

# Coastal Wetlands Planning Protection & Restoration Act

## 32<sup>nd</sup> Priority Project List



**Region 2**

**Regional Planning  
Team Meeting**

**Lead:  
Sarah Bradley, USACE**

**February 10, 2022**

# Announcements

- PPL 32 RPT meetings to accept project nominees:
  - Region IV, Feb. 8, 2022, 9:30 am
  - Region III, Feb. 9, 2022, 9:30 am
  - Region II, Feb. 10, 2022, 9:30 am
  - Region I, immediately following Region II



# 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 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 Lead will call for a break
  - RPT representatives will then participate in a “breakout session” via WebEx to determine the path forward



# RPT Meetings

- All proposals submitted in advance will go in the order indicated on the agenda.
- A request for all other proposals will occur after advance submissions.
- Limit project proposals to 5 minutes.
- Public comments on project proposals will be accepted verbally during the RPT meetings and in writing by February 17, 2022.
- Limit comments/questions during meeting to PPL 32 subject proposals and processes.



## Coastwide Projects

- Proposes a proven technique applicable across the coast (e.g. vegetative planting)
- Nominated at any RPT meeting
- Engineering/Environmental Workgroups will validate that coastwide projects fit CWPPRA Standard Operating Procedures criteria
- All coastal parishes & agencies will vote on selection of one coastwide nominee



# Demonstration Projects

- Demonstrates a coastal wetlands restoration technique or material that can be transferred to other areas of the coastal zone
- Engineering/Environmental Workgroups will validate that demos fit CWPPRA Standard Operating Procedures criteria
- All coastal parishes & agencies will vote on selection of up to 6 demos.
- Previous demo candidates must be *re-nominated* for PPL 32.



# Coastwide Electronic Vote (**Feb. 24th**) 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

## PPL 32 Timeline

### Coastwide Electronic Vote

(24 Feb)

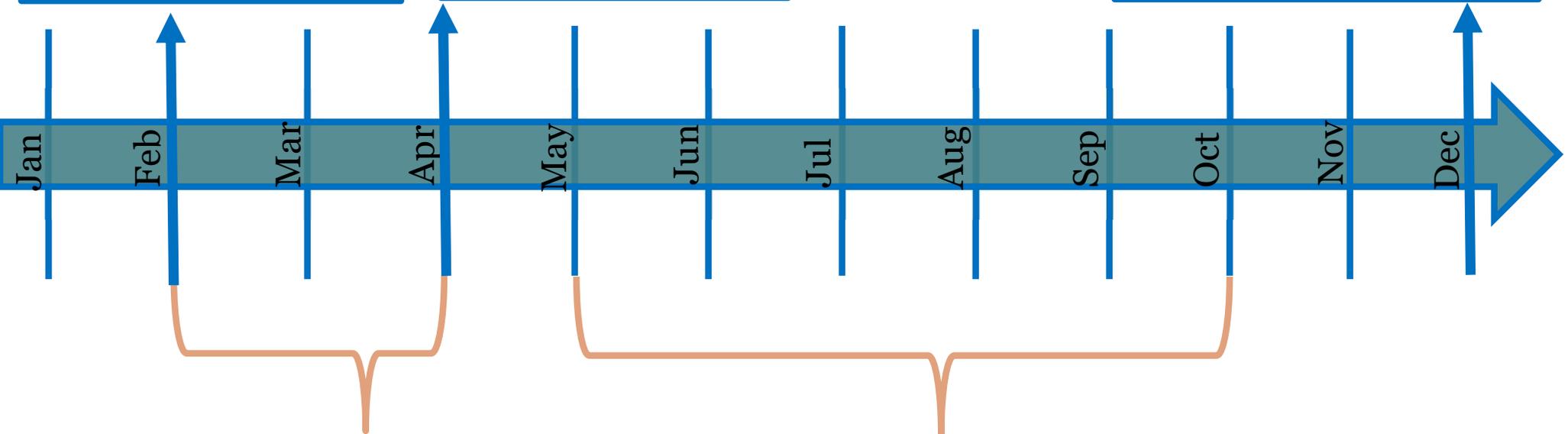
- 21 Basin
- 1 coastwide
- Up to 6 demos

### April Technical Committee Mtg

- 10 candidates
- Up to 3 demos

### December Technical Committee Mtg

- Recommend up to 4 projects for Phase 1 funding



### March – April 2022

- Agencies assigned to projects
- Fact sheets developed
- Workgroup review
- Workgroups may recommend that no demos move forward

### May – October 2022

- Site visits
- Workgroup evaluations



## Written Comments

- Send written comments on projects & demos proposed today to the CWPPRA program manager
- **Deadline: February 17, 2022**

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## Region 2

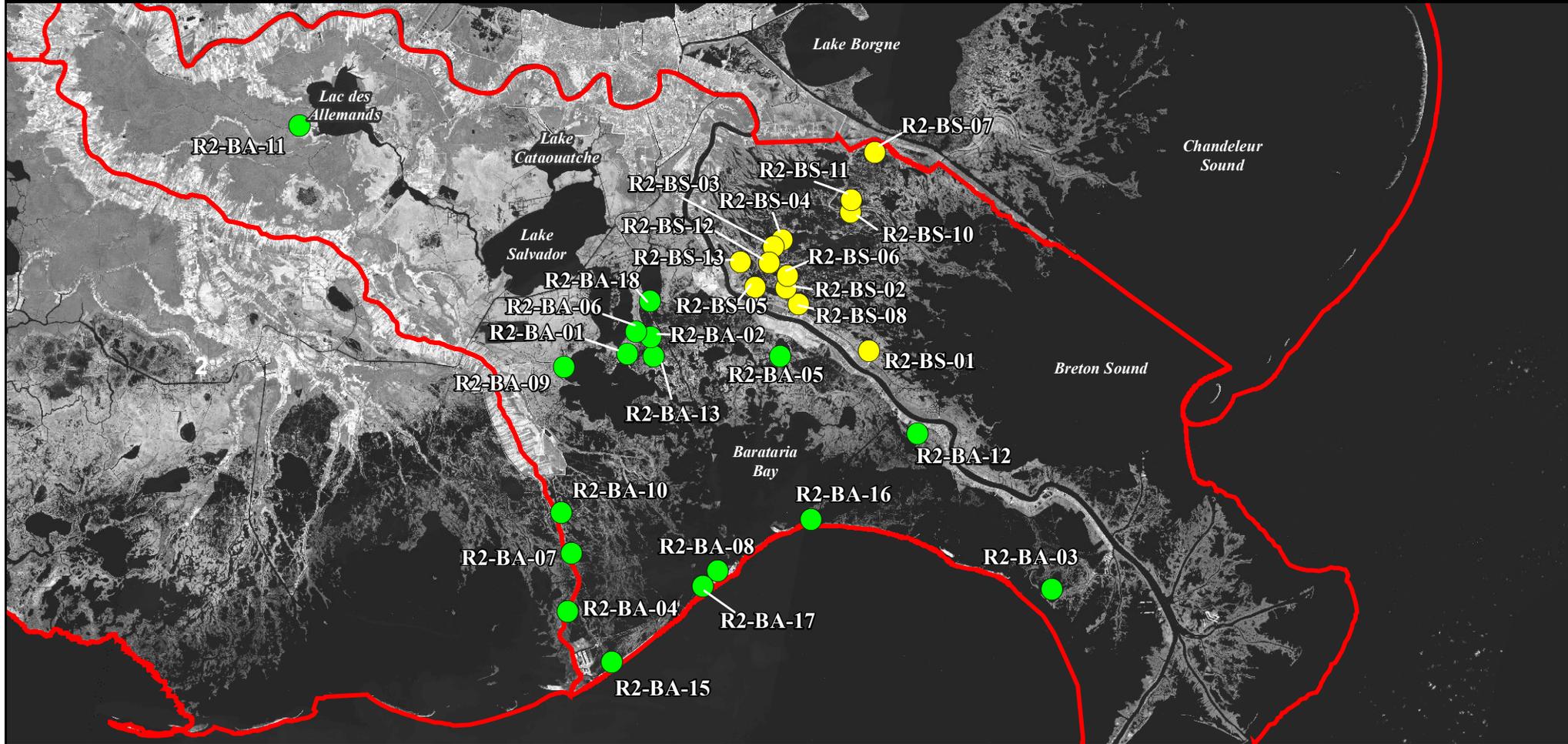
### Barataria

Agency	Region	Basin	Project ID	Project Name
NRCS	2	BA	R2, BA-01	North Central Turtle Bay Marsh Creation
NRCS	2	BA	R2, BA-02	West Dupre Cut Marsh Creation
USACE	2	BA	R2, BA-03	Red Pass Ridge and Marsh Restoration
USACE	2	BA	R2, BA-04	Southwest Leeville Marsh Creation
FWS	2	BA	R2, BA-05	Lake Hermitage Shoreline Protection and Marsh Creation
FWS	2	BA	R2, BA-06	Bayou Rigolettes East Marsh Creation
FWS	2	BA	R2, BA-07	East Bayou Lafourche Marsh Creation
FWS	2	BA	R2, BA-08	Fifi Island Marsh Creation
FWS	2	BA	R2, BA-09	Northwest Little Lake Marsh Creation
FWS	2	BA	R2, BA-10	Southeast Golden Meadows Marsh Creation
EPA	2	BA	R2, BA-11	Bayou Chevreuil Hydrologic Restoration and Vegetative Planting
EPA	2	BA	R2, BA-12	Bayou eau Noire Ridge Restoration and Marsh Creation
EPA	2	BA	R2, BA-13	Three Bayou Bay Marsh Creation
NMFS	2	BA	R2, BA-14	Couba Island Living Shoreline
NMFS	2	BA	R2, BA-15	Bayou Moreau March Creation
NMFS	2	BA	R2, BA-16	Grand Pierre Barrier Island Restoration
NMFS	2	BA	R2, BA-17	Grand Isle Bayside Marsh Creation
NMFS	2	BA	R2, BA-18	Southeast Lafitte Marsh Creation
NMFS	2	BA	R2, BA-19	Little Lake Dedicated Dredging near Brusle Lake
NMFS	2	BA	R2, BA-20	East Lake Hermitage Marsh Creation

### Breton Sound

Agency	Region	Basin	Project ID	Project Name
NRCS	2	BS	R2, BS-01	Bohemia Spillway Outfall Managment - Lower Grand Bayou
NRCS	2	BS	R2, BS-02	Horsepower Canal Marsh Creation
FWS	2	BS	R2, BS-03	Spanish Lake Shoreline Restoration (Shoreline Berm/Marsh Creation)
FWS	2	BS	R2, BS-04	Spanish Lake- Grand Lake Marsh Creation
FWS	2	BS	R2, BS-05	Carlisle Ridge Restoration and Marsh Creation South
FWS	2	BS	R2, BS-06	River aux Chenes Marsh Creation-South
FWS	2	BS	R2, BS-07	Yscloskey Marsh Creation
EPA	2	BS	R2, BS-08	Davant Marsh Creation (Increment 1)
EPA	2	BS	R2, BS-09	Reggio East Marsh Creation
EPA	2	BS	R2, BS-10	Bayou Terre aux Boeufs Ridge Restoration and Marsh Creation
NMFS	2	BS	R2, BS-11	Bayou Grosbec Marsh Creation
NMFS	2	BS	R2, BS-12	River aux Chenes North Marsh Creation
NMFS	2	BS	R2, BS-13	Carlisle Ridge Restoration and Marsh Creation North
NMFS	2	BS	R2, BS-14	East Lake Lery Marsh Creation
NMFS	2	BS	R2, BS-15	Lake Lery Marsh Creation and Rim Restoration Phase III

# Region 2 PPL32 Nominated Projects



## ● Barataria Basin Project

- R2-BA-01 North Central Turtle Bay Marsh Creation
- R2-BA-02 West Dupre Cut Marsh Creation
- R2-BA-03 Red Pass Ridge and Marsh Restoration
- R2-BA-04 Southwest Leeville Marsh Creation
- R2-BA-05 Lake Hermitage Shoreline Protection and Marsh Creation
- R2-BA-06 Bayou Rigolettes East Marsh Creation
- R2-BA-07 East Bayou Lafourche Marsh Creation
- R2-BA-08 Fifi Island Marsh Creation
- R2-BA-09 Northwest Little Lake Marsh Creation
- R2-BA-10 Southeast Golden Meadow Marsh Creation
- R2-BA-11 Bayou Chevreuil Hydrologic Restoration and Vegetative Planting
- R2-BA-12 Bayou eau Noire Ridge Restoration and Marsh Creation
- R2-BA-13 Three Bayou Bay Marsh Creation
- R2-BA-15 Bayou Moreau Marsh Creation
- R2-BA-16 Grand Pierre Barrier Island Restoration
- R2-BA-17 Grand Isle Bayside Marsh Creation
- R2-BA-18 Southeast Lafitte Marsh Creation

## ● Breton Sound Basin Project

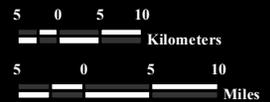
- R2-BS-01 Bohemia Spillway Outfall Management
- R2-BS-02 Horsepower Canal Marsh Creation
- R2-BS-03 Spanish Lake Shoreline Restoration
- R2-BS-04 Spanish Lake - Grand Lake Marsh Creation
- R2-BS-05 Carlisle Ridge Restoration and Marsh Creation South
- R2-BS-06 River aux Chene Marsh Creation - South
- R2-BS-07 Yscloskey Marsh Creation
- R2-BS-08 Davant Marsh Creation (Increment 1)
- R2-BS-10 Bayou Terre aux Boeufs Ridge Restoration and Marsh Creation
- R2-BS-11 Bayou Grosbee Marsh Creation
- R2-BS-12 River aux Chenes North Marsh Creation
- R2-BS-13 Carlisle Ridge Restoration and Marsh Creation North

## Coastwide Project

None

## Demonstration Project

- DEMO-01 Reefbud: Pursuit of Happiness Farms



# CWPPRA RPT Region 2

Barataria

**PPL32 PROJECT FACT SHEET**  
**February 10, 2022**

**Project Name**

North Central Turtle Bay Marsh Creation

**Project Location**

Region 2, Barataria Basin, Jefferson Parish, Central North of Turtle Bay

**Problem**

Historic wetland loss in the Perot/Rigolettes mapping unit of the Barataria Basin has been caused by subsidence, sediment deprivation, and construction of access and pipeline canals. The Barataria Waterway has also allowed salt water and higher tidal energies to enter the area causing marsh loss. Interior ponds have expanded and coalesced as a result of subsidence and increased tidal energies. As ponds expand increased wave fetch exacerbates interior shoreline erosion. Recently the proposed area has been further compromised by Hurricane Ida. Based on analysis conducted by USGS, loss rates in the project's extended boundary are estimated to be -0.76% per year for the period 1984 to 2019.

**Goal/Proposed Solution**

The goal of the project is to create and nourish approximately 458 acres of intermediate to low salinity brackish marsh in the area north of Turtle Bay. The area will be contained employing a combination of 1) re-furbished BA-125 dikes for full containment on the north and west, 2) semi-containment on south, and 3) new dike for full containment on the east. 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 maintenance cost estimate includes funds to plant 25% of the created marsh at Year 3.

**Considerations**

This project would contribute to protection of the Central Barataria Basin Landbridge. This project would work in sync with BA-27, BA-20, BA-23, BA-03a, BA-26, BA-36 (and associated CIAP project), BA-125, BA-206, BA-41, and Northeast Turtle Bay Marsh Creation Extension contributing to protection of the Central Barataria Basin Landbridge.

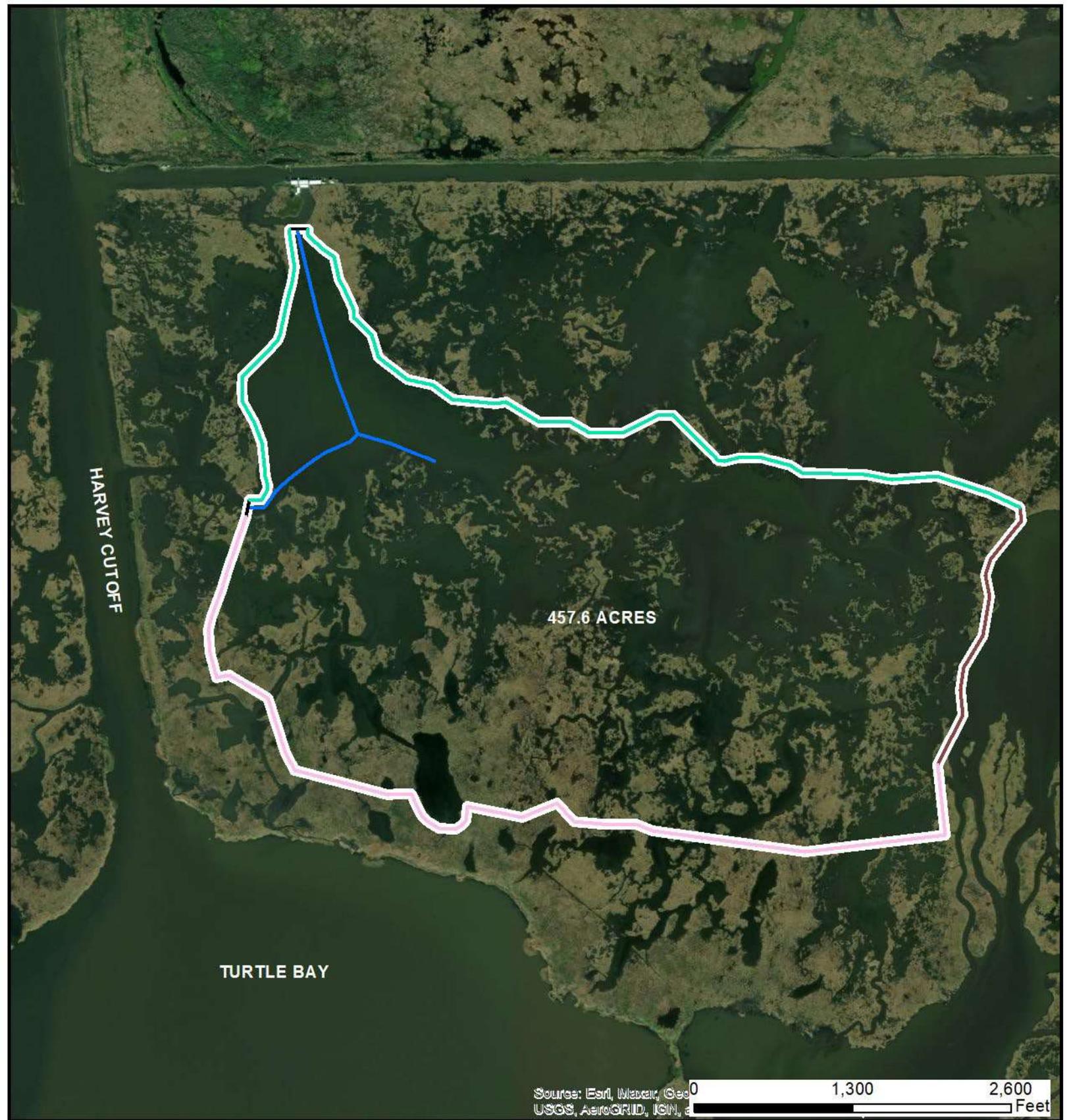
There are active pipelines running near and through the project area. Turtle Bay is part of an oyster seed ground. No other issues known at this time.

**Preliminary Construction Costs**

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

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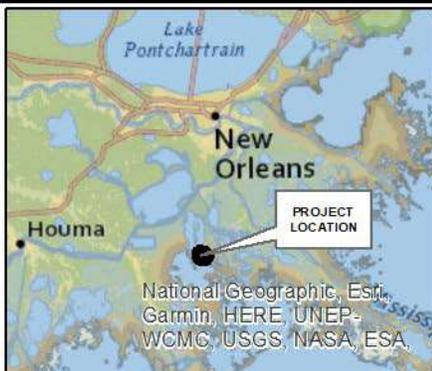
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### PPL 32 NORTH CENTRAL TURTLE BAY MARSH CREATION JEFFERSON PARISH, LA



#### Legend

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- NEW\_CONTAINMENT\_DIKE = 2309.19 LF
- TEMPORARY\_SHEETPILE = 291.11 LF
- POSSIBLE\_TIDAL\_CREEKS\_POST\_MARSH\_CREATION\_CONSTRUCTION
- MARSH\_CREATION\_BOUNDARY = 20,941.8 LF

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## Project Priority List 32

# *North Central Turtle Bay Marsh Creation*

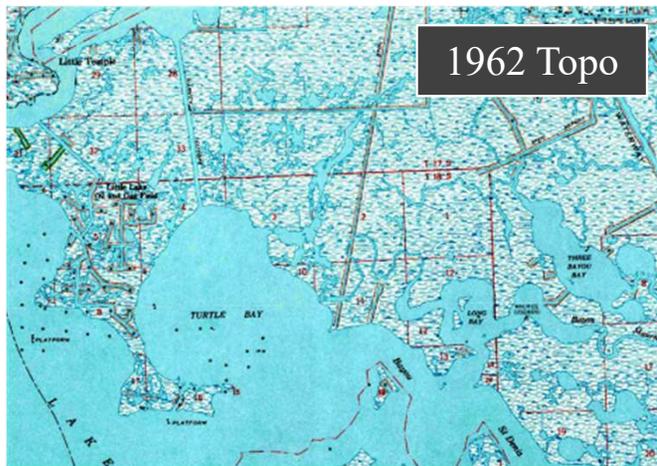
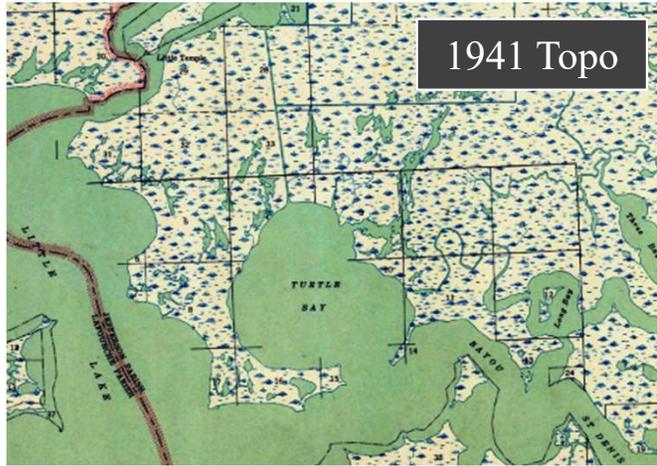
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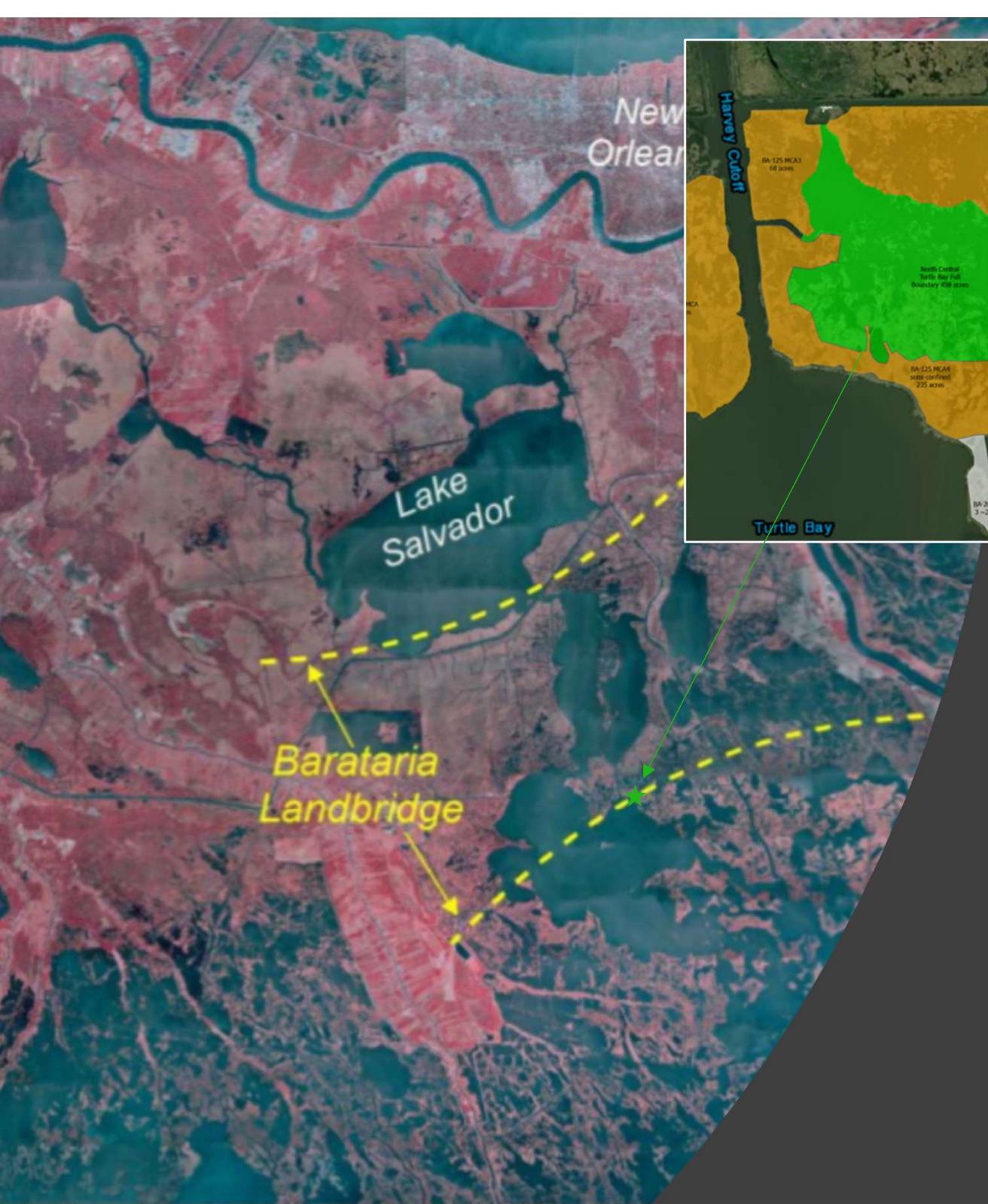


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# Wetland Loss

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- ◆ Subsidence ◆ Sediment Deprivation
- ◆ Construction of canals ◆ Hurricane Ida



New Orleans

Lake Salvador

Barataria Landbridge



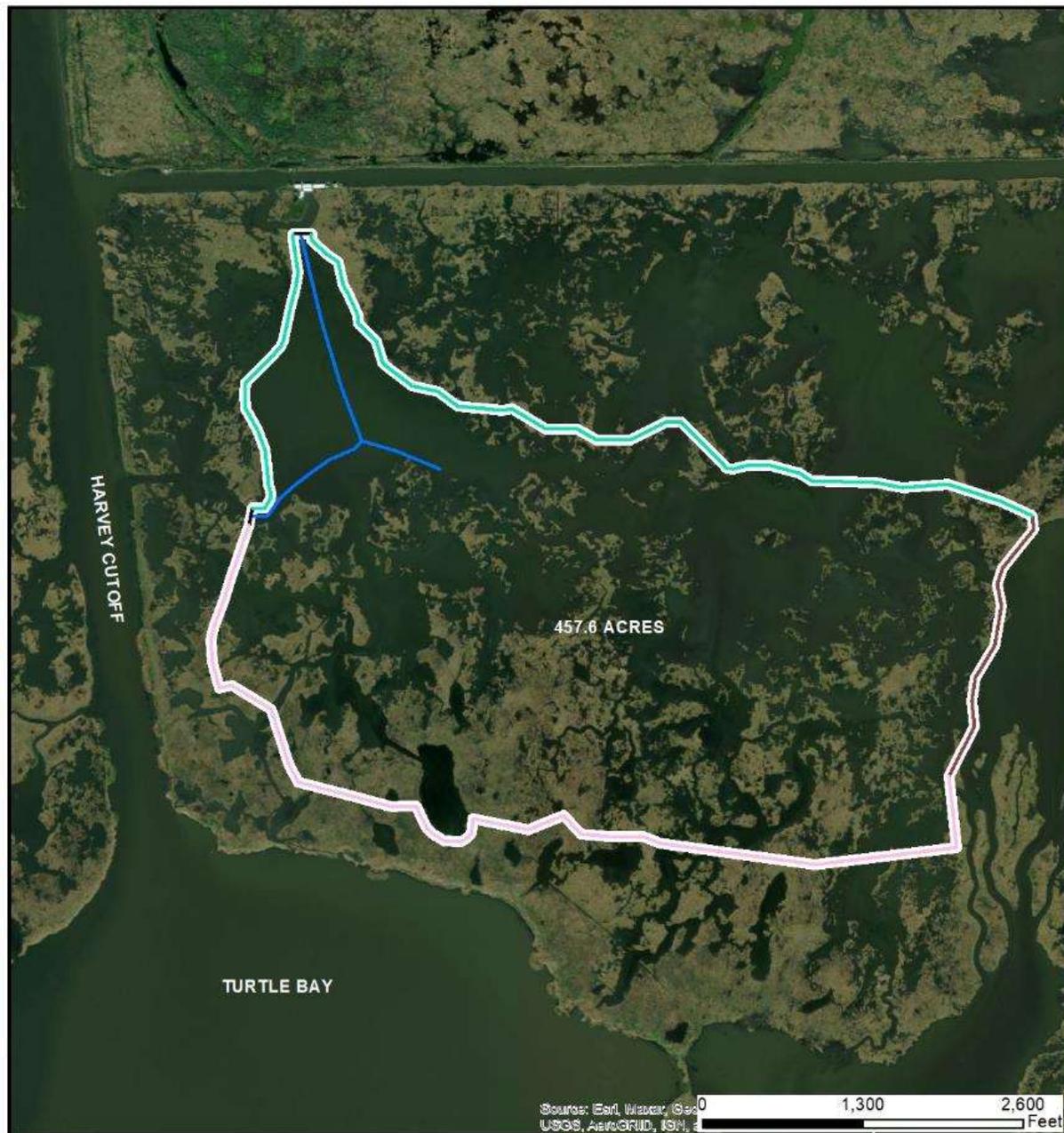
# Barataria Landbridge



# PPL-32

## North Central Turtle Bay Marsh Creation

- Approx. 458 acres Marsh Creation/Nourishment
- (Constr. Cost) + (25% Contingency) = \$20-\$25M
- Turtle Bay Borrow



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**PPL32 RPT Meeting Project Fact Sheet  
February 10, 2022**

**Project Name**

West Dupre Cut Marsh Creation

**Project Location**

Region 2, Barataria Basin, Jefferson Parish, north of Three Bayou Bay and east of Bayou Rigolettes

**Problem**

Problems facing the basin include sea level rise, subsidence, and effects of channelization and construction of levees. Historical freshwater and sediment sources drastically decreased after building levees on the Mississippi River as well as closing Bayou Lafourche in Donaldsonville. Thus, rain is the most significant source of freshwater. Erosion of barrier islands at the south end of the basin increases and exacerbates tidal effects, high salinity levels, and leads to more rapid rates of land loss. Canals and pipelines altered the area's hydrology and contribute to habitat degradation. The limited freshwater and sediment from natural channels are the most critical problems coupled with the historical and more recent impacts associated with hurricanes. USGS estimated a loss rate of -0.64% per year (1984-2020) for the nearby Northeast Turtle Bay Marsh Creation Extension project.

**Goals**

The goal is to create or nourish 587 acres of brackish marsh across three cells. Bayou Rigolettes is the proposed borrow site, however Turtle Bay and Bayou Perot will also be considered.

**Proposed Solution**

Restore 587 acres of marsh using material dredged from Bayou Rigolettes. Approximately 32% of the area is marsh based on July 2021 aerial photography. It is likely that more area is open water due to Hurricane Ida. The area will be fully contained and containment dikes will be degraded as necessary to establish hydrologic connectivity with adjacent wetlands. If the area does not re-vegetate on its own, the maintenance cost estimate includes funds to plant 25% of the created marsh in Year 3. The net restored wetland area over the project life is estimated to be 385 acres.

**Considerations**

The project is adjacent to the Lafitte Oil and Gas Field and there are associated pipelines and well heads in the area. The project layout has been configured to avoid these features. Should it be selected as the borrow area, Turtle Bay is part of an oyster seed ground.

**Preliminary Fully Funded Cost**

\$25M - \$30M

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**PPL 32  
WEST DUPRE CUT  
MARSH CREATION  
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**Legend**

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West Dupre Cut Marsh Creation  
Region II, Barataria Basin



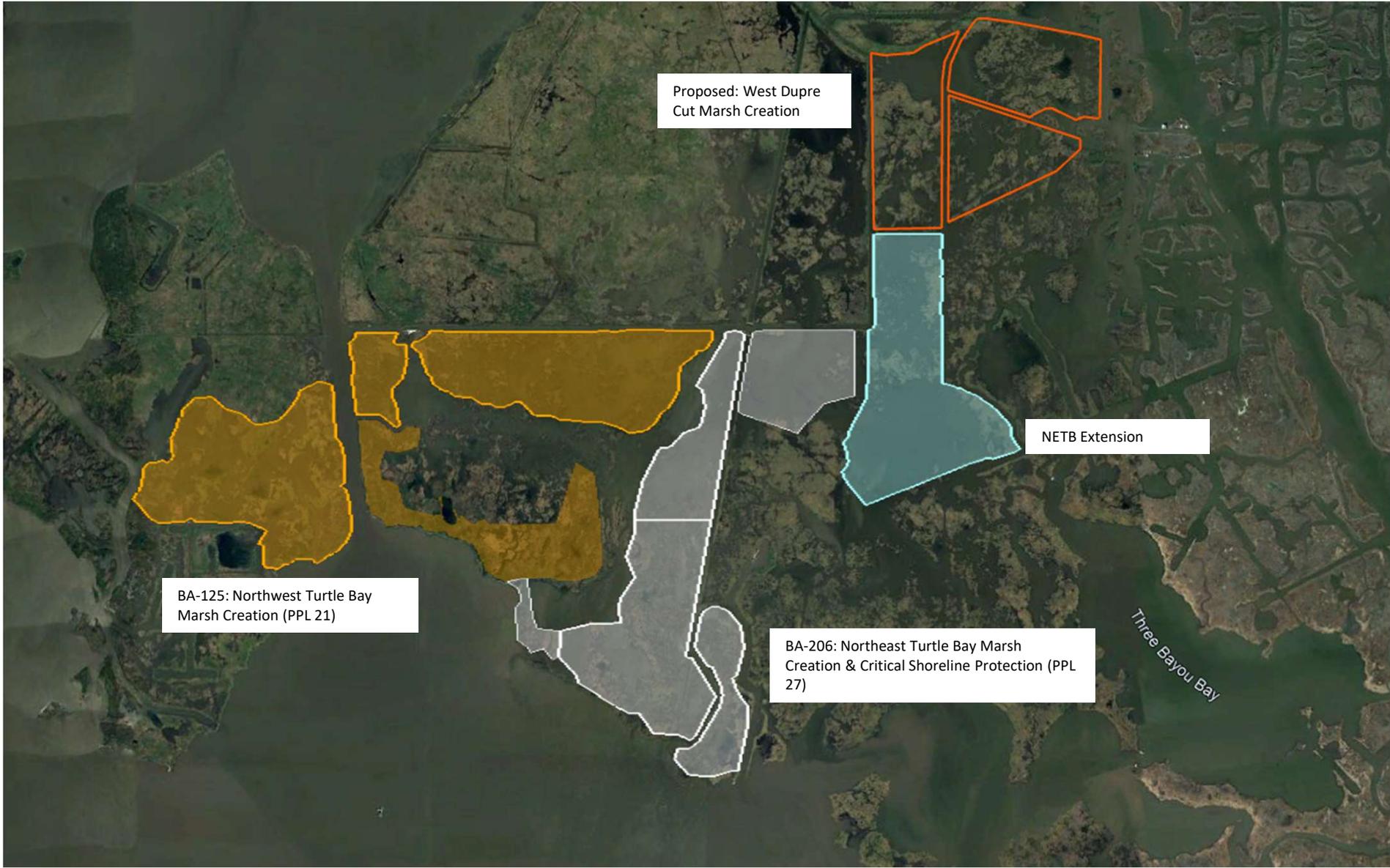
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# Current Conditions

- Reduction of freshwater, sediment input
- Increase tidal effects, salinity
- Lead to vegetation change, die-off of fresher marsh, increased tidal exchange resulting land loss
- 2021 hurricanes created more open water area
- MC targeted approach to restore specific areas



Proposed: West Dupre  
Cut Marsh Creation

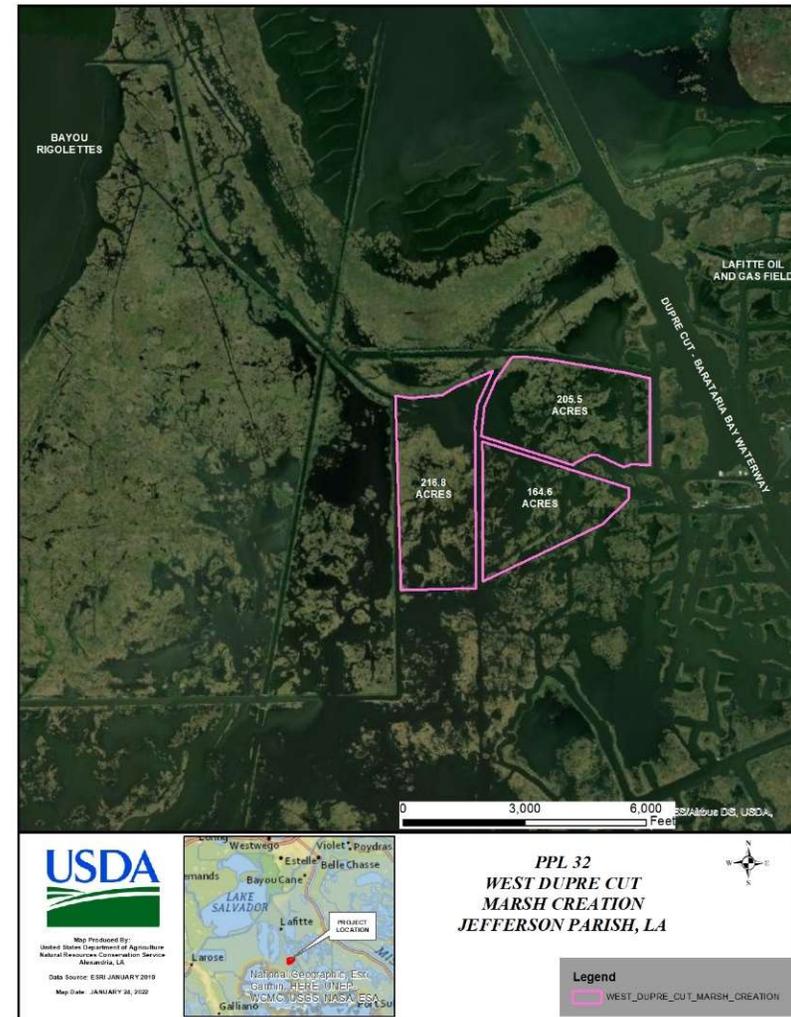
NETB Extension

BA-125: Northwest Turtle Bay  
Marsh Creation (PPL 21)

BA-206: Northeast Turtle Bay Marsh  
Creation & Critical Shoreline Protection (PPL  
27)

Three Bayou Bay

- Borrow Area: Bayou Rigolettes
- 587 acres marsh creation & nourishment
- Initial estimate: 385 net acres
- Consistent w/ State Master Plan
- Jefferson Parish collecting survey data
- Benefits: Continues theme of land bridge in basin, create/restore marsh habitat, restoring hydrology
- Preliminary Fully Funded Cost: \$25M - \$30M



**PPL32 PROJECT NOMINEE FACT SHEET**  
**10 February 2022**

**Project Name**

Red Pass Ridge and Marsh Restoration

**Project Location**

Region 2, Barataria Basin, Plaquemines Parish, southwest of Venice.

**Problem**

With the deterioration of the marshes surrounding Red Pass, the historic ridge has also degraded significantly. Historically high subsidence, lower sediment introduction, increasing frequency of tropical storms, and oil and gas activity have all contributed to the decline, which has in turn contributed to the loss of coastal upland habitat. Recently, the area has seen storm surge impacts from Hurricane's Ida and Zeta during the 2021 and 2020 hurricane seasons including disruptions to vessel traffic located at the nearby port in Venice, LA.

**Goals**

Approximately 8,647 linear feet of historic ridge will be restored. In addition, approximately 287 acres of marsh will be created and nourished, which will help maintain the integrity of the ridge throughout the project life.

**Proposed Solution**

Utilizing Gulf of Mexico sediment sources, the Red Pass Ridge will be developed to a +4.5 feet NAVD88 crown height with a 25 feet width. According to the State Master Plan, there are 14 ridge restoration projects recommended, one of which is Red Pass Ridge. There are approximately 23,000 feet of historic ridge at Red Pass that once restored, would "...provide coastal upland habitat, restore natural hydrology, and provide wave and storm surge attenuation" (State Master Plan, 2017). Approximately 8,647 linear feet of the western portion of this ridge would be restored. About 177 acres of marsh will be created/nourished behind the ridge and approximately 380 acres of marsh will be created and nourished just south of the ridge which would result in wave attenuation and protection for the ridge behind it.

**Preliminary Project Benefits**

- 1) *What is the total acreage benefited both directly and indirectly?*  
The total project area includes 261 acres of marsh creation and 296 acres nourishment.
- 2) *How many acres of wetlands will be protected/created over the project life?*  
After the 20 year life of the project, a net acre benefit of 285-290 acres will be realized.
- 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)?*  
A 50% loss rate reduction is assumed for the marsh creation and marsh nourishment is assumed based on USGS data from 1984 to 2018 with -1.42%/year (Grand Liard)

- 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 8,647 linear feet of Red Pass Ridge.
- 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 and camps.
- 6) *To what extent does the project provide a synergistic effect with other approved and/or constructed restoration projects?*  
The proposed project may help reduce storm surge for the nearby Spanish Pass Ridge and Marsh Restoration, BA-191; Barataria Basin Ridge and Marsh Creation – Spanish Pass Increment, BA-203; OPA Mosquito Bay, TE-109; and Grand Liard Marsh and Ridge Restoration, BA-68.

### **Considerations**

Private oyster leases are considerations in the region. Endangered species in the area include the Hawksbill Sea Turtle, the Leatherback Sea Turtle, and the Kemp Ridley's Sea Turtle. Threatened species such as the West Indian Manatee and migratory birds like the Eastern Black Rail, Piping Plover and the Red Knot are considerations in the area.

### **Preliminary Costs**

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

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# Red Pass Ridge and Marsh Restoration

**Sheet Legend**

-  Proposed Marsh Creation/Nourishment Platform
-  Proposed Ridge Restoration & Protection



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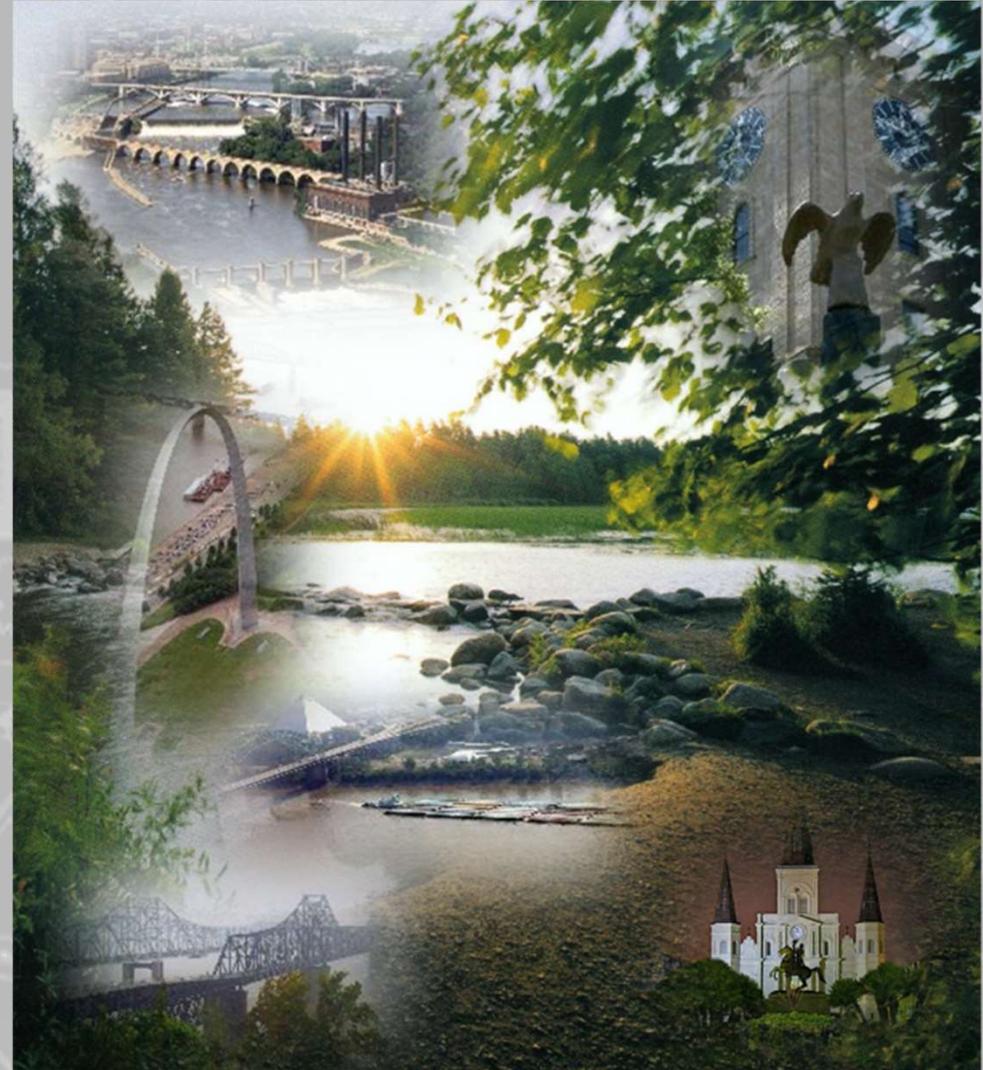


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# RED PASS RIDGE AND MARSH RESTORATION

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Region 2  
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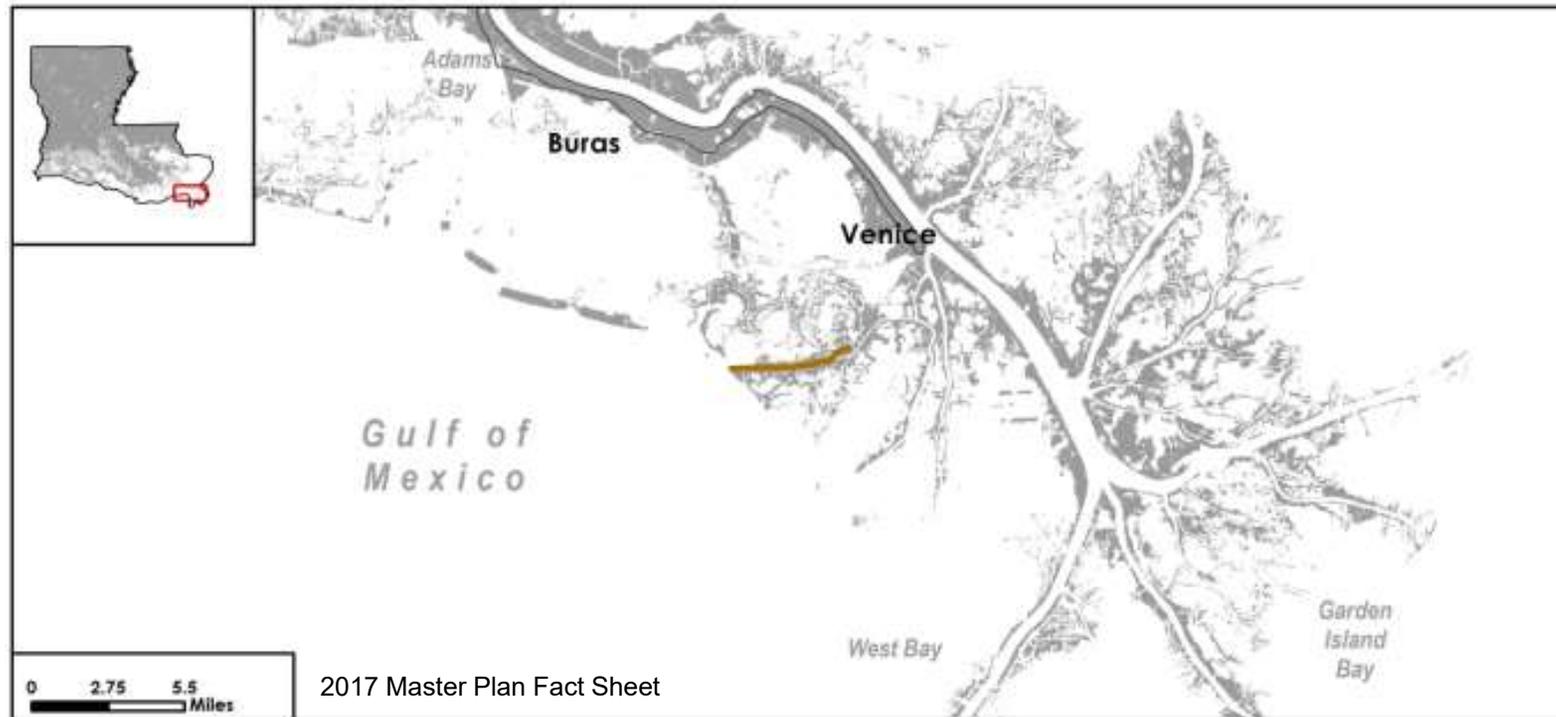


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# STATE MASTER PLAN



002.RC.100 Red Pass Ridge Restoration: Restoration of approximately 23,000 feet of historic ridge southwest of Venice to provide coastal upland habitat, restore natural hydrology, and provide wave and storm surge attenuation along the banks of Red Pass.

