**

Region 2, Breton Basin, St. Bernard Parish

#### Problem

Hurricanes Katrina and Rita caused the majority of wetland loss in the project area. Wind erosion and saltwater intrusion have resulted in loss of marsh vegetation and wetland soils. Marsh loss has increased exposure of Delacroix to flooding from the east/southeast. The 1985 to 2016 Jean Louis Robin subunit loss rate is -0.66%/year (yr). The expanded project boundary loss rate from PPL27 E Delacroix is -0.61%/yr from 1985 to 2016.

#### Goals

The project goal is to create and nourish approximately 389 acres (ac) of marsh (311 ac creation 78 ac nourishment) and construct approximately 17,540 linear feet (lf) of terraces (approximately 11 emergent ac) utilizing a layout to help protect the community of Delacroix. The project would work synergistically with the East Delacroix Marsh Creation and Terracing project.

## **Proposed Solution**

The proposed project goals are to create approximately 311 ac and nourish 78 ac of marsh. Sediment would be mined from Lake Lery and placed east of Delacroix via pipeline. The borrow area would be designed to avoid adverse impacts to the existing shorelines of Lake Lery. In addition to marsh creation approximately 17,540 lf of terraces would be constructed. The terraces slopes and crown would be planted with appropriate marsh vegetation. During both Phase 0 and Phase 1, opportunities would be explored to increase the amount of marsh creation.

#### **Preliminary Project Benefits**

- 1) What is the total acreage benefited both directly and indirectly? This total project area is 400 ac.
- 2) How many acres of wetlands will be protected/created over the project life? Approximately 250 300 ac of marsh will be protected/created over the project life.
- 3) What is the anticipated loss rate reduction throughout the area of direct benefits over the project life (e.g., 50% reduction in the background loss rate)?

  The anticipated land loss rate reduction throughout the area of direct benefits will be 50-74% over the projects life.
- 4) Do any project features maintain or restore structural components of the coastal ecosystem such as barrier islands, natural or artificial levee ridges, beach and lake rims, cheniers, etc?

  The project will help protect the Bayou Terre aux Boeuf Ridge.
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- 5) What is the net impact of the project on critical and non-critical infrastructure?

The project would have moderate net positive impact to critical infrastructure which consists of Delacroix Highway, a hurricane evacuation route, and residences of Delacroix. Net positive impact would result from providing synergistic flood protection with the back levee and help protect the highway.

6) To what extent does the project provide a synergistic effect with other approved and/or constructed restoration projects?

The project will have a synergistic effect with the CIAP project constructed west of Delacroix helping to protecting Delacroix from wave fetch.

#### Considerations

The proposed project has potential utility/pipeline considerations.

## **Preliminary Construction Costs**

The estimated construction cost plus 25% contingency is \$25M - \$30M.

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