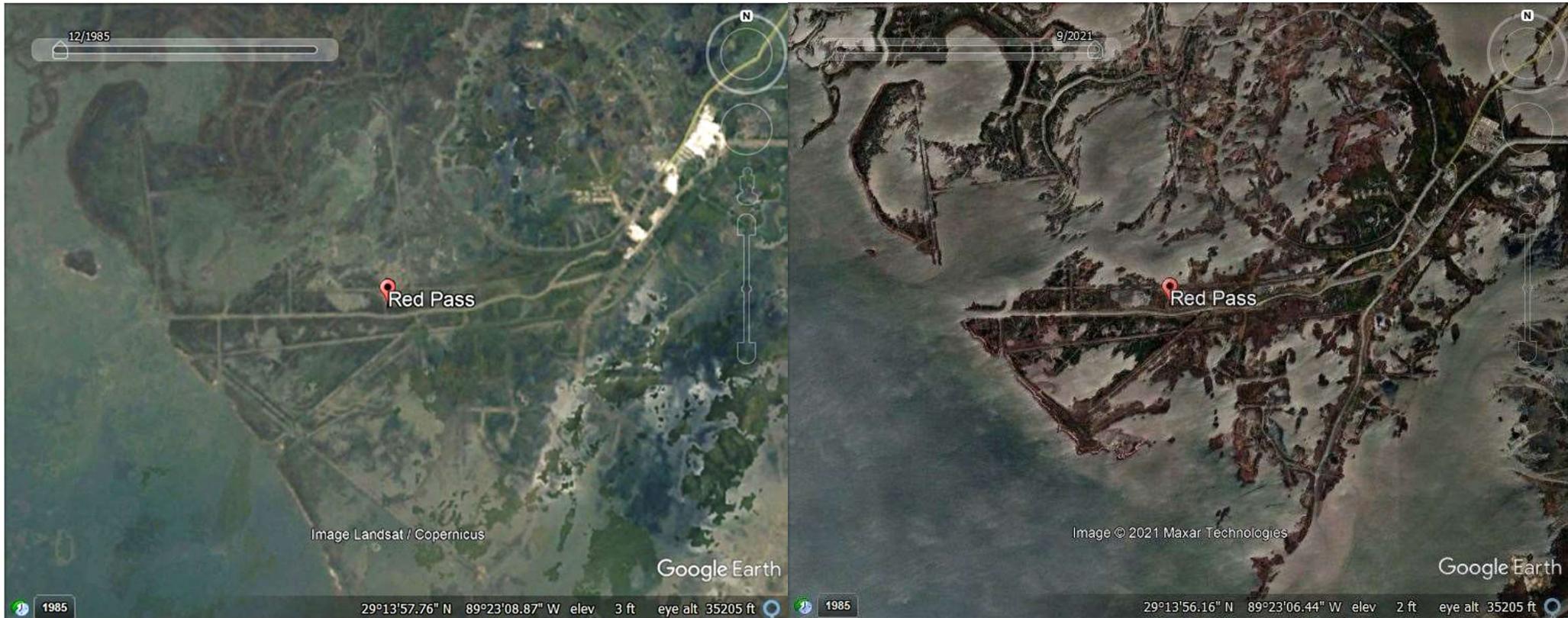


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# HISTORIC LAND LOSS



December 1985

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# PROJECT PROPOSAL



Total Acres: 557

- 261 Marsh Creation
- 296 Marsh Nourishment

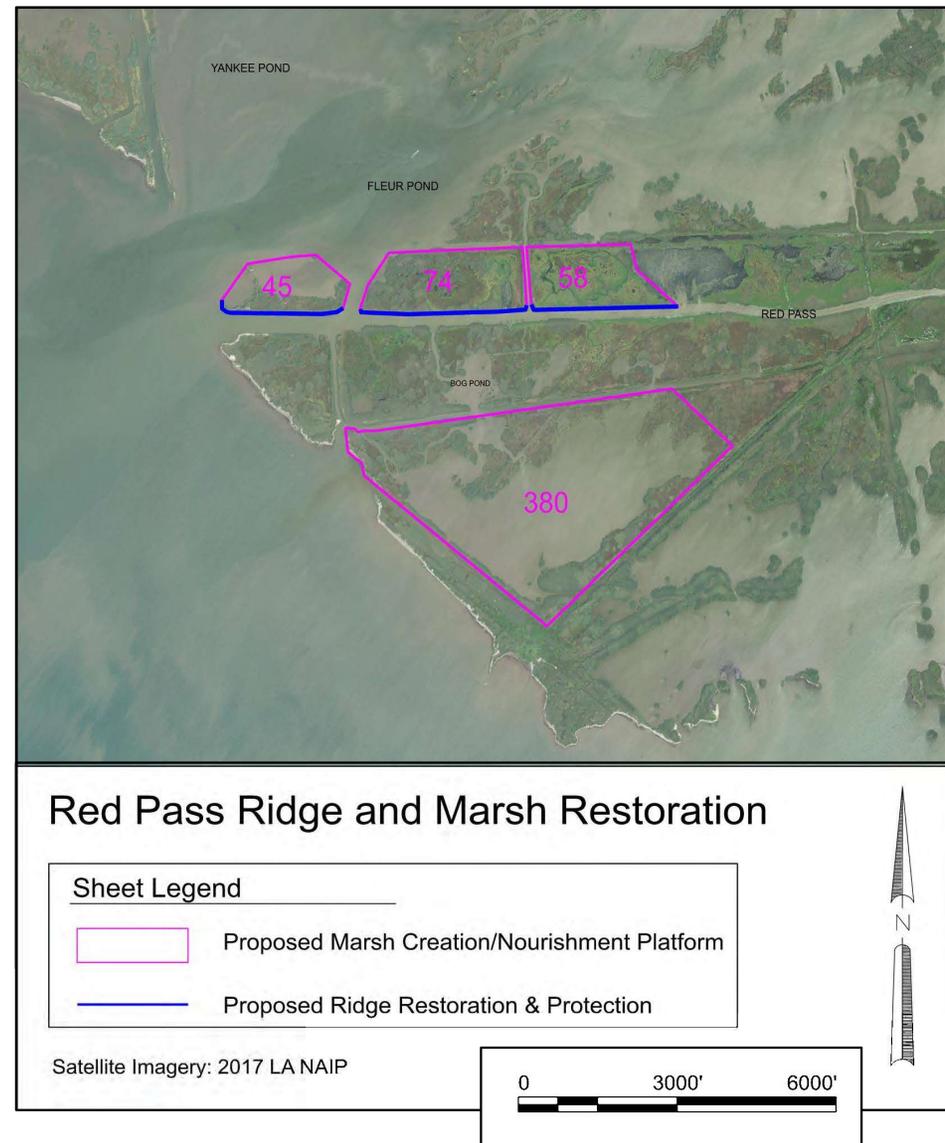
Ridge Restoration

- 8647 Linear feet

Estimated Cost: \$25-\$30M

- 25% contingency

Borrow Source: Gulf of Mexico



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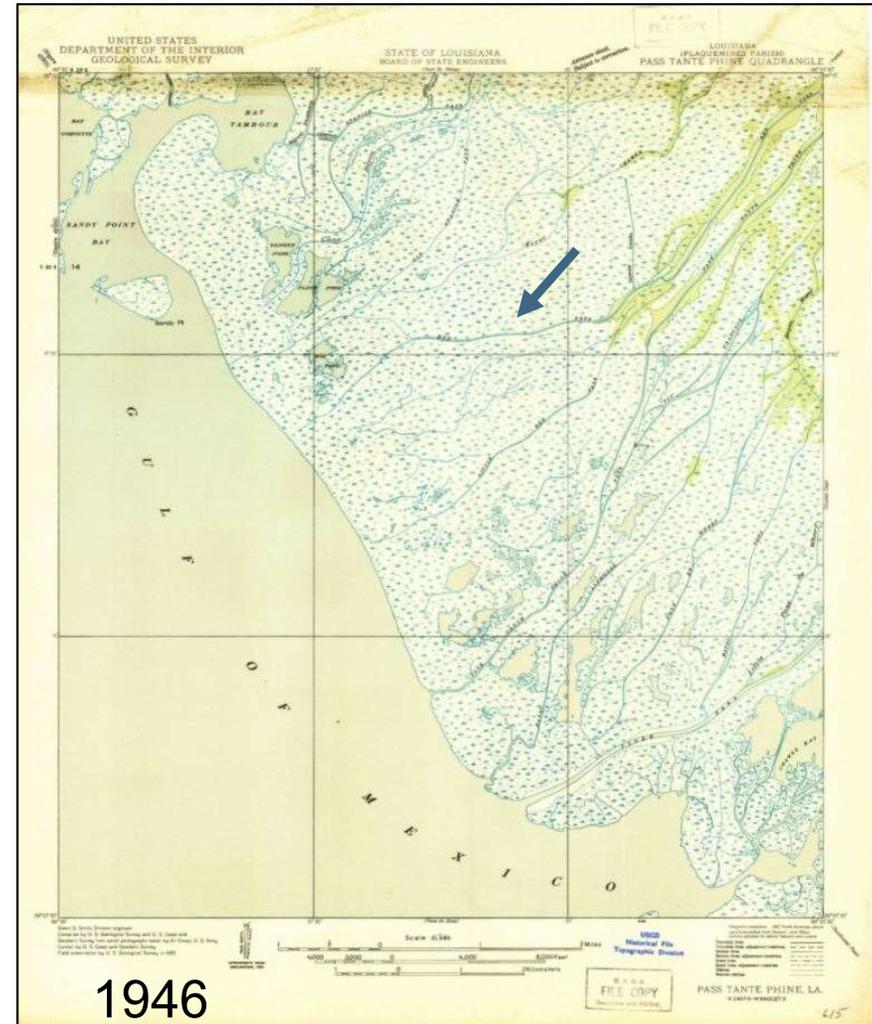
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# CURRENT SIGNIFICANCE AND NEED



- Degradation of historic ridge
- High subsidence, lower sediment introduction, more tropical storms, oil and gas activity.



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**PPL32 PROJECT NOMINEE FACT SHEET**  
**10 February 2022**

**Project Name**

Southwest Leeville Marsh Creation

**Project Location**

Located within Region 2, Barataria Basin, Lafourche Parish. Southwest of Leeville and north of Port Fourchon.

**Problem**

In total, the Barataria Basin has suffered the loss of approximately 275,000 acres of marsh from 1932 to 2017, according to USGS. Recent estimations from Hurricane Ida damages include over 100 square miles of wetlands lost, mostly in the Barataria Basin. A series of canals were dredged in the Leeville Oil and Gas fields in the 1950s that contributed to massive land loss in addition to impacts from subsidence, storms and shoreline erosion. Infrastructure in the region and nearby communities Golden Meadow and Leeville become increasingly vulnerable due to the rapidly deteriorating marshes that serve as a critical storm buffer.

**Goals**

The project goal is to create and nourish approximately 327 acres of marsh in an area southwest of Leeville and to improve stability to a portion of the eastern shore of Bayou Lafourche. In turn this would encourage wetland habitat growth and contribute to coastal resiliency in the neighboring areas of Leeville and Golden Meadow.

**Proposed Solution**

Approximately 2.5 million cubic yards of dredged materials will be hydraulically pumped from Little Lake to create and nourish an estimated 436 acres of marsh along Bayou Lafourche. To allow for greater tidal exchange and estuarine organism access, temporary containment dikes will be constructed and gapped within three years.

**Preliminary Project Benefits**

- 1) *What is the total acreage benefited both directly and indirectly?*  
Approximately 365 acres of marsh creation and 71 acres of marsh nourishment.
- 2) *How many acres of wetlands will be protected/created over the project life?*  
The net acre benefit range is approximately 325-330 acres after 20 years.
- 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)?*  
A 50% loss rate reduction is assumed for the marsh creation and marsh nourishment is assumed. A land loss rate of 1.56%/year is assumed.
- 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 marshes southwest of Leeville and along Bayou Lafourche, which will provide stability to the eastern shoreline of the channel and provide a storm buffer for neighboring communities.

- 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 and camps.
- 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 nearby projects such as the East Leeville Marsh Creation and Nourishment, BA-194 project.

### **Considerations**

Considerations include oil/gas pipelines and private oyster leases near Little Lake borrow site. Threatened species such as the West Indian Manatee and migratory birds like the Eastern Black Rail are considerations in the area.

### **Preliminary Costs**

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

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## South West Leeville Marsh Creation

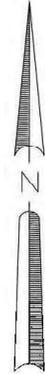
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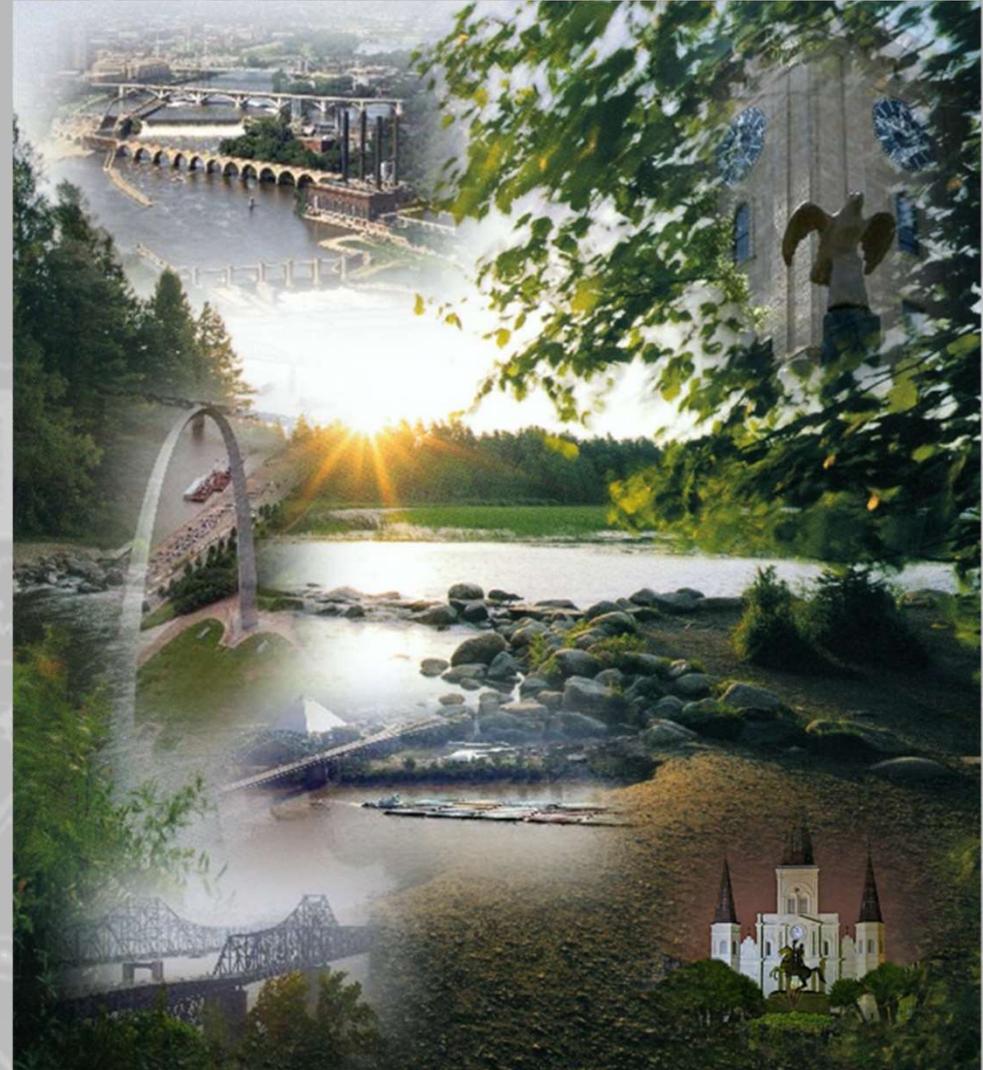


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# SOUTHWEST LEEVILLE MARSH CREATION

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Barataria



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# STATE MASTER PLAN



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, restore degraded marsh.

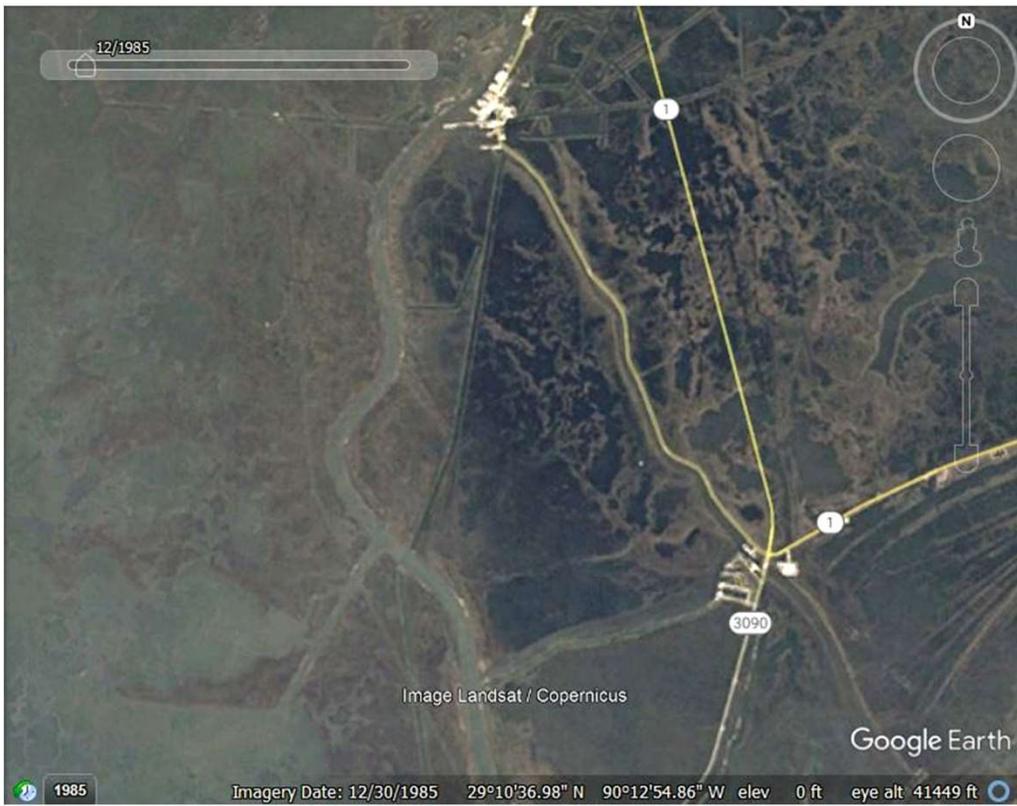


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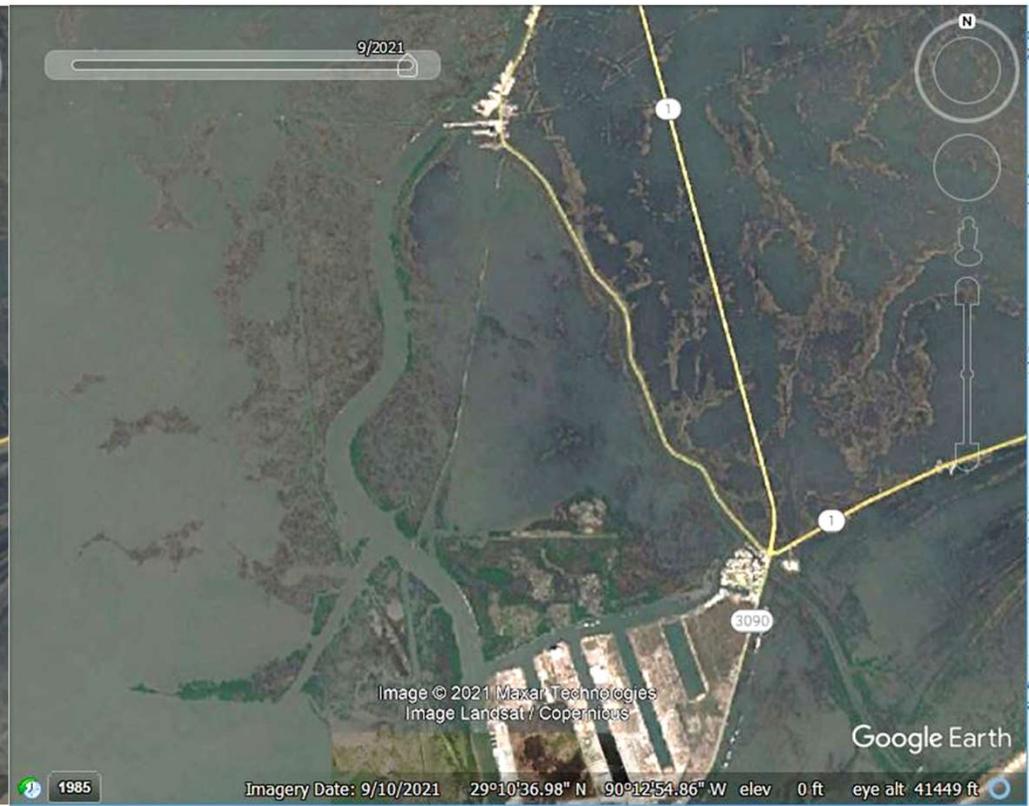
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# HISTORIC LAND LOSS



December 1985



September 2021



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# PROJECT PROPOSAL



## Marsh Restoration

Acres: 436

- 365 Marsh Creation
- 71 Marsh Nourishment

Estimated Cost: \$25-\$30M

- 25% contingency

Borrow Source: Little Lake

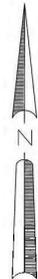


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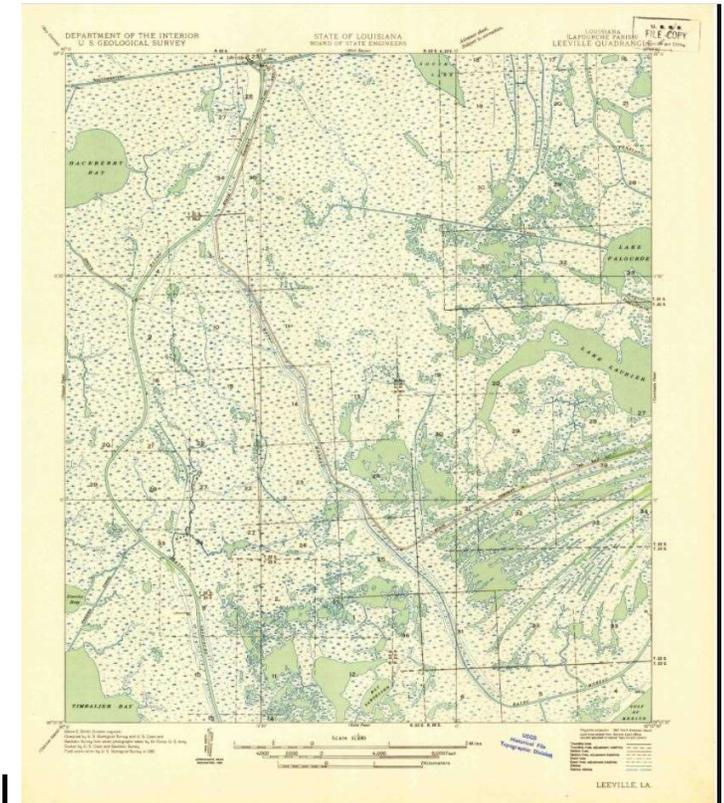


# CURRENT SIGNIFICANCE AND NEED



West Indian Manatee, photo WGNO, 2018

- Provide storm buffer by recreating historic marsh along Bayou Lafourche
- Reduce effects of coastal storm surge near LA 1
  - Stabilize to the eastern shoreline of the channel
  - Hurricane Ida reported to have damaged over 100 mi<sup>2</sup> of wetlands, most in the Barataria Basin



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## **PPL32 PROJECT NOMINEE FACT SHEET**

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### **Project Name:**

Lake Hermitage Shoreline Protection and Marsh Creation

### **Project Location:**

Region 2, Barataria Basin, Plaquemines Parish

### **Problem:**

Within the Lake Hermitage basin, near the community of West Pointe a la Hache, significant marsh loss has occurred with the construction of oil/gas canals, subsidence, and sediment deprivation. From examination of aerial photography, 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 conducted by USGS for the extended project boundary for the Grand Bayou Ridge and Marsh Restoration – Increment 2 project, the land loss rate in the project area is -0.4% per year for the period 1984 to 2020.

### **Goals:**

The primary goals of this project are: 1) restore marsh habitat in the open water areas via marsh creation and 2) protect the shoreline along Lake Hermitage. Specific goals are: 1) Create approximately 391 acres (312 acres of creation; 79 acres of nourishment) of marsh with dredged material from the Lake Hermitage; and 2) Create 7,300 linear feet (1.4 miles) of shoreline protection along the southern shore of Lake Hermitage.

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, recently listed as a threatened species. The project could also benefit other species of concern including the saltmarsh topminnow, seaside sparrow, and neotropical migrants.

### **Proposed Solution:**

Sediments from the Lake Hermitage will be hydraulically dredged and pumped via pipeline to create/nourish approximately 391 acres of marsh. 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 7,300 linear feet (1.4 miles) of shoreline berm and articulated concrete mats (ACMs) will be added as shoreline protection. The ACMs will be placed on the berm containment of two of the marsh creation areas along the south shore of Lake Hermitage, and they will also be placed along the southeastern lake rim to ensure the shoreline is stabilized during construction and throughout the project life.

### **Preliminary Project Benefits**

1) *What is the total acreage benefited both directly and indirectly?*

Approximately 391 acres would be benefited by the project. Direct benefits include roughly 391 acres of marsh creation and nourishment and the construction of 7,300 linear feet (1.4 miles) of shoreline protection.

- 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 300-350 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 will protect 7,300 linear feet (1.4 miles) of shoreline along the south shore of Lake Hermitage.
- 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 will have a synergistic effect with the Lake Hermitage Marsh Creation (BA-42) project, the Bayou Grand Cheniere Marsh and Ridge Restoration (BA-173) project, the Grand Bayou Ridge and Marsh Restoration (BA-217) project, and the Grand Bayou Ridge and Marsh Restoration – Increment 2 project.

### **Considerations**

Landrights, and pipelines/utilities will need to be considered in project design.

### **Preliminary Construction Costs**

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

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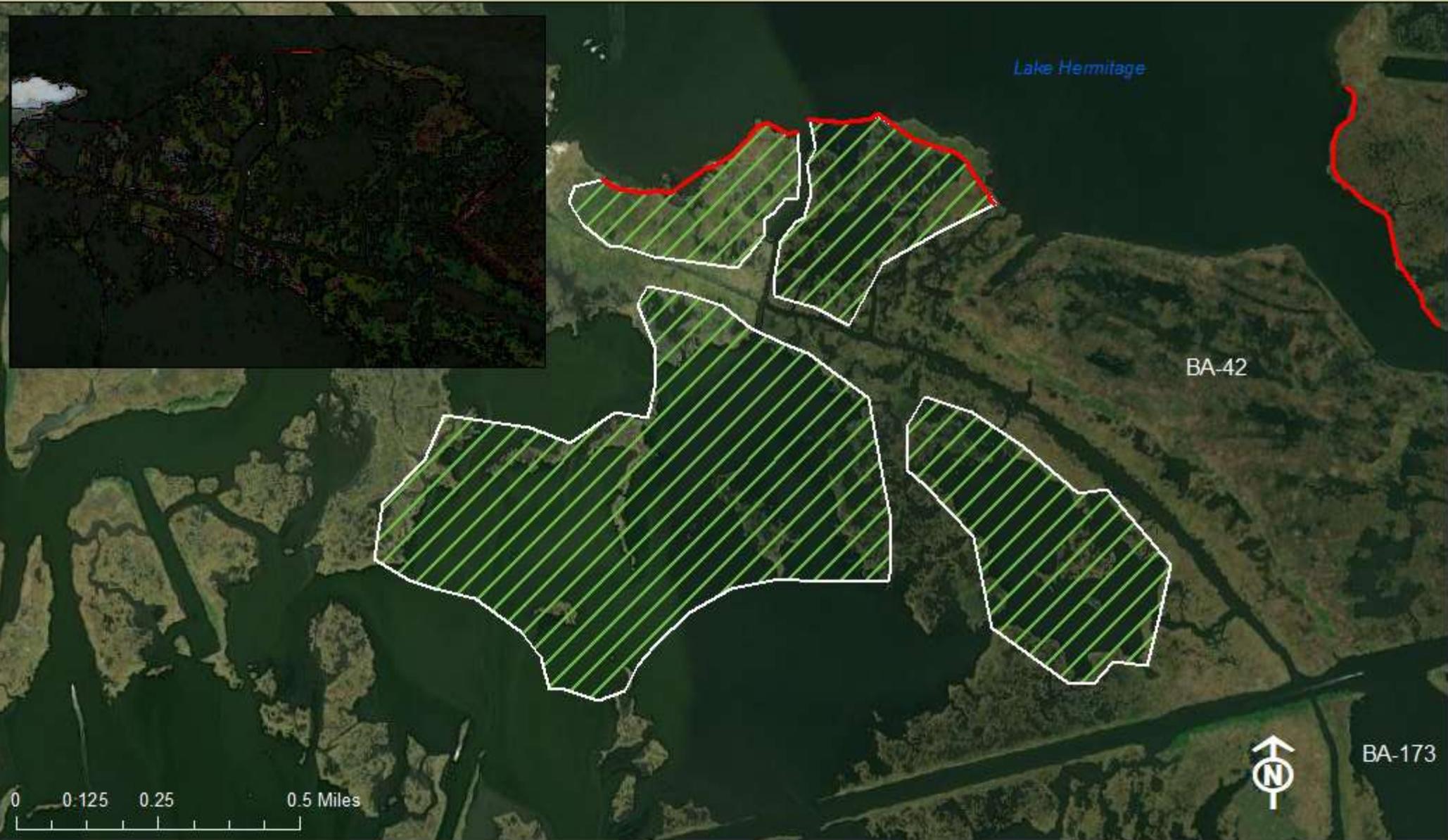


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-  Marsh Creation
-  Shoreline Protection



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Lake Hermitage Shoreline Protection  
and Marsh Creation  
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# Lake Hermitage Shoreline Protection and Marsh Creation

Region 2, Barataria Basin



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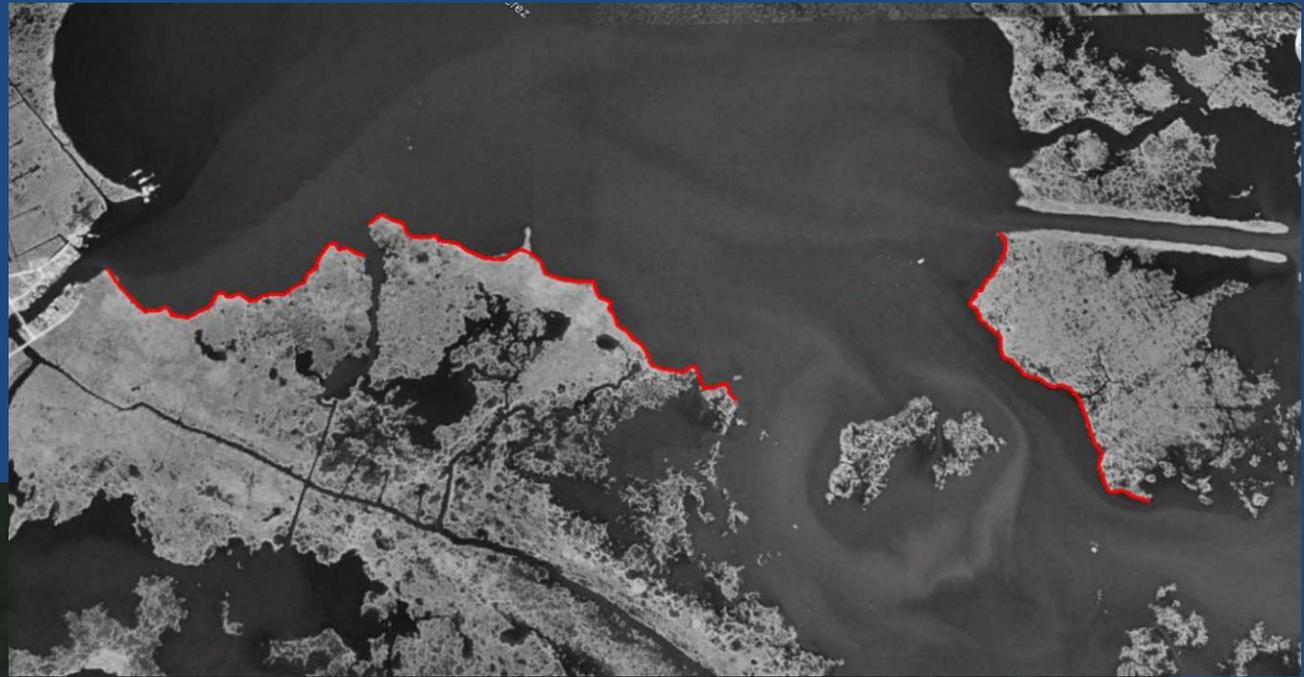
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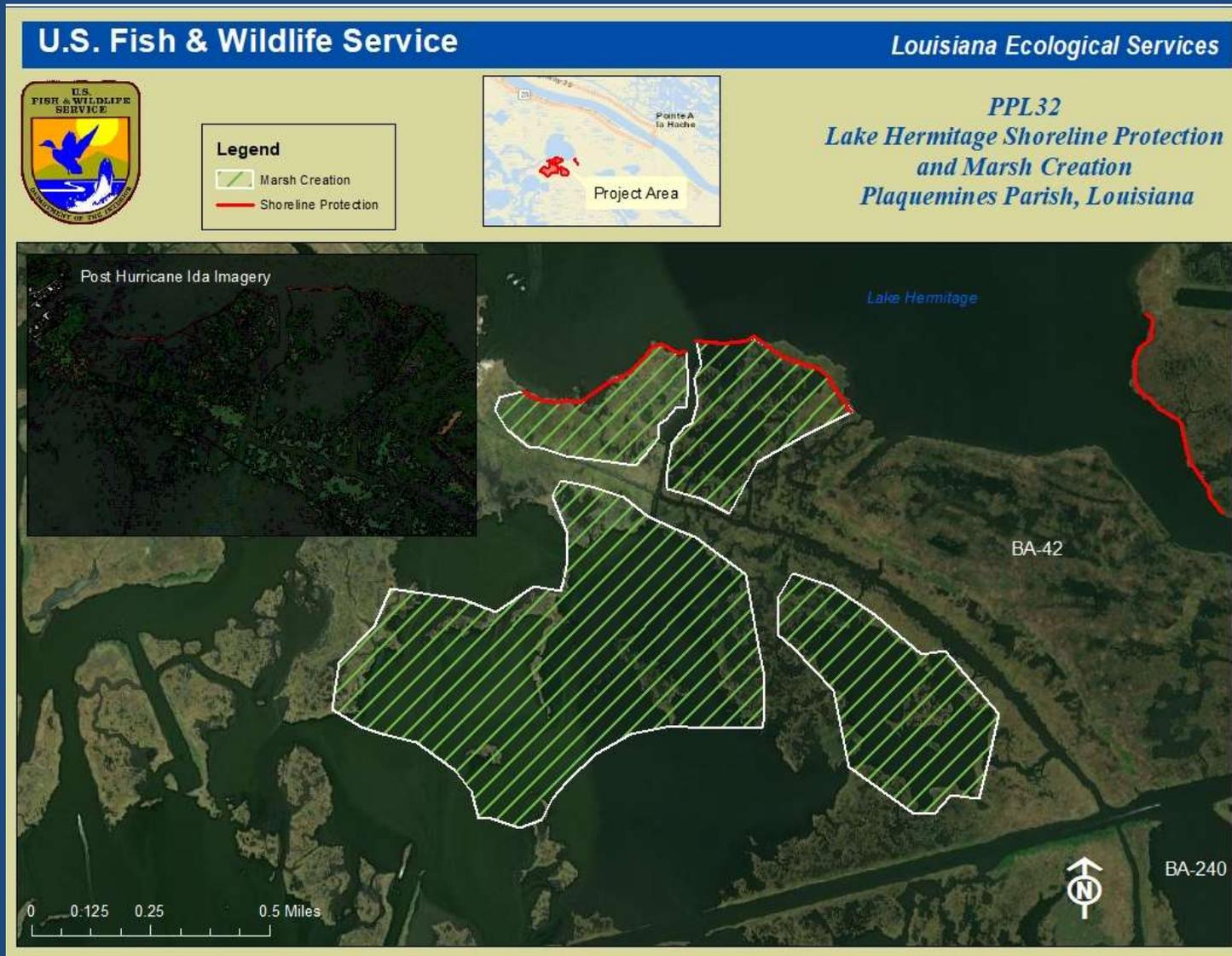
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# Lake Hermitage - 1998 to 2021



# Lake Hermitage Shoreline Protection and Marsh Creation



- 312 acres of marsh creation
- 79 acres of marsh nourishment
- 7,300 linear feet (1.4 miles) of shoreline protection
- Lake Hermitage borrow
- Net acres = 300 - 350
- Construction plus contingency \$25M - \$30M
- Project synergy – Lake Hermitage Marsh Creation (BA-42), and Grand Cheniere Ridge and Marsh Creation (BA-240)



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Questions?

**PPL32 PROJECT NOMINEE FACT SHEET**  
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**Project Name**

Bayou Rigolettes East Marsh Creation

**Project Location**

Region 2, Barataria Basin, Jefferson Parish

**Problem**

The project area has been a relatively stable coastal area for the past 35 years and is located within a geographic region referred to as the Barataria Basin Landbridge. A land change analysis conducted by USGS for 254 coastal subunits indicates a 1985-2020 land change rate of -0.03 %/yr for the Perot-Rigolettes Subunit. However, in August 2021, the central and western Barataria Basin experienced thousands of acres of land loss with the passage of Hurricane Ida. Within the 527-acre project area, it is estimated that approximately 300 acres of marsh loss occurred (based on 9/11/2021 imagery). This marsh loss has created a north-south conduit for the movement of water from Bayou Rigolettes and south to Turtle Bay. Rapid water movement through this fragile area of coastal marsh has long been a concern of the landowner and surface lessees.

**Goals**

The primary goals of the project are: 1) restore marsh habitat in an area significantly impacted by Hurricane Ida and 2) create marsh habitat to restore the historic hydrology in a fragile marsh ecosystem. The specific goals of this project are: 1) create 357 acres of marsh and 2) nourish 170 acres of marsh.

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, a threatened species. The project could also benefit other species of concern including the saltmarsh topminnow and seaside sparrow.

**Proposed Solution**

Sediments from Bayou Rigolettes would be hydraulically dredged and pumped via pipeline to create/nourish 527 acres of marsh. Marsh platform elevations will be conducive to the establishment of intertidal marsh. Containment dikes will be constructed around the entire marsh creation cell. Opportunities to utilize existing spoil banks for containment will be investigated. Containment dikes will be gapped at the end of construction or by TY3.

**Project Benefits**

The project would result in approximately 350-400 net acres over the project life.

**Project Costs**

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

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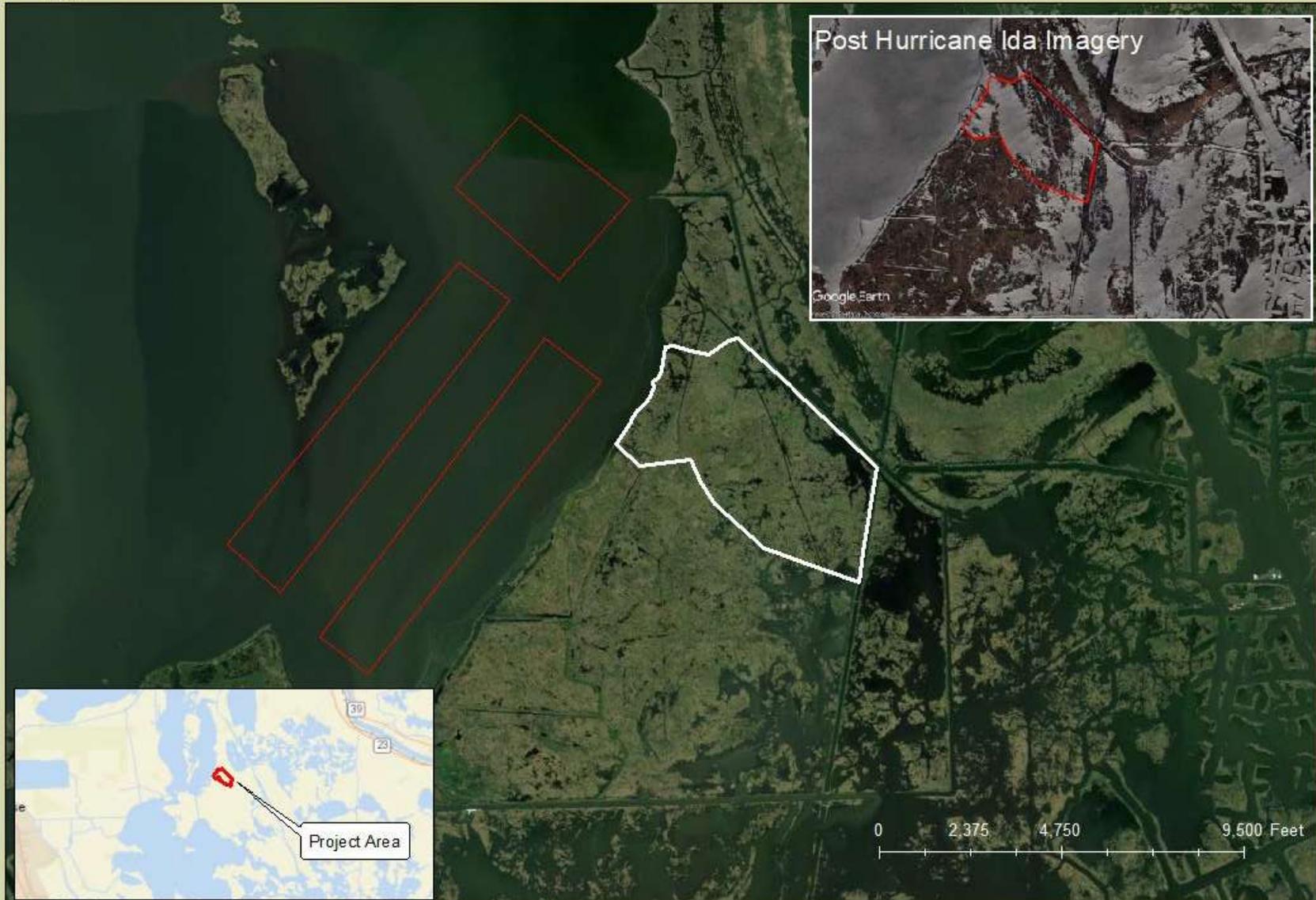
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*Bayou Rigolettes East Marsh Creation*





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# Central Barataria Basin – Pre Hurricane Ida



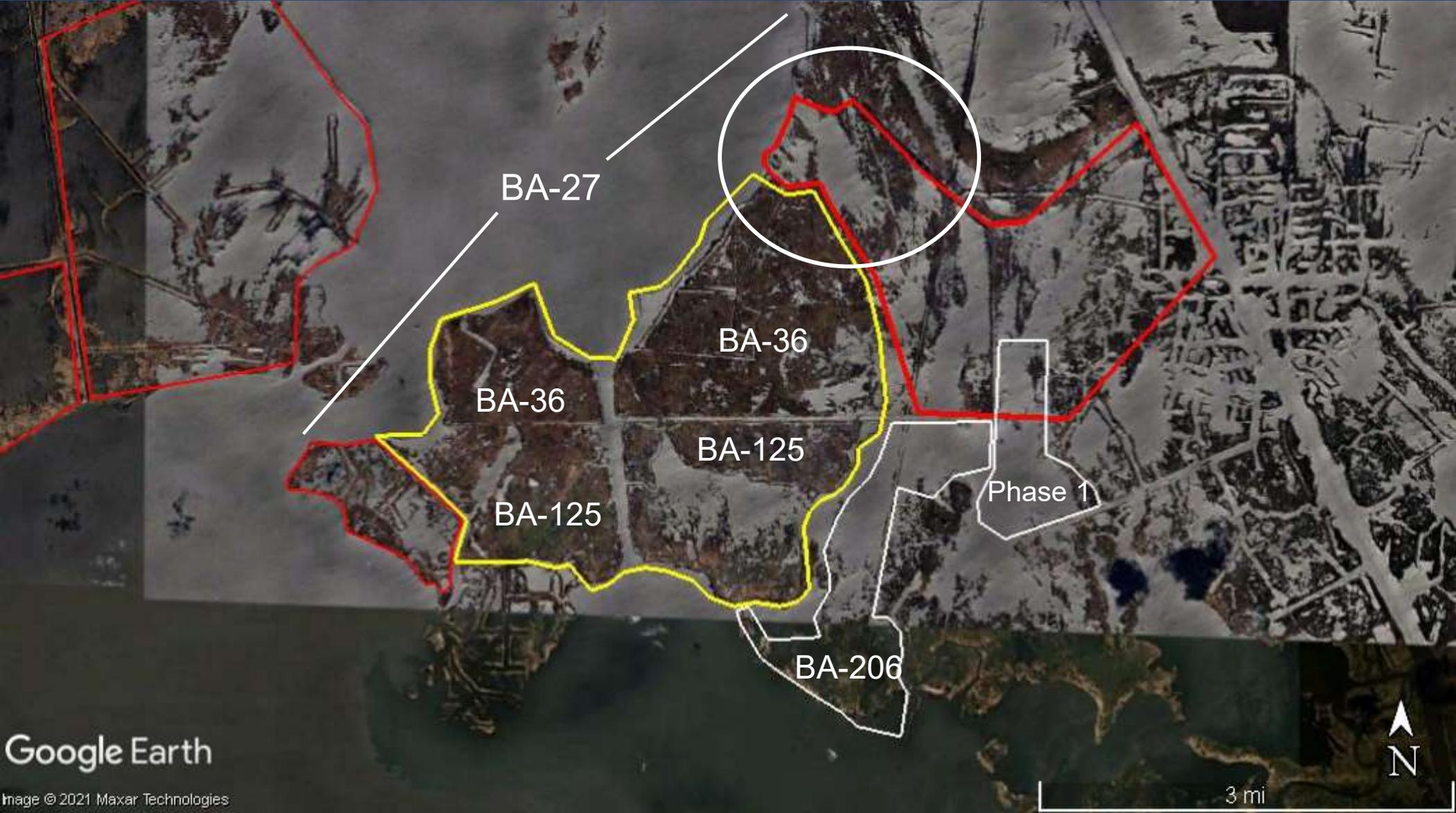
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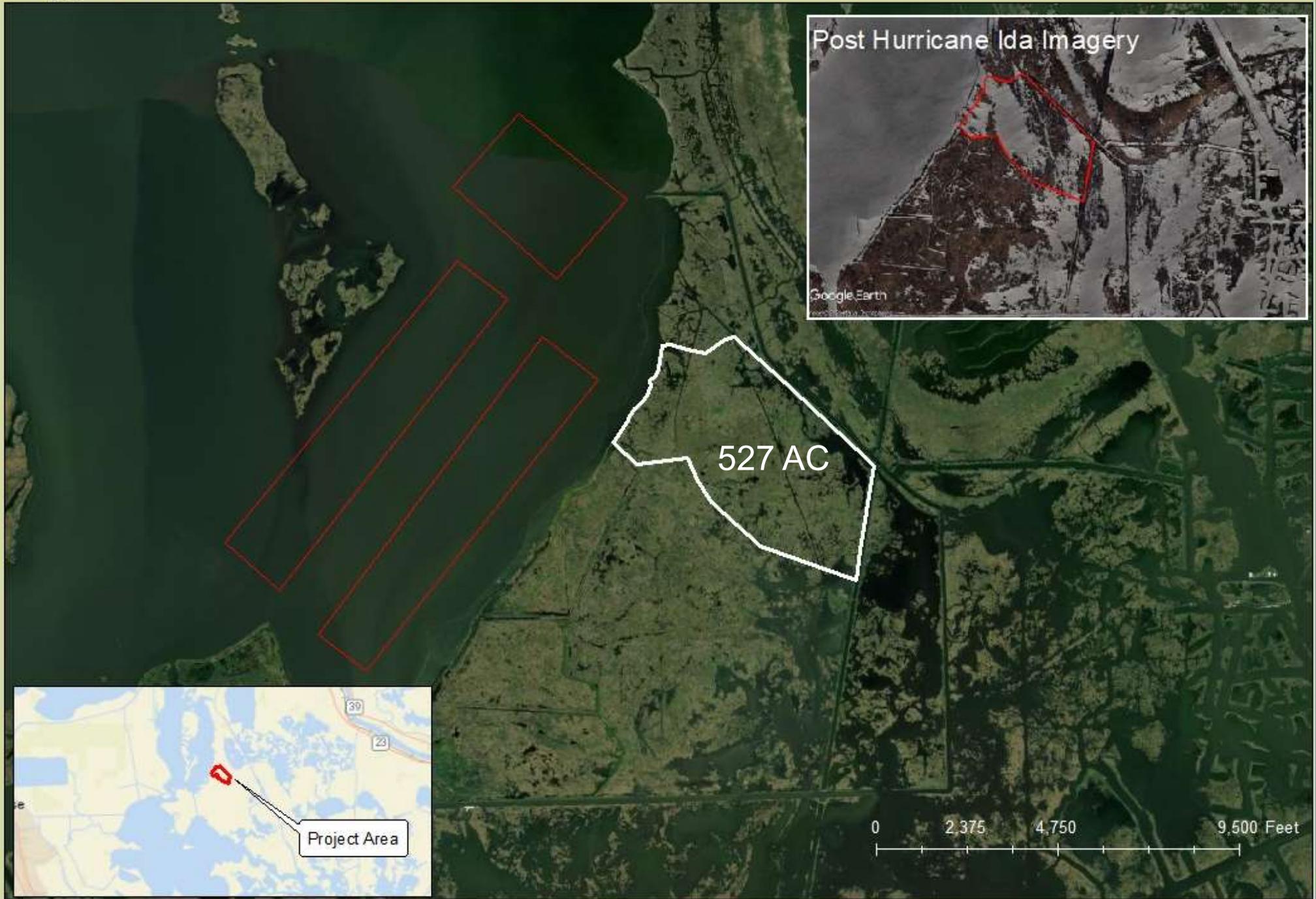


# Central Barataria Basin Landbridge – Jefferson Parish



# Central Barataria Basin Landbridge – Jefferson Parish





Post Hurricane Ida Imagery

527 AC

Project Area

0 2,375 4,750 9,500 Feet

# Bayou Rigolettes East Marsh Creation

- 527 acres – total project footprint
- 357 acres MC and 170 acres MN
- Net acres = 350-400
- Bayou Rigolettes borrow site (3.2 MCY)
- Construction plus 25% contingency = \$20M-\$25M
- Synergy – BA-27, BA-36, BA-125, BA-206



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**PPL32 PROJECT NOMINEE FACT SHEET**  
**February 1, 2022**

**Project Name**

Northwest Little Lake Marsh Creation

**Project Location**

Region 2, Barataria Basin, Lafourche Parish, Northwestern Little Lake Shoreline, South of Clovelly Canal

**Problem**

The project area has been a relatively stable coastal area for the past 35 years. A land change analysis conducted by USGS for 254 coastal subunits indicates a 1985-2020 land change rate of 0.09 %/yr for the Delta Farms Subunit. However, in August 2021, the central and western Barataria Basin experienced thousands of acres of land loss with the passage of Hurricane Ida. One of the areas hardest hit by the storm is the northwestern Little Lake shoreline. Within the 500-acre project area, it appears that only a few remnants of marsh remain (based on 9/11/2021 imagery).

**Goals**

The primary goals of the project are: 1) restore marsh habitat in an area significantly impacted by Hurricane Ida and 2) restore approximately 6,500 LF of the northwestern Little Lake shoreline. The specific goals of this project are: 1) create 460 acres of marsh and 2) nourish 40 acres of marsh.

**Proposed Solution**

Sediments from Little Lake would be hydraulically dredged and pumped via pipeline to create/nourish 500 acres of marsh. Marsh platform elevations will be conducive to the establishment of intertidal marsh. Containment dikes will be constructed around the entire marsh creation cell. Containment dikes will be gapped at the end of construction or by TY3.

**Project Benefits**

The project would result in approximately 450-500 net acres over the project life.

**Project Costs**

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

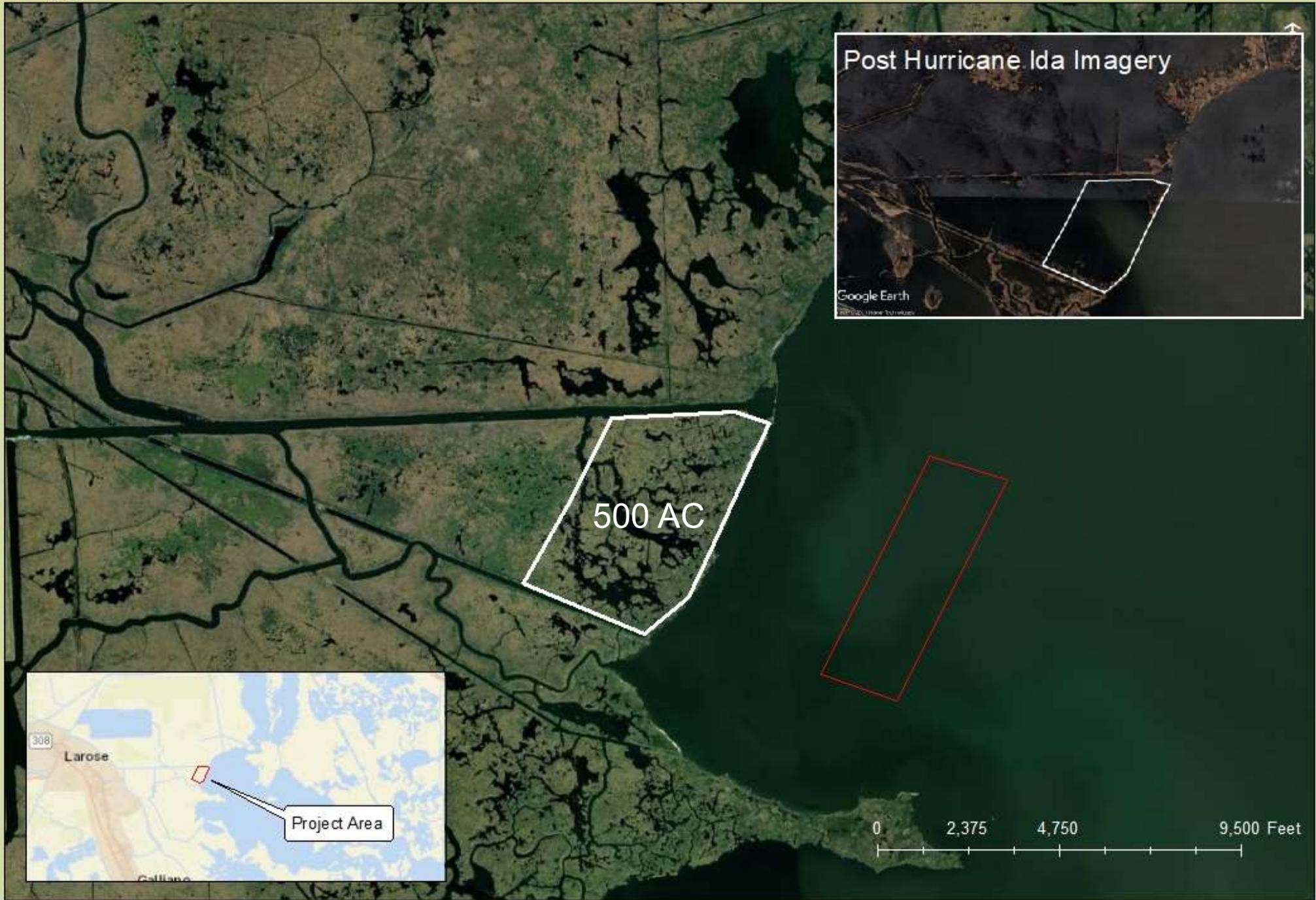
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# North Little Lake Region – Lafourche Parish





# Northwest Little Lake Marsh Creation

- 500 acres – total project footprint
- 460 acres MC and 40 acres MN
- Net acres = 450-500
- Little Lake borrow site (4.0 MCY)
- Construction plus 25% contingency = \$20M-\$25M
- Synergy – BA-02 GIWW to Clovelly HR



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**PPL32 PROJECT NOMINEE FACT SHEET**  
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**Project Name**

Southeast Golden Meadow Marsh Creation

**Project Location**

Region 2, Barataria Basin, Lafourche Parish, Southeast of Golden Meadow

**Problem**

The project area has experienced extensive loss of emergent wetlands from subsidence, storms, canal dredging, and altered hydrology. Wetland loss has increased the vulnerability of the South Lafourche Hurricane Protection Levee to damage from tropical storms. Based on the land-water analysis conducted by USGS for the extended project boundary, the land loss rate in the project area is -0.55% per year for the period 1984 to 2020.

**Goals**

The primary goal of this project is to restore marsh southeast of Golden Meadow near the alignment of the South Lafourche Hurricane Protection Levee. The specific goal of the project is to create approximately 354 acres (292 acres of marsh creation and 62 acres of marsh nourishment) of marsh with dredged material from Bayou Lafourche.

Service goals include restoration/protection of habitat for at-risk species. This project would restore habitat potentially utilized by the threatened black rail and other at-risk species such as the seaside sparrow and saltmarsh topminnow.

**Proposed Solution**

Sediments from Bayou Lafourche will be hydraulically dredged and pumped via pipeline to create/nourish approximately 354 acres of marsh. The proposed design is to place the dredged material to a slurry height of +2.7 ft NAVD88 with a target marsh elevation of +0.82 ft NAVD88. 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.

**Project Benefits**

The project would result in approximately 250-300 net acres over the 20-year project life.

**Project Costs**

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

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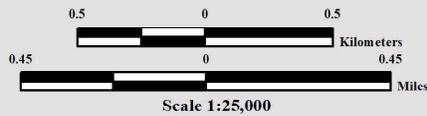
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### Southeast Golden Meadow Marsh Creation (PPL32 Nominee)



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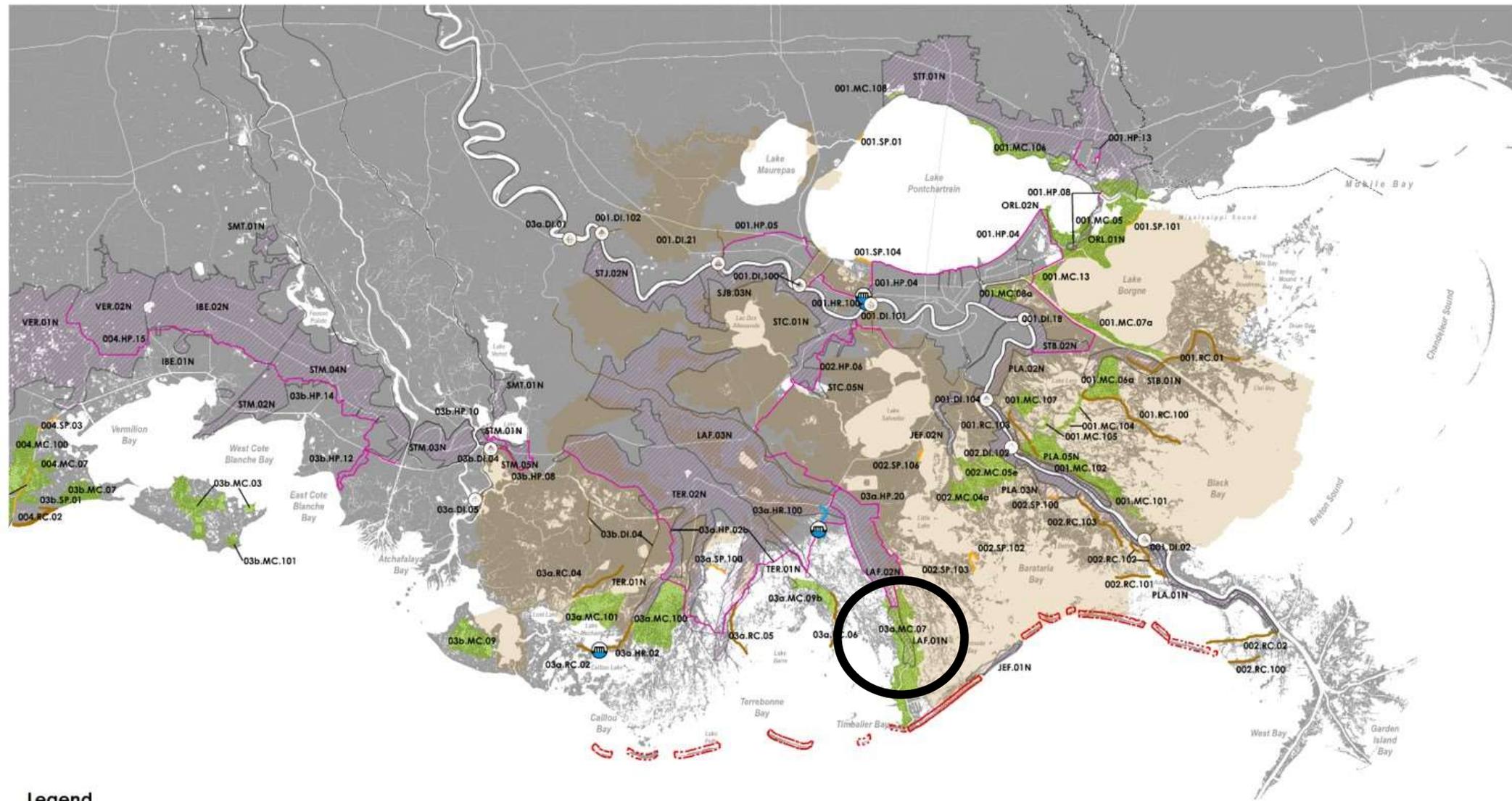


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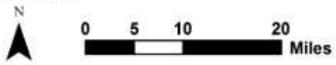
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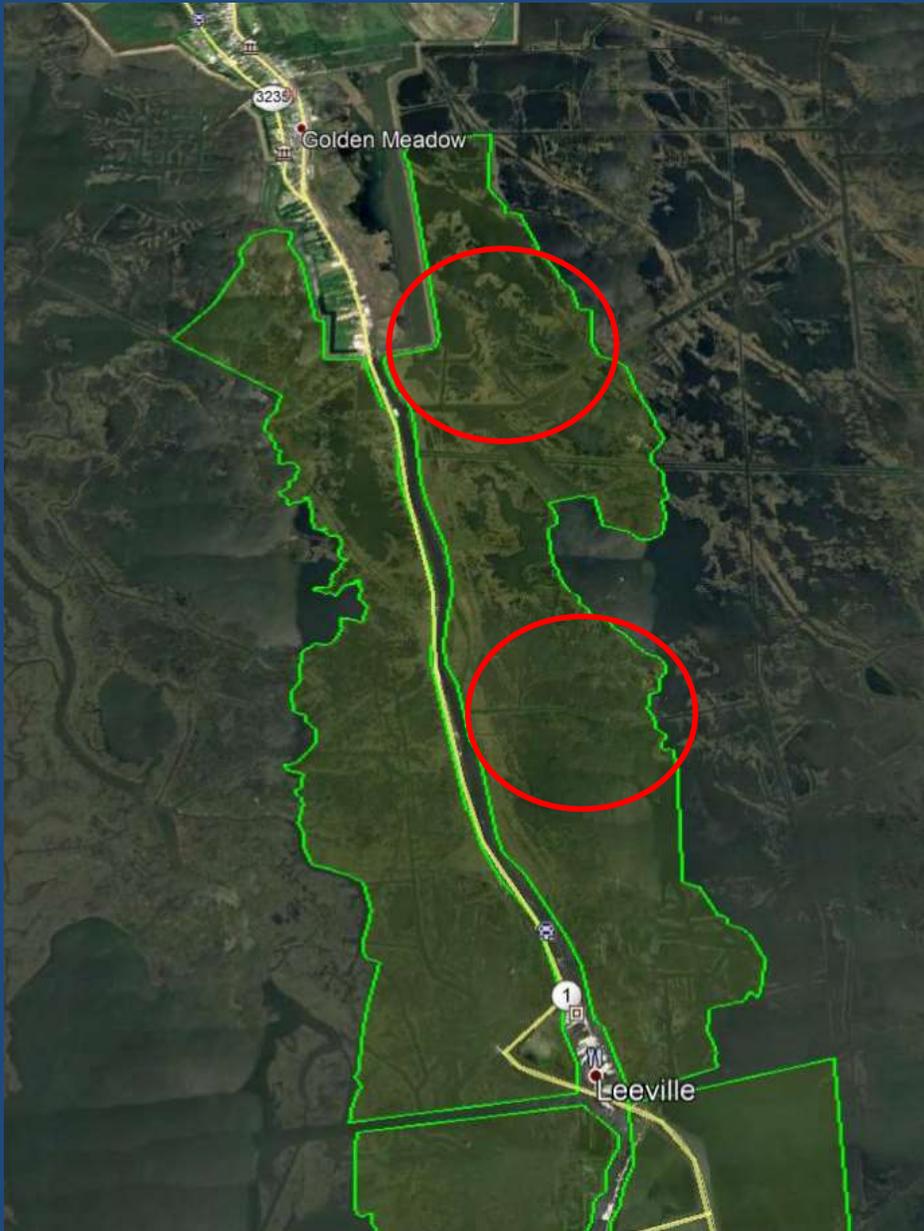
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# 2017 State Master Plan – 03a.MC.07 – Belle Pass-Golden Meadow Marsh Creation



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  - Barrier Island Restoration
  - Hydrologic Restoration
  - Shoreline Protection
  - Sediment Diversion
  - Marsh Creation
  - Structural Protection
  - Sediment Diversion
  - Nonstructural Project Areas





- Lafourche Parish invested RESTORE Act funds to investigate marsh and ridge restoration options along the Bayou Lafourche corridor
- T. Baker Smith was selected to perform E&D services in 2017
- Marsh creation areas along the South Lafourche levee were investigated as the Bayou Lafourche Marsh Creation Project
- Plans to submit the project for other funding streams were withdrawn
- FWS approached by Lafourche Parish to develop a CWPPRA nominee

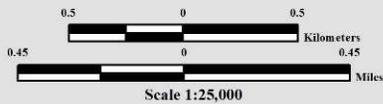
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**Southeast Golden Meadow Marsh Creation  
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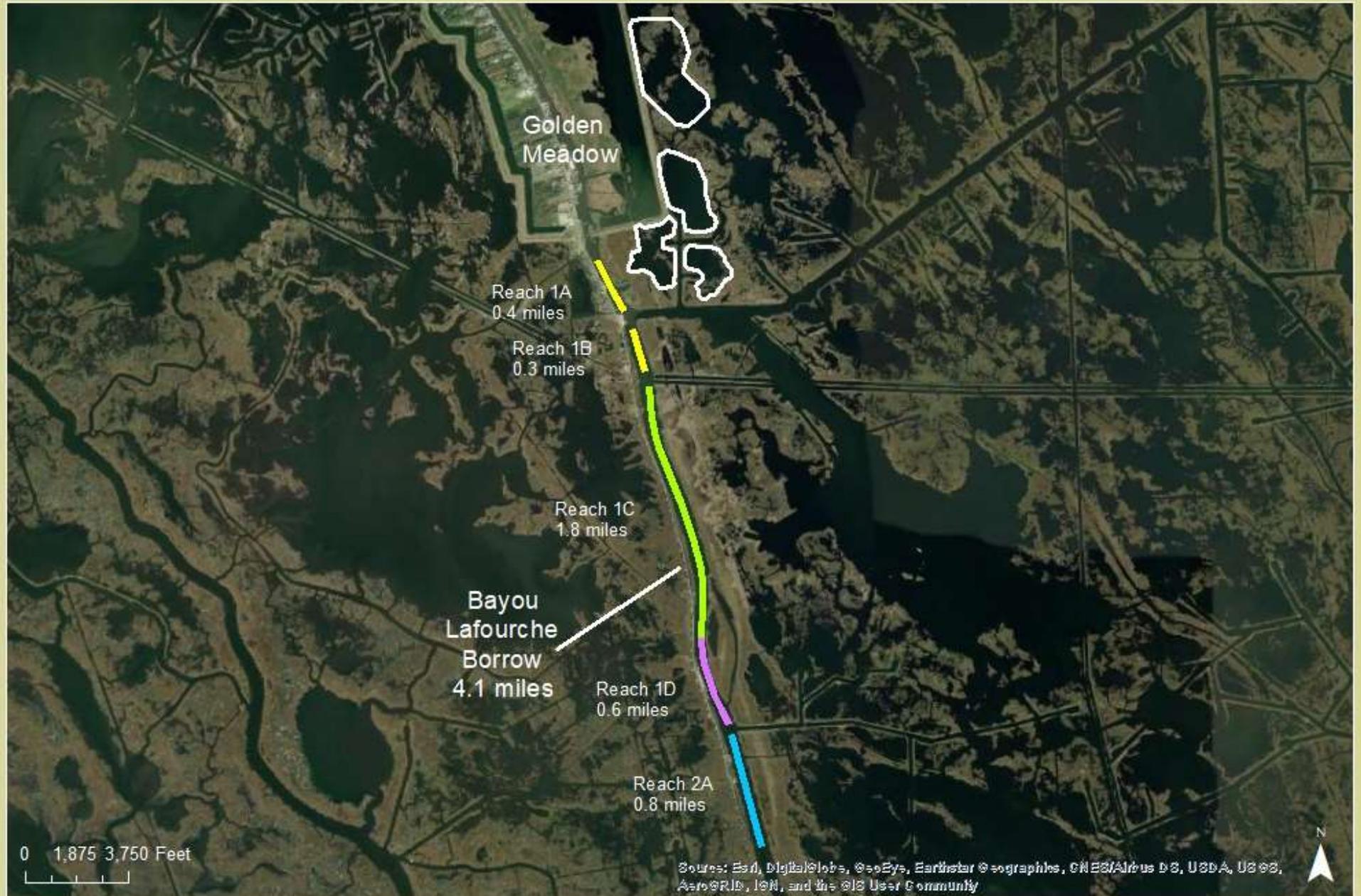
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Post Hurricane Ida





*Southeast Golden Meadow Marsh Creation - Bayou Lafourche Dredging Reaches*



# Southeast Golden Meadow Marsh Creation

- 354 acres – total project footprint
- 292 acres MC and 62 acres MN
- Net acres = 250-300
- Bayou Lafourche borrow site (4.1 miles; 3.1 MCY)
- Construction plus 25% contingency = \$25M-\$30M
- Adjacent to South Lafourche Hurricane Protection System



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**PPL32 PROJECT NOMINEE FACT SHEET**  
**February 1, 2022**

**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 area from Golden Meadow to Leeville, along the Highway 1-Bayou Lafourche corridor, has experienced extensive loss of emergent wetlands from subsidence, storms, canal dredging, and altered hydrology. Of particular note, is the extensive loss which occurred in August 2021 with the passage of Hurricane Ida. Wetland loss has increased the vulnerability of Louisiana Highway 1 to damage from tropical storms. A land change analysis conducted by USGS for 254 coastal subunits indicates a 1985-2020 land change rate of -1.19 %/yr for the Lake Palourde subunit.

**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 (393 acres of marsh creation and 24 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 threatened black rail and other at-risk species such as the saltmarsh topminnow and seaside sparrow.

**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.

**Project Benefits**

The project would result in approximately 350-400 net acres over the 20-year project life.

**Project Costs**

The estimated construction cost plus 25% contingency is \$30M - \$35M.

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### East Bayou Lafourche Marsh Creation (PPL32 Nominee)

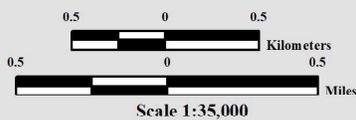


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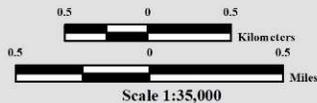


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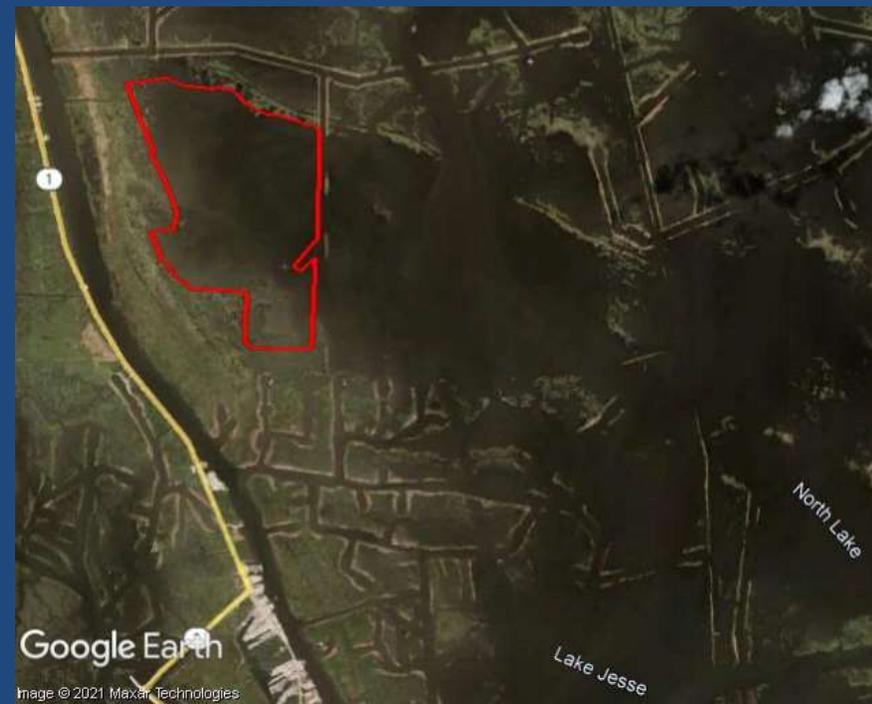


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Post Hurricane Ida





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*Louisiana Ecological Services Field Office*

*East Bayou Lafourche Marsh Creation*



# East Bayou Lafourche Marsh Creation

- 417 acres – total project footprint
- 393 acres MC and 24 acres MN
- Net acres = 350-400
- Little Lake borrow site (3.6 MCY)
- Construction plus 25% contingency = \$30M-\$35M
- Situated along Highway 1-Bayou Lafourche Corridor



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**PPL32 PROJECT NOMINEE FACT SHEET**  
**January 31, 2022**

**Project Name**

Fifi Island Marsh Creation

**Project Location**

Region 2, Barataria Basin, Jefferson Parish

**Problem**

Fifi Island has undergone significant land loss from storms, subsidence, and wave erosion due to its northern exposure to Bay Des Ilettes. Since the early 2000s, several restoration efforts have taken place on the island. The island has experienced periods of land gain due to the deposition of dredged material from the maintenance dredging of Bayou Rigaud. The latest dredging event was in 2010. The Grand Isle Independent Levee District has also been instrumental in several island restoration projects. A rock dike now provides protection to wave energy along the northern island shoreline. Additional rock dikes have also been constructed along the southern shoreline adjacent to Bayou Rigaud. Based on the hyper-temporal analysis conducted by USGS for the PPL29 candidate, the land loss rate in the project area is -1.21% per year for the period 1984 to 2019.

**Goals**

The primary goals of the project are: 1) restore marsh habitat on Fifi Island via marsh creation and 2) provide backbarrier marsh habitat in the vicinity of Grand Isle. The specific goals of this project are: 1) create 105 acres of marsh and 2) nourish 4 acres of marsh.

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, a threatened species. The project could also benefit other species of concern including the saltmarsh topminnow and seaside sparrow.

**Proposed Solution**

Sediments from Bayou Rigaud and/or Bay Des Ilettes will be hydraulically dredged and pumped via pipeline to create/nourish 109 acres of marsh. 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 constructed around each marsh creation cell. Containment dikes will be gapped at the end of construction or by TY3.

**Project Benefits**

The project would result in approximately 50-100 net acres over the project life.

**Project Costs**

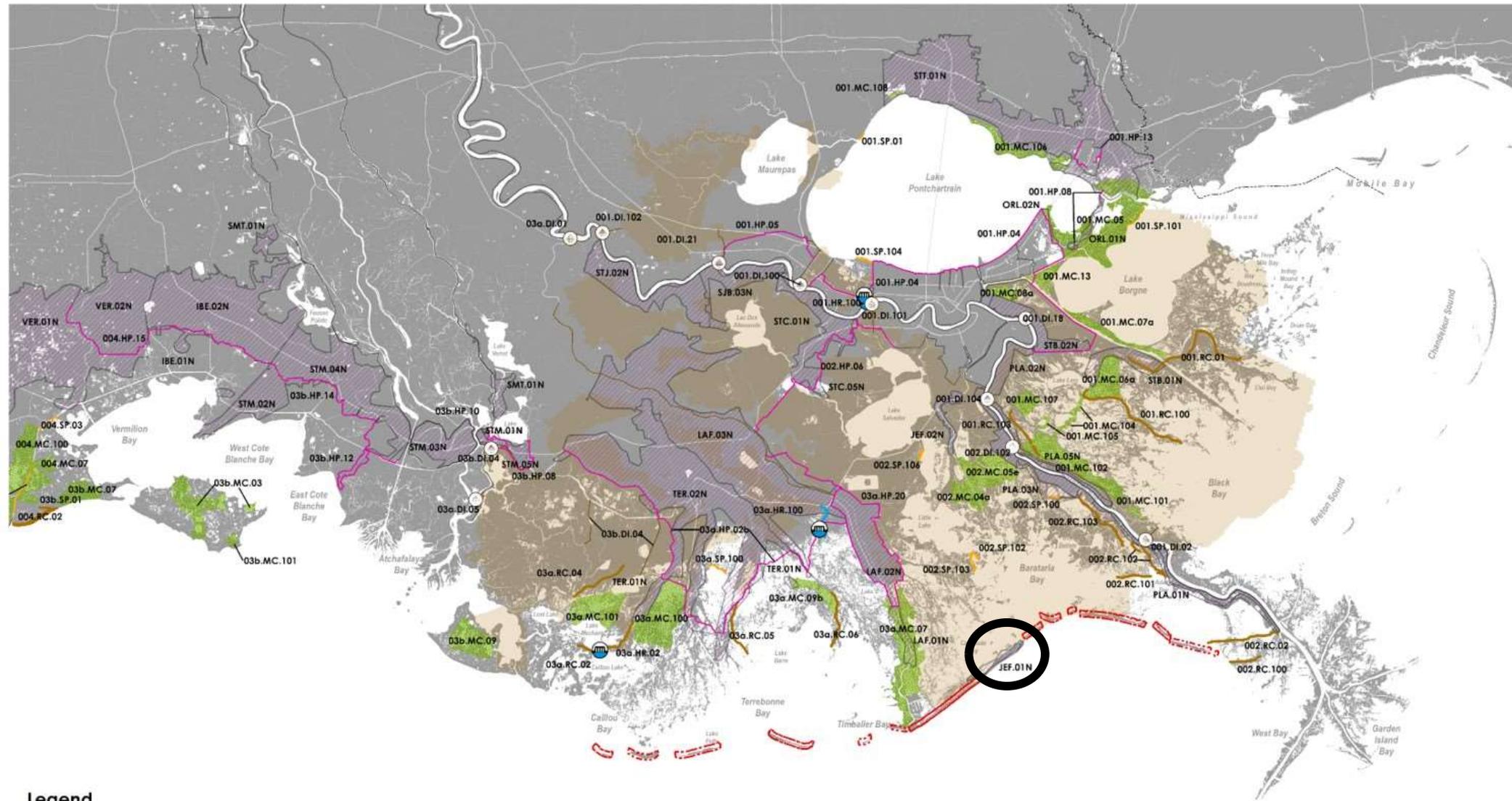
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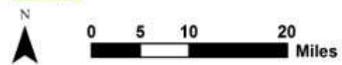
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# 2017 State Master Plan – Barrier Island Restoration Programmatic Strategy



- Legend**
- Hydrologic Restoration
  - Ridge Restoration
  - Sediment Diversion
  - Barrier Island Restoration
  - Nonstructural Project Areas
  - Hydrologic Restoration
  - Shoreline Protection
  - Sediment Diversion
  - Marsh Creation
  - Structural Protection
  - Sediment Diversion





# Fifi Island Marsh Creation

- 109 acres of marsh creation/nourishment
- Net acres = 50-100
- Bay or Bayou Rigaud borrow site (1.3 MCY)
- Construction plus 25% contingency = \$10M-\$15M
- Intertidal habitat in close proximity to Grand Isle
- Affords some degree of protection to Grand Isle



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Questions?

**PPL32 PROJECT FACT SHEET**  
**February 10, 2022**

**Project Name:**

Bayou Chevreuil Hydrologic Restoration and Vegetative Planting

**Project Location:**

Region 2, Barataria Basin, St. John the Baptist and St. James Parishes, Bayou Chevreuil, Lac Des Allemands Swamp

**Problem:**

The Lac Des Allemands River Basin has experienced drainage impairments, water quality impairments, impoundment, subsidence, and inadequate accretion of sediment and organic matter. These problems were largely caused by human activities that severed the area from the natural flow of water. The poor hydrology in the area is due to multiple manmade and natural levees. The Vacherie Canal to the north eliminated connectivity with bottomland hardwood swamps and uplands to the north. Bayou Chevreuil to the south was dredged in 1959 which impounded the area with spoil banks.

**Goals:**

The goals of this project are similar to those of BA-34-2 and include 1) restoring natural hydrology on Bayou Chevreuil 2) reducing impoundment 3) increasing swamp longevity and productivity, and 4) protecting neighboring developed areas from flooding hazards through hydrologic restoration.

**Proposed Solution:**

The proposed project includes: 1) construction of gaps on the northern bank of Bayou Chevreuil & elsewhere, 2) creation of conveyance channels that originate from the gaps and extend inward into the swamp, 3) improve/clean out historical drainage pathways to the gap locations, and 4) vegetative plantings of cypress and tupelo saplings.

**Project Benefits:**

The proposed project will benefit approximately 2,866 acres with hydrologic improvements that would reverse the impoundment effects. Planting seedlings will help reestablish the swamp forest. Project benefits would include storm buffering, increased swamp productivity and increased wildlife and fishery habitat.

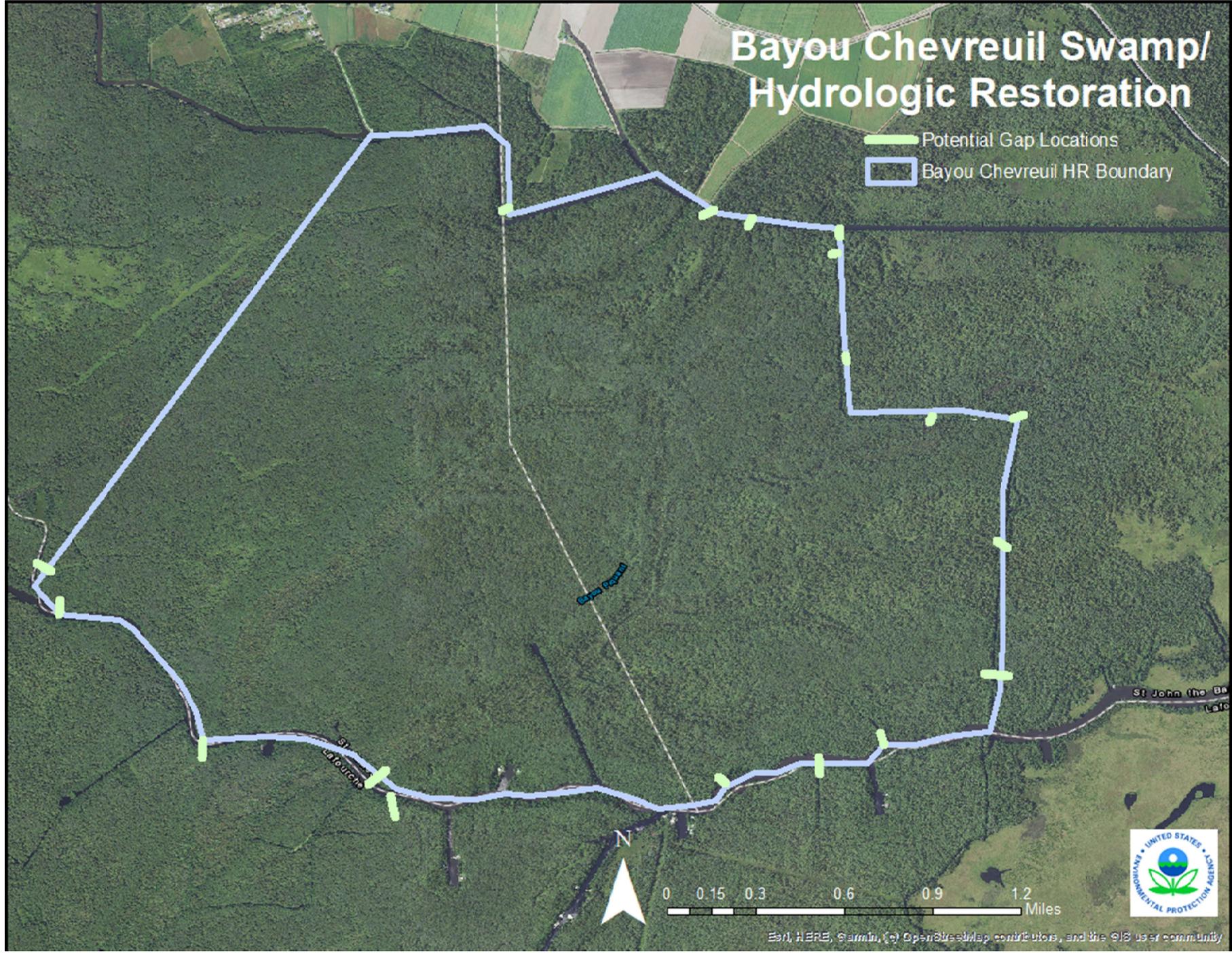
**Project Estimated Costs:** \$5 - \$10M.

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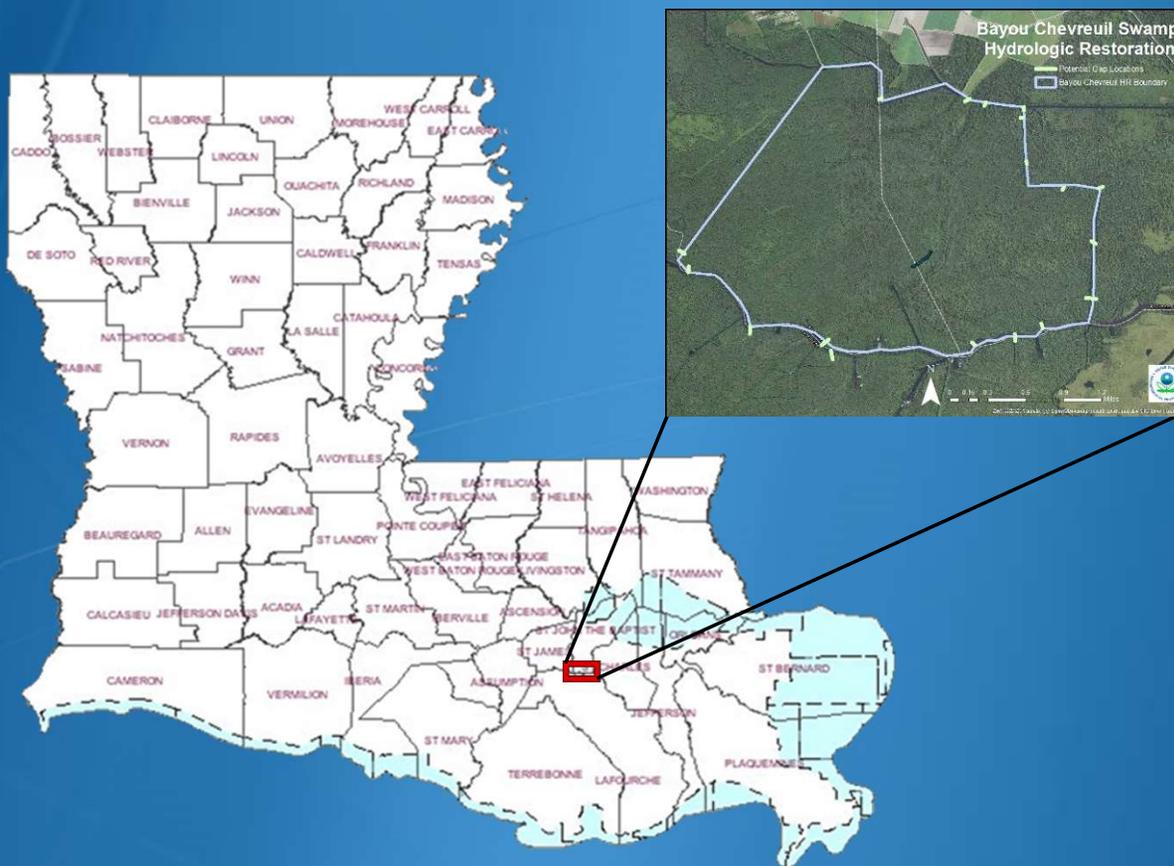
# Bayou Chevreuil Swamp/ Hydrologic Restoration

- Potential Gap Locations
- Bayou Chevreuil HR Boundary



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# Bayou Chevreuil Hydrologic Restoration & Vegetative Plantings

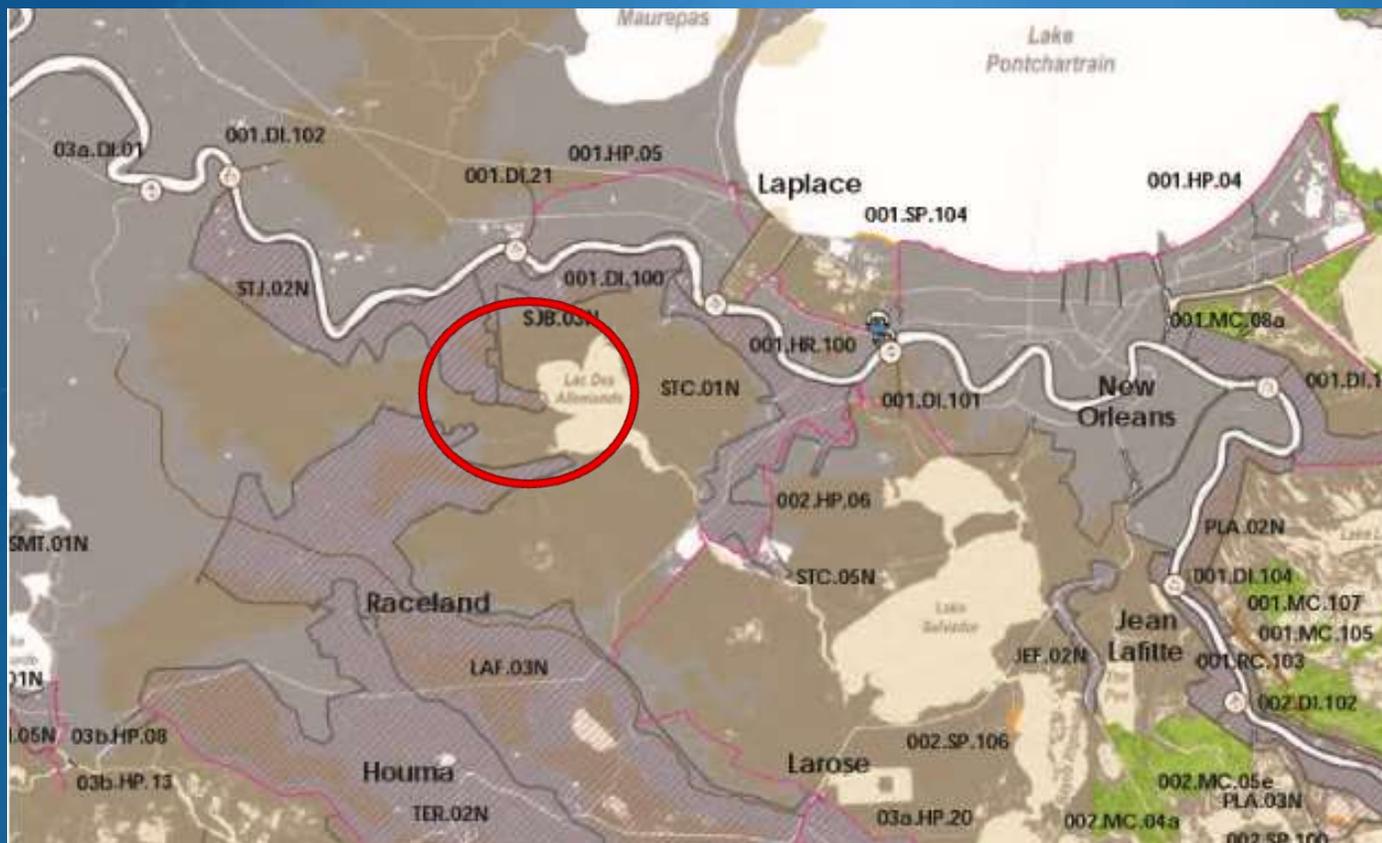


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# 2017 Master Plan Solution

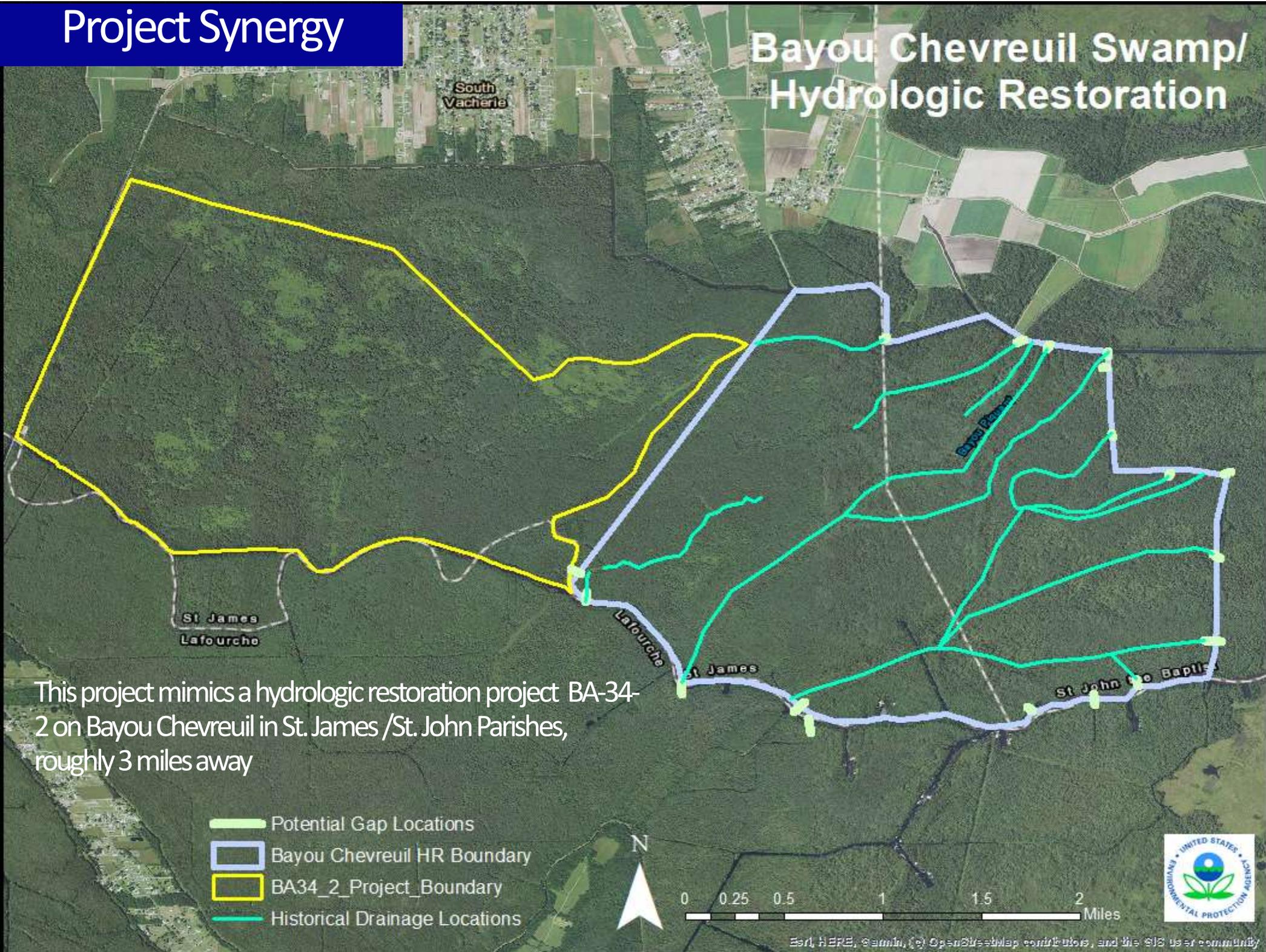
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# Project Synergy

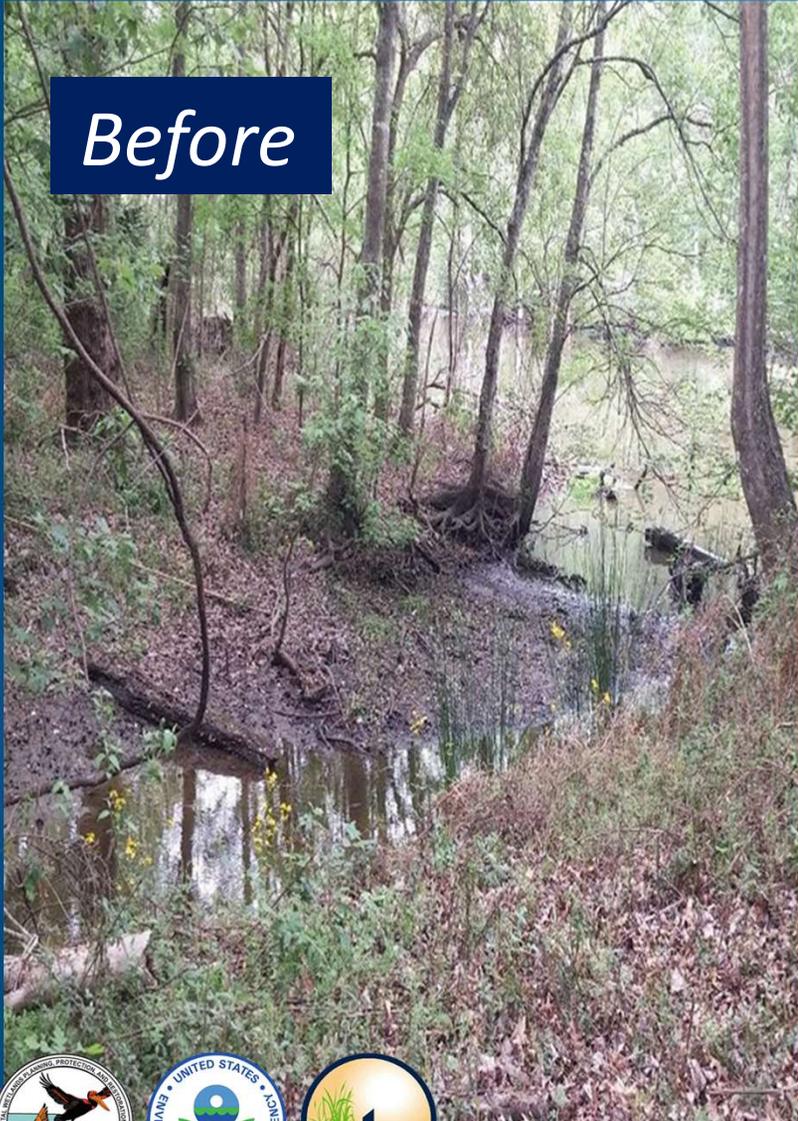
## Bayou Chevreuil Swamp/ Hydrologic Restoration



This project mimics a hydrologic restoration project BA-34-2 on Bayou Chevreuil in St. James /St. John Parishes, roughly 3 miles away

# BA-34-2 One Year Post Construction

*Before*



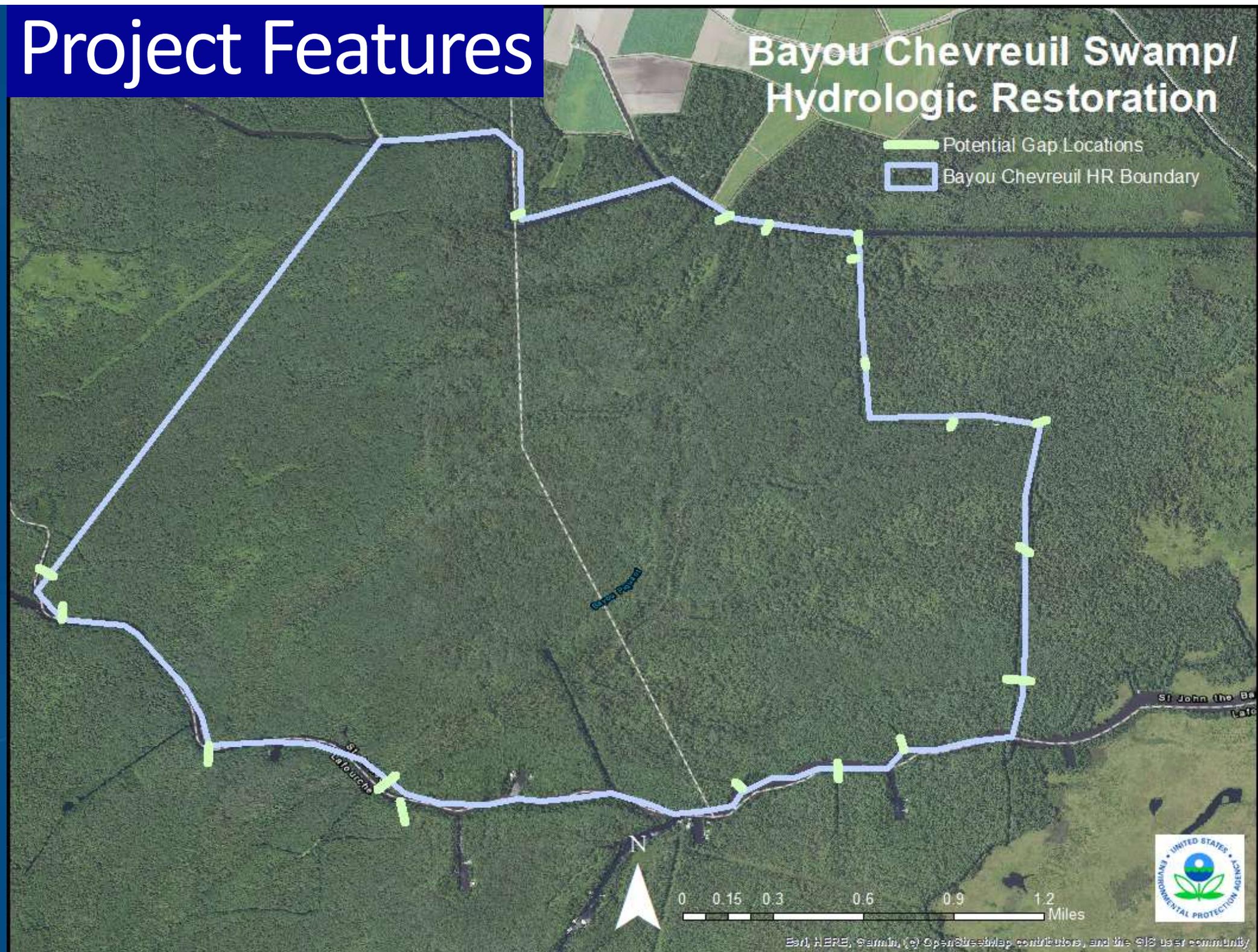
*After*



# Project Features

## Bayou Chevreuil Swamp/ Hydrologic Restoration

- Potential Gap Locations
- Bayou Chevreuil HR Boundary



# Problems

- Drainage and water quality impairments resulting in marsh loss and decline of cypress forest
- Impoundment, subsidence, inadequate accretion
- Roads, drainage canals, and spoil banks contribute to the problem

# Solutions

- Construction of gaps on the northern bank of Bayou Chevreuil & elsewhere
- Creation of conveyance channels that originate from the gaps and extend inward into the swamp
- Improve/clean out historical drainage pathways to the gap locations
- Vegetative plantings of cypress and tupelo saplings.
- Construction cost + 25% contingency is \$5M - \$10M

**PPL32 PROJECT FACT SHEET**  
**February 10, 2022**

**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 marsh creation cell is located in the Bay De La Cheniere Subunit which shows a land loss rate of -0.45%/yr.

**Proposed Solution**

The proposed project would restore approximately 25,862 linear feet of historic ridge and create/nourish approximately 450 acres of marsh using sediment dredged from the Mississippi River as additional support for the ridge feature.

**Project Benefits**

Restore 25,862 linear feet of historic ridge and create/nourish approximately 450 acres (create 264 acres and nourish 186 acres) of marsh using sediment dredged from the Mississippi River.

**Project Costs**

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

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# Bayou eau Noire Ridge Restoration & Marsh Creation

Marsh Creation Feature 428 ac  
Ridge Restoration Feature 25862ft

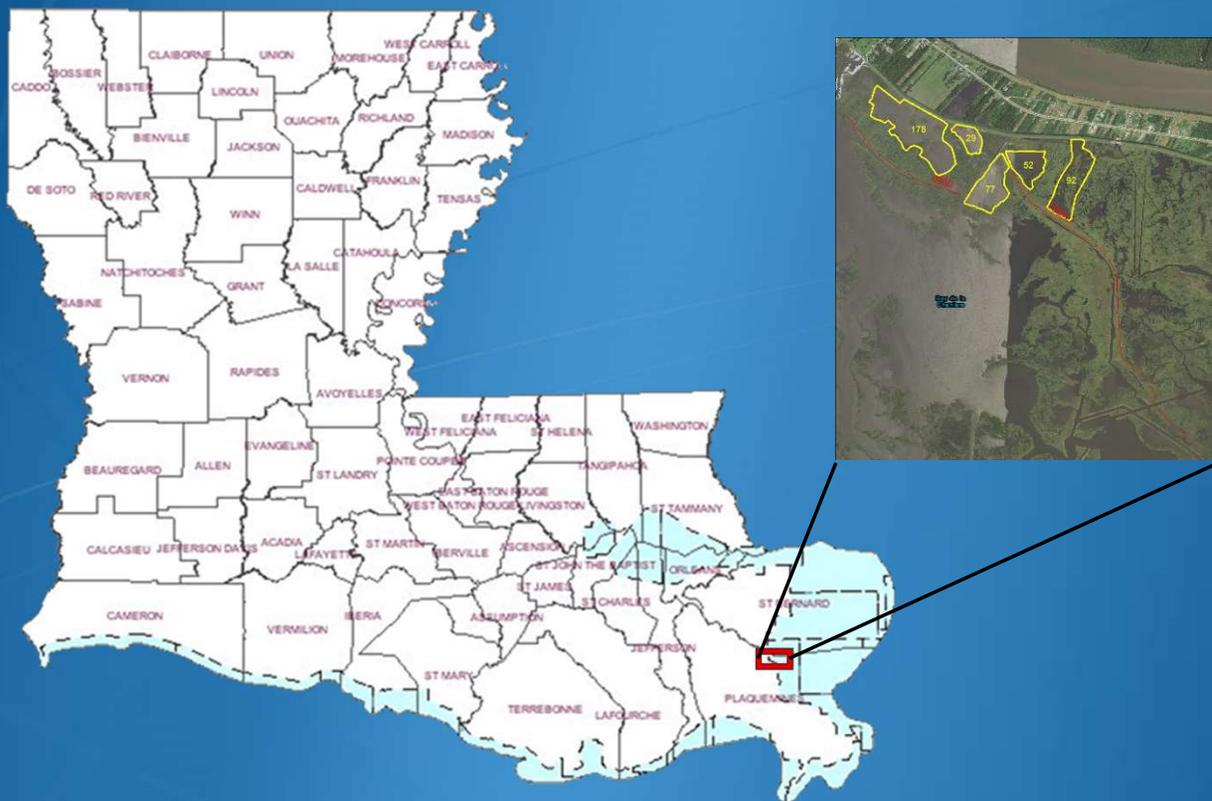


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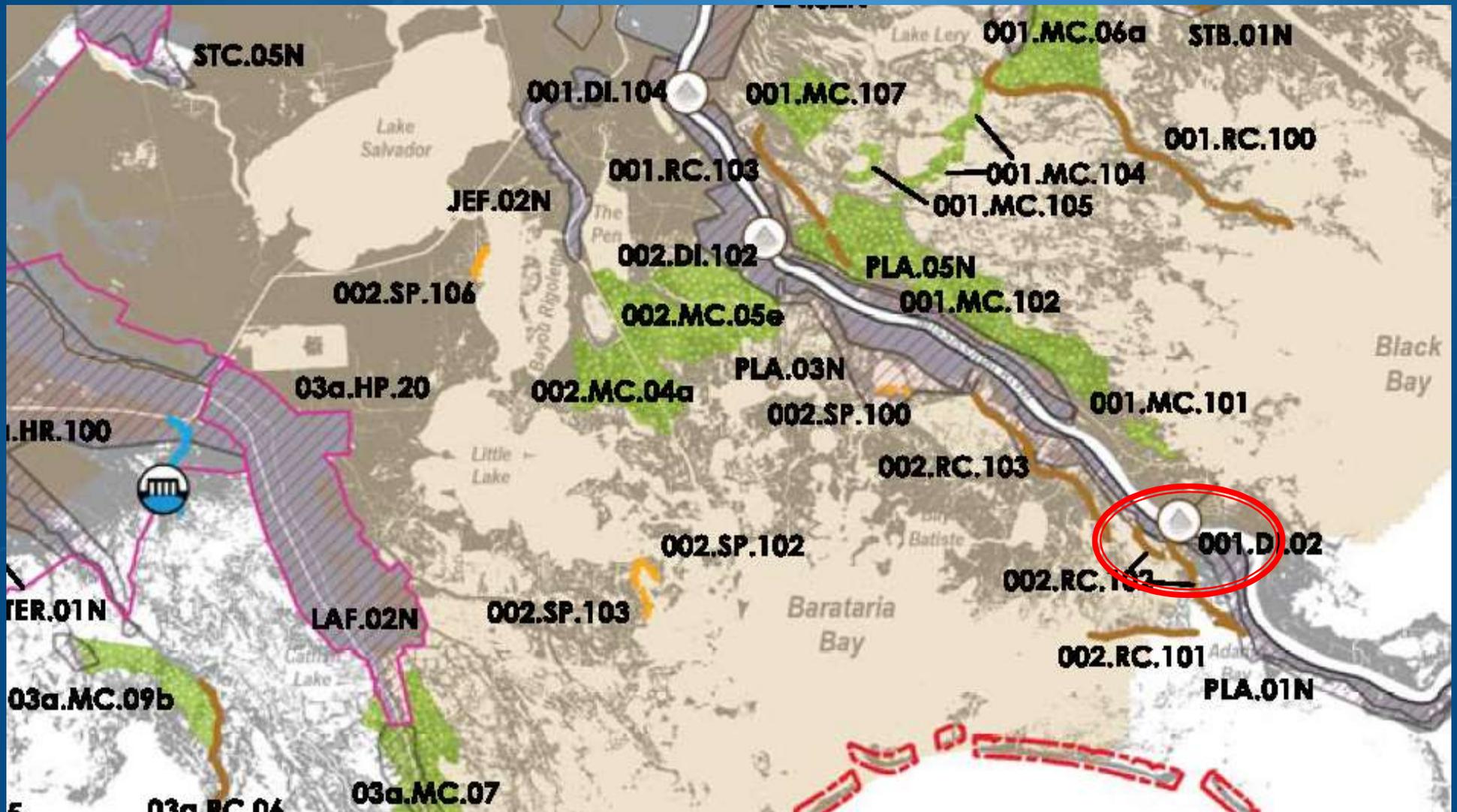


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# 2017 Master Plan Solution

**002.RC.102 Bayou Eau Noire Ridge Restoration:** 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.



# 2017 Master Plan Consistency & Project Synergy

Marsh cells  
support the  
restored ridge  
feature



# 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).



# Project Features

Restore 25,862 linear feet of historic ridge

Create/nourish 450 acres (create 264 acres and nourish 186 acres) of emergent marsh using 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 for residents

Construction cost + 25% contingency is \$25M - \$30M

## Bayou eau Noire Ridge Restoration & Marsh Creation



**PPL32 PROJECT FACT SHEET**  
**February 10, 2022**

**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. The marsh creation cell is located near the NE Turtle Bay Extension MC concept (WVA) which shows a land loss rate of -0.64%/yr.

**Proposed Solution**

The proposed project would create/nourish approximately 638 acres (384 acres created, and 254 acres nourished) 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.

**Project Benefits**

Create/nourish approximately 638 acres of marsh using sediment dredged from the Little Lake.

**Project Costs**

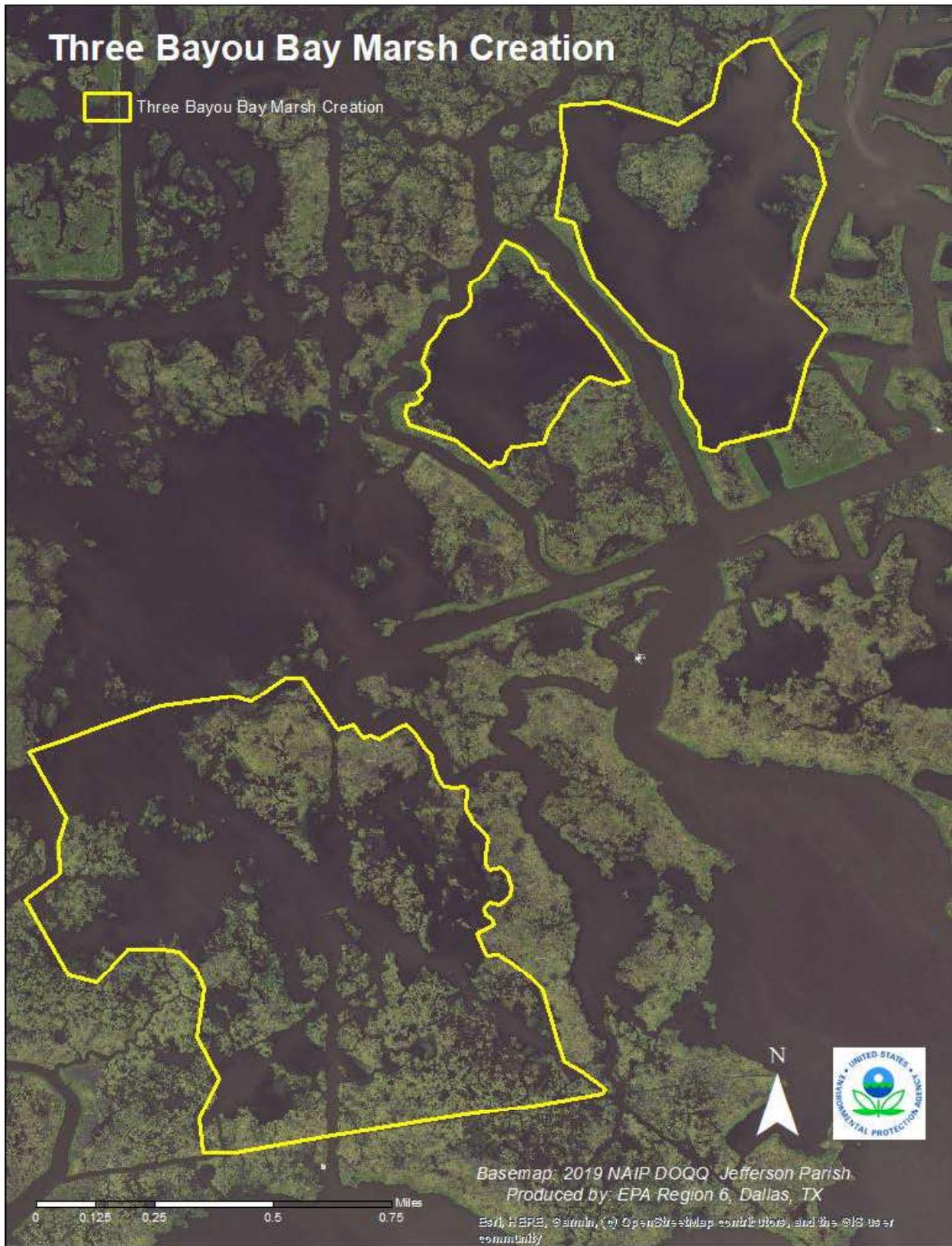
The estimated construction cost including 25% contingency is \$30M - \$35M.

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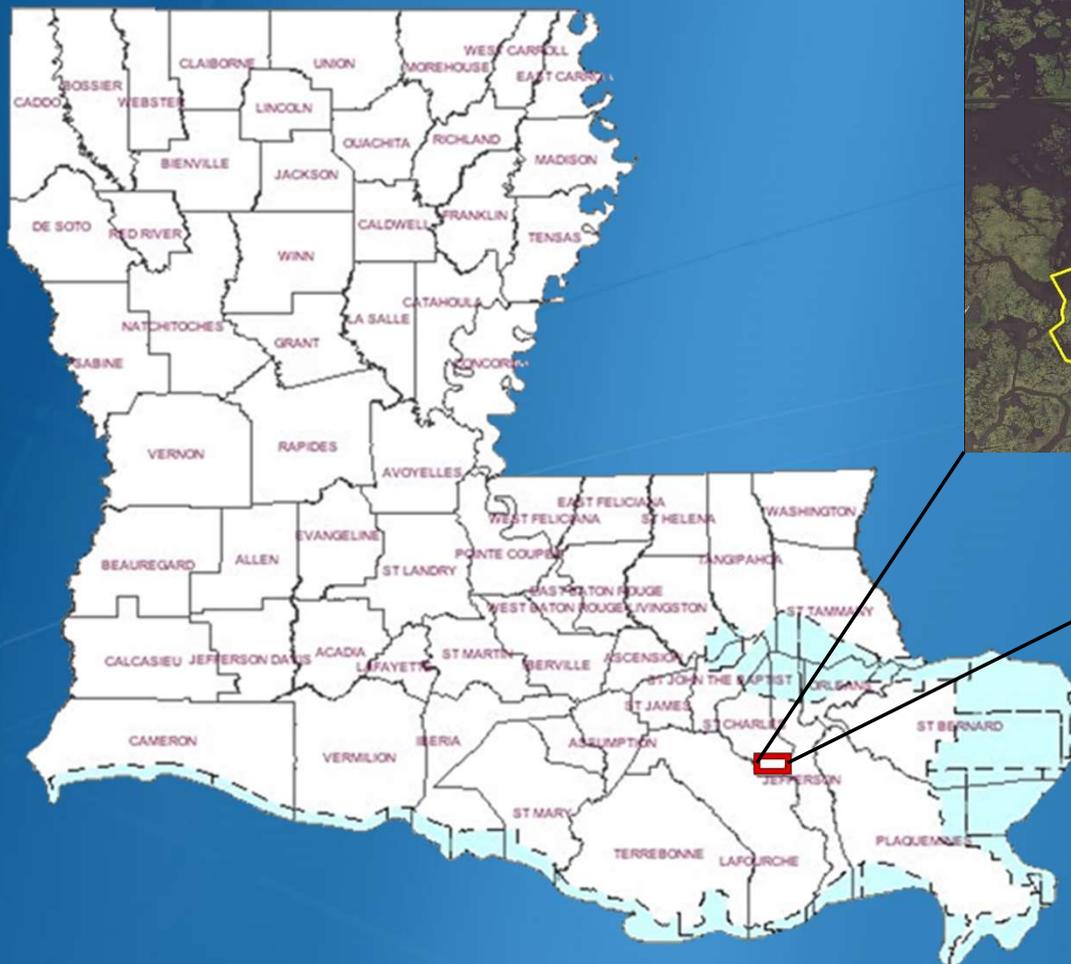
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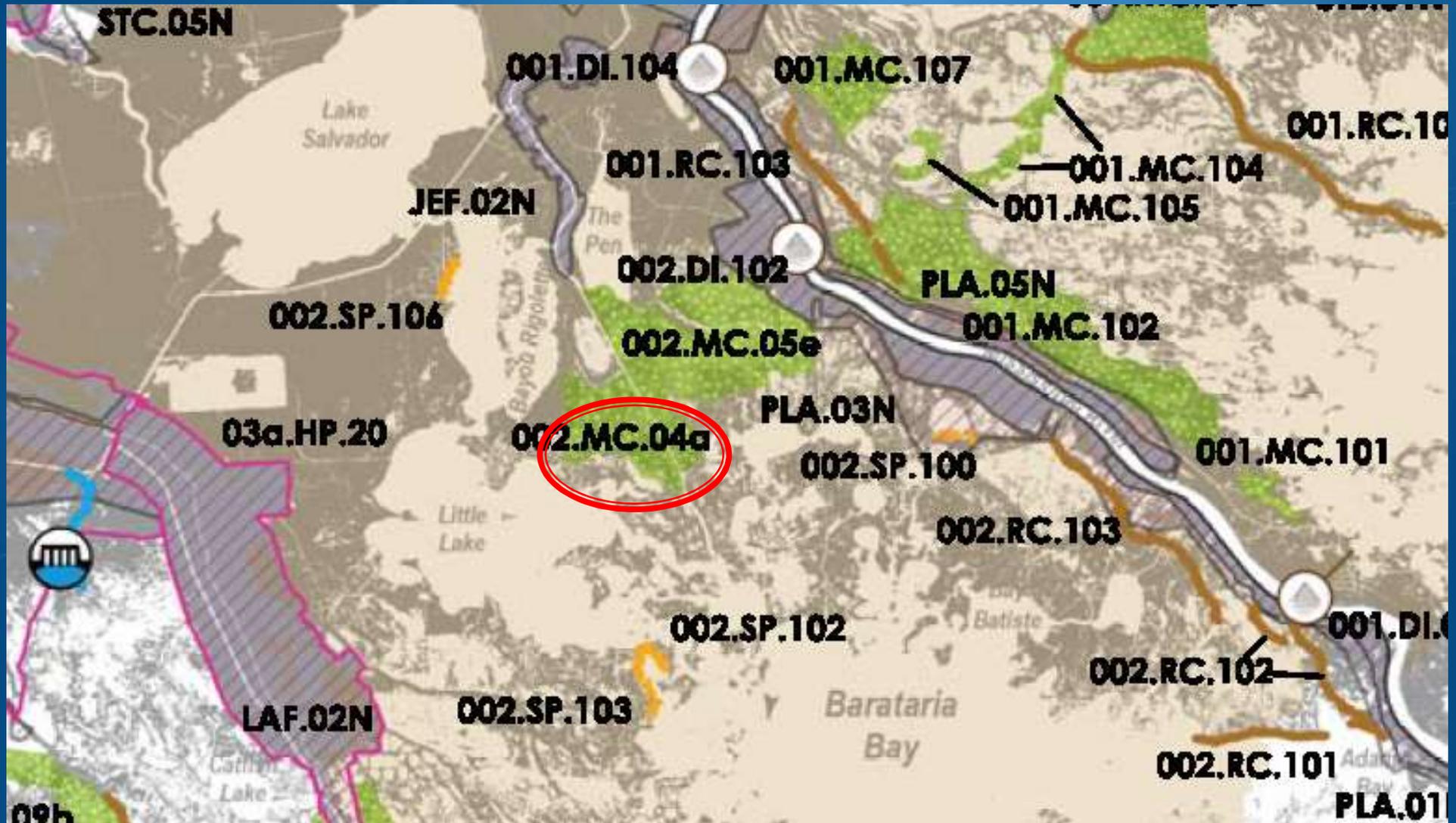


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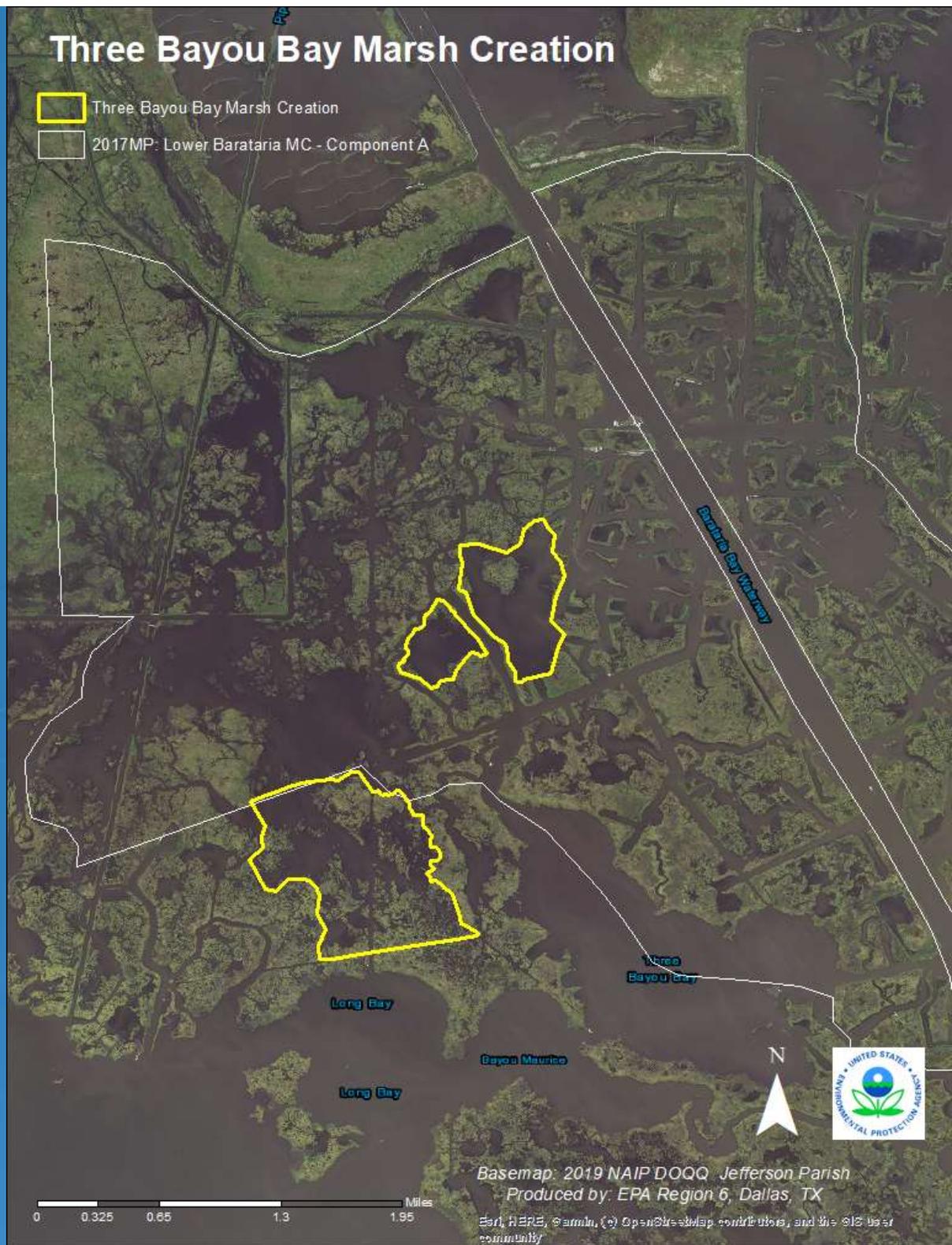
# 2017 Master Plan Solution

**002.MC.04a Lower Barataria Marsh Creation-Component A:** 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.



# 2017 Master Plan Consistency

- 002.MC.04a Lower Barataria Marsh Creation- Component A

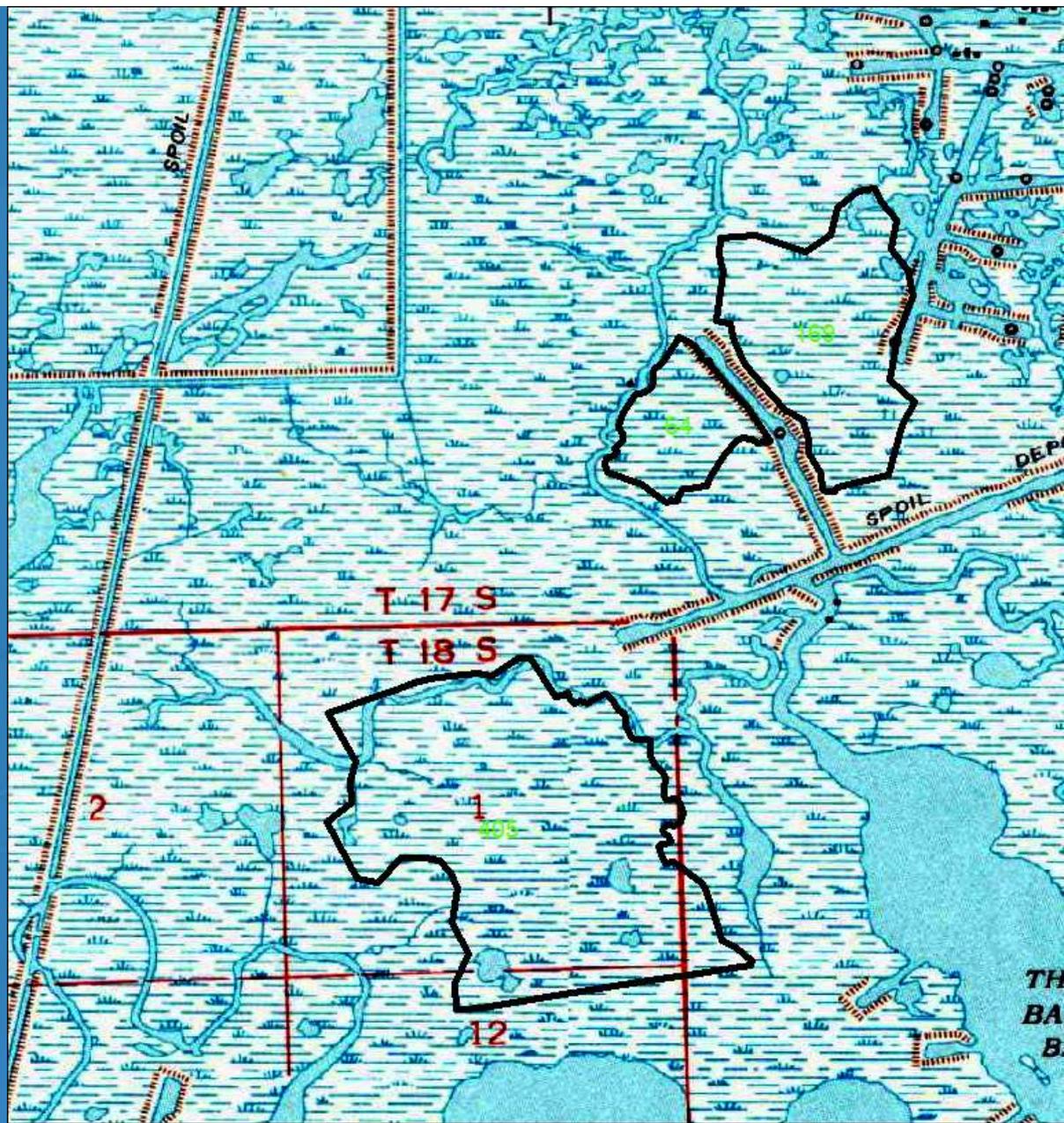


# Problems

- 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).

# Historical Reference

- Historical topo from 1962
- Predominantly solid marsh



Three Bayou Bay Marsh Creation

Three Bayou Bay Marsh Creation PPL29



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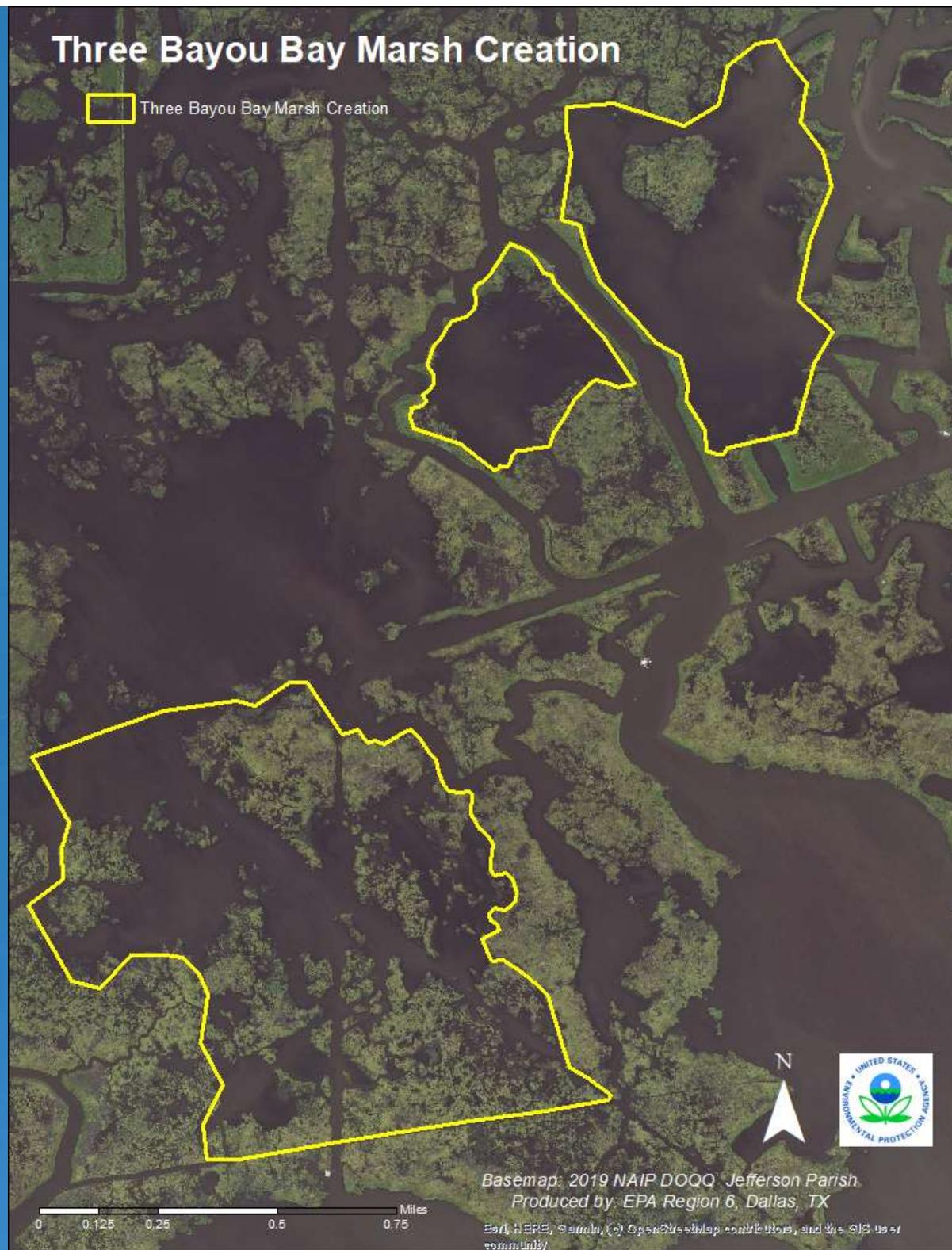
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# Project Features

Create/nourish 638 acres of emergent marsh with sediment from the Little Lake

Restore degraded wetland habitat

Construction plus 25% contingency = \$30M-35M



**PPL32 PROJECT NOMINEE FACT SHEET**  
**February 10, 2022**

**Project Name**

Bayou Moreau Marsh Restoration

**Project Location**

Region 2, Barataria Basin, Lafourche Parish, Louisiana

**Problem**

The project is located at the confluence of Bayou Moreau with the Caminada Headland south of Port Fourchon and Louisiana Highway 3090. Storms, subsidence, shoreline erosion, and oil and gas exploration have contributed to wetland loss in the project area. The USGS 1985 to 2020 loss rate is -0.54%/yr for the Port Fourchon Shoreline mapping unit. Coastal habitat loss has reduced the resiliency of remaining habitat and infrastructure.

**Goals**

The project goal is to create 278 acres and nourish 83 acres of marsh.

**Proposed Solution**

The proposed solution is to restore marsh adjacent to a particular reach of the Gulf of Mexico shoreline to contribute nature-based defenses for critical infrastructure while providing ecological benefits. An alternative or additive alternate cell has been identified potentially for terracing or marsh creation to accommodate flexibility with ongoing and pending adjacent projects, but is not included in the cost or benefits. The marsh creation areas are located and configured to maintain hydrologic connectivity with Pass Fourchon to the west and Bayou Thunder to the east. Sediment would be mined from the Gulf and pumped into three confined disposal areas to create 278 acres and nourish 83 acres of tidal salt marsh. Gulf borrow has been sited to avoid adverse impacts to the shoreline and pipelines and is adjacent to the BA-171 borrow area. Containment dikes would be gapped to the constructed marsh fill elevation at the end of construction for dewatering and gapped or degraded no later than year three after construction to establish tidal exchange.

**Preliminary Project Benefits**

- 1) *What is the total acreage benefited both directly and indirectly?* The total acres benefited is 361 acres (278 marsh creation and 83 acres marsh nourishment).
- 2) *How many acres of wetlands will be protected/created over the project life?* The total net acres of marsh protected/created over the project life is approximately 250 - 300 acres (268 net). Indirect benefit to additional acres may occur.
- 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 benefits is 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.* Yes, the project bolsters the width of the Caminada Headland and the banklines of Bayou Moreau.

5) *What is the net impact of the project on critical and non-critical infrastructure?* The project would have a net positive impact on critical infrastructure consisting of the LOOP and Shell Mars pipelines, Port Fourchon, and Highway 3090. The project would have net positive impacts on secondary or recreational residential property.

6) *To what extent does the project provide a synergistic effect with other approved and/or constructed restoration projects?* The project would work synergistically with BA-171 (Caminada Headlands Back Barrier Marsh Creation), BA- 45 (Caminada Beach and Dune, Increment I), Port Fourchon Terracing and Living Shoreline – Ducks Unlimited NFWF Resiliency Project, Port Fourchon Expansion Mitigation Project, and Lafourche Parish Wisner/NOAA Community-based Restoration Program Project.

### **Considerations**

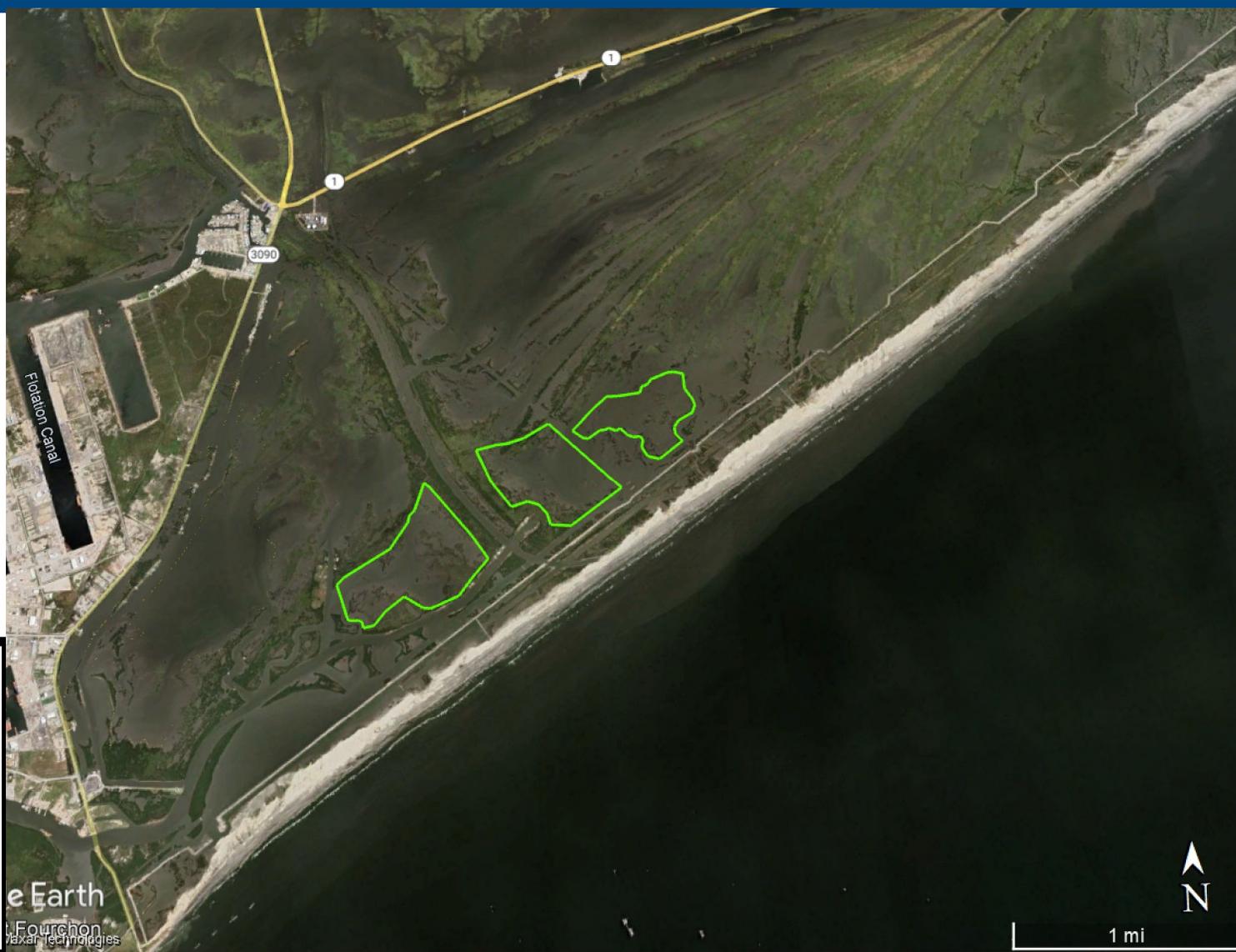
Considerations for this project include pipelines/utilities.

### **Preliminary Cost**

The estimated constructed cost + 25% contingency range is \$30M - \$35M.

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# Bayou Moreau Marsh Restoration

278 Marsh Creation  
83 Marsh Nourishment

2021 Aerial Imagery  
Map Date 02-01-2022

## Legend



Marsh Creation and Nourishment



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# Bayou Moreau Marsh Restoration

REGION 2 – Barataria Basin

Presenter: Patrick Williams, NOAA

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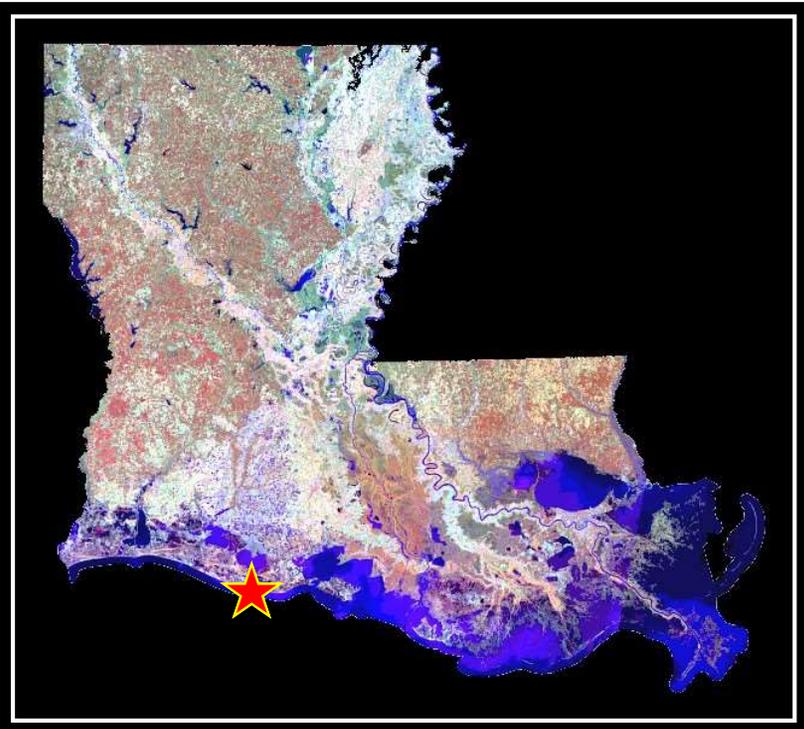
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# Project Vicinity

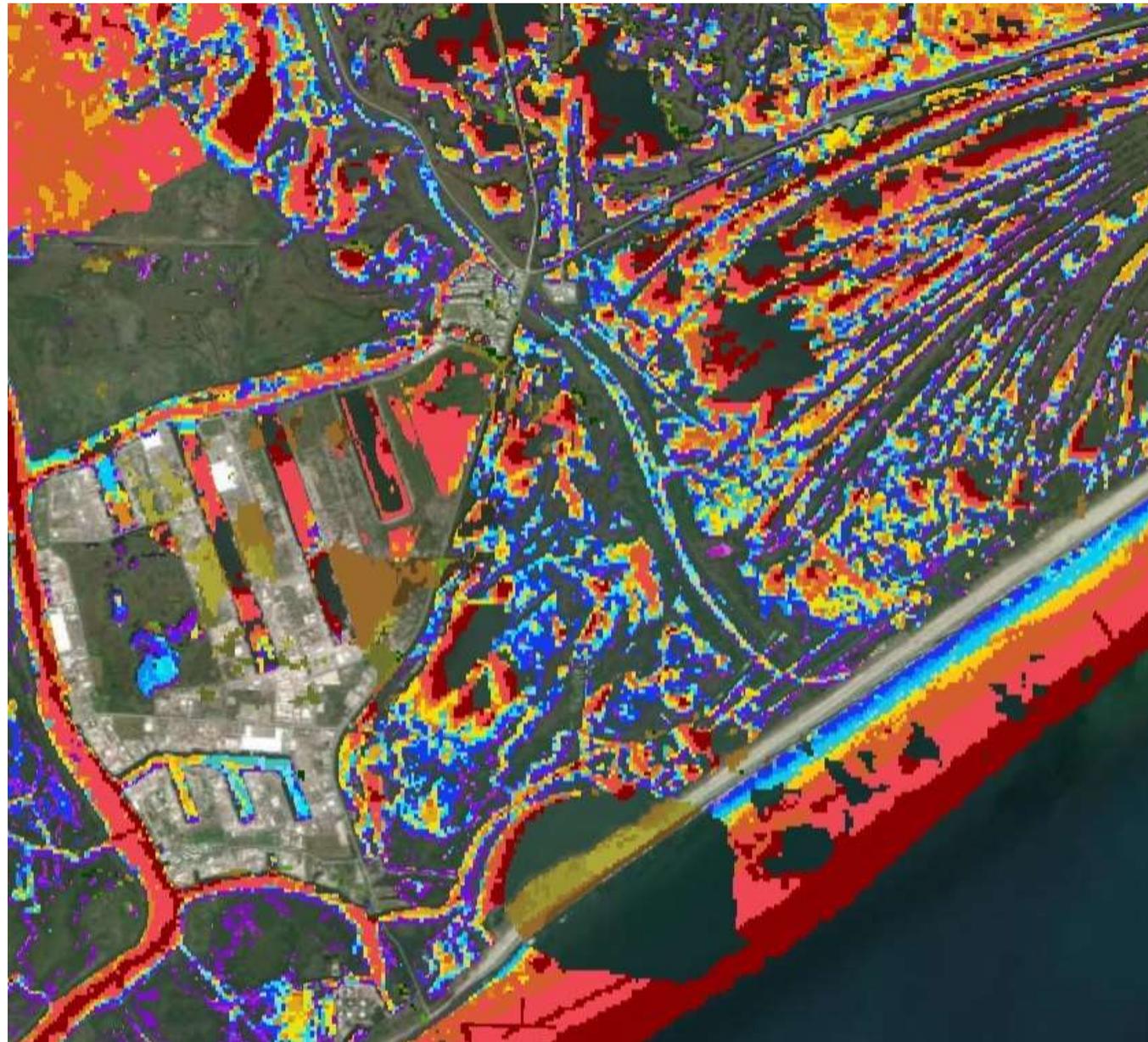


# Project Area Degradation

-0.54%/yr 1985 to 2020

## Land Change

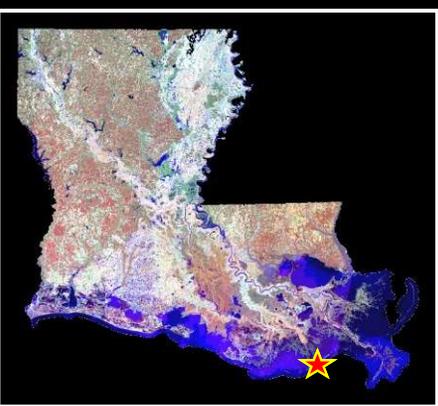
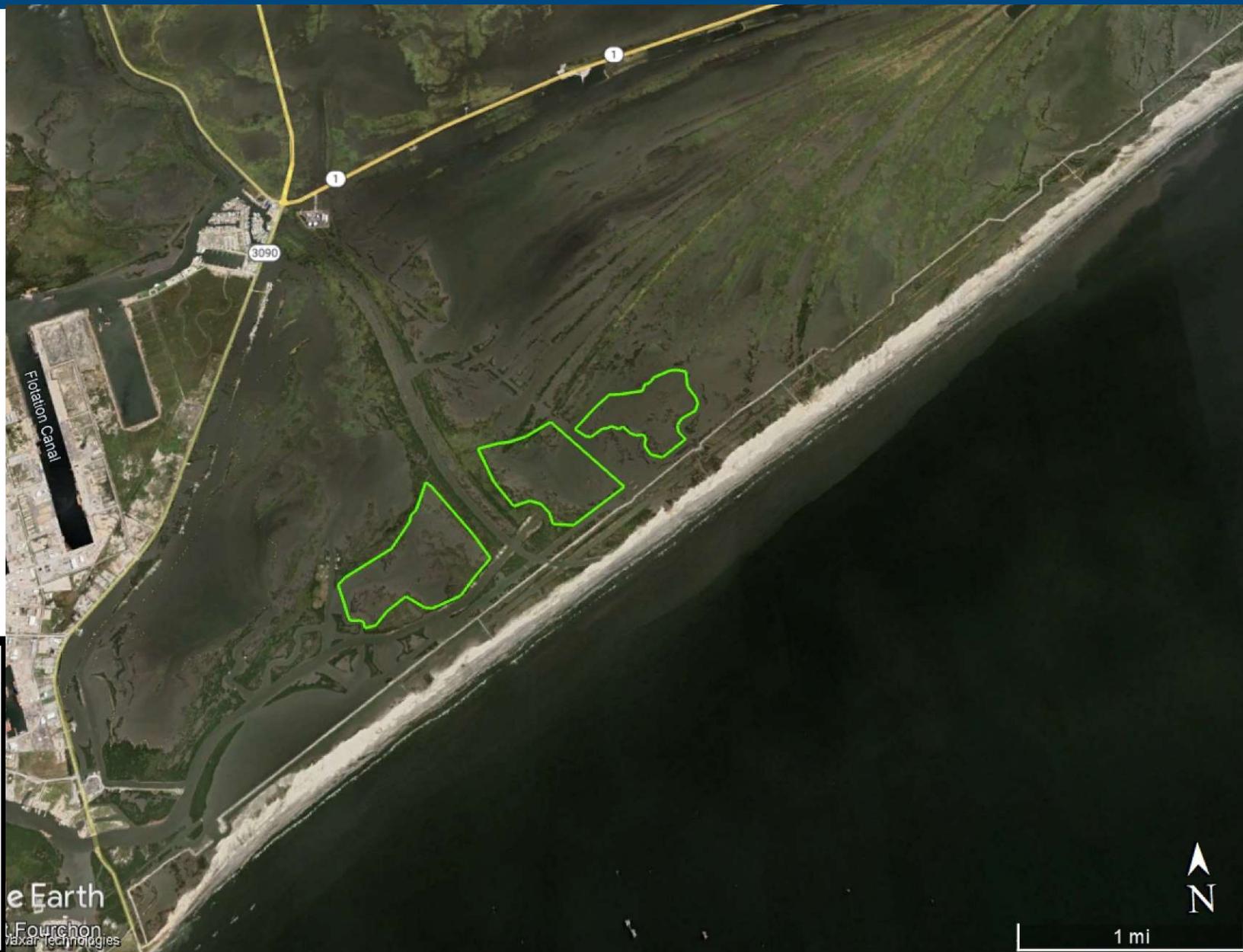
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- 2014-2015 New Water Area



# Project Area

## Bayou Moreau Marsh Restoration





# Bayou Moreau Marsh Restoration

278 Marsh Creation  
83 Marsh Nourishment

2021 Aerial Imagery  
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## Legend

 Marsh Creation and Nourishment

# Summary

- 278 Marsh Creation, 83 Marsh Nourishment
- Gulf of Mexico Borrow
- Construction Cost + 25% Contingency \$30M - \$35M
- Net Benefits: 268 acres

# Synergy

- Synergy with other Restoration projects: BA-45, BA-171, NFWF Port Fourchon Terracing and Living Shoreline, Port Fourchon Mitigation

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**PPL32 PROJECT NOMINEE FACT SHEET**  
**February 10, 2022**

**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. In 2020, the island sustained an approximately 600-foot wide breach as a result of Hurricane Zeta. In 2021, the breach increased to 620 feet. The land loss rate is -0.02%/yr based on data from 1985 to 2020 in the Barataria Barrier Island LCA mapping subunit, whereas it is 0.81%/yr for the adjacent Barataria Barrier Shorelines mapping subunit. The 1884 to 2000 Gulf shoreline erosion rate is -50.6 ft/yr and -46.8 ft/yr from 1988 to 2000.

**Goals**

The project goal is for approximately 150 to 200 net acres after 20 years. This includes creating 101 acres of back barrier marsh and 72 acres of emergent beach and dune, protecting and enhancing 114 acres of existing supratidal and intertidal island habitat, and enhancing 55 acres of subtidal Gulf shoreface with sand fill.

**Proposed Solution**

The proposed features consist of placing 127 acres of beach and dune fill (constructing 19 acres of dune, 53 acres of intertidal and supratidal beach fill, 55 acres of subtidal beach fill) and 101 acres of back-barrier marsh. The dune would be constructed to +8 ft NAVD88 150 ft wide. Marsh would be created using confined or semiconfined disposal with a constructed marsh fill elevation of +2.5 ft NAVD88. Additionally, 114 acres of existing supratidal and intertidal habitat would be benefited. Sediment would be mined from nearshore borrow sites in the Gulf of Mexico. Tentative sites includes those previously identified and remaining after construction of other island projects. The project includes planting dune and swale vegetation as well as construction of sand fences.

**Preliminary Project Benefits**

- 1) *What is the total acreage benefited both directly and indirectly?*  
This total project area is 446 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 150 and 200 net acres of barrier island habitat are estimated to 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)?*

Using a 50% reduction in the background rate, 165 net acres would remain. Alternatively, 57% of the target year 1 constructed acres are projected to remain at year 20 based upon the design/benefit performance average from all island projects (i.e., 163 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 Barrier Island Restoration Project (BA-76).

### **Considerations**

Land rights have yet to be determined, oyster leases.

### **Preliminary Construction Costs**

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

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# Grand Pierre Barrier Island Restoration

## Region 2 – Barataria Basin Plaquemines Parish

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Virtual Meeting  
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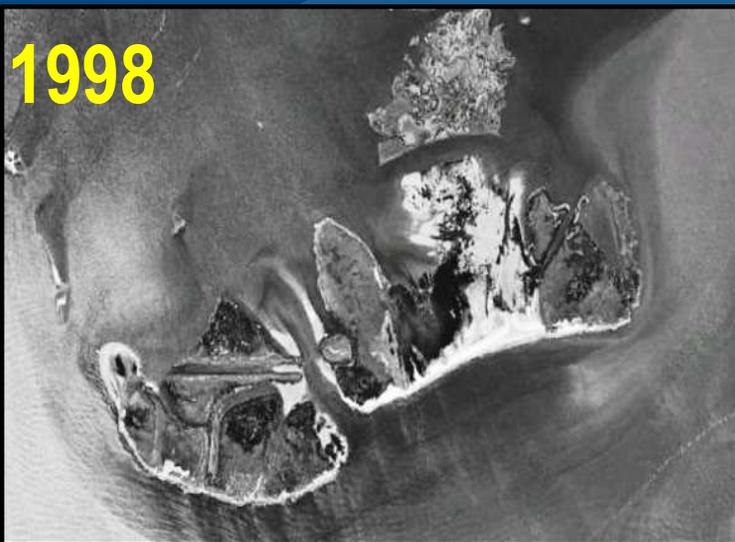
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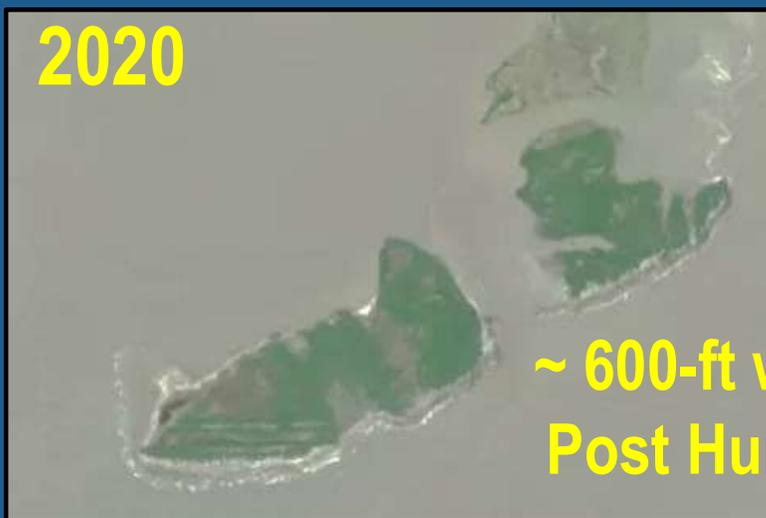
# Why is Grand Pierre Important?

- Final piece in the Gulf line of defense for Barataria Basin
- Protects ~ 700 acres (now) of lower basin saline marsh
- Loss would create 2.8 mile tidal pass into the Barataria Basin
- Not identified as a priority for restoration under any funding mechanism

# What is the Problem?



~124 acres  
lost from  
1998 to 2021



~ 600-ft wide breach  
Post Hurricane Zeta



~ 620-ft wide breach  
Pre Hurricane Ida

# Why Now?



2020 Post Hurricane Zeta

# Marsh behind Grand Pierre

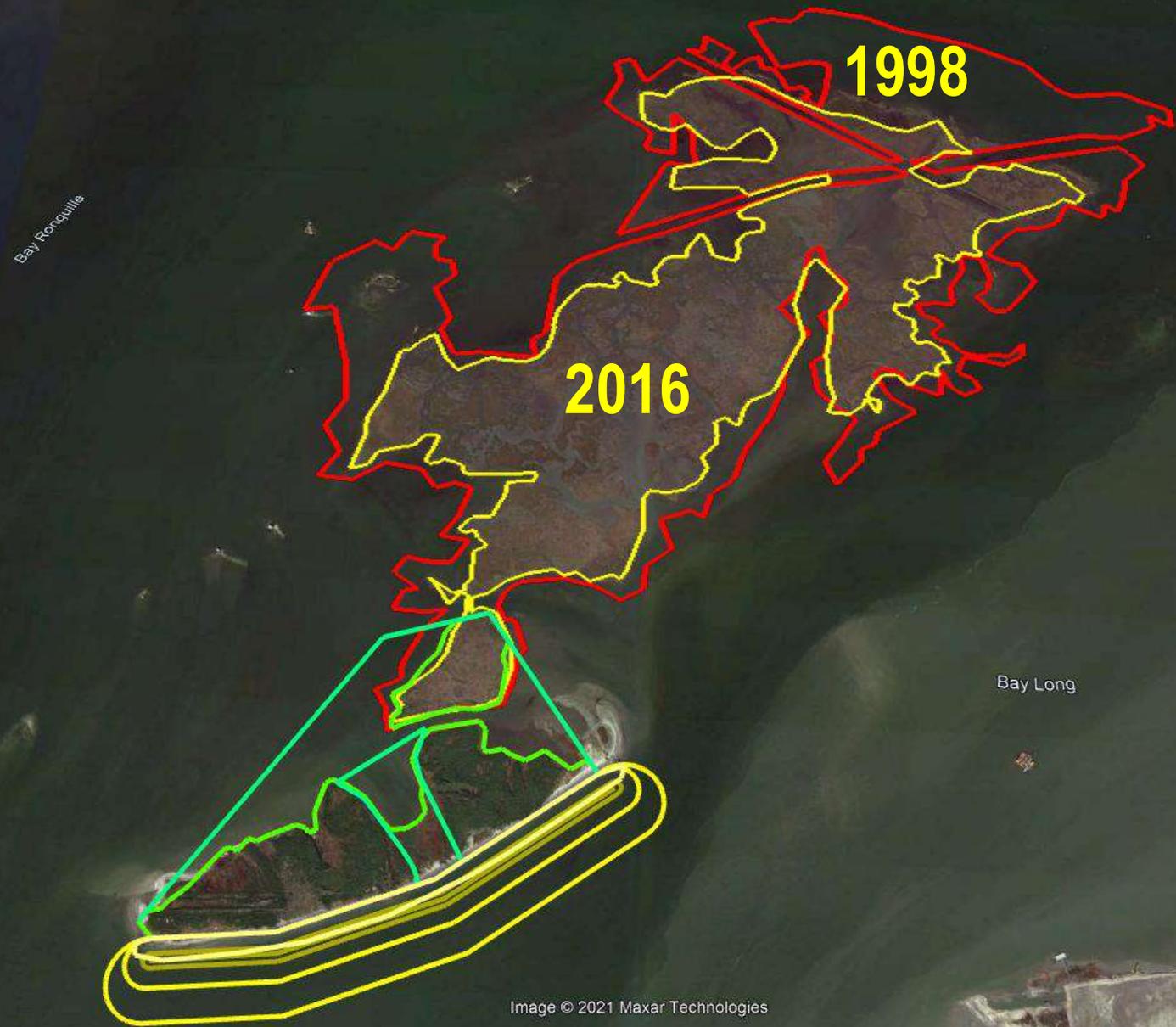


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# Marsh behind Grand Pierre



2020 Post Hurricane Zeta

Grand Pierre



# PPL31 Grand Pierre Barrier Island Restoration

446 Acres Barrier Island Restoration

Federal Sponsor: NOAA Fisheries  
2016 Aerial Imagery  
Map Date 01-25-2021

## Legend



Marsh Creation



Beach and Dune Fill

# Summary

- Complete Barataria Basin barrier island restoration
- 127 acres beach and dune fill
- 101 acres back-barrier marsh creation (includes breach repair)
- 165 net acres
- Nearshore borrow areas
- Construction cost plus 25% contingency \$25 - \$30 million

**Thanks to Southern Shores Engineering**

# Synergy

- Synergy with BA-30 and BA-76

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## Grand Pierre with Extension



- \$~5M
- 23 ac dune
- 56 ac marsh
- 31 beach fill

**PPL32 PROJECT NOMINEE FACT SHEET**  
**February 10, 2022**

**Project Name**

Grand Isle Bayside Marsh Creation

**Project Location**

Region 2, Barataria Basin, Jefferson Parish

**Problem**

Grand Isle, as part of the Barataria Basin barrier island chain, is part of a highly dynamic system that can be reshaped or breached and succumb to the forces of the Gulf of Mexico or hurricanes. Being an inhabited barrier island, Grand Isle has received support for beach and dune restoration along with shoreline protection. There has been no focus on building up the backbarrier marsh of the island. Adding a backbarrier marsh can improve barrier island shoreline integrity and its lifespan (Hein et al 2021). The western end of the island in particular is narrow and would benefit with additional protection from the creation of a backbarrier marsh. The subsidence rate in the lower Barataria Basin, is 8.8 mm per year (2017 Coastal Master Plan) and is one of the highest rates on the coast. With Hurricane Ida impacting Grand Isle in August 2021, the need for additional restoration in that area is now seen as even more timely.

**Goals**

The project goals are to create and/or nourish up to 179 acres of intertidal marsh and to design the project to build resilient wetlands that maximize wetland benefits for the twenty year project life.

**Proposed Solution**

The proposed project's primary feature is to create and/or nourish approximately 179 acres of backbarrier marsh (154 acres of marsh creation and 25 acres of marsh nourishment). Sediment will be hydraulically pumped from a borrow source in Caminada Bay. Containment dikes will be constructed around the marsh creation area to retain sediment during pumping. The containment dikes will be degraded and/or gapped no later than three years post construction.

**Preliminary Project Benefits**

- 1) *What is the total acreage benefited both directly and indirectly?*  
This total project area is approximately 179 acres (approximately 154 acres of marsh creation and 25 acres of marsh nourishment).
- 2) *How many acres of wetlands will be protected/created over the project life?*  
The net acre benefit range is 100-150 acres after 20 years.
- 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)?*  
A 50% loss rate reduction is assumed for the marsh creation and nourishment.
- 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 create back barrier marsh for Grand Isle.

- 5) *What is the net impact of the project on critical and non-critical infrastructure?*  
The project will provide additional protection to the town of Grand Isle and some oil and gas infrastructure.
- 6) *To what extent does the project provide a synergistic effect with other approved and/or constructed restoration projects?*  
This project works synergistically with Grand Isle Bayside Breakwaters (BA-187 and BA-233) and the Hurricane and Storm Damage Risk Reduction System.

**Considerations**

The proposed project has potential pipeline and oyster considerations.

**Preliminary Construction Costs**

The estimated construction cost plus 25% contingency is \$10M - \$15M.

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# Grand Isle Bayside Marsh Creation

REGION 2 – Barataria Basin

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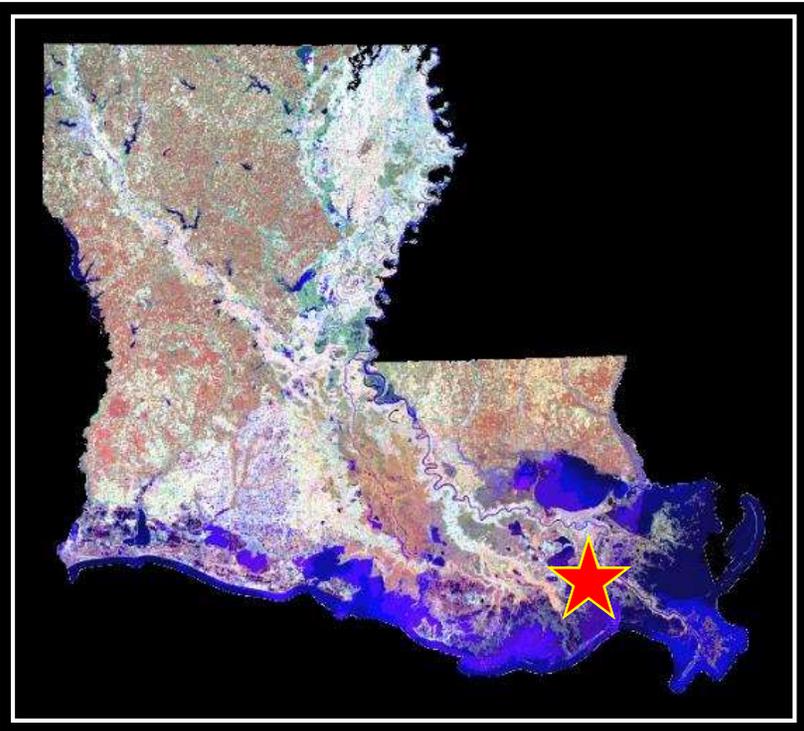
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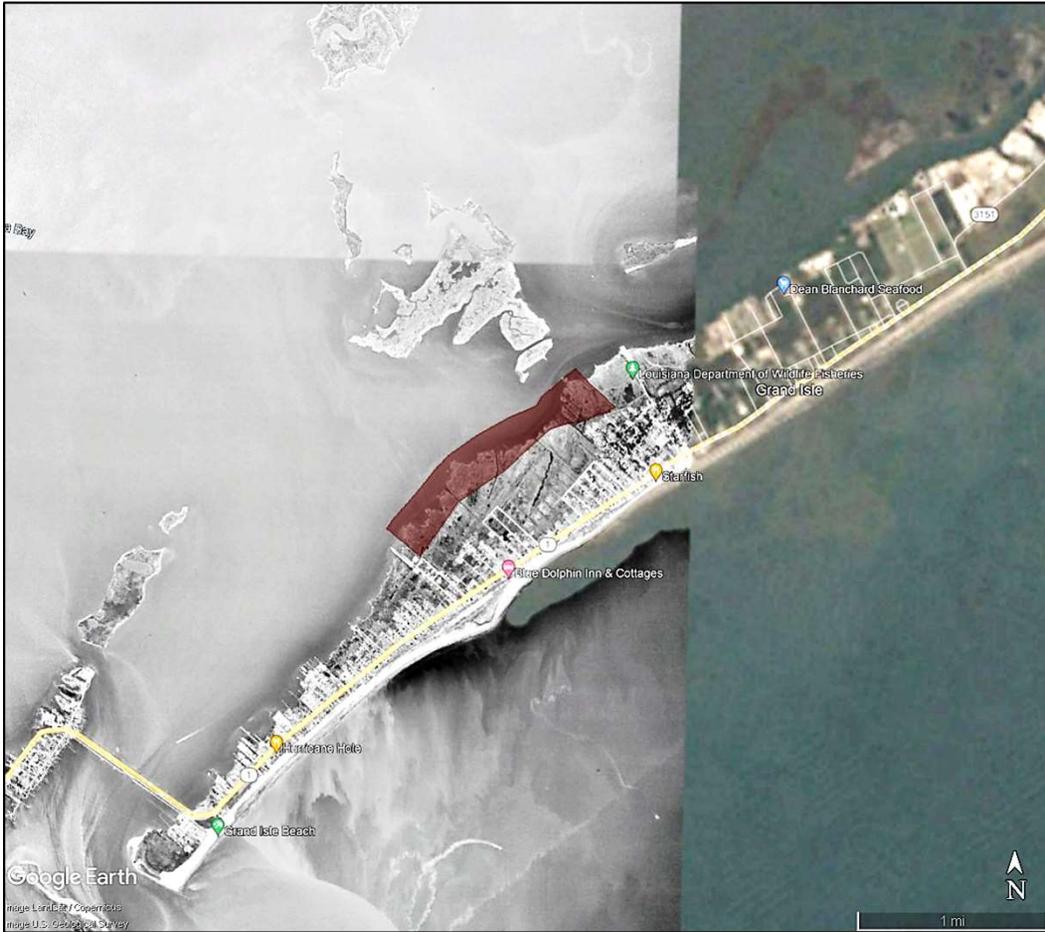
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# Project Area Degradation

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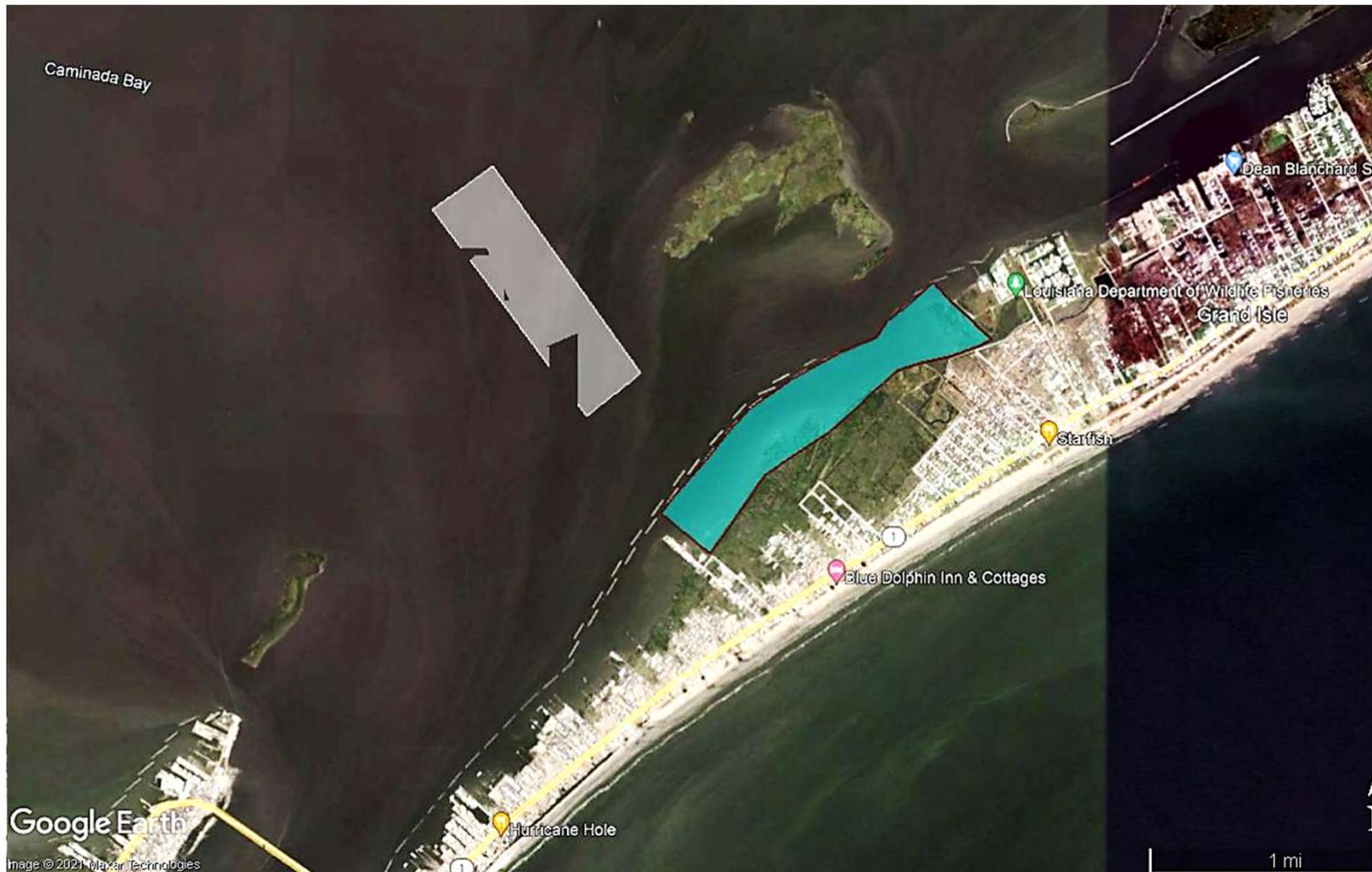
# Impacts from Hurricane Ida



# Proposed Project Solution

- Work within 2017 State Master Plan Polygon 00.BH.00 (Barrier Island Restoration)
- Restore 179 Acres of Marsh Creation/Nourishment
  - 154 acres MC and 25 acres MN
  - Dredge material from Caminada Bay
  - Full containment with dike gapping after construction
- Build resilient wetlands that maximize wetland benefits for the twenty year project life
- Help improve barrier island integrity and lifespan

# Project Map



154 Acres Marsh Creation  
25 Acres Marsh Nourishment

### PPL32 Grand Isle Bayside Marsh Creation

Federal Sponsor: NOAA Fisheries  
2021 Aerial Imagery  
Map Date 02-10-2022

#### Legend

 Marsh Creation

# Summary

- **Marsh Creation/Nourishment:  
179 acres**
- **Construction Cost + 25%  
Contingency: \$10M - \$15M**
- **Net Benefits: 100-150 acres**

# Synergy

- **Priority with Jefferson Parish  
Coastal Strategic Action Plan  
(JP-09)**

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**PPL32 PROJECT NOMINEE FACT SHEET**  
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**Project Name**

Southeast Lafitte Marsh Creation

**Project Location**

Region 2, Barataria Basin, Jefferson Parish

**Problem**

The Barataria Land Bridge consists of 3000 acres of degraded marsh and open water in the Upper Barataria Basin. Historically, sea level rise, saltwater intrusion, and construction of oil and gas canals and pipelines, along with sediment deprivation from the construction of levees along the Mississippi River have contributed significantly to wetland losses. The Barataria Basin has the second highest land loss rate of the ten coastal basins in the state, having lost approximately 29% of its wetlands (Couvillion et al 2017). An additional impact to the wetlands occurred when Hurricane Ida struck Louisiana in 2021. It caused an estimated 160 km<sup>2</sup> of land loss in Barataria Basin (Couvillion 2021, CPRA Board Meeting, 11/17/21). The marshes along the southern shore of the Pen need to be restored as they serve as one of the lines of defense to help protect the town of Lafitte from future storm impacts. The Southeast Lafitte Marsh Creation Project would work synergistically with the other Barataria Land Bridge restoration projects.

**Goals**

The project goals are to create and/or nourish up to 375 acres of intertidal marsh and to design the project to build resilient wetlands that maximize wetland benefits for the twenty year project life.

**Proposed Solution**

The proposed project's primary feature is to create and/or nourish approximately 375 acres of emergent intermediate marsh (205 acres of marsh creation and 170 acres of marsh nourishment). Sediment will be hydraulically pumped from a borrow source in the Pen. Containment dikes will be constructed around the marsh creation area to retain sediment during pumping. The containment dikes will be degraded and/or gapped no later than three years post construction.

**Preliminary Project Benefits**

- 1) *What is the total acreage benefited both directly and indirectly?*  
This total project area is approximately 375 acres (approximately 205 acres of marsh creation and 170 acres of marsh nourishment).
- 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.
- 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)?*  
A 50% loss rate reduction is assumed for the marsh creation and nourishment.

- 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 the southern rim of the Pen.

- 5) *What is the net impact of the project on critical and non-critical infrastructure?*

The project will provide additional protection to the town of Lafitte.

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

This project works synergistically with Large Scale Barataria Marsh Creation: Upper Barataria Component (BA-207), South Shore of the Pen (BA-41), Bayou Dupont Marsh and Ridge Creation (BA-48) and Bayou Dupont Sediment Delivery - Marsh Creation #3 and Terracing (BA-164 in rebuilding the Barataria Land Bridge.

### **Considerations**

The proposed project has potential pipeline issues.

### **Preliminary Construction Costs**

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

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# PPL32 Southeast Lafitte Marsh Creation

205 Acres Marsh Creation  
170 Acres Marsh Nourishment

Federal Sponsor: NOAA Fisheries  
2021 Aerial Imagery  
Map Date 02-10-2022

## Legend

 Marsh Creation



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# Southeast Lafitte Marsh Creation

REGION 2 – Barataria Basin

Presenter: Dawn Davis, Fishery Biologist

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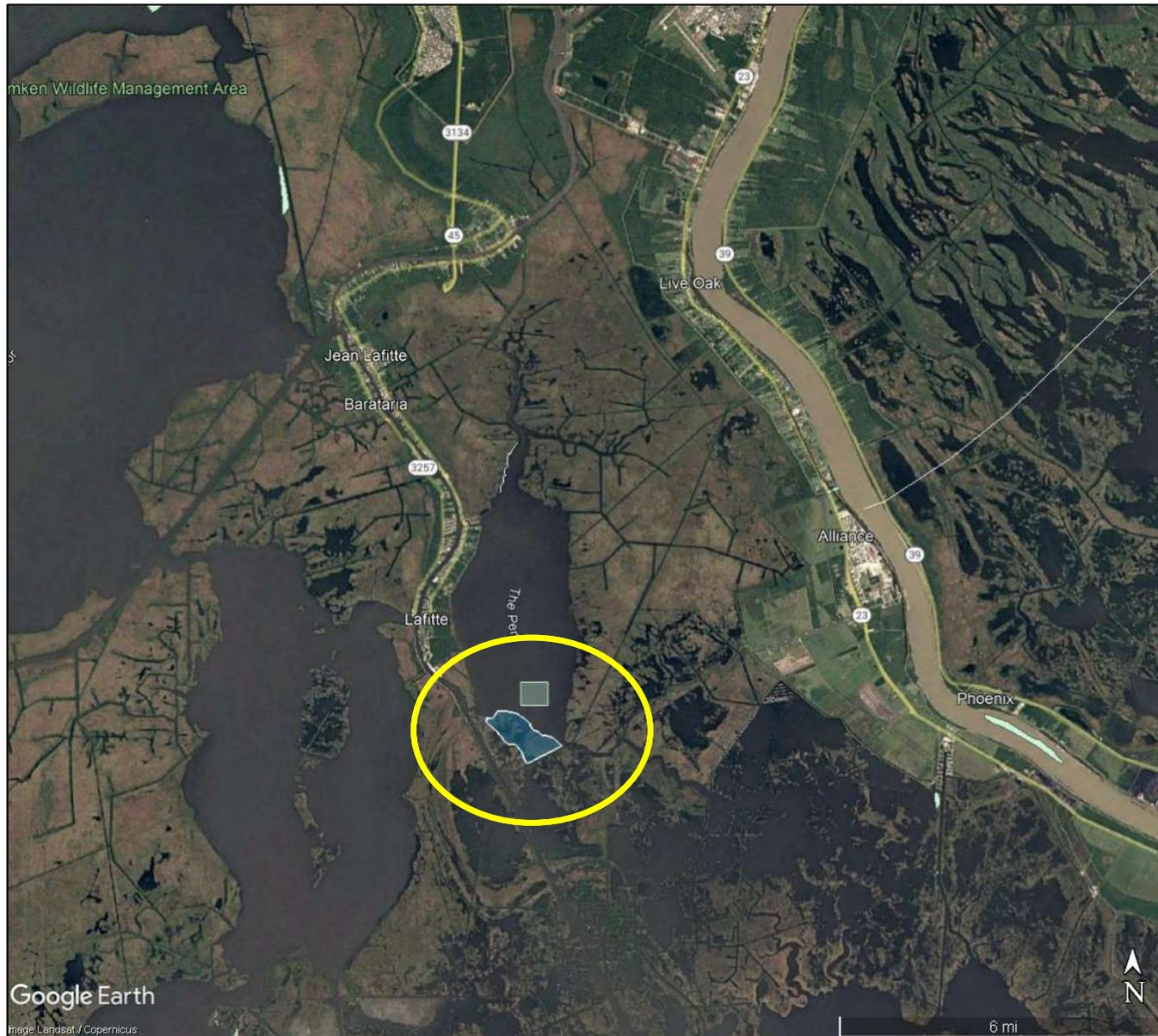
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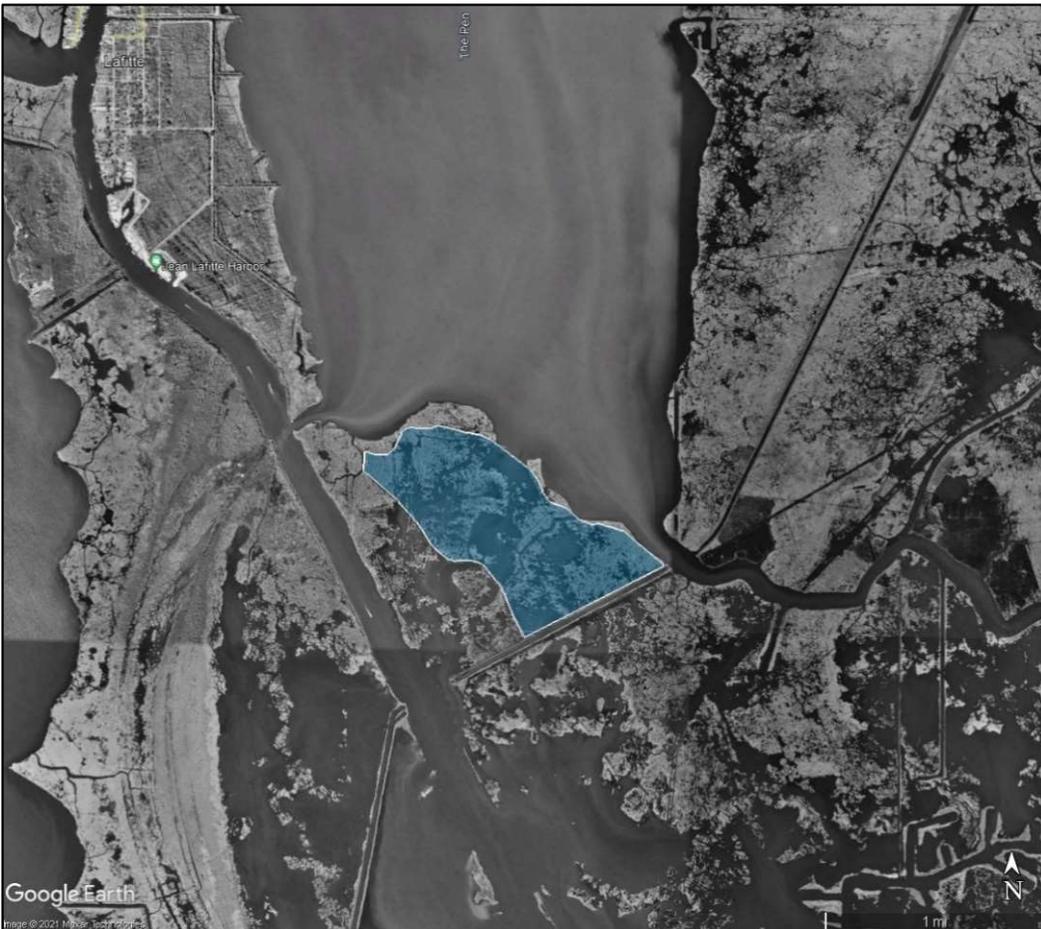
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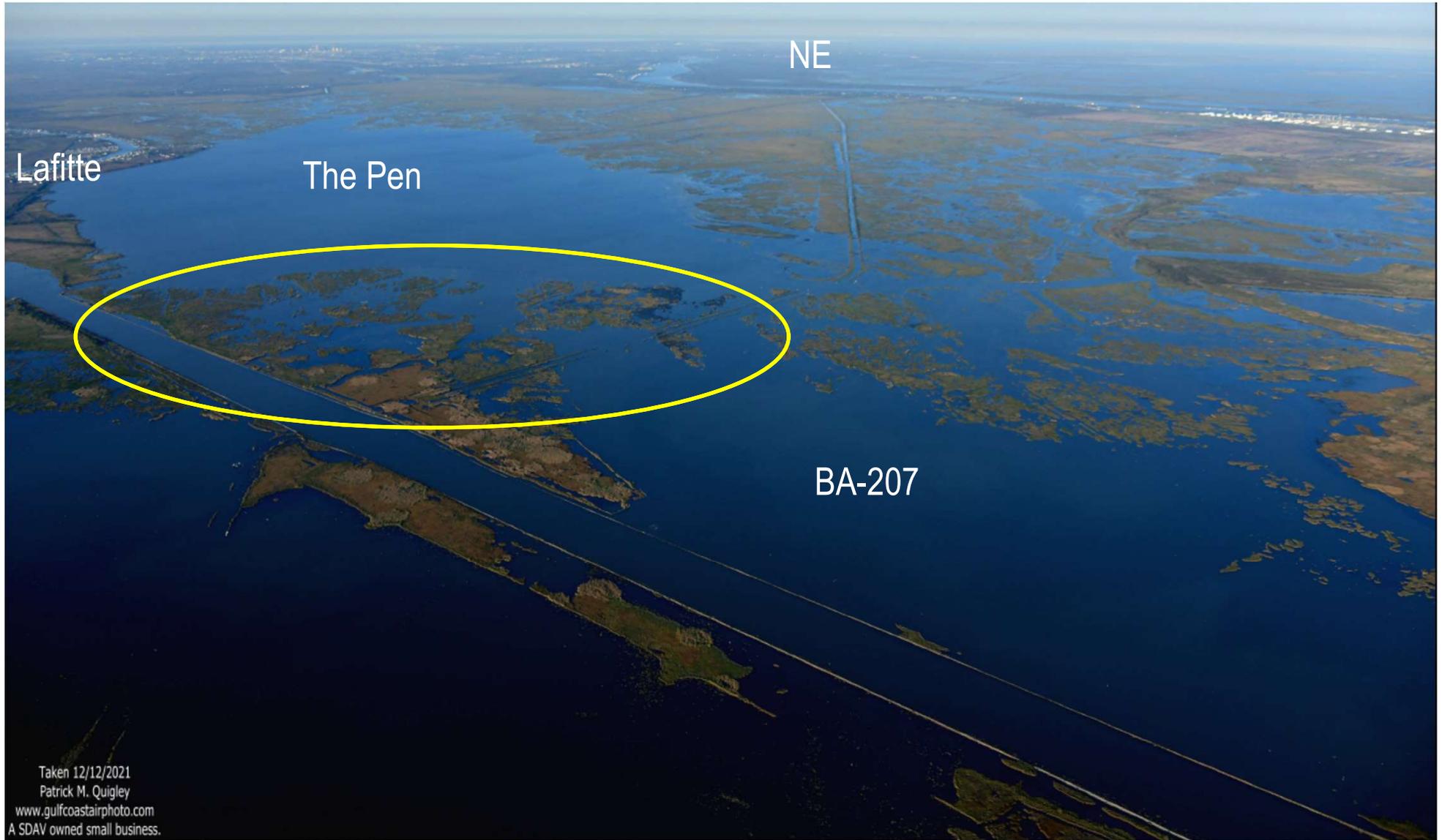
# Project Area Degradation

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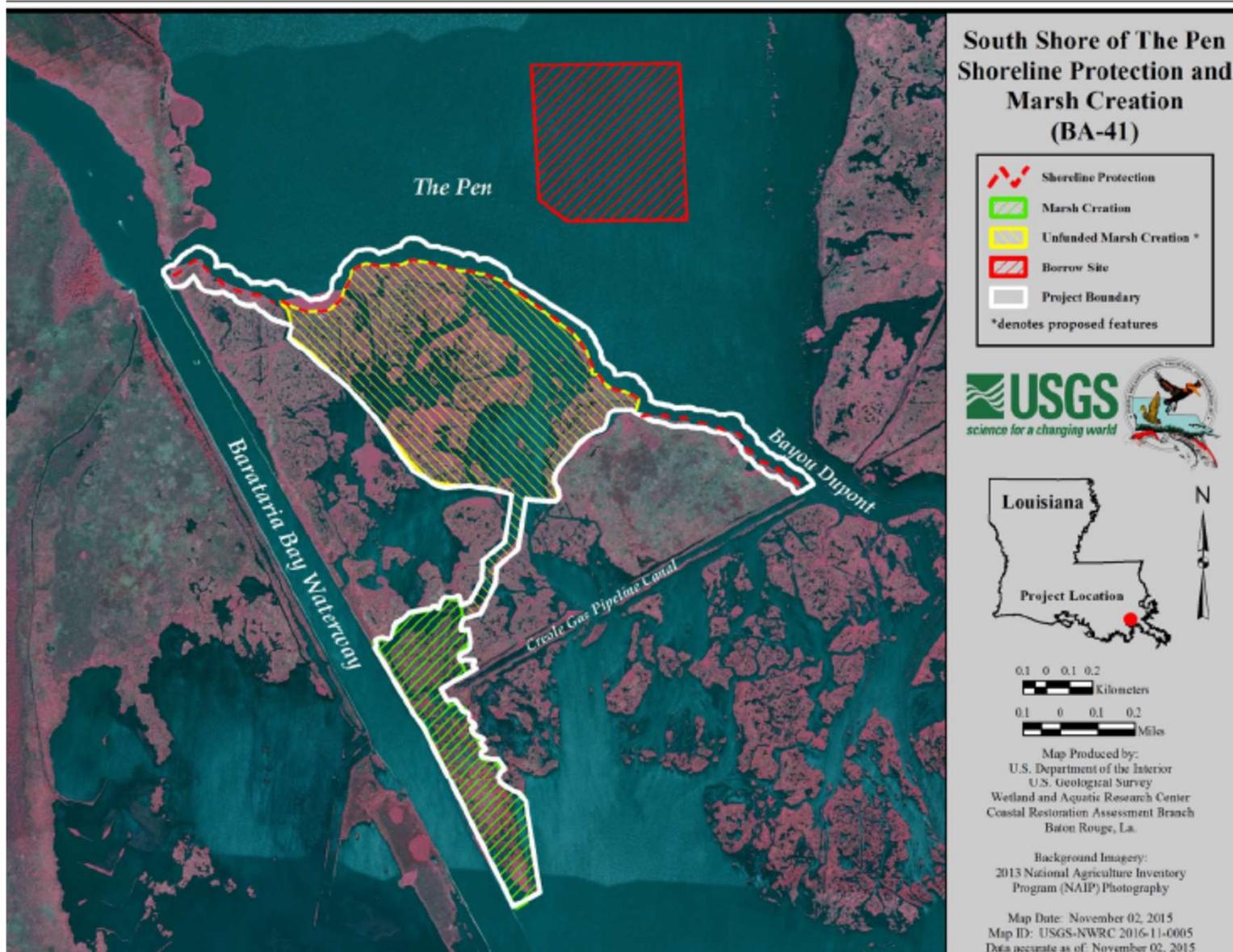


# Aerial view of project area



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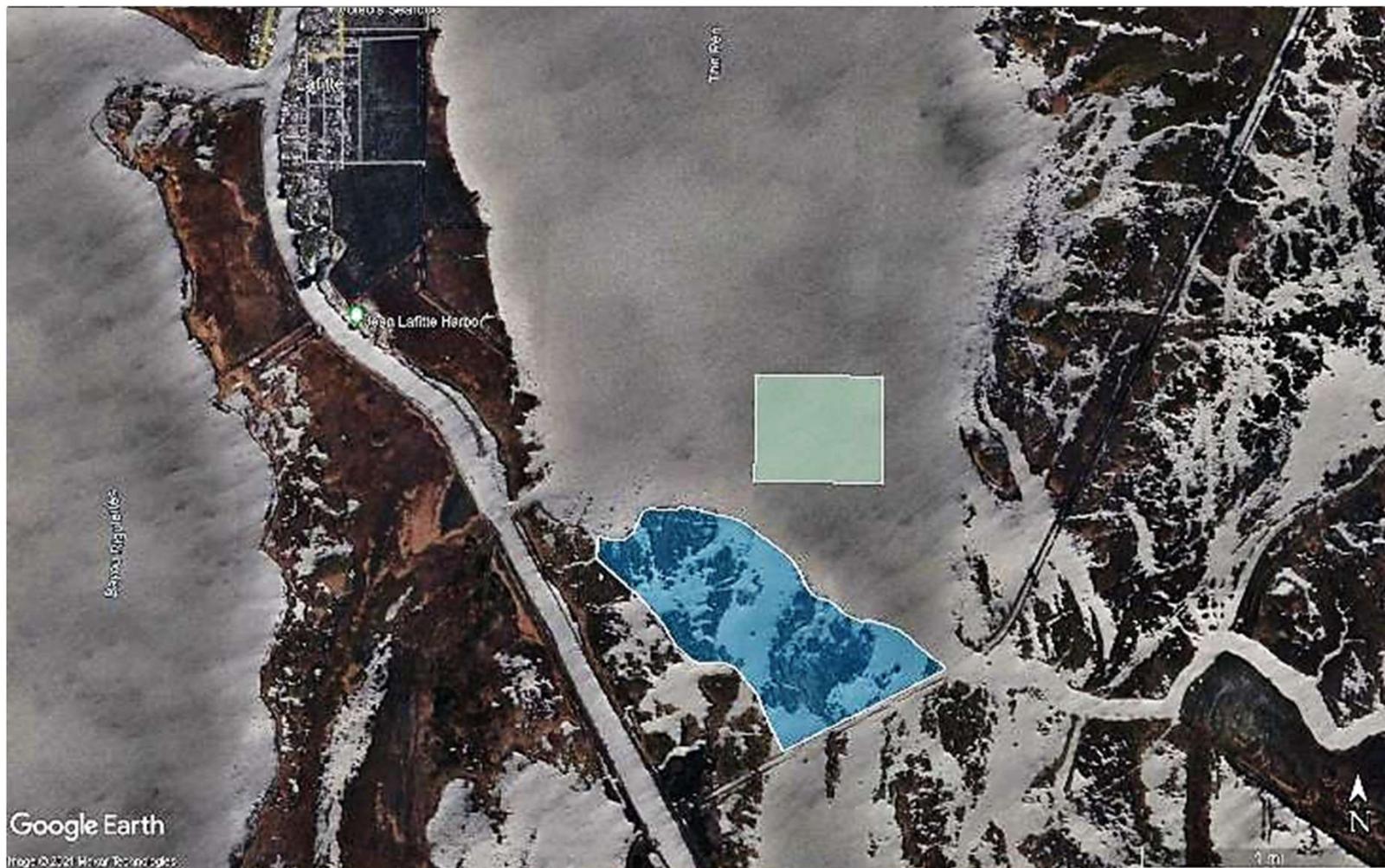
# Project area history



# Proposed Project Solution

- Work within 2017 State Master Plan Polygon 002.MC.05e (Large Scale Barataria Marsh Creation – Component E)
- 375 Acres of Marsh Creation/Nourishment
  - 205 acres MC and 170 acres MN
  - Dredge material from the Pen
  - Full containment with dike gapping after construction
- Build resilient wetlands that maximize wetland benefits for the twenty year project life

# Project Map



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### PPL32 Southeast Lafitte Marsh Creation

205 Acres Marsh Creation  
170 Acres Marsh Nourishment

Federal Sponsor: NOAA Fisheries  
2021 Aerial Imagery  
Map Date 02-10-2022

#### Legend

 Marsh Creation

# Summary

- **Marsh Creation/Nourishment:  
375 Acres**
- **Construction Cost + 25%  
Contingency: \$15M - \$20M**
- **Net Benefits: 200-250 acres**



# Synergy

- **Synergy with other Barataria  
Land Bridge projects such as  
BA-207, BA-41, BA-48, BA-164**

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**PPL32 PROJECT NOMINEE FACT SHEET**  
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**Project Name**

Little Lake Dedicated Dredging near Brusle Lake

**Project Location**

Region 2, Barataria Basin, Lafourche Parish

**Problem**

The Little Lake mapping unit has high wetland loss caused by shoreline erosion, subsidence, and channel construction. The project is located in an area protecting approximately 3,000 acres of fragile interior marshes between the Little Lake shoreline and Bayou L'Ours Ridge. Project area wetlands are subject to high shoreline erosion rates (20 to 40 feet per year) and subsidence deteriorating interior marshes. An additional impact to the wetlands occurred when Hurricane Ida struck Louisiana in 2021. It caused an estimated 160 km<sup>2</sup> of land loss in Barataria Basin, particularly on its western side (Couvillion 2021, CPRA Board Meeting, 11/17/21). Little Lake Dedicated Dredging near Brusle Lake Project would work synergistically with another NOAA project, Little Lake Shoreline Protection/Dedicated Dredging Near Round Lake (BA-37).

**Goals**

The project goals are to create and/or nourish up to 604 acres of intertidal marsh and to design the project to build resilient wetlands that maximize wetland benefits for the twenty year project life. This project will restore approximately 2.1 miles of lake shoreline.

**Proposed Solution**

The proposed project's primary feature is to create and/or nourish approximately 604 acres of emergent marsh (554 acres of marsh creation and 50 acres of marsh nourishment). Sediment will be hydraulically pumped from a borrow source in Little Lake. Containment dikes will be constructed around the marsh creation area to retain sediment during pumping. The containment dikes will be degraded and/or gapped no later than three years post construction.

**Preliminary Project Benefits**

- 1) *What is the total acreage benefited both directly and indirectly?*  
This total project area is approximately 604 acres (approximately 554 acres of marsh creation and 50 acres of marsh nourishment).
- 2) *How many acres of wetlands will be protected/created over the project life?*  
The net acre benefit range is 500-550 acres after 20 years.
- 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)?*  
A 50% loss rate reduction is assumed for the marsh creation and nourishment.
- 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 the southwestern rim of Little Lake near Brusle Lake.

- 5) *What is the net impact of the project on critical and non-critical infrastructure?*  
The project will provide some protection to the levee system near Galliano, LA.
- 6) *To what extent does the project provide a synergistic effect with other approved and/or constructed restoration projects?*  
This project works synergistically with Little Lake Shoreline Protection/Dedicated Dredging Near Round Lake (BA-37).

**Considerations**

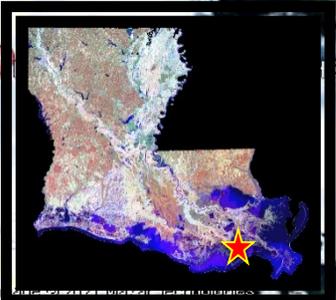
The proposed project has potential pipeline and oyster issues.

**Preliminary Construction Costs**

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

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# Little Lake Dedicated Dredging near Brusle Lake

## Legend

 Marsh Creation



554 Acres Marsh Creation  
50 Acres Marsh Nourishment

Federal Sponsor: NOAA Fisheries  
2021 Aerial Imagery  
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# Little Lake Dedicated Dredging near Brusle Lake

REGION 2 – Barataria Basin

Presenter: Dawn Davis, Fishery Biologist

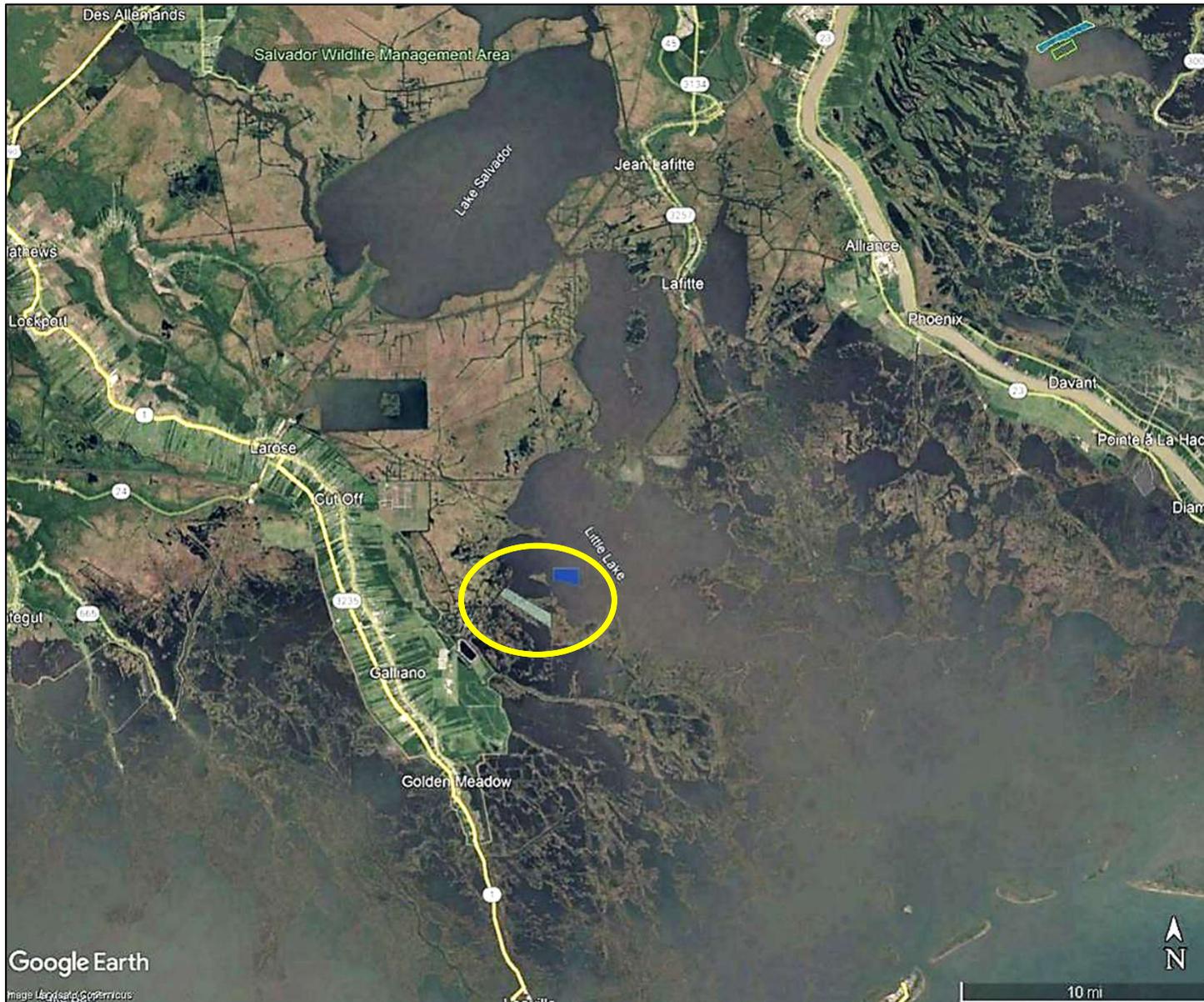
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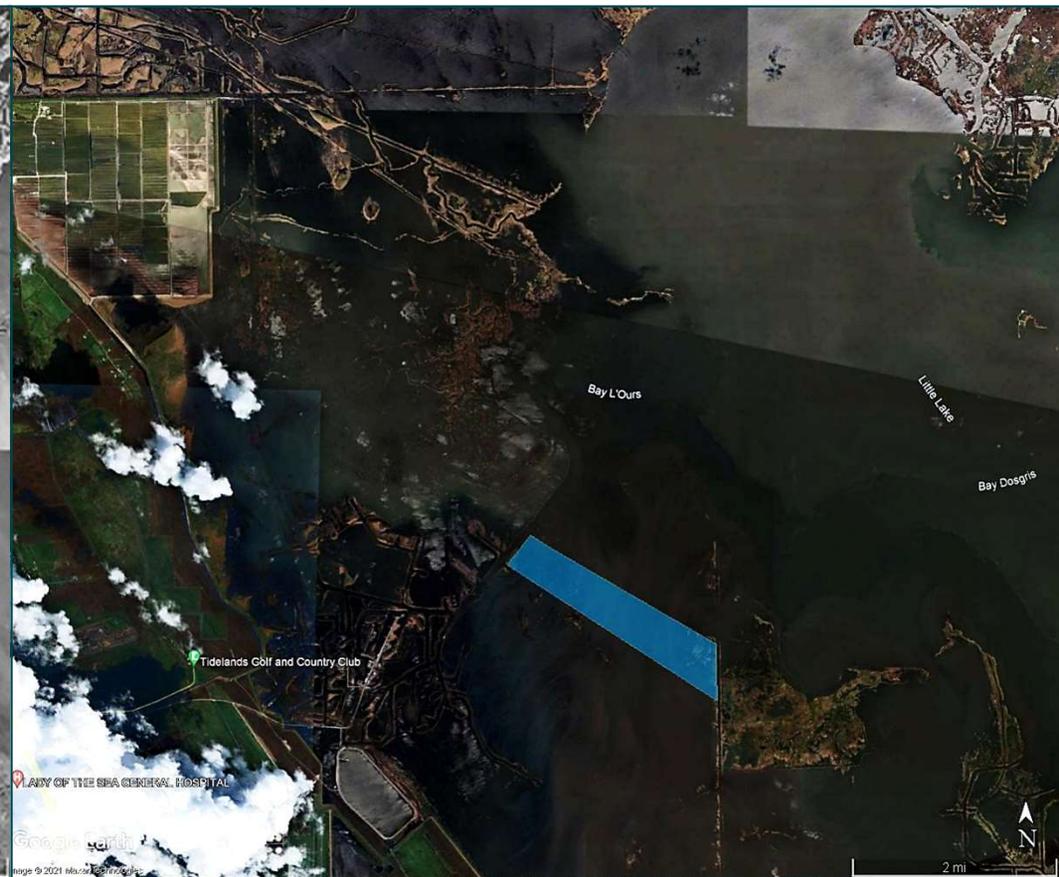
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# Project Area Degradation

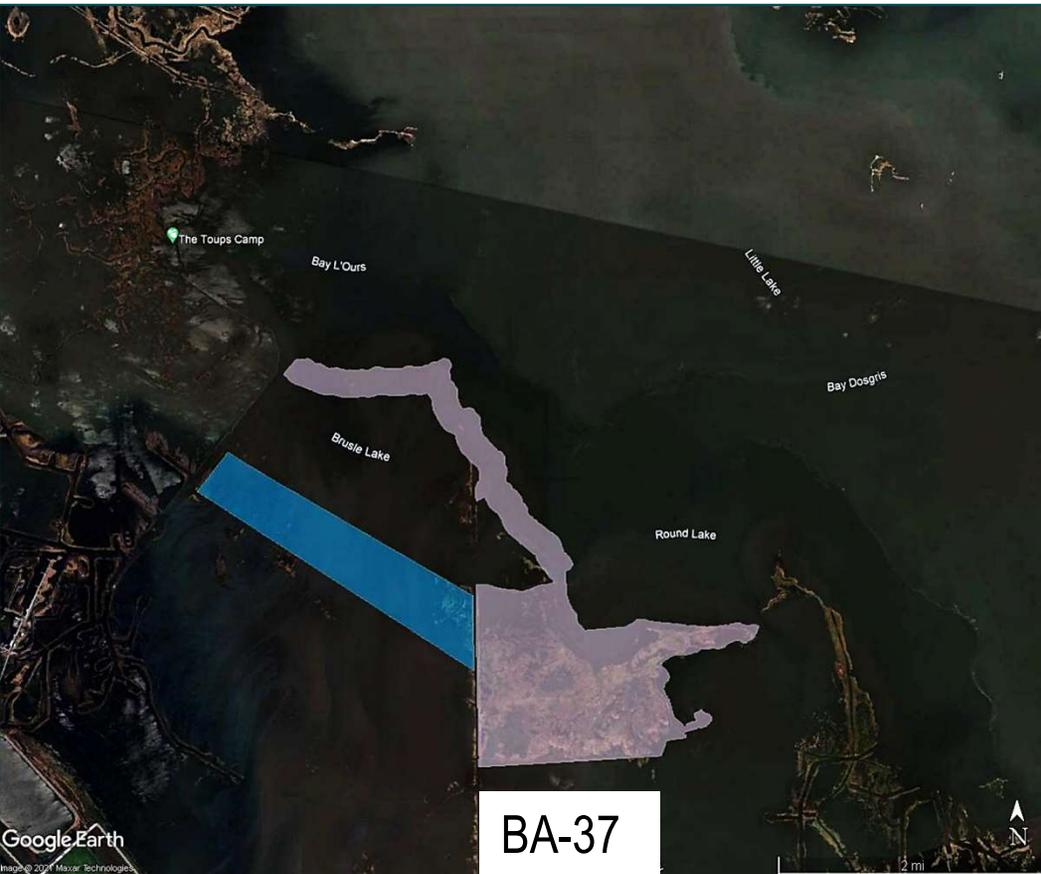
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Post-2021



# Project Area History

BA-37 Project Footprint



BA-37 Post-Hurricane Ida



# Proposed Project Solution

- 604 acres of marsh creation/nourishment
  - 554 acres MC and 50 acres MN
  - Dredge material from Little Lake
  - Full containment with dike gapping after construction
- Build resilient wetlands that maximize wetland benefits for the twenty year project life
- Restore 2.1 miles of lake shoreline

# Project Map



 <p>554 Acres Marsh Creation 50 Acres Marsh Nourishment</p>	<h3>Little Lake Dedicated Dredging near Brusle Lake</h3> <p>Federal Sponsor: NOAA Fisheries 2021 Aerial Imagery Map Date 02-10-2022</p>	<h3>Legend</h3> <p> Marsh Creation</p>
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# Summary

- Marsh Creation/  
Nourishment: 604 Acres
- Construction Cost + 25%  
Contingency: \$25M - \$30M
- Net Benefits: 500-550 acres

# Synergy

- Little Lake Shoreline  
Protection/Dedicated  
Dredging Near Round Lake  
(BA-37)

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**PPL32 PROJECT NOMINEE FACT SHEET**  
**February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**Project Name**

East Lake Hermitage Marsh Creation Project

**Project Location**

Region 2, Barataria Basin, Plaquemines Parish, east of Lake Hermitage and west of Pointe a La Hache

**Problem**

Historically, this area was nourished by the freshwater delivered by the Mississippi River until the creation of the levees along the lower river. The major cause of wetland loss has been from storm activity (i.e. Hurricane Betsy and Katrina), causing both storm-induced scouring and salt water intrusion. The wetland loss rate in the area is -0.47%/year based on CRMS0263 data from 2009 to 2021.

**Goals**

The project goals are to 1) create and/or nourish approximately 450 acres of semi contained brackish marsh adjacent to a flood protection levee 2) create 65 acres of tidal ponds/creeks within the marsh creation area.

**Proposed Solution**

Sediments from the Mississippi River (Point Celeste) will be hydraulically dredged and pumped into the project area via dredge pipeline using the previously designed (BA-042) and utilized dredge pipeline corridor. A total of 450 acres of marsh creation and nourishment will be constructed between the Lake Hermitage shoreline and the flood protection levee. Containment is only expected to be used on an as needed basis as much of the project should be able to be completed with minimal containment. The project plans a 65 acre tidal pond/creek utilizing similar concepts and designs for ponds in the Barataria basin. Any containment dikes needed for the project will be gapped at the end of construction or by TY3.

**Preliminary Project Benefits**

1) *What is the total acreage benefited both directly and indirectly?* Approximately 350 acres would be benefited directly and indirectly. Direct benefits include approximately 400 acres of marsh creation and 50 acres of marsh nourishment. Indirect benefits could occur to surrounding marsh and open water areas.

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 interior 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 help to protect the adjacent levee system to the east of the project.

5) *What is the net impact of the project on critical and non-critical infrastructure?* The project would help to protect the 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 Grand Bayou Ridge and Marsh Restoration (BA-217), Grand Bayou Ridge and Marsh Restoration – Increment 2, Upper Barataria Marsh Creation Project (BA-207), Grand Cheniere Marsh and Ridge Restoration Project (BA-173), the Lake Hermitage Marsh Creation Project (BA-042), and the West Pointe a La Hache Siphons.

### **Considerations**

Considerations for this project include pipelines/landrights/utilities.

### **Preliminary Cost**

The fully-funded cost with 25% contingency range is \$30M - \$35M.

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# PPL32 East Lake Hermitage Marsh Creation

400 Acres Marsh Creation  
50 Acres Marsh Nourishment

Federal Sponsor: NOAA Fisheries  
2021 Aerial Imagery  
Map Date 01-17-2021

## Legend

-  Marsh Creation
-  Tidal Creeks/Ponds
-  Borrow Area

# CWPPRA RPT Region 2

Breton Sound

**PPL32 PROJECT NOMINEE FACT SHEET**  
**February 10, 2022**

**Project Name**

Bohemia Spillway Outfall Management – Lower Grand Bayou

**Project Location**

Region 2, Breton Sound Basin, Plaquemines Parish

**Problem**

The Bohemia Spillway is one of the few areas within the Mississippi (MS) River floodplain that is considered sustainable and has relatively low rates of land loss. Land loss is associated with the direct loss due to dredging of canals and due to shoreline erosion near the bays. Even though this area is considered a stable marsh land building has yet to occur. Sediment supplied by overbank flooding is not directly delivered to the marsh but is carried out into adjacent bays through the numerous canals and bayous. Currently, under the normal range of river stage that goes through the Bohemia Spillway, peak annual flow is likely to 30,000 to 50,000 cubic feet per second (LPBF Bohemia Spillway Report 2013). In that Report, it is suggested that sediment that gets deposited into the bay is redistributed into the marsh during storms and fronts. Loss rates for 1985-2016 for the American Bay mapping unit is -0.44%/yr (Couvillion et al. 2017).

**Goals**

The primary goal is to manage outfall of the Spillway to enhance the natural marsh processes and increase the growth rate of the emergent wetlands associated with Lower Grand Bayou and adjacent distributary channels. Specifically the goal is to: 1) maintain and increase flow of fresh water and sediments into shallow, open-water habitat, 2) create marsh using the material from the bayou, 4) create terraces that will trap sediments, 3) reduce fetch and wave energy in open water areas and 6) protect the shoreline along Battle Ground Bay. The project will build upon the multiple lines of defense strategy by extending the marsh into the bays offering a buffer for areas to the north. Additional indirect benefits include increased sediment retention within the marsh and bay areas.

**Proposed Solution**

The proposed solution is to create approximately 192 acres of marsh within the outfall of Lower Grand Bayou to facilitate sediment retention in the bays. Material will be dredged primarily from Lower Grand Bayou (18,300 LF) to ensure efficiency of the distributary bayous. Portions of the Back Levee Canal (10,000 LF) experiencing siltation will also be dredged to ensure flow to Grand Bayou and areas to the north. A crevasse (433 feet long x 75 feet wide x 8 feet deep) will be dredged to facilitate sediment-laden waters into Long Bay from Lower Grand Bayou. Approximately 15,540 linear feet of terraces (i.e., 150 acres of terrace field/s resulting in 10 acres of marsh creation benefits) will be created within strategic areas to encourage sediment retention. The terrace slopes and crown would be planted with appropriate marsh vegetation. Shoreline protection is proposed along the southwestern shoreline of Battle Ground Bay to prevent the shoreline from eroding into inland bays and bayous. Approximately 3,700 linear feet (12,333 sq. yards) of gabion mattresses will be placed along the foreshore containment dike of the proposed marsh creation area.

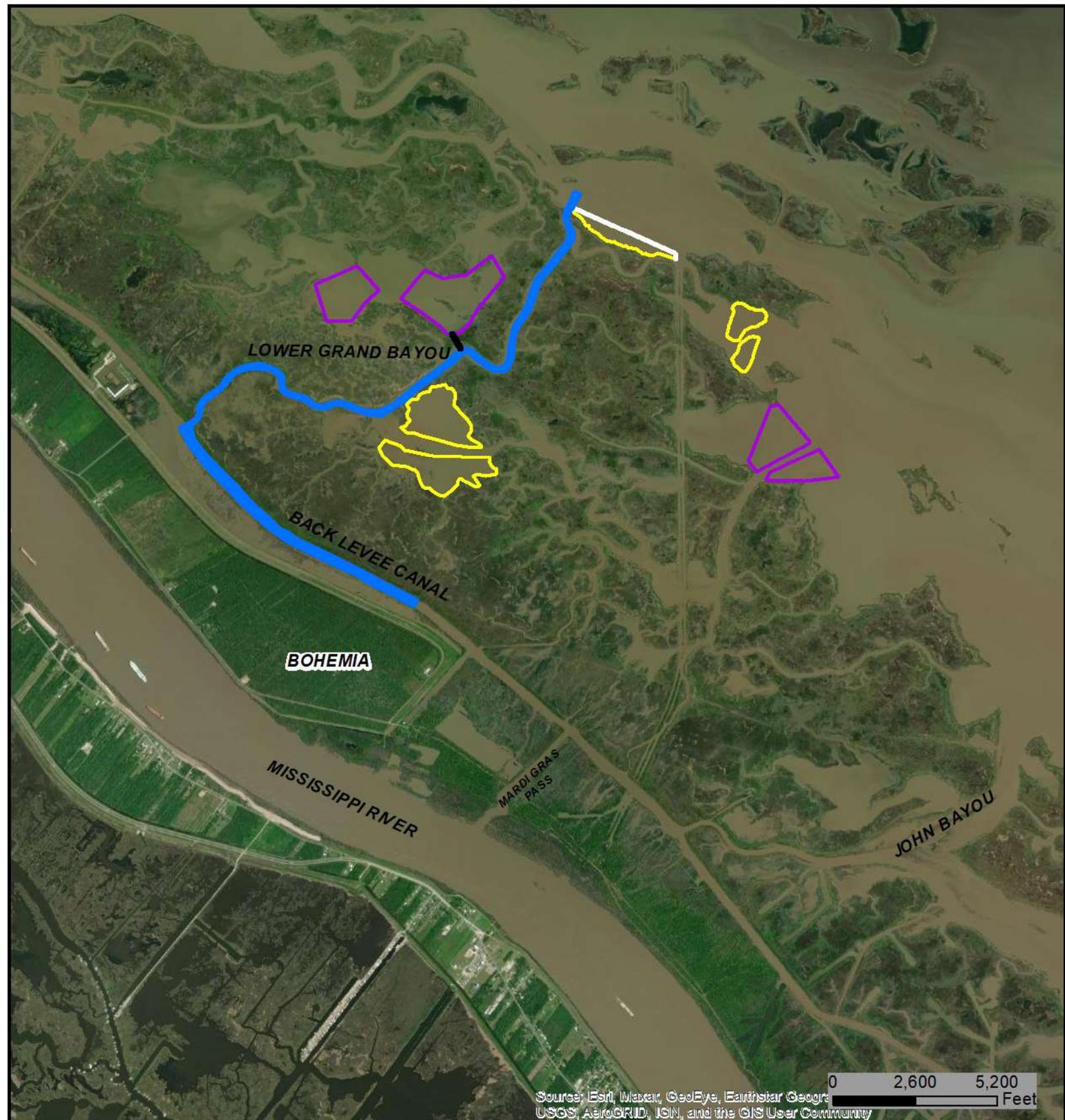
**Preliminary Construction Costs**

The construction cost +25% contingency is estimated to be \$20-25M.

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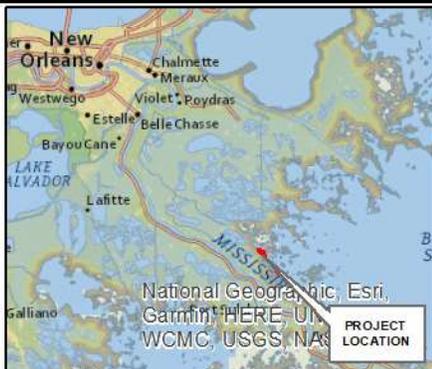
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**PPL 32**  
**BOHEMIA SPILLWAY**  
**OUTFALL MANAGEMENT**  
**PLAQUEMINES PARISH, LA**



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Lower Grand Bayou  
Region 2, Breton Sound Basin**



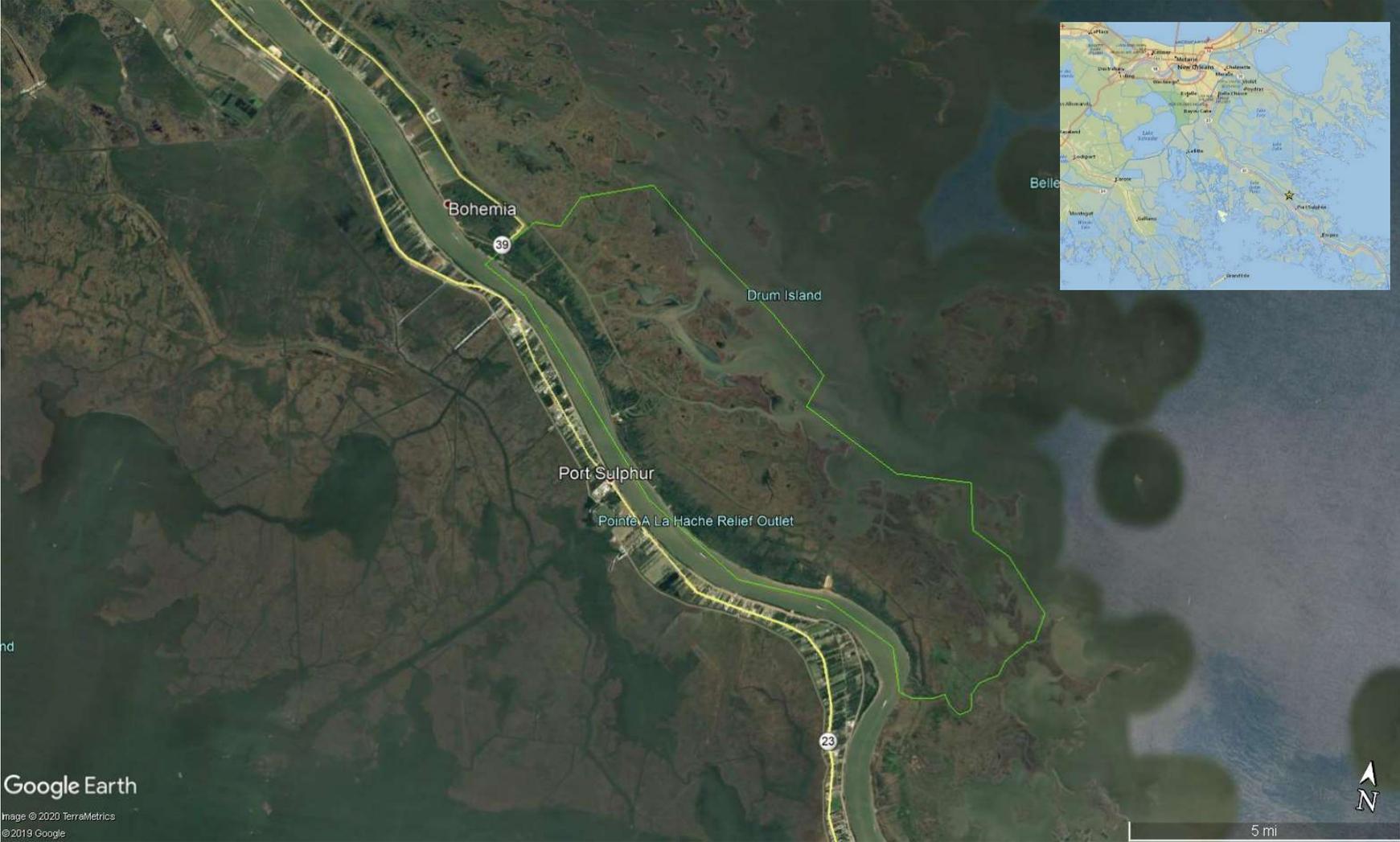
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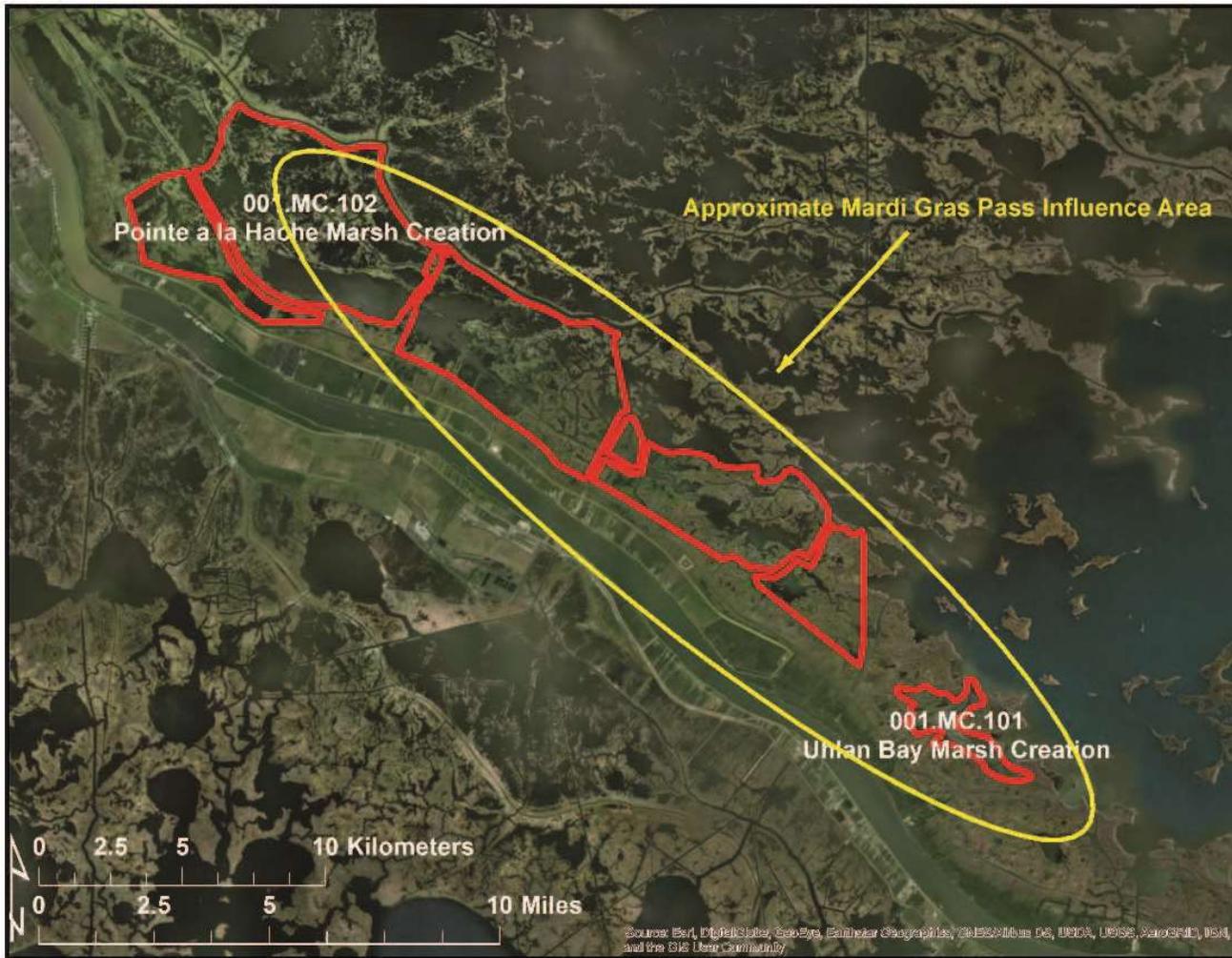
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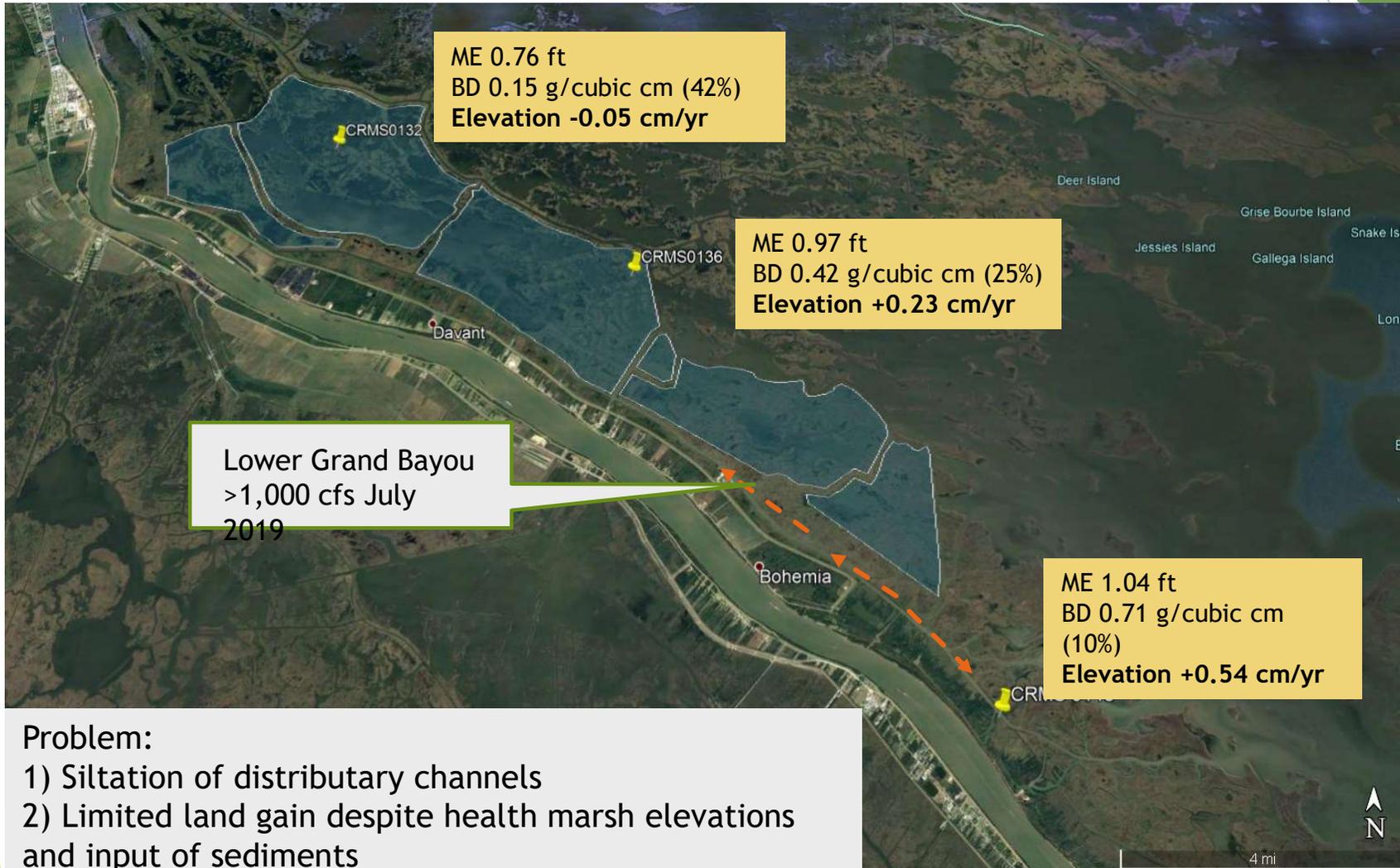




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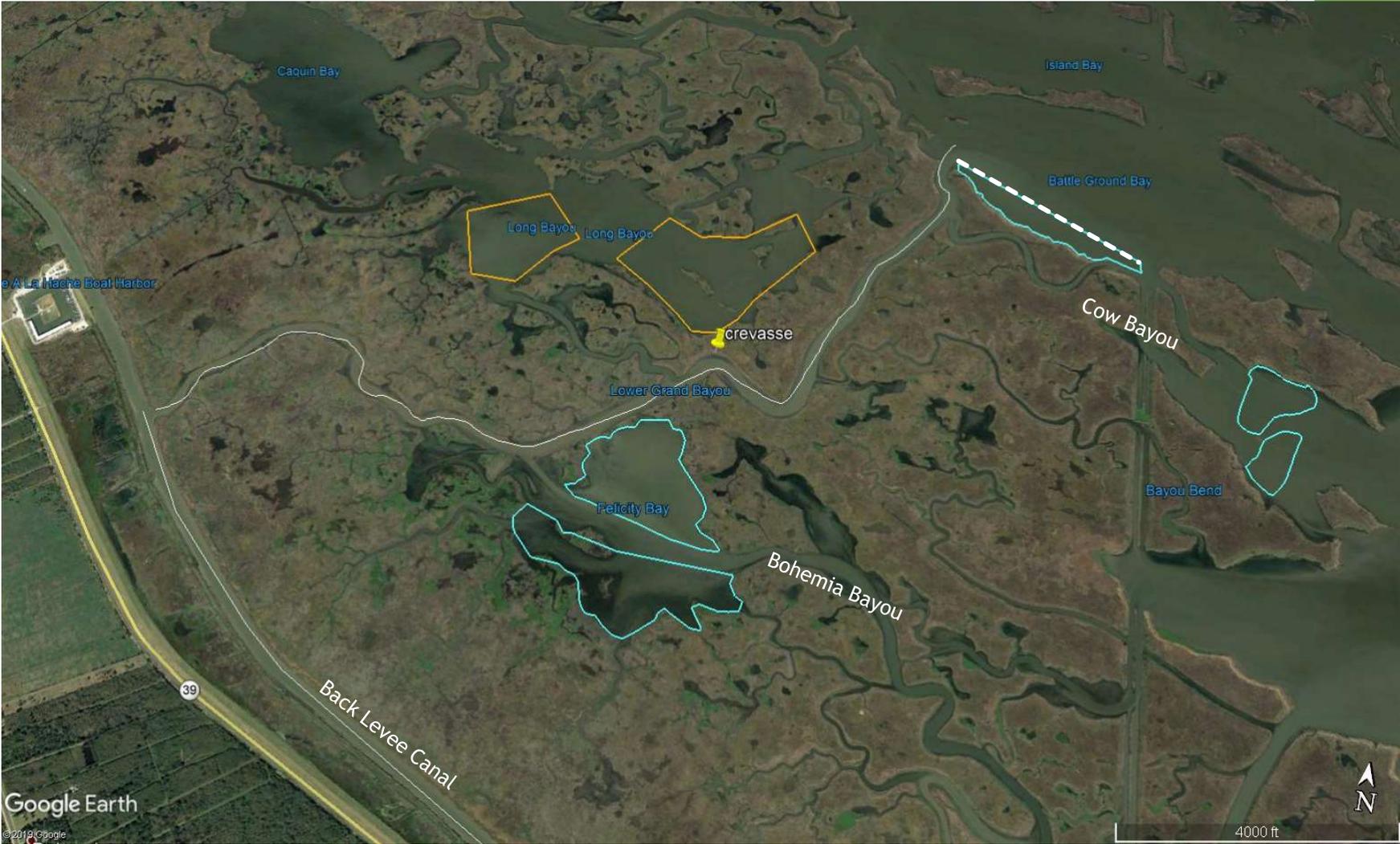


### Problem:

- 1) Siltation of distributary channels
- 2) Limited land gain despite health marsh elevations and input of sediments

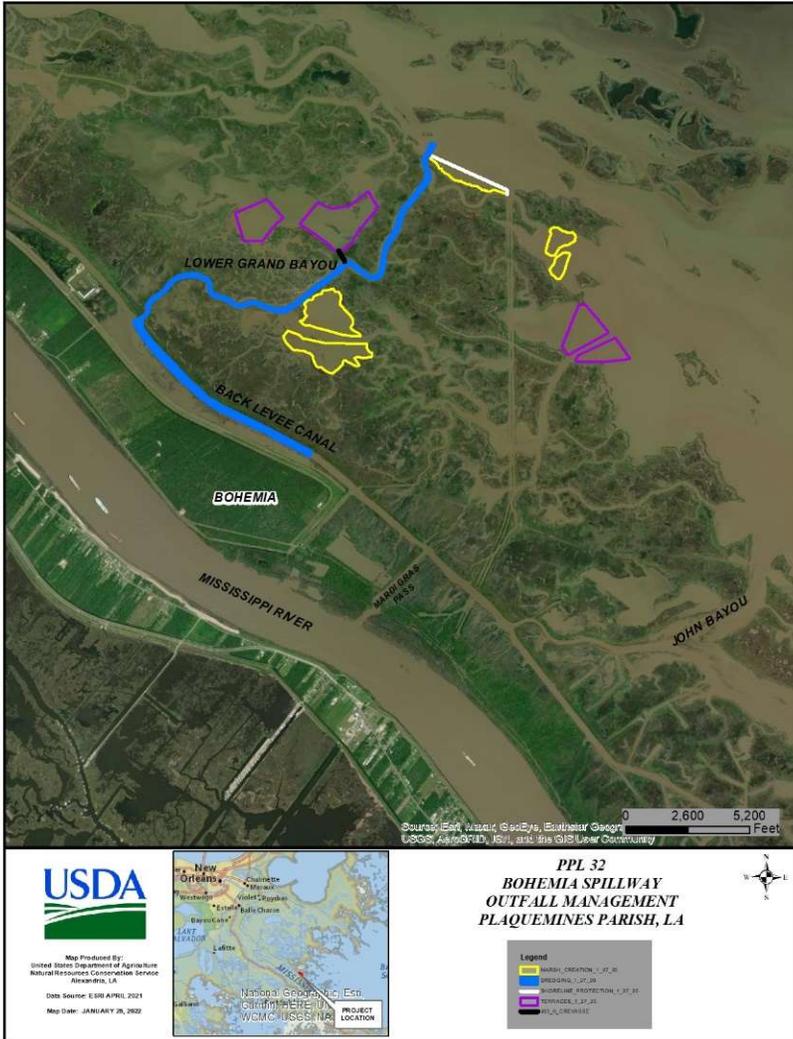


# PPL32 Bohemia Spillway Outfall Management





## PPL32 Bohemia Spillway Outfall Management



### Goal:

- Dredging: 28,300 LF
- Marsh Creation: 192 Acres
- Terraces:
  - 15,540 LF
  - 3 Terrace Fields (150 Acres)
  - 10 acres MC + additional benefits = sediment retention
- Shoreline Protection: 3,700 LF

Construction Costs + 25%  
Contingency = \$20-25M



Delta Mngt at Fort. St Philip (BS-11)

“The ultimate usefulness of sediment to build coastal wetlands by an outlet or diversion is dependent not just on the outlet or diversion’s existence, capacity, and operation, but also on the riverside and bayside conditions to capture sediment, build land and become vegetated.”

-LPBF 2017



### West Bay Diversion



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**PPL32 PROJECT FACT SHEET**  
**February 10, 2022**

**Project Name**

Horsepower Canal Marsh Creation

**Project Location**

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

**Problem**

Within the project vicinity, marsh loss has occurred as the result of oil/gas canals, subsidence, and a lack of sediment deposition. For the Phoenix Marsh Creation-West Increment Project (PPL30), USGS calculated a land change rate of -0.65% per year for the period 1984 to 2019.

**Goals**

The primary goal of this project is to restore degraded marsh along the east bank of Plaquemines Parish near Pointe a la Hache and to continue the East Bank Land Bridge west of River aux Chenes. The specific goal of this project is to create 355 acres of marsh and nourish 150 acres of marsh with dredged material from the Mississippi River.

**Proposed Solution**

Sediment will be hydraulically dredged from the Mississippi River-Myrtle Grove Anchorage to create 355 of marsh and nourish an additional 150 acres. The dredged riverine sediments will be pumped via pipeline into two fully-contained marsh creation cells. Containment dikes will be gapped no later than three years post construction.

**Preliminary Project Benefits**

- 1) *What is the total acreage benefited both directly and indirectly?*  
Approximately 505 acres would be benefited directly, including 355 acres of marsh creation and 150 acres of marsh nourishment.
- 2) *How many acres of wetlands will be protected/created over the project life?*  
Approximately 300-350 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% 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?* No.
- 5) *What is the net impact of the project on critical and non-critical infrastructure?*  
The project will support critical infrastructure including Louisiana Highway 39, a hurricane evacuation route, and the Mississippi River and hurricane protection levees.

These levees provide protection to the communities along the river including Phoenix and Carlisle.

- 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 projects along the Breton Sound Basin Landbridge including the Phoenix Marsh Creation – East Increment Project and the Breton Landbridge Marsh Creation (West) Project.

### **Considerations**

The proposed project has potential utility/pipeline and levee considerations.

### **Preliminary Costs**

The construction cost plus 25% contingency is \$35-40 million.

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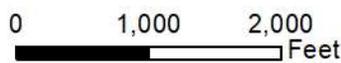
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HORSEPOWER CANAL  
MARSH CREATION  
PLAQUEMINES PARISH, LA**



**Legend**

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# PPL32

## Horsepower Canal Marsh Creation

### Region 2, Breton Sound Basin



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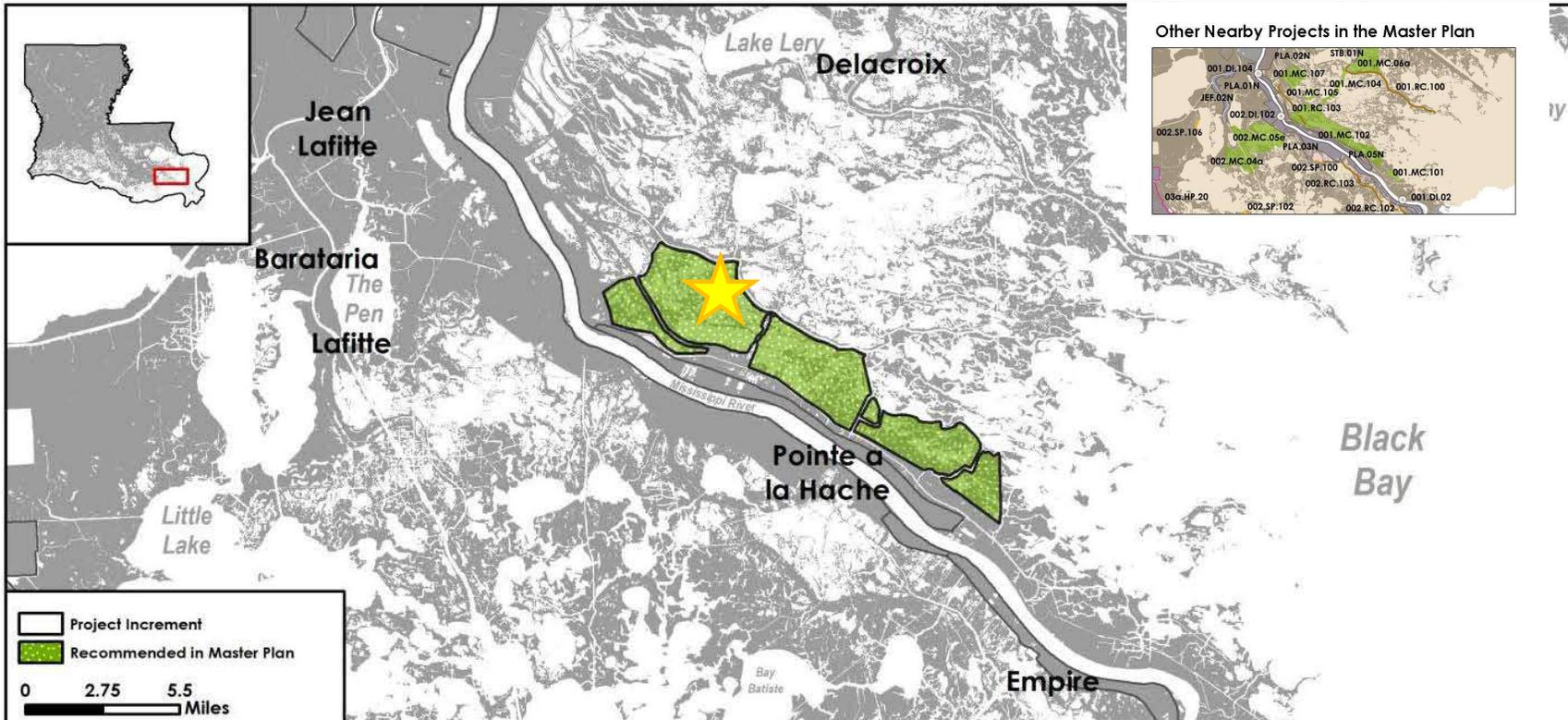
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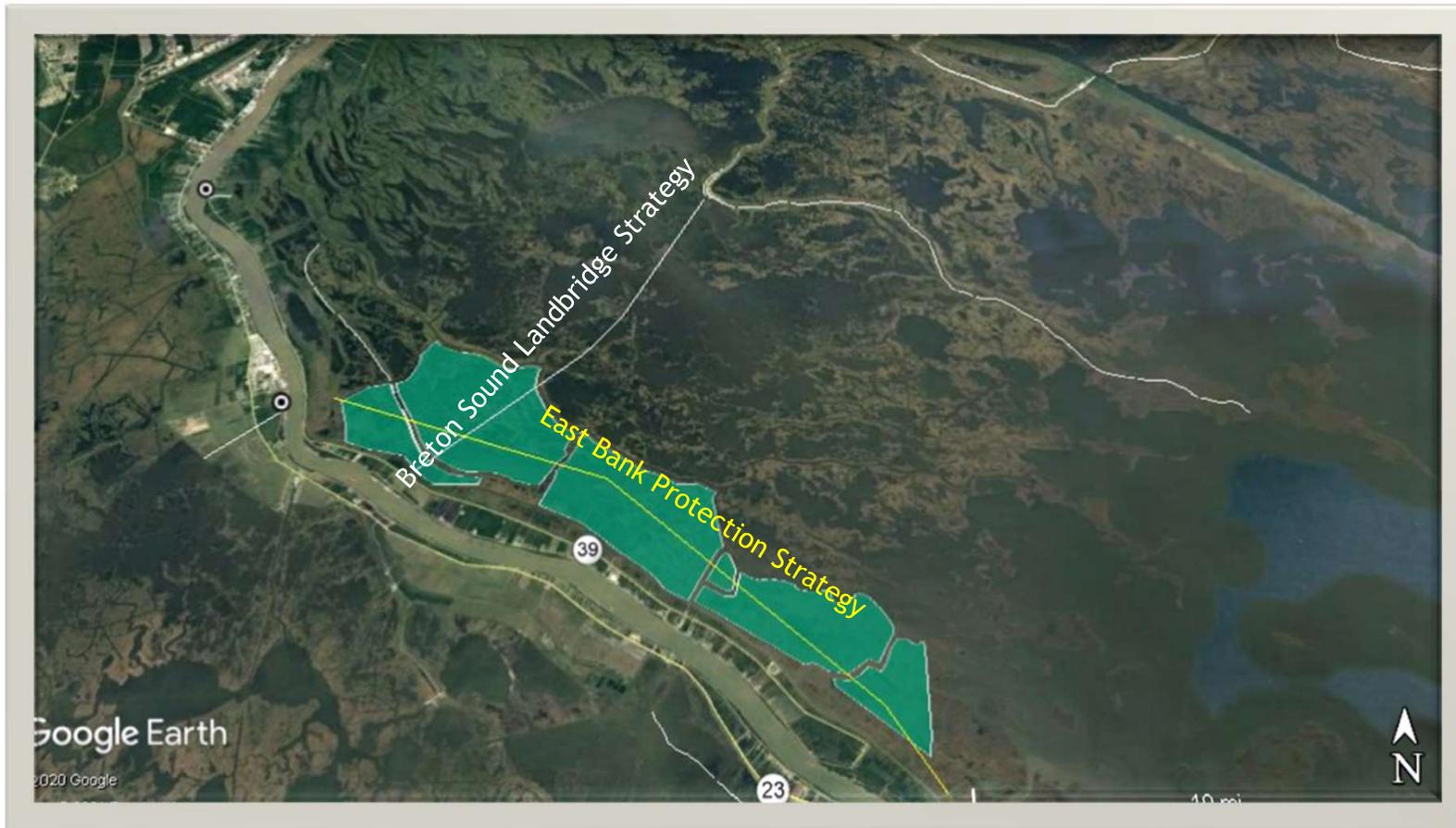
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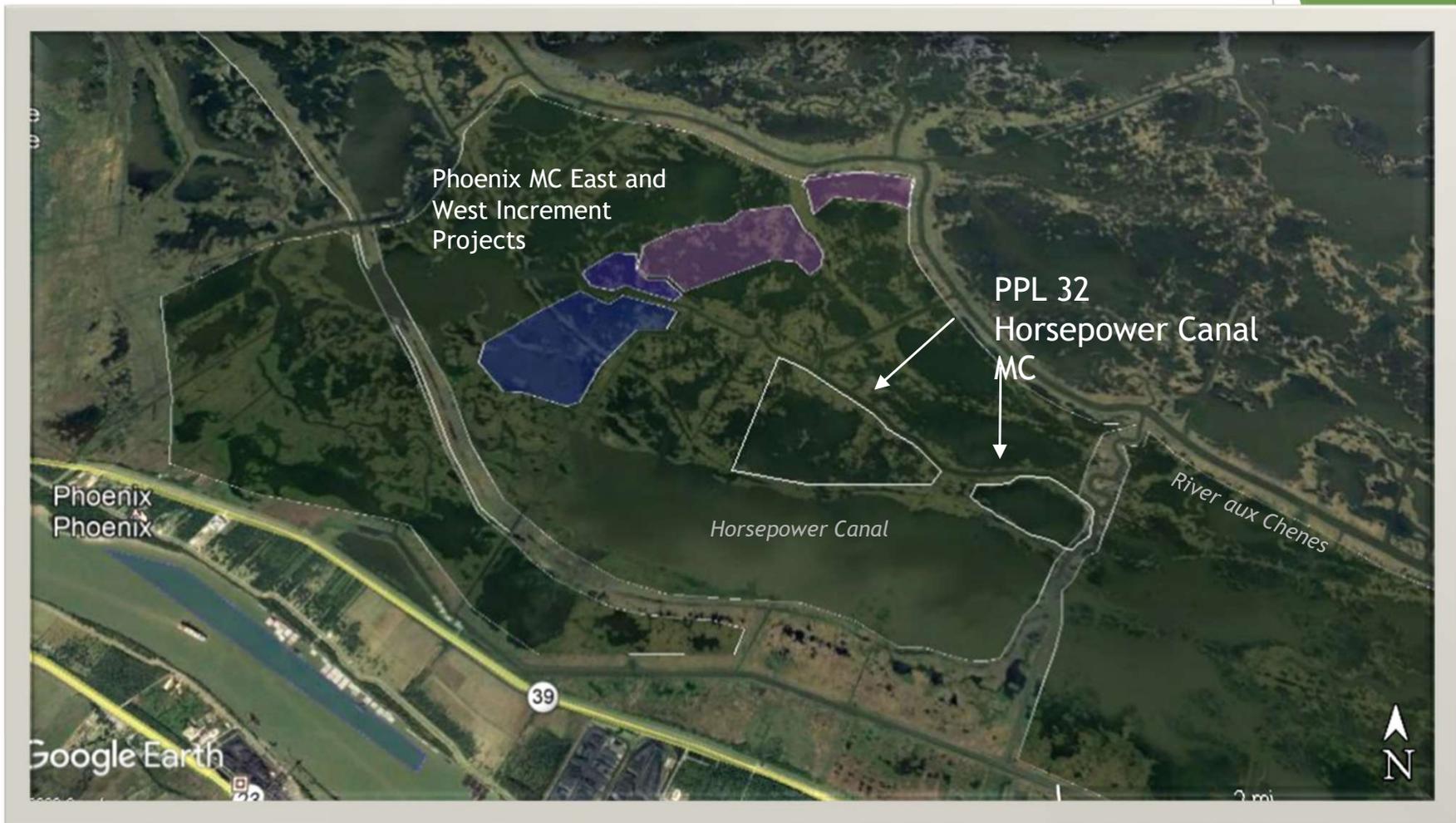
## Marsh Creation

Project ID: 001.MC.102



## Breton Sound Basin Restoration Strategies





## PPL32 - Horsepower Canal Marsh Creation

### Mississippi River Borrow

355 acres Marsh Creation

150 acres Marsh Nourishment

505 acres Total

300-350 net acres

Construction Costs + 25%

Contingency = \$35-40M

### Support critical infrastructure:

- LA Hwy 39 (Evacuation Route)
- Mississippi River
- Hurricane protection levees
- Communities along the river (Phoenix & Carlisle)



**PPL32 PROJECT NOMINEE FACT SHEET**  
**February 10, 2022**

**Project Name**

Spanish Lake Shoreline Restoration (Shoreline Berm/Marsh Creation)

**Project Location**

Region 2, Breton Basin, Plaquemines Parish, west of Grand Lake and east of Spanish Lake.

**Problem**

From 1932 to 1990, the Caernarvon Mapping Unit lost 14,240 acres of its marsh. Prior to Hurricane Katrina, the greatest lost documented occurred between 1956 and 1974 and coincided with Hurricane Betsy and extensive canal building. Hurricane Katrina in 2005 devastated the area resulting in substantial marsh loss. According to USGS Open File Report (2006-1274), approximately 39 square miles of marsh around the upper and central portions of Breton Sound were converted to open water by mechanical removal of the marsh or by marsh submergence. Based on the hyper-temporal analysis conducted by USGS for the extended project boundary, the loss rate in the project area is estimated to be  $-0.96$  %/year for the period 1985 to 2020.

**Goals**

The goal of this project is to restore the eastern shoreline of Spanish Lake with a more robust marsh and create more typical intertidal marsh in the open water and fragmented marshes east of that restored shoreline.

*Specific goals:* 1) Create approximately 207 acres and nourish approximately 25 acres of intermediate to low salinity brackish marsh around the perimeter of Spanish Lake. 2) Restore approximately 18,000 linear feet of Spanish Lake's eastern shoreline.

**Proposed Features**

1. Hydraulically dredge material from the Mississippi River (Alliance or Alliance South Anchorage) to create/nourish 232 acres of marsh.
2. Approximately 18,000 linear feet of shoreline would be restored with material dredged from Mississippi River.
3. Material would be shaped from a higher elevation near the newly created Spanish Lake shoreline to a lower elevation east of that shoreline.
4. Because river material will be used, earthen containment would not be necessary.

**Preliminary Project Benefits**

- 1) *What is the total acreage benefited both directly and indirectly?*  
This total project area is 232 ac.
- 2) *How many acres of wetlands will be protected/created over the project life?*  
Approximately 190 net acres would result after the 20-year project life.
- 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 land loss rate reduction throughout the area of direct benefits is approximately 50% to 74% over the project 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?*

This project would restore the eastern shoreline of Spanish Lake.

- 5) *What is the net impact of the project on critical and non-critical infrastructure?*

This project would help protect small camps around the Spanish Lake area.

- 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 BS-16, BS-24, BS-32, BS-38, BS-42, and BS-44.

**Preliminary Cost**

The construction cost plus 25% contingency is estimated to be between \$30 and \$35M.

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*Spanish Lake Shoreline Restoration*





# SPANISH LAKE SHORELINE RESTORATION AND MARSH CREATION



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# **SPANISH LAKE SHORELINE RESTORATION AND MARSH CREATION**

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## **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**



Spanish Lake

Grand Lake

Spanish Lake Shoreline Restoration



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# **SPANISH LAKE SHORELINE RESTORATION AND MARSH CREATION**

## **Solution:**

- **Hydraulically dredge material from the Mississippi River to restore the eastern shoreline of Spanish Lake (270 acres marsh creation and 30 acres marsh nourishment).**
- **Because this is proposed with river material, no containment dikes are being proposed at this time.**

# PROPOSED POTENTIAL RIVER BORROW SITES

Alliance Anchorage - 7.6 mi

Spanish Lake

Grand Lake

Alliance South Anchorage 7.1 mi.



# SPANISH LAKE SHORELINE RESTORATION AND MARSH CREATION

## Goals:

- Restore approximately 17,000 ft. of the eastern Spanish Lake shoreline with material dredged from the Mississippi River .
- Create/nourish 300 acres of enhanced (slightly higher) intertidal marsh between Spanish and Grand Lakes with material dredged from the Mississippi River.

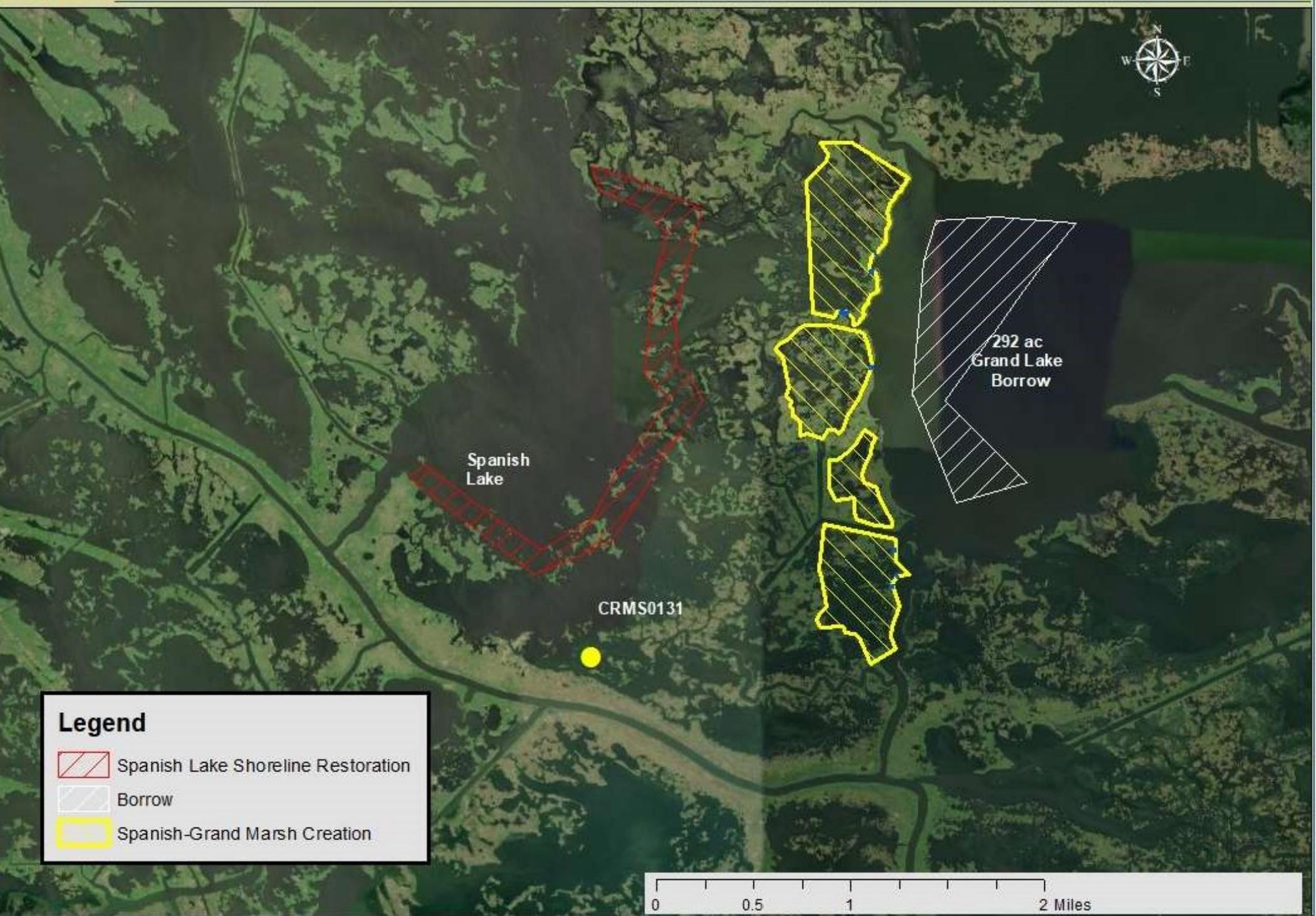
## Net Acres:

- Total net acres = 190 acres (not including hydraulic components)

## Preliminary Construction Costs

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

# Spanish Lake Grand Lake Marsh Creation



# Species of Concern and Listed Species

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

**PPL32 PROJECT NOMINEE FACT SHEET**  
**February 10, 2022**

**Project Name**

Spanish Lake-Grand Lake Marsh Creation

**Project Location**

Region 2, Breton Basin, Plaquemines Parish, west of Grand Lake and east of Spanish Lake.

**Problem**

From 1932 to 1990, the Caernarvon Mapping Unit lost 14,240 acres of its marsh. Prior to Hurricane Katrina, the greatest lost documented occurred between 1956 and 1974 and coincided with Hurricane Betsy and extensive canal building. Hurricane Katrina in 2005 devastated the area resulting in substantial marsh loss. According to USGS Open File Report (2006-1274), approximately 39 square miles of marsh around the upper and central portions of Breton Sound were converted to open water by mechanical removal of the marsh or by marsh submergence. Based on the hyper-temporal analysis conducted by USGS from 1985-2020, the loss rate in the project area is estimated to be  $-0.961$  %/year.

**Goals**

The goal of this project is to halt the coalescence of Grand Lake and Spanish Lake by restoring the broken marshes west of the Grand Lake shoreline to a more typical and healthy intertidal marsh.

*Specific goals:* 1) Create approximately 293 acres and nourish approximately 217 acres of intermediate marsh west of the western shoreline of Grand Lake.

**Proposed Solution**

Sediment will be dredged from a borrow site in Grand Lake and pumped via pipeline to create/nourish approximately 510 acres of marsh. Dewatering and compaction of dredged sediments should produce elevations conducive to the establishment of emergent marsh within the intertidal range. Earthen containment dikes will be constructed around the perimeter of marsh creation cells. Containment dikes along the Grand Lake shoreline will be planted with appropriate vegetation. Containment dikes will be gapped at the end of construction or by target year 3.

**Preliminary Project Benefits**

- 1) *What is the total acreage benefited both directly and indirectly?*  
This total project area is 510 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 (<25%, 25-49%, 50-74%, and >75%)?*  
The anticipated land loss rate reduction throughout the area of direct benefits is approximately 50% to 74% over the project 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?*

This project would restore the marshes directly west of the Grand Lake halting the possibility of a breach between Grand Lake and open water west of that shoreline.

- 5) *What is the net impact of the project on critical and non-critical infrastructure?*

This project would protect small several camps.

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

This project would work synergistically BS-16, BS-24, BS-32, BS-38, BS-42 and BS-44 projects.

**Preliminary Cost**

The estimated construction cost plus 25% is between \$20 and \$25M.

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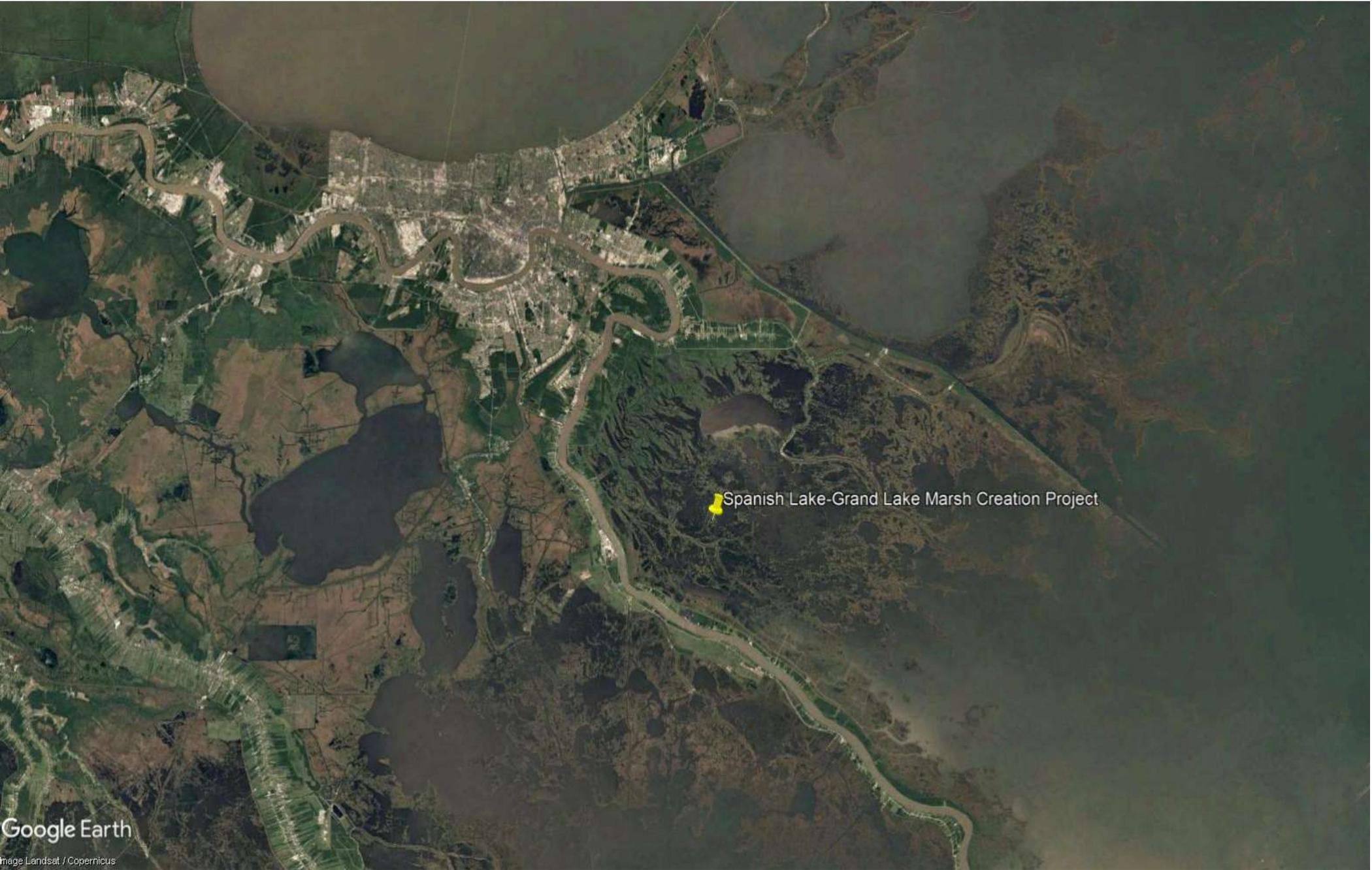
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Spanish Lake Grand Lake Marsh Creation



# SPANISH LAKE GRAND LAKE MARSH CREATION





Spanish Lake-Grand Lake Marsh Creation Project

Spanish Lake Grand Lake Marsh Creation





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# SPANISH LAKE – GRAND LAKE MARSH CREATION

## Goals:

- **Create/nourish 510 acres of broken marsh west of Grand Lake with material dredged from Grand Lake.**
- **Stop the coalescing of Grand Lake and Spanish Lake**

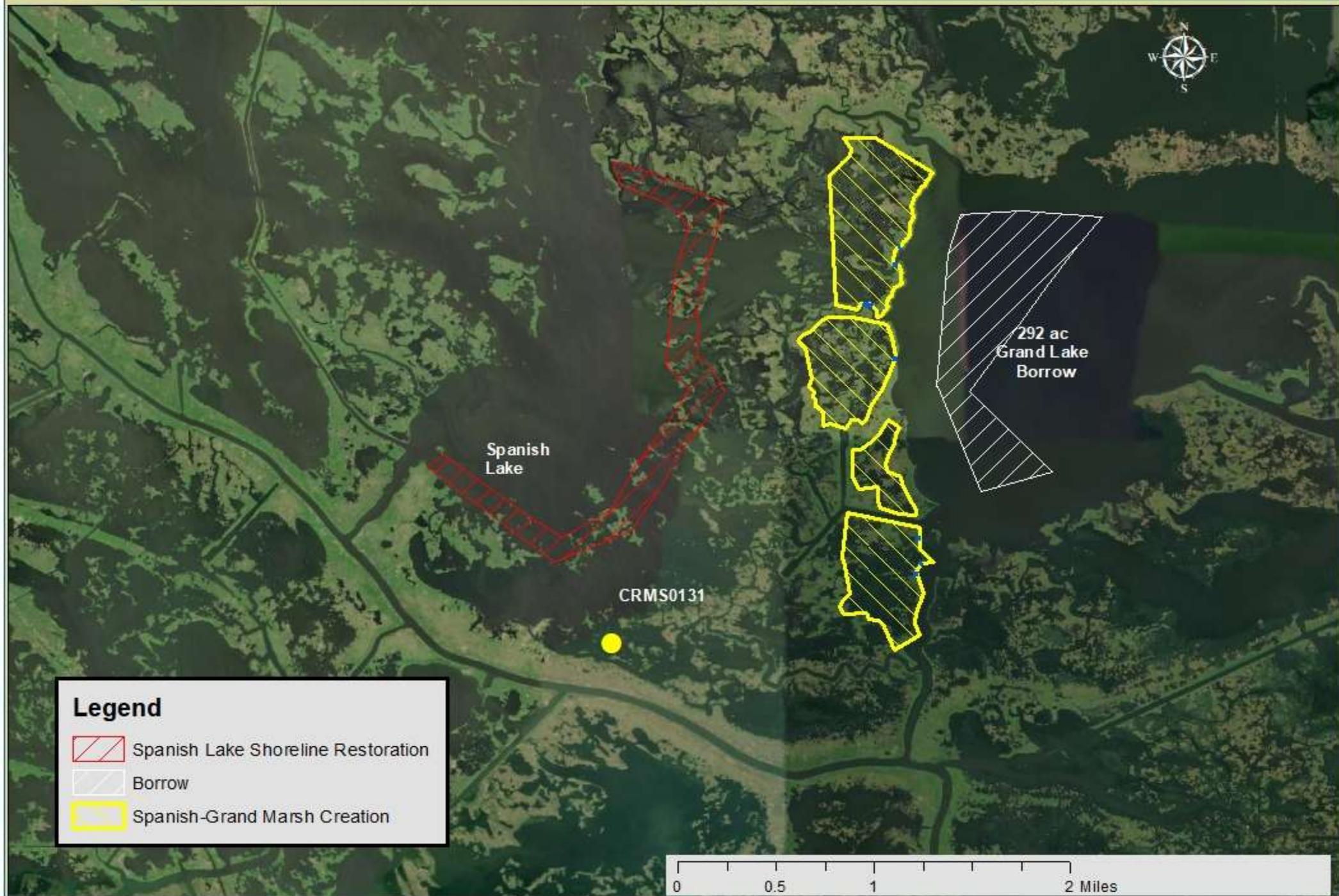
## Net Acres:

- **Total net acres = 250-300 acres**

## Preliminary Construction Costs:

- **The estimated construction cost range plus 25% contingency \$20-25M**

*Spanish Lake Grand Lake Marsh Creation*



# **SPECIES OF CONCERN AND RARE SPECIES**

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- ▶ **Least Bittern**
  - ▶ **Mottled Duck**
  - ▶ **King Rail**
  - ▶ **Saltmarsh Topminnow**
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**PPL32 PROJECT NOMINEE FACT SHEET**  
**February 10, 2022**

**Project Name**

Yscloskey Marsh Creation

**Project Location**

Region 2, Breton 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. Marsh loss has increased exposure of the community of Yscloskey to flooding from the south/southwest. The loss rate is estimated to be -0.49% per year for the period of 1985 to 2020 for the USGS Tanasia Lagoon subunit.

**Goals**

The primary goal of this project is to restore marsh between the communities of Reggio and Yscloskey along the alignment of the historic Bayou la Loutre ridge. The specific goal of the project is to create approximately 457 acres (406 acres of marsh creation and 51 acres of marsh nourishment) of marsh with dredged material.

**Proposed Solution**

Sediments from Lake Borgne will be hydraulically dredged and pumped via pipeline to create/nourish approximately 457 acres of marsh. Dewatering and compaction of dredged sediments should produce elevations conducive to the establishment of marsh within the intertidal range. Perimeter containment dikes will be constructed where necessary. Containment dikes will be gapped at the end of construction or by target year 3. The project would work synergistically with the Reggio Marsh Creation & Hydrologic Restoration (BS-43) project funded for engineering and design in PPL30.

**Preliminary Project Benefits**

- 1) *What is the total acreage benefited both directly and indirectly?*  
This total project area is 457 ac.
- 2) *How many acres of wetlands will be protected/created over the project life?*  
Approximately 350 – 400 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 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 will help protect the Bayou la Loutre Ridge.

- 5) *What is the net impact of the project on critical and non-critical infrastructure?*

Protection would be afforded to flood protection levees along HWY 46 (a hurricane evacuation route). The project would also positively impact Hopedale Highway, and residences of Yscloskey, providing synergistic flood protection to a community which falls outside of a Hurricane Protection System.

- 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 Reggio Marsh Creation & Hydrologic Restoration (BS-43) project being designed to the southwest.

### **Considerations**

The proposed project has potential utility/pipeline considerations.

### **Preliminary Construction Costs**

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

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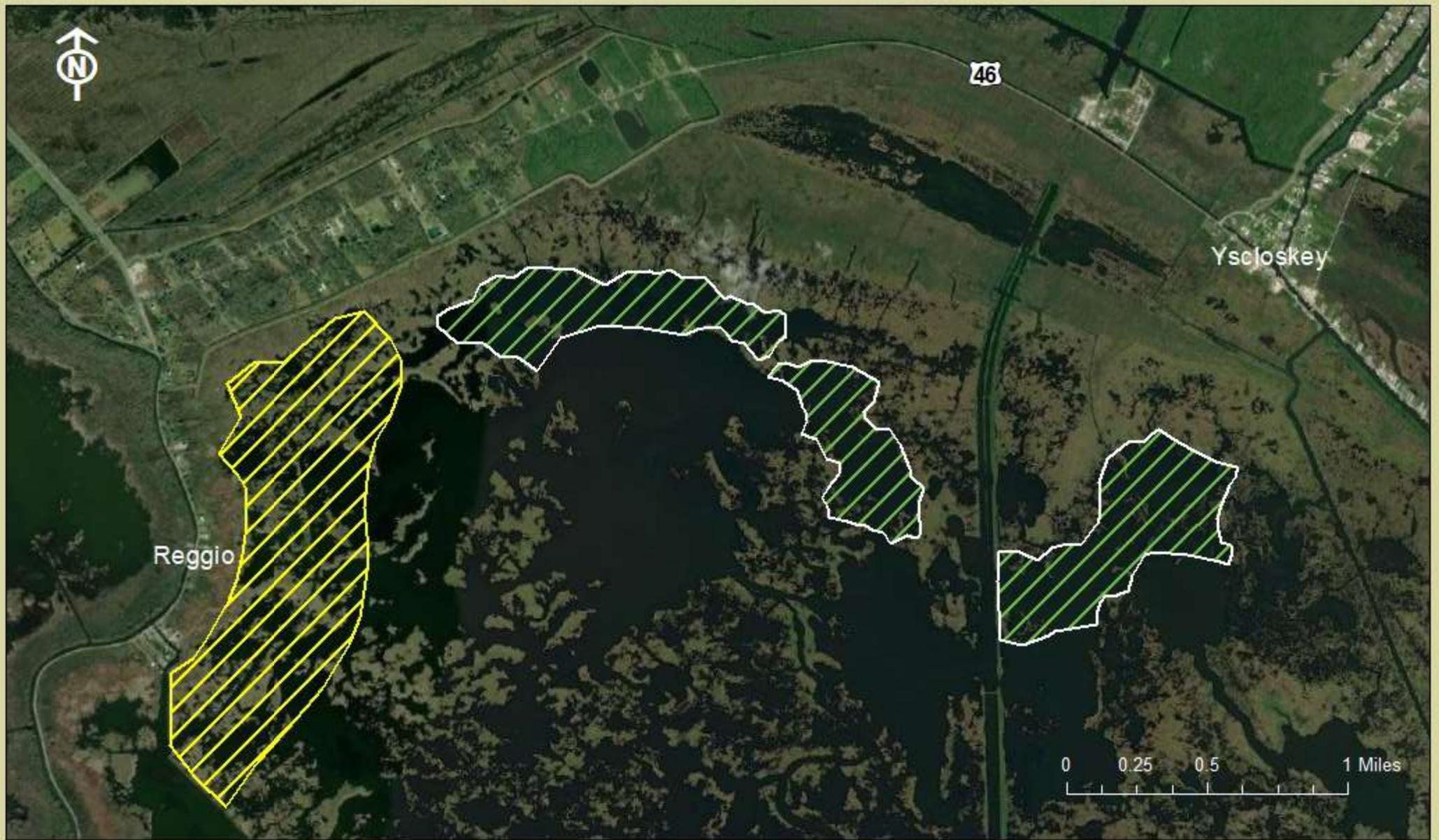


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-  Marsh Creation
-  BS-43



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*Yscloskey Marsh Creation*  
*St. Bernard Parish, Louisiana*



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# Yscloskey Marsh Creation

Region 2, Breton Sound Basin

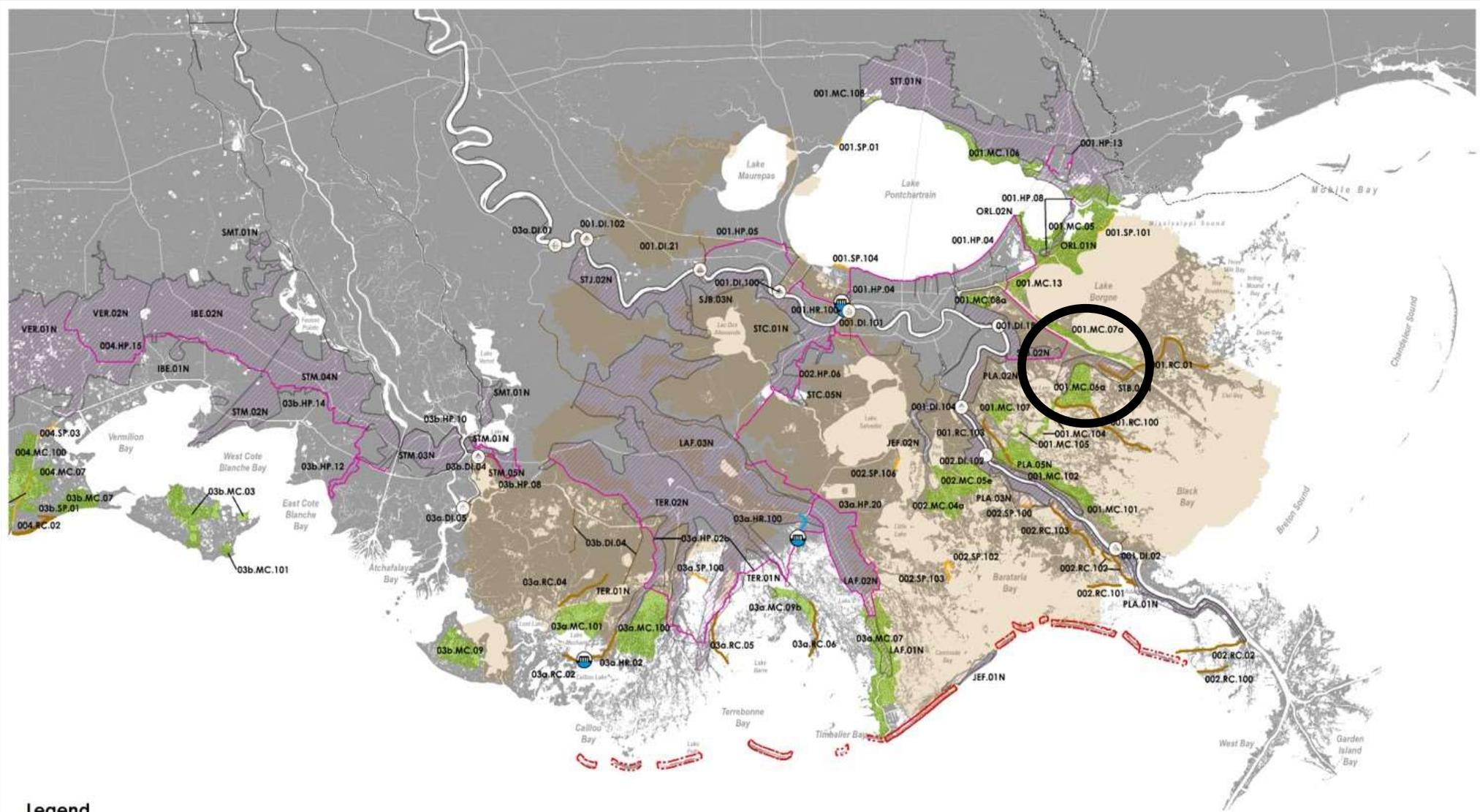


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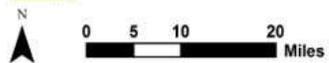


# 2017 State Master Plan - Breton Marsh Creation - Component A (001.MC.06a)



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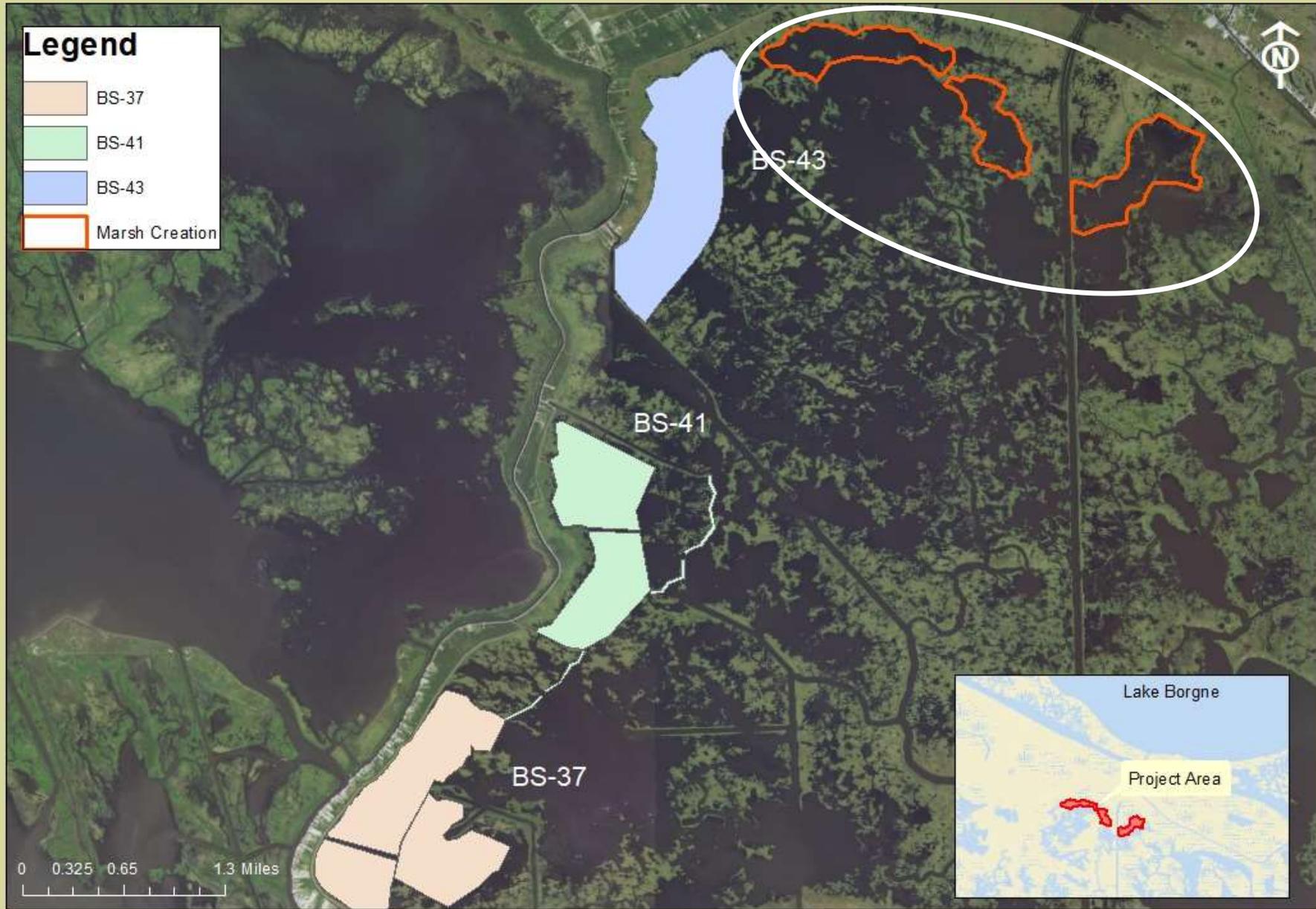
# Marsh Creation in Upper Breton Basin



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*Yscloskey Marsh Creation*



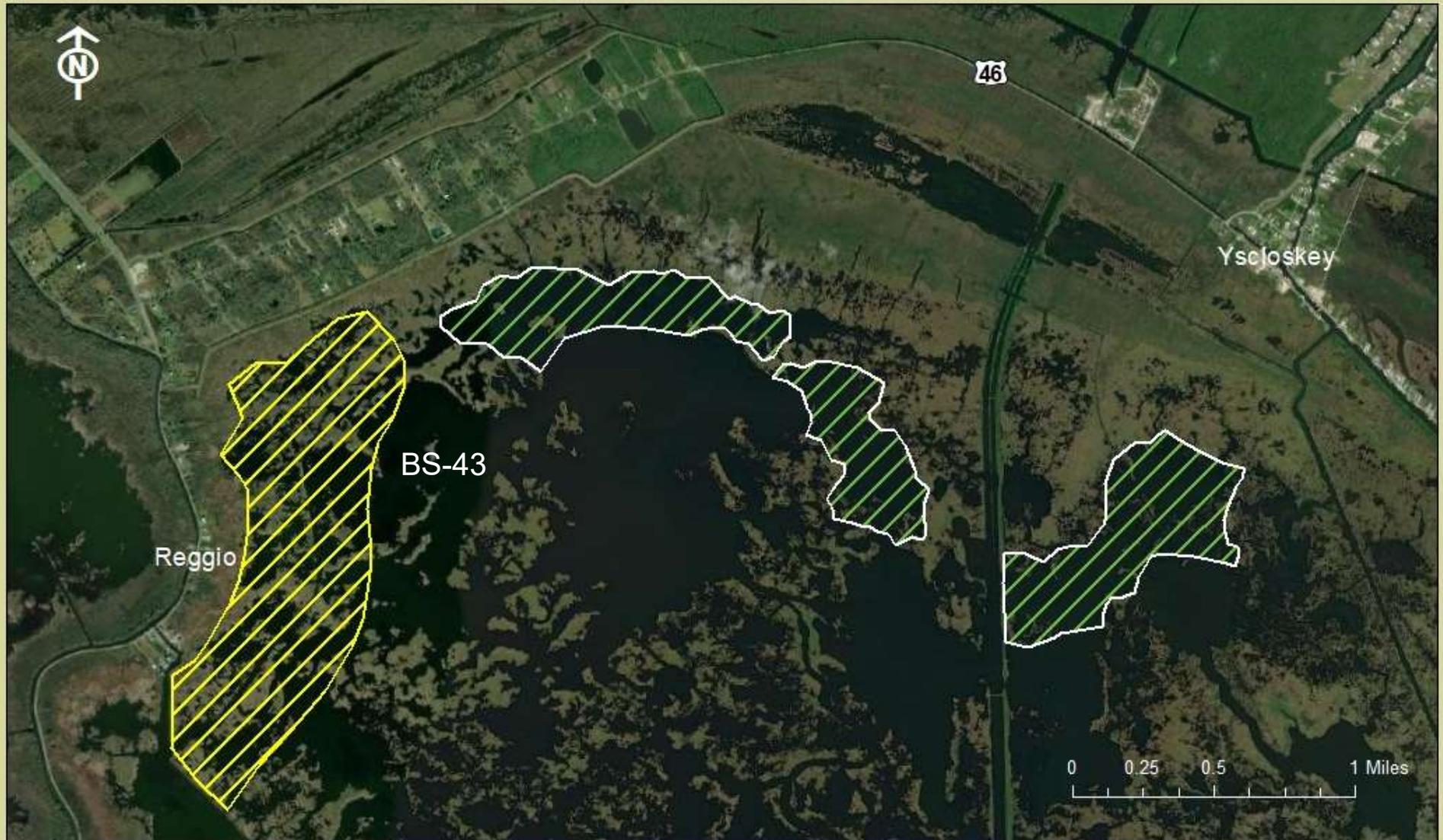


**Legend**

-  Marsh Creation
-  BS-43



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Yscloskey Marsh Creation  
St. Bernard Parish, Louisiana*



# Yscloskey Marsh Creation

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## Legend

 Marsh Creation



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*Yscloskey Marsh Creation*  
*St. Bernard Parish, Louisiana*



- 406 acres of marsh creation
- 51 acres of marsh nourishment
- Lake Borgne borrow
- Net acres = 350 - 400
- Construction plus contingency \$25M - \$30M
- Project synergy – Reggio Marsh Creation & Hydrologic Restoration (BS-43)

## **PPL32 PROJECT NOMINEE FACT SHEET**

February 10, 2022

### **Project Name:**

Carlisle Ridge Restoration and Marsh Creation South

### **Project Location:**

Region 2, Breton Sound Basin, Plaquemines Parish

### **Problem:**

Within the project vicinity, marsh loss has occurred as the result of oil/gas canals, subsidence, and a lack of sediment deposition. The USGS land change rate for the Schayots Canal subunit (1985 to 2020) is -0.63% per year. Subsidence rates in this area range from 1.44 to 2.13 feet per century (Reed and Yuill 2017). Hurricane Katrina 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 and altered hydrology and oil/gas development have exacerbated this loss.

### **Goals:**

The primary goal of the project is to restore marsh habitat in the open water areas on the east bank of the Mississippi River between Schayots Canal and Horsepower Canal through the placement of dredged material via hydraulic dredging. The project would work synergistically with the Phoenix Marsh Creation–East Increment (BS-42) and West Increment (BS-44) projects and would create continuity with the Breton Landbridge Marsh Creation (West) Project (BS-38), extending the landbridge west across the Breton Sound Basin to the Mississippi River. The specific goal is to hydraulically dredge riverine sediments from the Mississippi River and pump the sediments via pipeline to create and nourish 462 acres of intermediate marsh. The project also proposes to create 8,373 linear feet (10 acres) of forested ridge habitat.

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 proposed for listing as a threatened species. The project could also benefit other species of concern including the saltmarsh topminnow and seaside sparrow.

### **Proposed Solution:**

1) Sediments from the Mississippi River will be hydraulically dredged and pumped via pipeline to create/nourish approximately 462 acres of marsh. The proposed design is to place the dredged material to a fill height of +2.0 ft (NAVD88). 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.

2) Approximately 8,373 linear feet (10 acres) of forested ridge will be created along the eastern bank of Grand Bayou using material from the Mississippi River. The ridge will be constructed to a crown elevation of +5.0 feet (NAVD88) and a top width of 20 feet. Planting of the crown and slopes is proposed. The restoration of the historic ridge will provide coastal upland habitat, restore natural hydrology, and provide wave and storm attenuation near Phoenix.

### **Preliminary Project Benefits**

- 1) *What is the total acreage benefited both directly and indirectly?*  
Approximately 470 acres would be benefited directly and indirectly. Direct benefits include roughly 10 acres of forested, coastal ridge habitat and 462 acres of marsh creation/nourishment.
- 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 350-400 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 will restore 8,373 linear feet (10 acres) of the Carlisle Ridge which runs parallel to and east of the Mississippi River.
- 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 along HWY 39.
- 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 Phoenix Marsh Creation–East Increment (BS-42) and West Increment (BS-44) projects to the east.

### **Considerations**

Landrights, and pipelines/utilities will need to be considered in project design.

### **Preliminary Construction Costs**

The construction cost plus 25% contingency is \$30M - \$35M.

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- Marsh Creation
- Ridge Restoration
- Borrow Area
- BS-42 and BS-44



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# Carlisle Ridge Restoration and Marsh Creation

Region 2, Breton Sound Basin

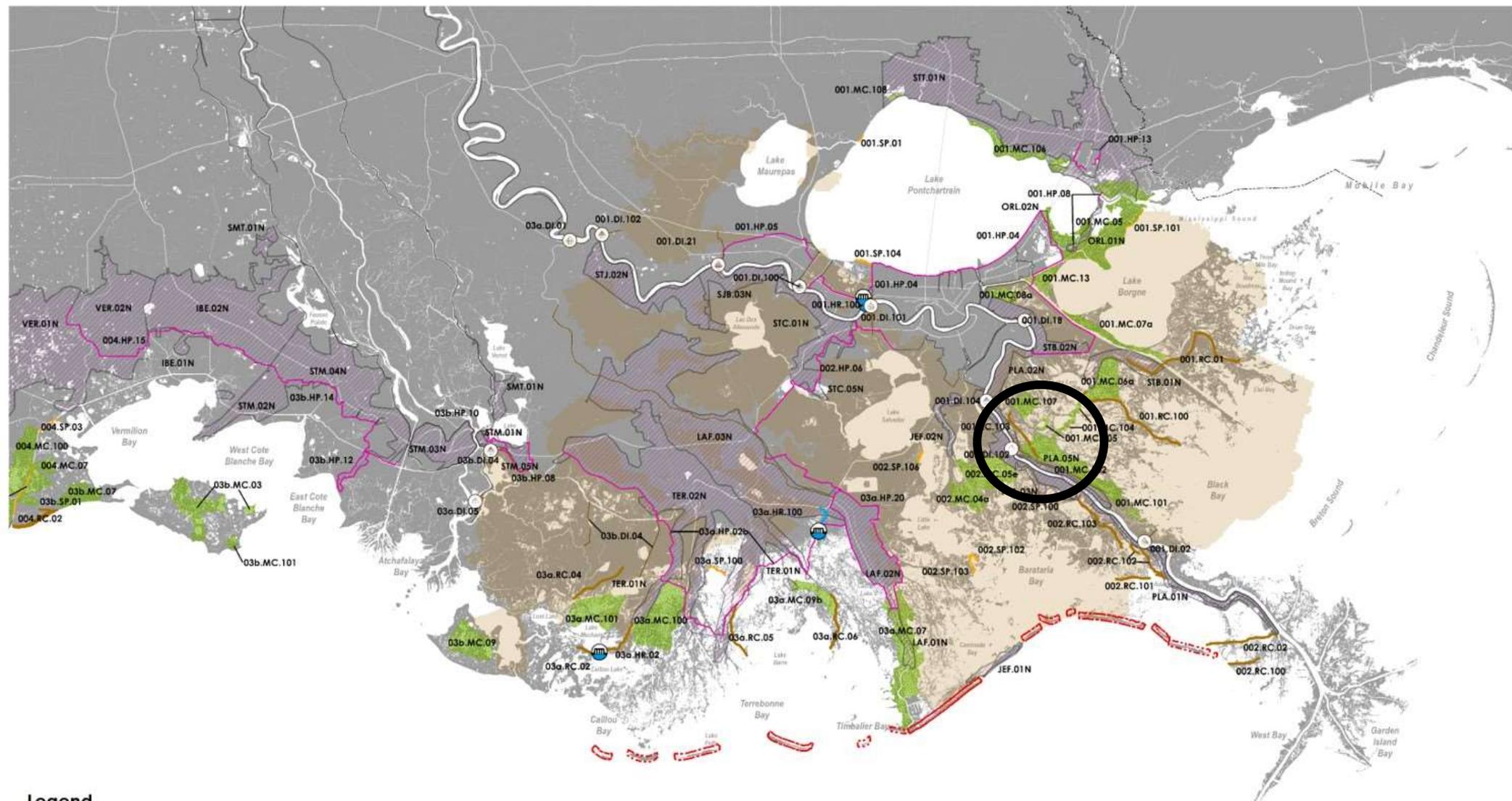


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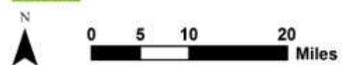
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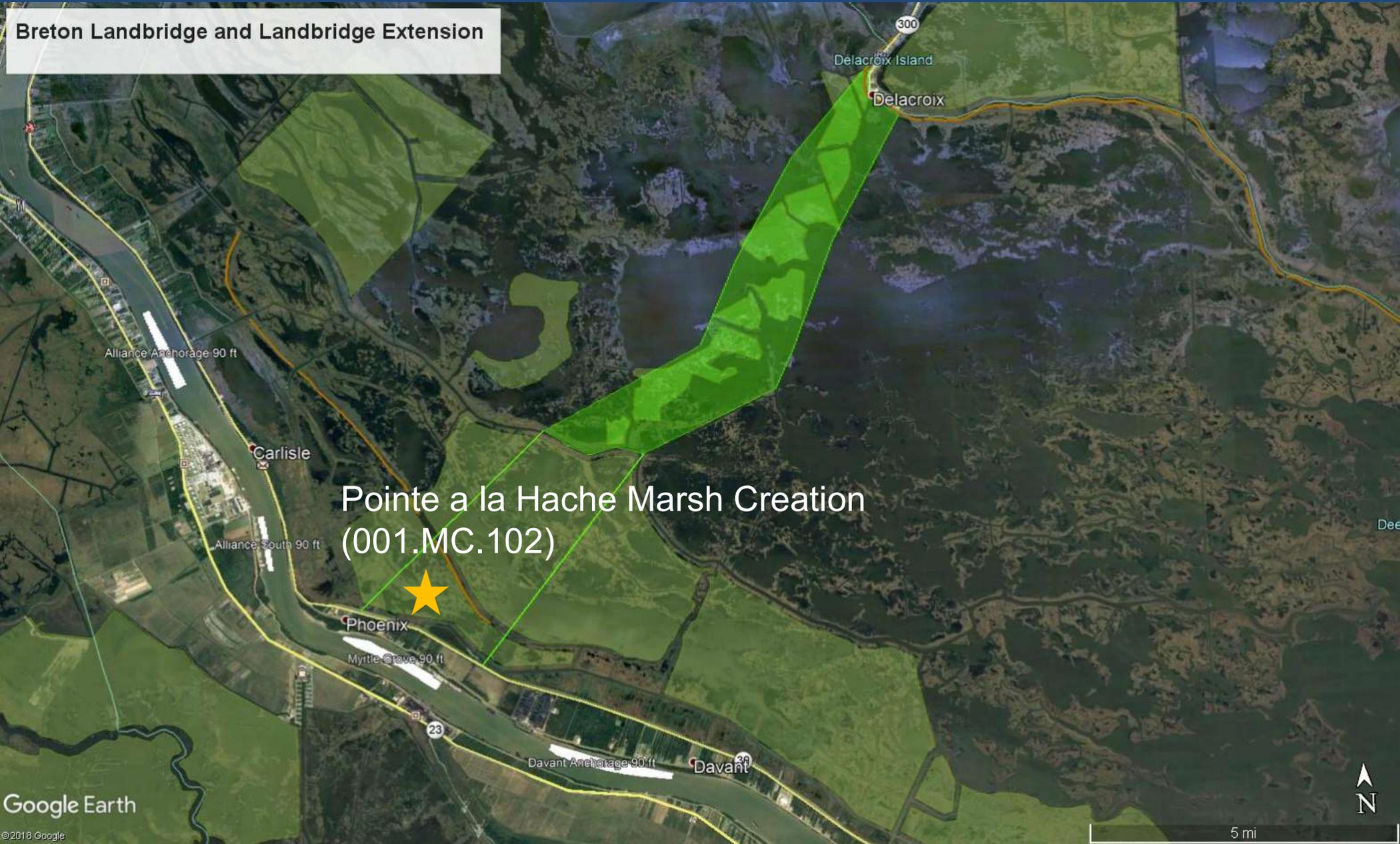
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- Legend**
- Hydrologic Restoration
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  - Marsh Creation
  - Ridge Restoration
  - Shoreline Protection
  - Structural Protection
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  - ⊙ Barrier Island Restoration
  - Nonstructural Project Areas
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# Breton Landbridge Extension – Plaquemines Parish



# Breton Landbridge Extension – Plaquemines Parish

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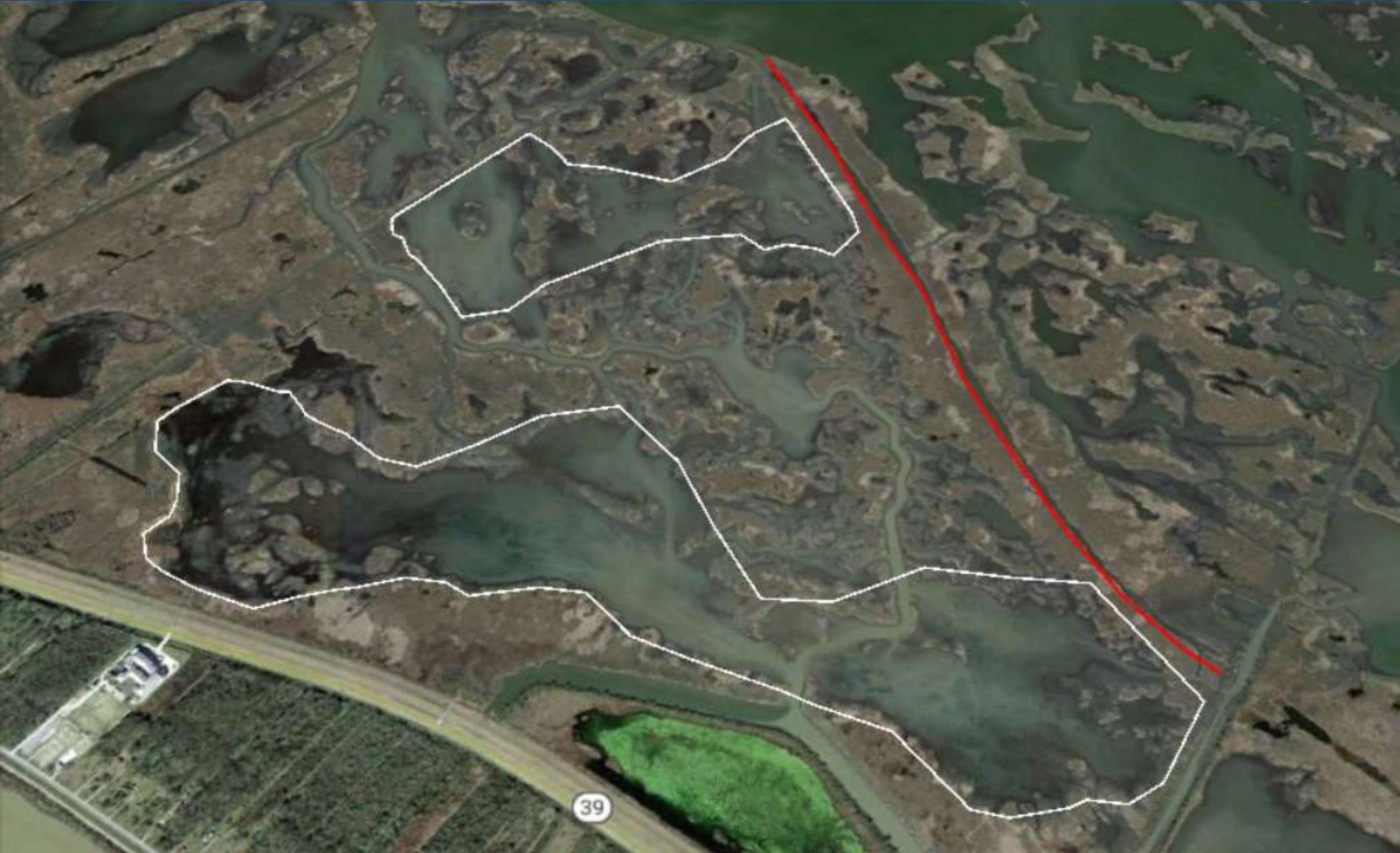
- Marsh Creation
- Ridge Restoration
- Borrow Area
- BS-42 and BS-44



*PPL32  
Carlisle Ridge Restoration  
and Marsh Creation South  
Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana*



# Breton Landbridge Extension – Plaquemines Parish



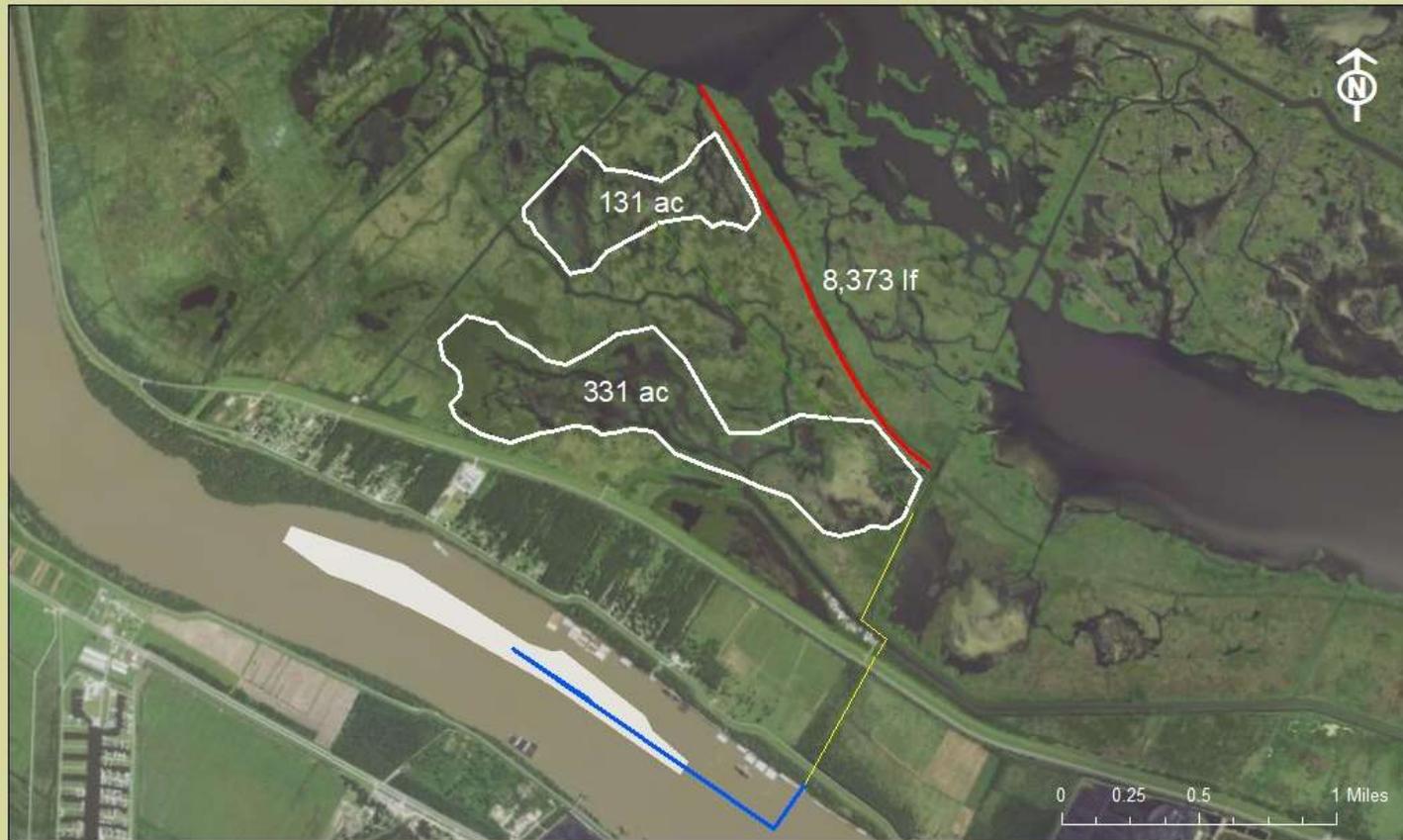
# Carlisle Ridge Restoration and Marsh Creation South

U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

Louisiana Ecological Services



*PPL32  
Carlisle Ridge Restoration  
and Marsh Creation South  
Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana*



- 357 acres of marsh creation
- 105 acres of marsh nourishment
- 8,373 linear feet (10 acres) of forested ridge habitat
- Mississippi River borrow
- Net acres = 350 - 400
- Construction plus contingency \$30M - \$35M
- Project synergy – Phoenix Marsh Creation – East Increment (BS-42), and Phoenix Marsh creation – West Increment (BS-44)

# River aux Chenes Marsh Creation South



- 300 acres of marsh creation
- 65 acres of marsh nourishment
- Mississippi River borrow (Davant Anchorage)
- Net acres = 250 - 300
- Construction plus contingency \$30M - \$35M
- Project synergy – Phoenix Marsh Creation – East Increment (BS-42), and Phoenix Marsh creation – West Increment (BS-44)



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**PPL32 PROJECT FACT SHEET**  
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**Project Name**

Davant Marsh Creation (Increment 1)

**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 marsh creation cell is located in the Schayots Canal Subunit which shows a land loss rate of -0.63%/yr.

**Proposed Solution**

The proposed project would create/nourish approximately 419 acres of marsh using sediment dredged from the Mississippi River.

**Project Benefits**

Create/nourish approximately 419 acres (create 361 acres and nourish 58 acres) of emergent marsh using sediment dredged from the Mississippi River.

**Project Costs**

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

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# Davant Marsh Creation

-  Davant Pipe to Borrow Site
-  Davant\_2021 Cell

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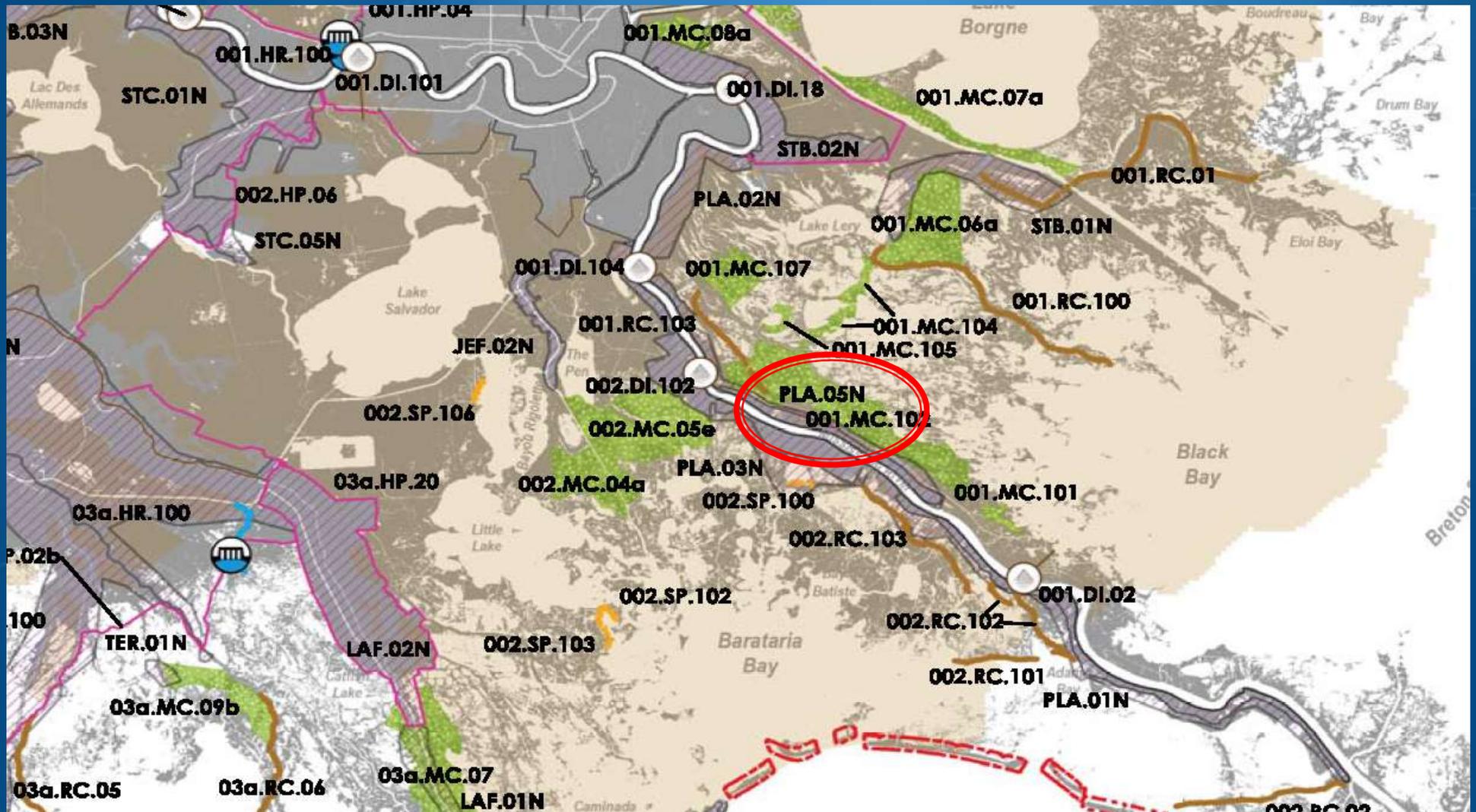


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# 2017 Master Plan Solution

**001.MC.102** Pointe a la Hache Marsh Creation: 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.



# 2017 Master Plan Consistency & Project Synergy

## Davant Marsh Creation

-  Davant Pipe to Borrow Site
-  Davant\_2021 Cell
-  2017 MP: Pointe a la Hache Marsh Creation

419

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Sequencing proposed to start with the yellow cell and continue E & W. Cells help support levees and community as well as creating habitat

Synergistic with other projects proposed to the North. As those projects progress south, this concept would provide a key stop along the River to the end of the 2017 MP Point a la Hache Marsh Creation polygon.

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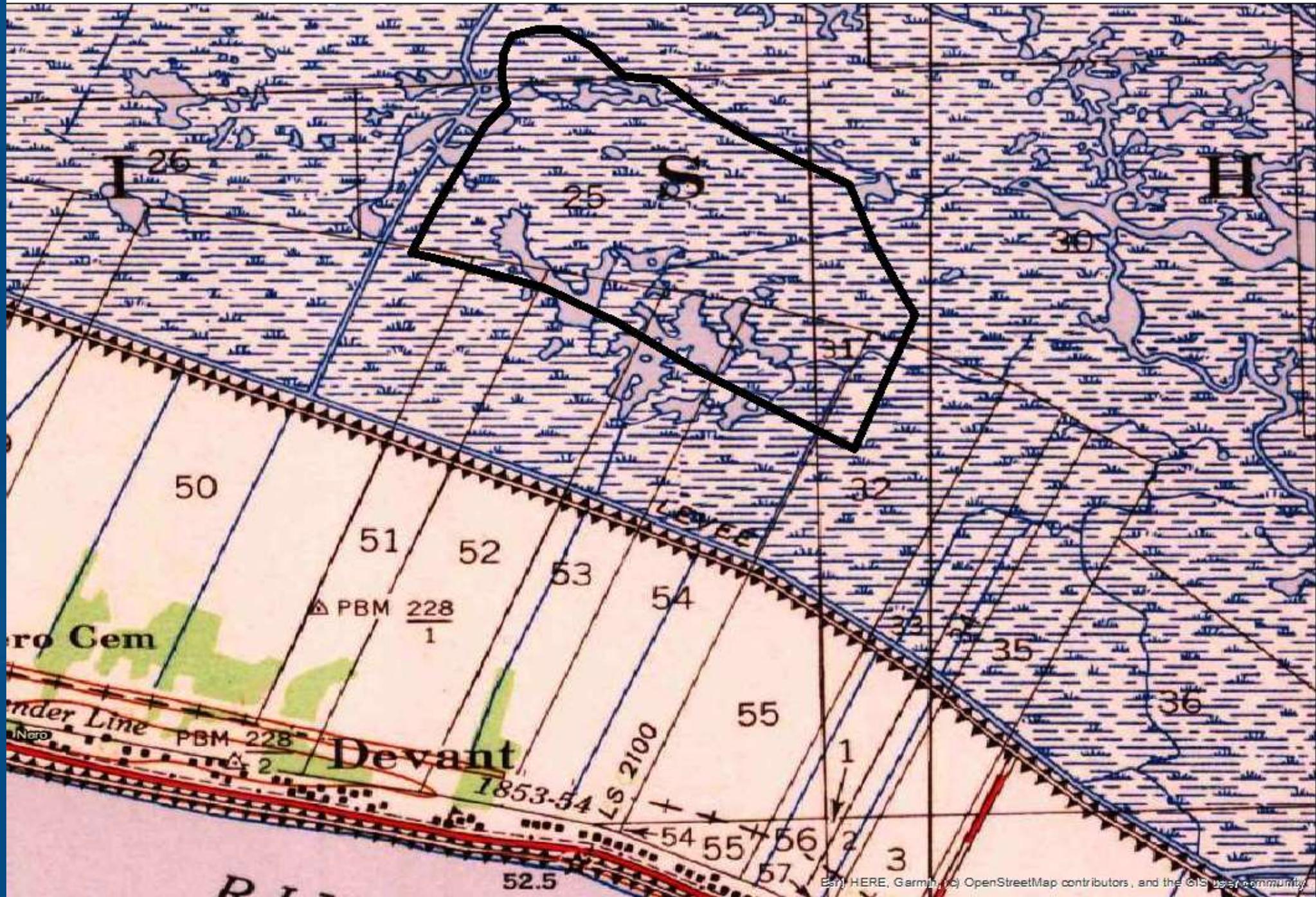
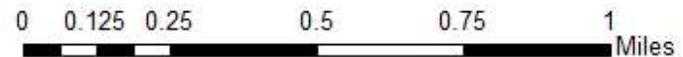
# Problems

- 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).



Davant\_2021 Cell

# Davant Marsh Creation 1948 Topo



# Project Features

## Davant Marsh Creation

-  Davant Pipe to Borrow Site
-  Davant\_2021 Cell

419

Create/nourish 419 acres (361 acres marsh creation, 58 acres marsh nourishment) 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

Construction + 25% = \$30M - \$35M

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**PPL32 PROJECT FACT SHEET**  
**February 10, 2022**

**Project Name**

Reggio East Marsh Creation

**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 flood risk. This project area has experienced wetland loss due to a variety of factors including subsidence and storm damage. Multiple storms over successive years have devastated the area resulting in substantial marsh loss. The Reggio East marsh creation cell is adjacent to the BS-43 Reggio MC project, which shows a land loss rate of -0.77%/yr (WVA).

**Proposed Solution**

Create/nourish 375 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; however, other sediment sources, including the East Bank Sediment Pipeline (BS-33), will be considered. 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 habitat as well as aid against hurricanes and flooding impacts to the community.

**Project Benefits**

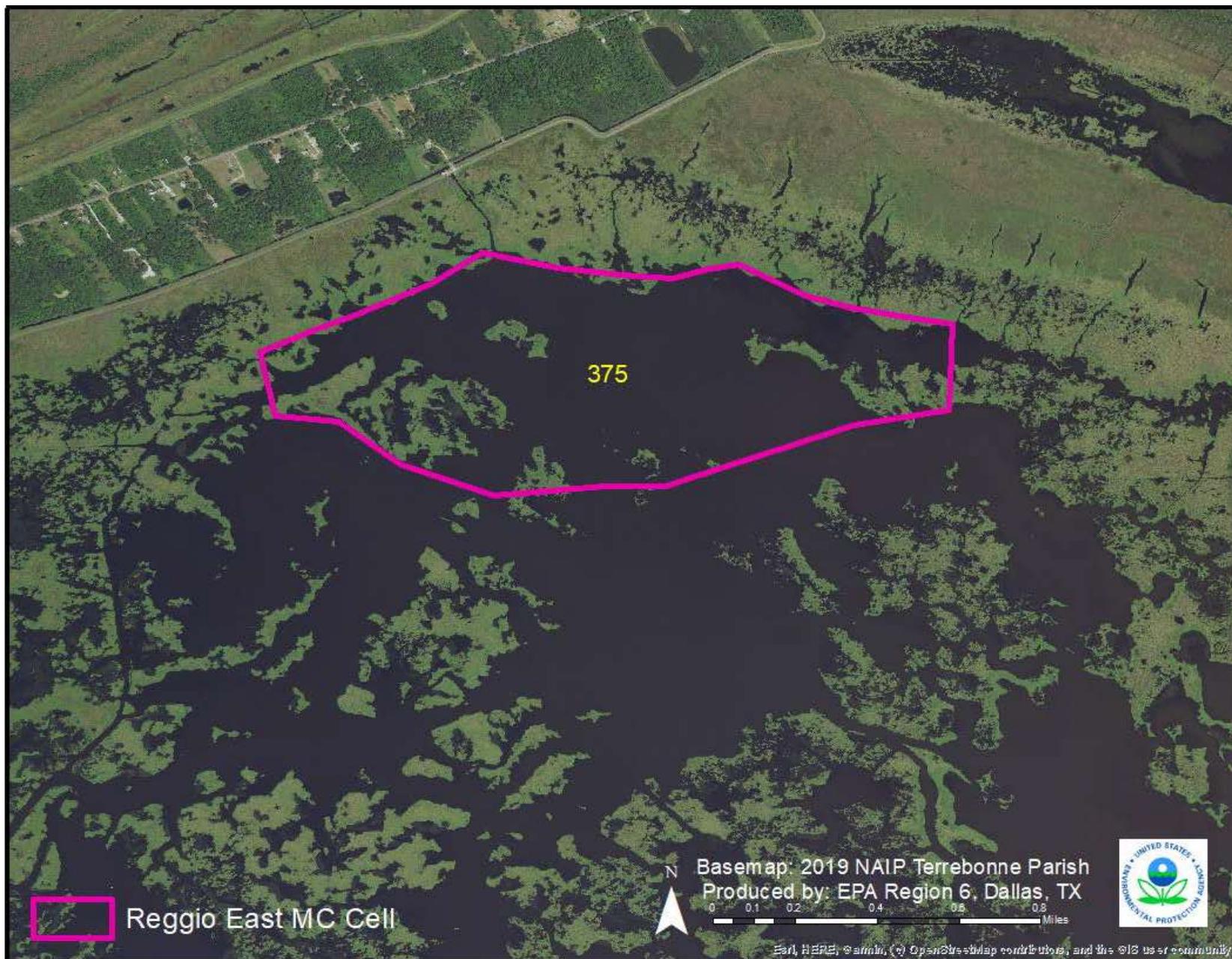
Create/nourish 375 acres (create 316 acres and nourish 59 acres) of marsh with sediment dredged from Lake Lery or potentially other sediment sources, including the East Bank Sediment Pipeline (BS-33).

**Project Costs**

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

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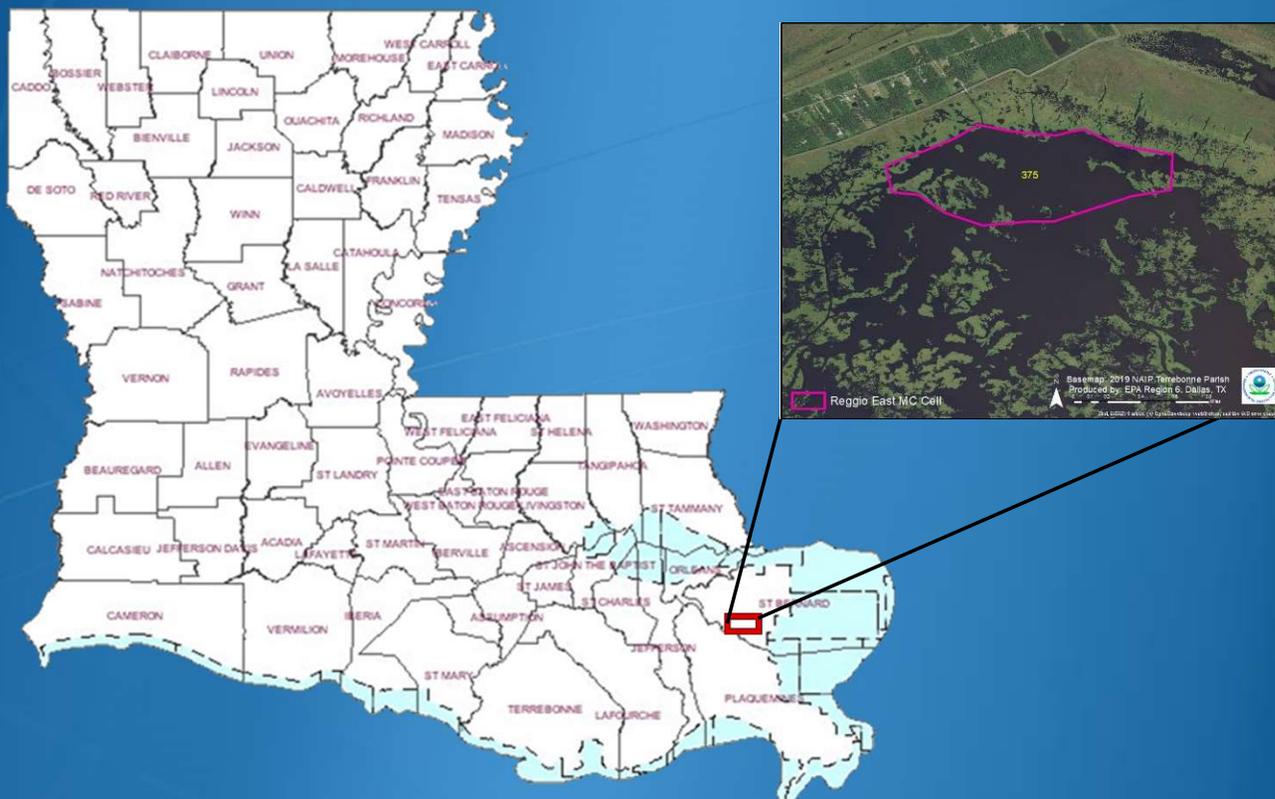
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# Reggio East Marsh Creation



Coastal Wetlands Planning, Protection and Restoration Act



# 2017 Master Plan Solution

001.MC.06a Breton Marsh Creation- Component A: 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.



# 2017 Master Plan Consistency & Project Synergy

## Reggio East Marsh Creation

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-  2017 MP: Breton Marsh Creation - Component A
-  Reggio East MC Cell
-  BS43 Reggio MC

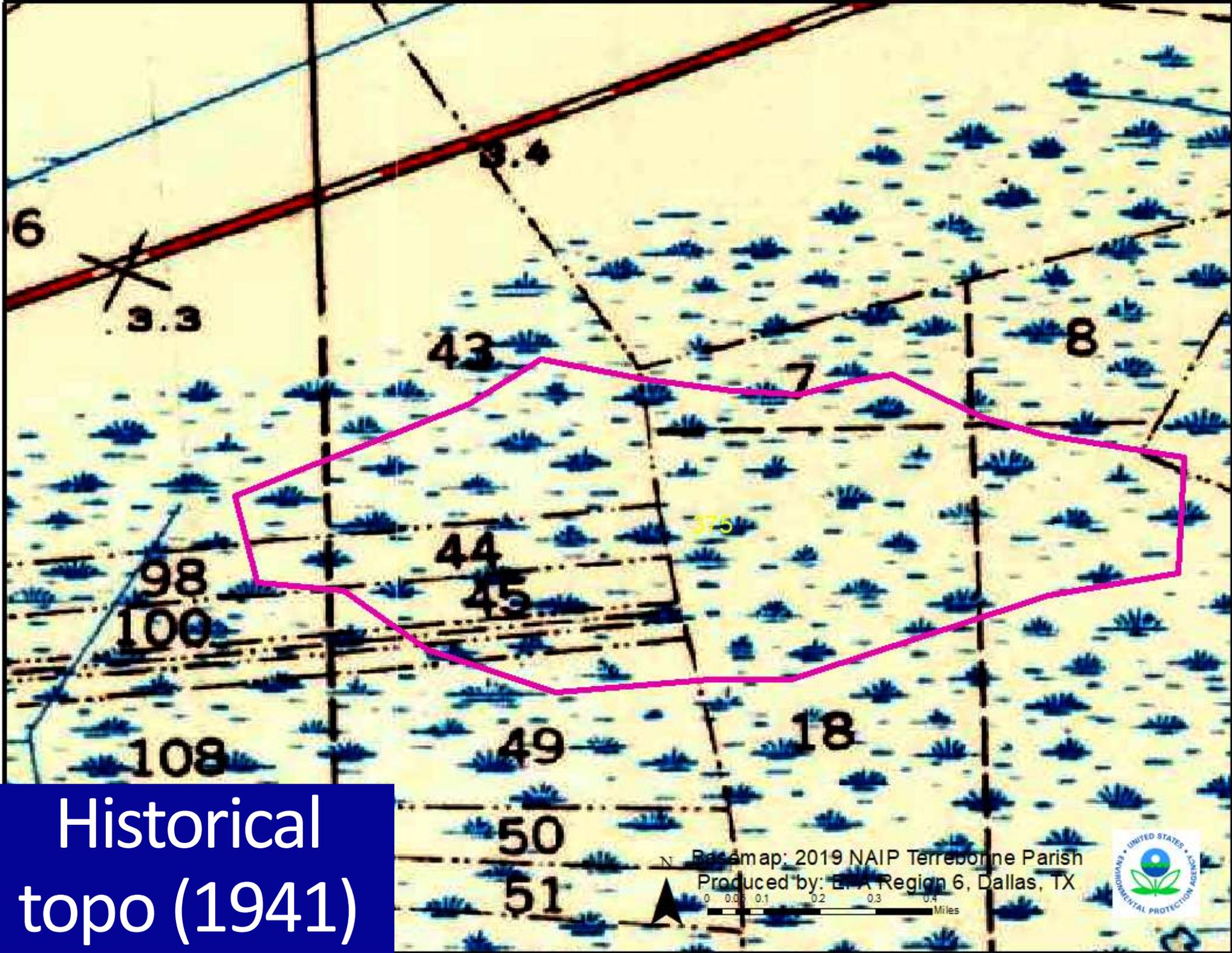
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# Problems

- Storm impacts from multiple storm events
- 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)
- Improves local community resilience, restores habitat, protects critical infrastructure, and supports stakeholder priorities in synergy with EPA's mission



Historical  
topo (1941)

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# Reggio East Marsh Creation

Create/nourish 375 acres

Sediment from Lake Lery or East Bank Sediment Pipeline

Resiliency from flooding of the community

May address St. Bernard Parish Priorities

Restore wetland habitat

Construction cost + 25% contingency is \$20-\$25M

375

Project  
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**PPL32 PROJECT FACT SHEET**  
**February 10, 2022**

**Project Name**

Bayou Terre aux Boeufs 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 Parish

**Problem**

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. The marsh creation cell is located in the Caernarvon Outfall Subunit which shows a land loss rate of -0.96%/yr.

**Proposed Solution**

Create 26,948 linear feet of ridge along Bayou Terre aux Boeufs to provide coastal upland habitat, restore natural hydrology, provide storm surge attenuation, and improve local community resilience. Create/nourish 384 acres emergent marsh with sediment potentially dredged from Petit Lake; however, other sediment sources, including the East Bank Sediment Pipeline (BS-33), will be considered.

**Project Benefits**

Create 26,948 linear feet of ridge along Bayou Terre aux Boeufs and create/nourish 384 acres (create 230 acres and nourish 154 acres) emergent marsh.

**Project Costs**

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

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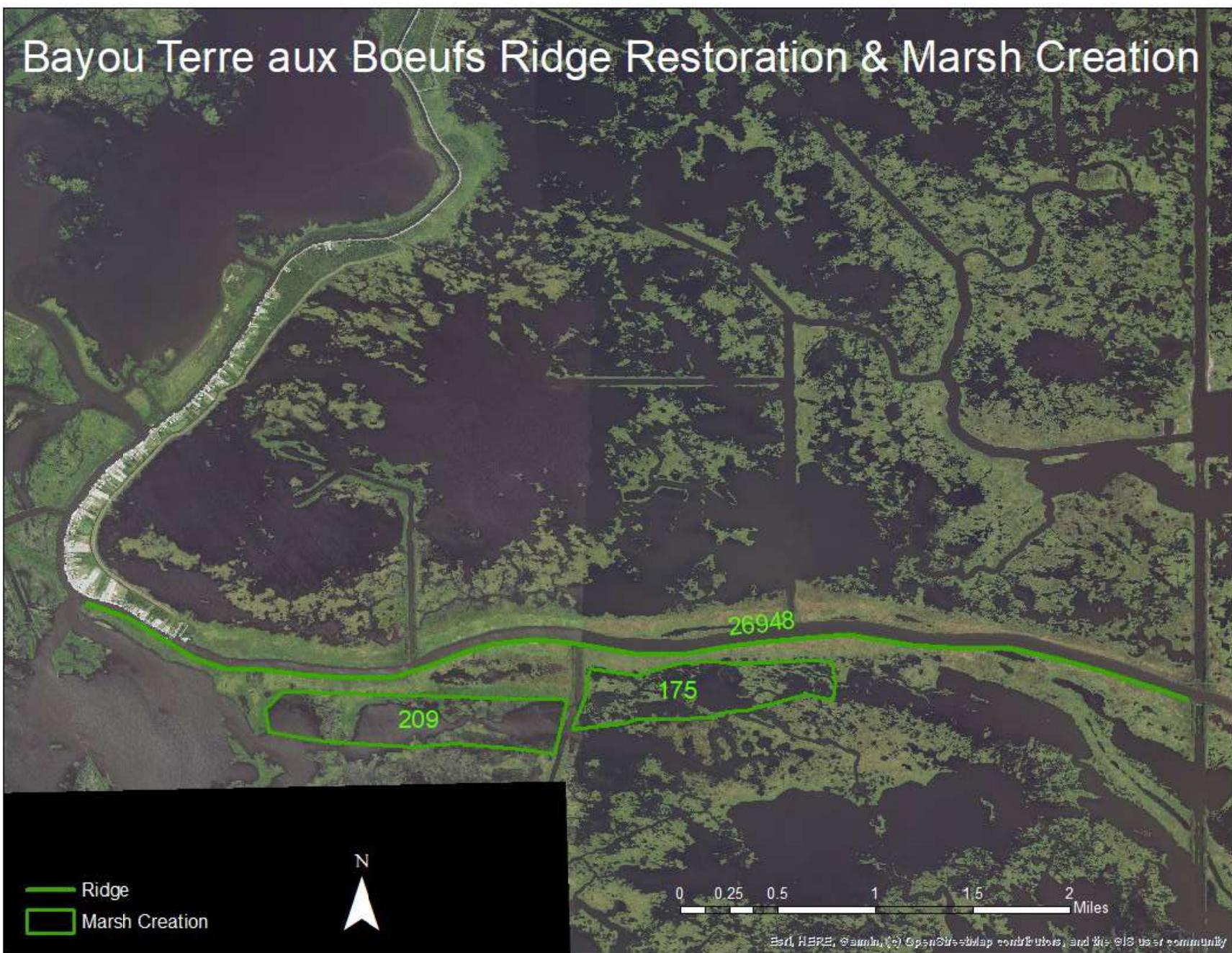
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# Bayou Terre aux Boeufs Ridge Restoration & Marsh Creation

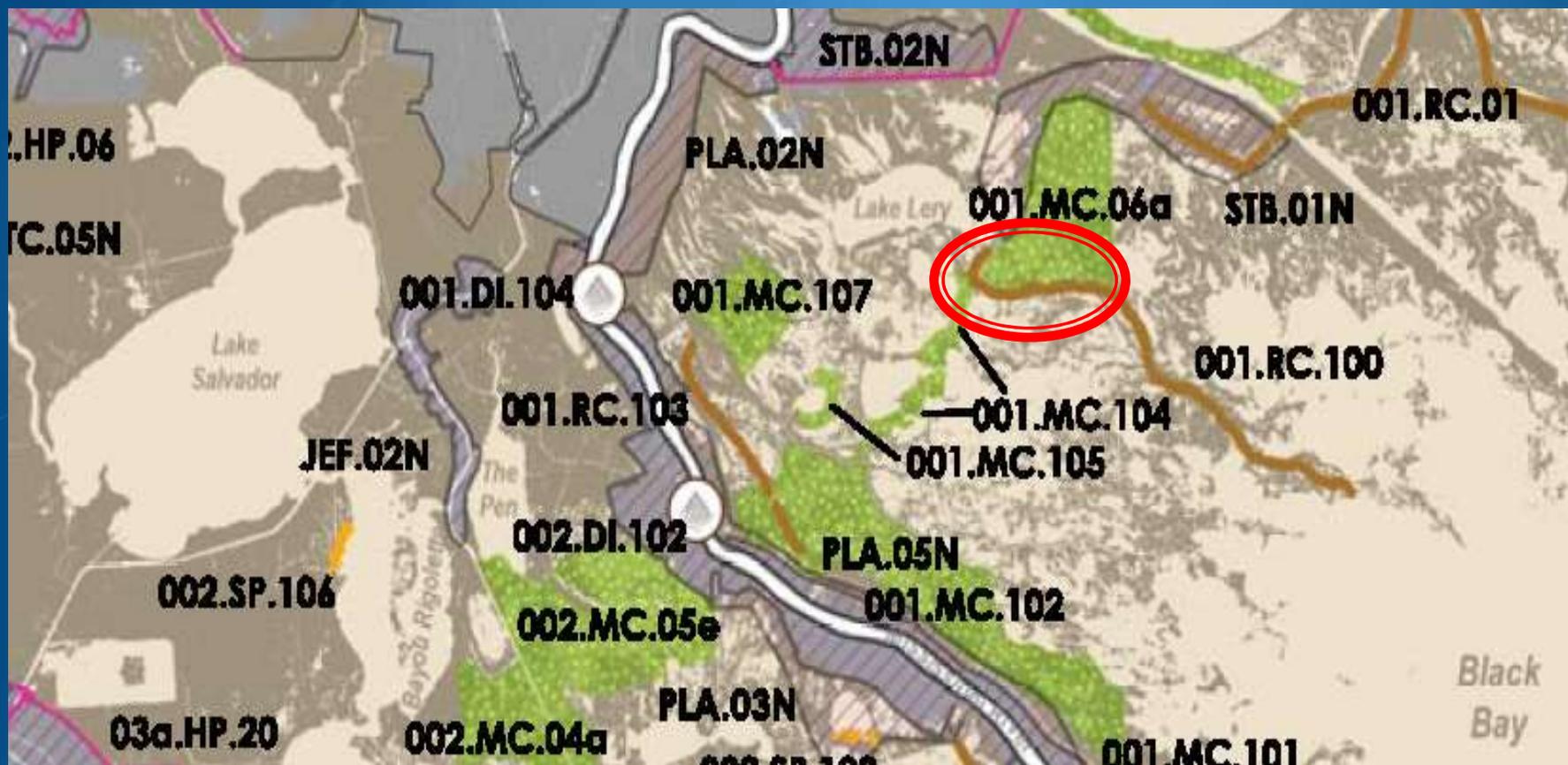


# Bayou Terre aux Boeufs Ridge Restoration & Marsh Creation



# 2017 Master Plan Solution

**001.RC.100 Bayou Terre aux Boeufs Ridge Restoration:** 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.



# 2017 Master Plan Consistency & Project Synergy



# 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).  
(Addresses St. Bernard Parish 2018 Priority Project Tier 1)



# Bayou Terre aux Boeufs Ridge Restoration & Marsh Creation

Restore up to 26948 linear feet of historical ridge  
Create/Nourish 384 acres of emergent marsh  
Construction + Contingency = \$25M - \$30M



Project  
Features

— Ridge  
▭ Marsh Creation



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**PPL32 PROJECT NOMINEE FACT SHEET**  
**February 10, 2022**

**Project Name**

Bayou Grosbec Marsh Creation

**Project Location**

Region 2, Breton Basin, St. Bernard Parish

**Problem**

Hurricanes Katrina, Rita, and Ida 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 USGS expanded project boundary loss rate from the nearby PPL28 East Delacroix Marsh Creation and Terracing (BS-37) project is -1.58%/yr from 1984 to 2018 for the extended project boundary area.

**Goals**

The project goal is to create and nourish approximately 410 acres (ac) of tidal emergent marsh.

**Proposed Solution**

The project goal is to create and nourish approximately 410 ac of marsh (369 ac creation 41 ac nourishment) utilizing a layout to help protect the community of Delacroix and provide synergy with BS-37, BS-41 North Delacroix Marsh Creation and Terracing, and BS-43 Reggio Marsh Creation and Hydrologic Restoration projects which are all currently in Phase I Engineering and Design. Sediment would be mined from Cochon Bay and placed via pipeline. The borrow area would be designed to avoid adverse impacts to the existing shorelines of Cochon Bay. 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 410 ac.
- 2) *How many acres of wetlands will be protected/created over the project life?*  
Approximately 300 – 350 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.
- 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, BS-37, BS-41, and BS-43.

**Considerations**

The proposed project has potential utility/pipeline considerations.

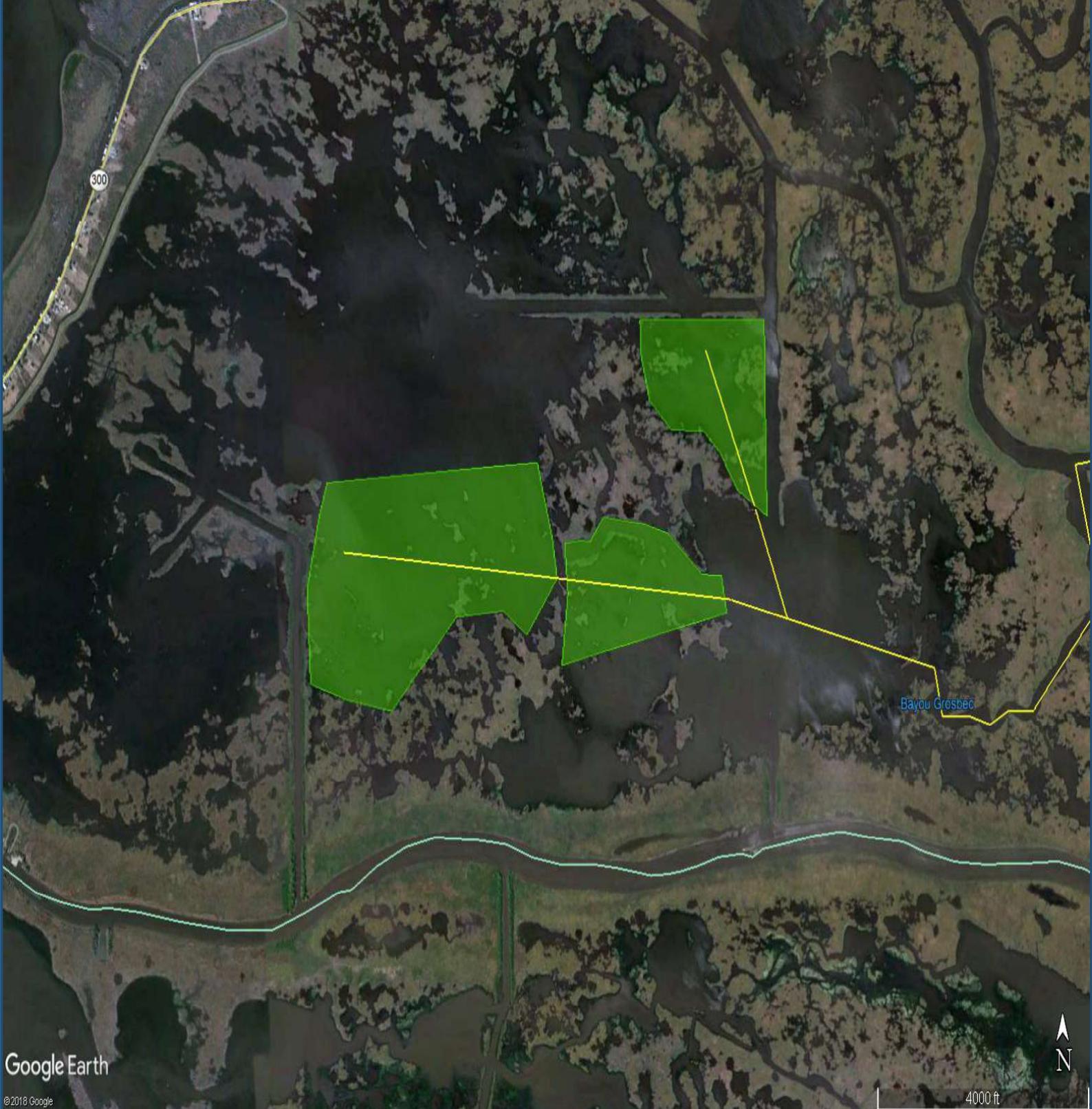
**Preliminary Construction Costs**

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

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# PPL32 Bayou Grosbec Marsh Creation

377 Acres Marsh Creation  
33 Acres Marsh Nourishment

Federal Sponsor: NOAA Fisheries  
2018 Aerial Imagery  
Map Date 2-4-2021

## Legend

-  Dredge Pipeline
-  Marsh Creation Areas



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# Bayou Grosbec Marsh Creation

REGION 2 – Breton Basin

Presenter: Brandon Howard, Fishery Biologist, NOAA

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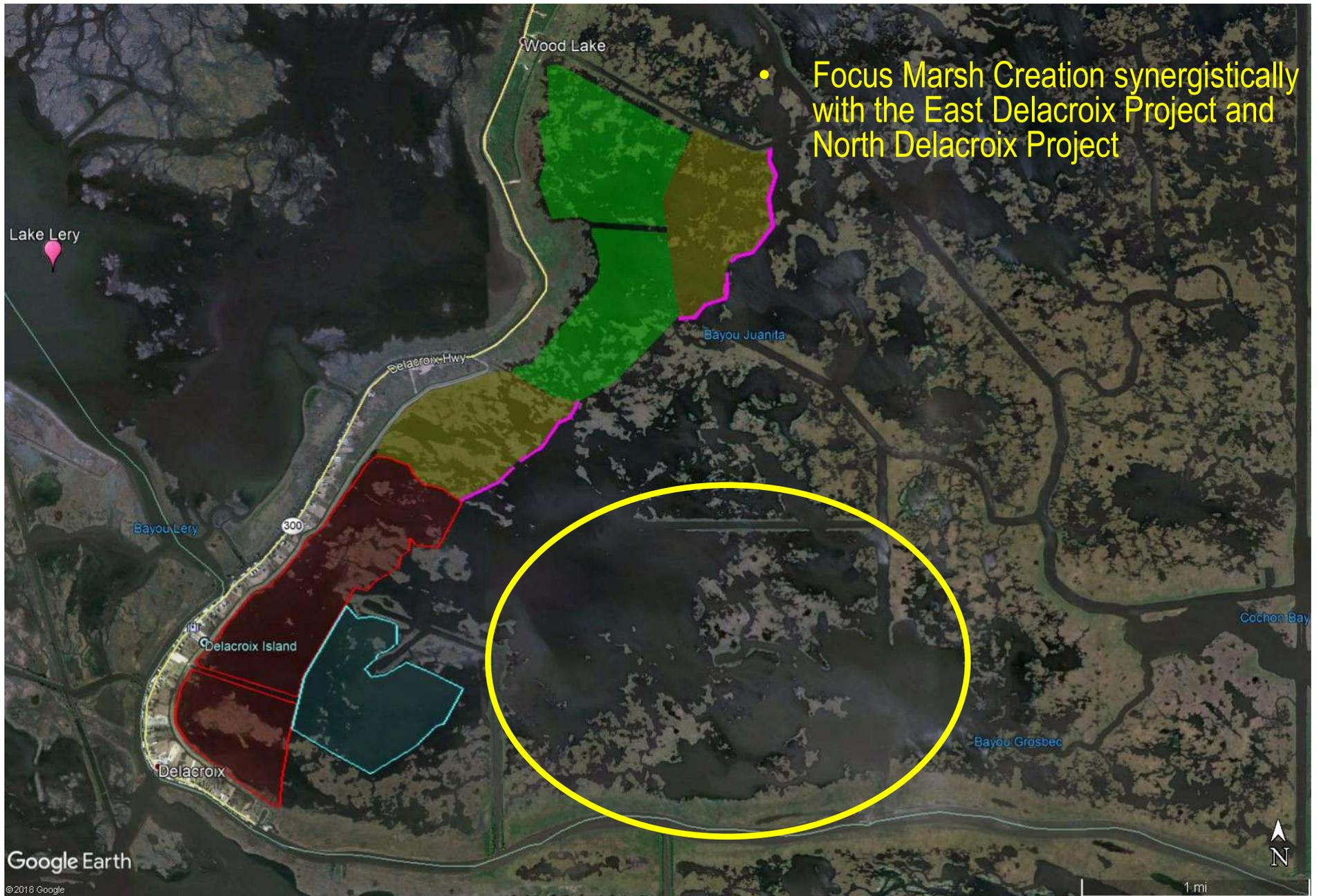
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PPL30 CWPPRA Regional Planning Team Meeting

February 10, 2022





# Restoration Solution

- 410 Acres of Marsh Creation/Nourishment
  - 369 acres of marsh creation & 41 acres of marsh nourishment
  - Hydraulically dredge material from Cochon Bay
  - Contained fill areas with dike gapping after construction

# Project Map

- 2017 State Master Plan Polygon 001.MC.06a
- Cochon Bay Borrow Area
- 410 Acres TOTAL of Marsh Creation/Nourishment
- Approximately 369 acres Creation and 41 acres Nourishment



	<b>PPL31 Bayou Grosbec Marsh Creation</b>	<b>Legend</b>
	377 Acres Marsh Creation 33 Acres Marsh Nourishment	Federal Sponsor: NOAA Fisheries 2018 Aerial Imagery Map Date 2-4-2021

# Summary of Features, Cost, and Benefits

- **410 Acres Total**
  - 369 acres Marsh Creation
  - 41 acres Nourishment
- **Construction Cost + 25% Contingency \$25M - \$30M**
- **Net Benefits: 300 - 350 acres**

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**PPL32 PROJECT NOMINEE FACT SHEET**  
**February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**Project Name**

River aux Chenes North Marsh Creation Project

**Project Location**

Region 2, Breton Sound Basin, Plaquemines Parish, south of Spanish Lake

**Problem**

Within the project vicinity, marsh loss has occurred as the result of oil/gas canals, subsidence, and lack of sediment deposition. Historically, this area was nourished by freshwater delivered by the Mississippi River until the creation of the levees along the lower river. The major cause of wetland loss has been from storm activity (i.e. Hurricane Betsy and Katrina), causing both storm-induced scouring and salt water intrusion. One of the areas most severely impacted was the Breton Sound Basin where it is estimated that 40.9 square miles of marsh were converted to open water. The wetland loss rate in the area is -0.78% per year for the period 1984 to 2019, based on the nearby Phoenix Marsh Creation - East Increment PPL29 Candidate project.

**Goals**

The project goals are to create and/or nourish 526 acres of intermediate marsh within open water and fragmented marsh habitats ensuring tidal influence as early as possible and for as long as possible during the 20-year project life, taking into consideration elevations and ecological performance of existing marsh habitats. Restoration of intermediate marsh habitat with dredged material from Grand Lake will create 412 acres and nourish 114 acres, parallel to River aux Chenes, providing linkages to the Breton West Landbridge project (BS-38) to its north and linkages to the Phoenix Marsh Creation - East Increment project (BS-42) to its east and the Phoenix Marsh Creation - West Increment project (BS-44) to its south.

**Proposed Solution**

Sediments will be hydraulically dredged from Grand Lake to create 412 acres of marsh and nourish an additional 114 acres of marshes south of Spanish Lake. The dredged lake sediments will be pumped via pipeline into three confined fill placement areas. This project will build up the marsh along the banks of River aux Chenes in a north to south configuration. Containment dikes will be constructed around each marsh creation cell. Containment dikes will be gapped at the end of construction or by TY3.

**Preliminary Project Benefits**

1) *What is the total acreage benefited both directly and indirectly?* Approximately 526 acres would be benefited directly and indirectly. Direct benefits include 412 acres of marsh creation and 114 acres of marsh nourishment. Indirect benefits could occur to surrounding marsh and open water areas.

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 350-400 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 interior 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.*  
No.

5) *What is the net impact of the project on critical and non-critical infrastructure?* The project would offer 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?* The project would work synergistically with two landbridge projects currently in Phase II construction: the Mid Breton Landbridge Marsh Creation and Terracing (BS-32) project and the Breton West Landbridge Marsh Creation project (BS-38). Additionally, the project would be synergistic with two projects currently in Phase I engineering and design: the Phoenix Marsh Creation - East Increment (BS-42) and the Phoenix Marsh Creation - West Increment (BS-44).

### **Considerations**

None identified at this time.

### **Preliminary Cost**

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

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# PPL32 River aux Chenes North Marsh Creation

412 Acres Marsh Creation  
114 Acres Marsh Nourishment

Federal Sponsor: NOAA Fisheries  
1-2021 Aerial Imagery  
Map Date 01-28-2022

## Legend

 Marsh Creation  
526 acres



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# River aux Chenes North Marsh Creation Project

REGION 2 – Breton Sound Basin

Presenter: January Murray, Project Manager, NOAA

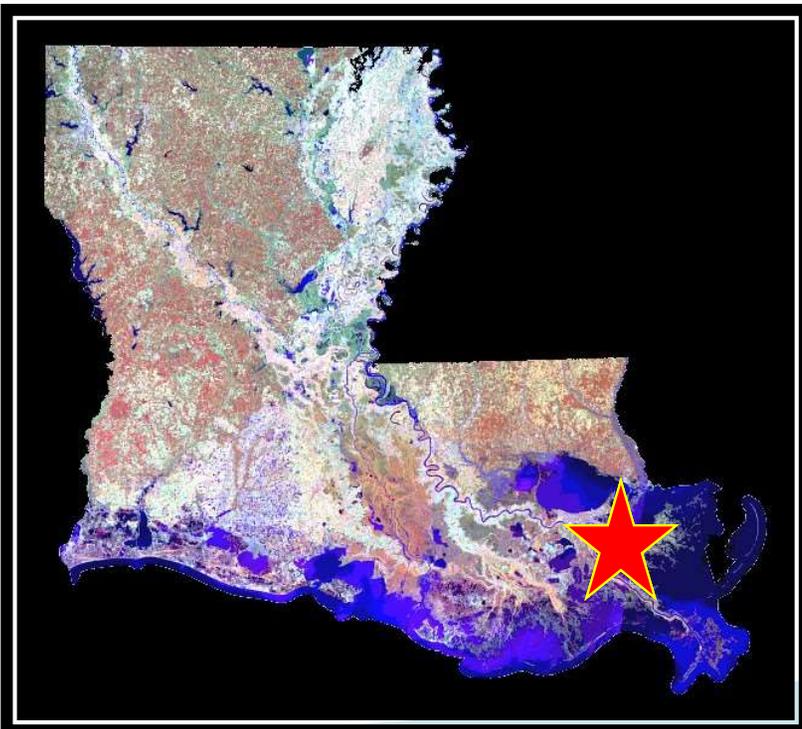
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# Project Location

## River aux Chenes North Marsh Creation Project

### River aux Chenes North Marsh Creation

Preliminary Project Concept

SPANISH LAKE

GRAND LAKE

BS-38 Breton Landbridge  
Marsh Creation (West)  
Phase II

Total 526 acres

159ac

RIVER AUX CHENES

78 ac

289ac

PPL29 East Increment  
Phoenix Marsh Creation  
Phase I

PPL30 West Increment  
Phoenix Marsh Creation  
Phase I

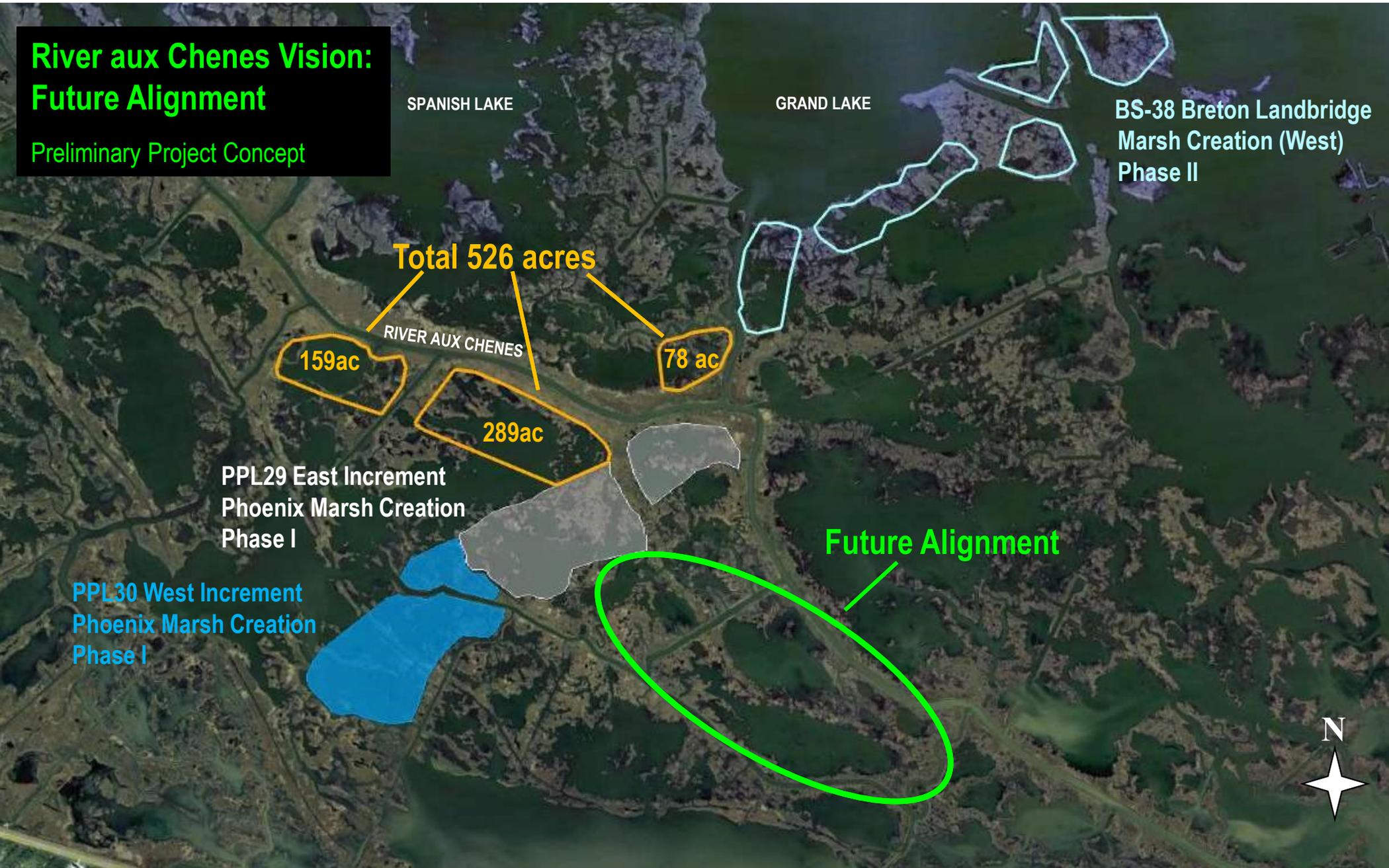


# Project Location

## River aux Chenes Vision: Future Alignment

### River aux Chenes Vision: Future Alignment

Preliminary Project Concept



# Project Area Problems, Goals, & Solutions

## Problems: Wetland Degradation (-0.78%/yr)

- Sea Level Rise, Subsidence, Hurricane Impacts, & Conversion of Marsh to Open Water

## Goals: Marsh Creation & Nourishment

- Restore intertidal marsh habitat
- Design & construct resilient wetlands to maximize wetland benefits throughout the 20 year project life

## Restoration Solution:

- 474 acres of Marsh Creation & 52 acres of Marsh Nourishment
- Hydraulically dredge material from Grand Lake
- Contained fill areas with dikes gapped after construction



## River aux Chenes North Marsh Creation Project

# Project Map

- 2017 State Master Plan Polygon 001.MC.102
- Grand Lake Borrow Area
- 526 acres TOTAL of Marsh Creation / Nourishment
- Approximately 412 acres Creation and 114 acres Nourishment



### PPL32 River aux Chenes North Marsh Creation

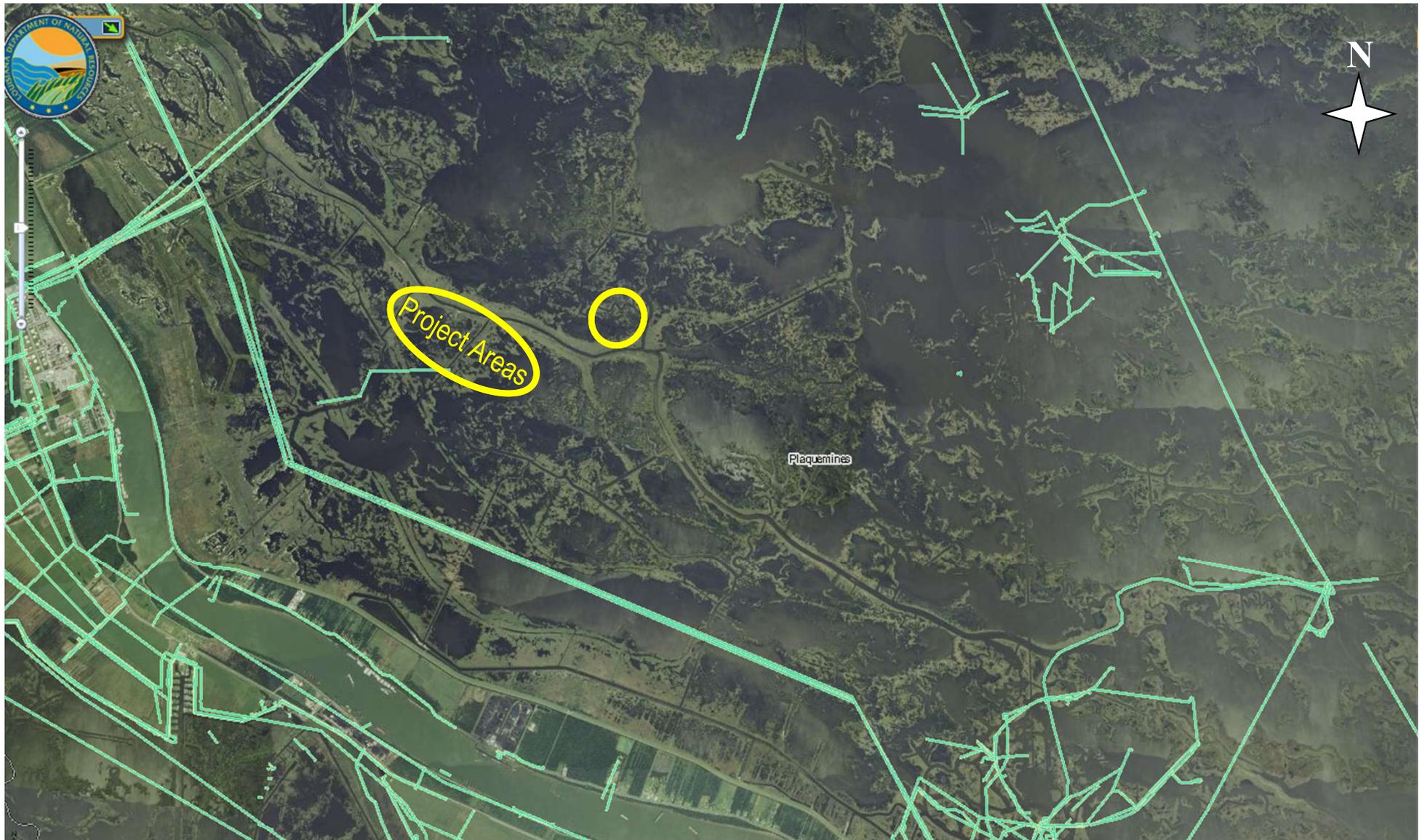
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#### Legend

 Marsh Creation  
526 acres

# Pipelines



# Summary of Features, Cost, and Benefits

- **526 Acres Total**
  - 412 acres Marsh Creation
  - 114 acres Marsh Nourishment
- **Construction Cost + 25% Contingency \$20M - \$25M**
- **Net Benefits: 350-400 acres**

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**PPL32 PROJECT NOMINEE FACT SHEET**  
**February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**Project Name**

Carlisle Ridge Restoration and Marsh Creation North Project

**Project Location**

Region 2, Breton Sound Basin, Plaquemines Parish

**Problem**

Within the project vicinity, marsh loss has occurred as the result of oil/gas canals, subsidence, and lack of sediment deposition. Historically, this area was nourished by freshwater delivered by the Mississippi River until the creation of the levees along the lower river. The major cause of wetland loss has been from storm activity (i.e. Hurricanes Betsy and Katrina), causing both storm-induced scouring and salt water intrusion. The Breton Sound Basin was severely impacted by Hurricane Katrina, where it is estimated that 40.9 square miles of marsh was converted to open water. The wetland loss rate in the area is -0.63% per year for the period 1984 to 2020 based on USGS subunit land change trends.

**Goals**

The project goals are to restore 13,850 linear feet (18 acres) of forested ridge habitat west of Little Oak Pond to further sustain this environment and to create and/or nourish 494 acres of intermediate marsh within open water and fragmented marsh habitats. Dredged material from the Mississippi River will be used to restore 18 acres of forested ridge and to create 296 acres and nourish 198 acres of marsh habitat.

**Proposed Solution**

Sediments will be hydraulically dredged and pumped via pipeline from the Mississippi River to create 13,850 linear feet (18 acres) of forested ridge habitat. The ridge will be constructed with a crown elevation of +5.0 feet NAVD88, 20 feet wide, and the crown and slopes will be planted. Additionally, sediments from the Mississippi River will be pumped via pipeline into three confined fill placement areas to create and nourish 494 acres of marsh. Dewatering and compaction of dredged materials will establish intertidal emergent marsh habitat. Containment dikes will be constructed around each marsh creation cell. Containment dikes will be gapped at the end of construction or by TY3.

**Preliminary Project Benefits**

1) *What is the total acreage benefited both directly and indirectly?* Approximately 494 acres of marsh and 18 acres of ridge would be benefited directly and indirectly. Direct benefits include 18 acres of forested, coastal ridge habitat and 296 acres of marsh creation and 198 acres of marsh nourishment. Indirect benefits could occur to surrounding marsh and open water areas.

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 (e.g., 50% reduction in the background loss rate)?* The anticipated interior 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 restored.

5) *What is the net impact of the project on critical and non-critical infrastructure?* The project would offer 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?* The project would work synergistically with two projects to the southeast currently in Phase I engineering and design: the Phoenix Marsh Creation - East Increment (BS-42) and the Phoenix Marsh Creation - West Increment (BS-44).

### **Considerations**

Oil and gas infrastructure will need to be considered in project design.

### **Preliminary Cost**

The construction cost plus 25% contingency is \$30M - \$35M.

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## PPL32 Carlisle Ridge Restoration & Marsh Creation North

296 Acres Marsh Creation  
198 Acres Marsh Nourishment

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### Legend

-  Marsh Creation  
494 acres
-  Forested Ridge  
18 acres



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# Carlisle Ridge Restoration & Marsh Creation North Project

REGION 2 – Breton Sound Basin

Presenter: January Murray, Project Manager, NOAA

**Special Thanks:**

Plaquemines Parish

NOAA Project Team

PPL32 CWPPRA Regional Planning Team Meeting

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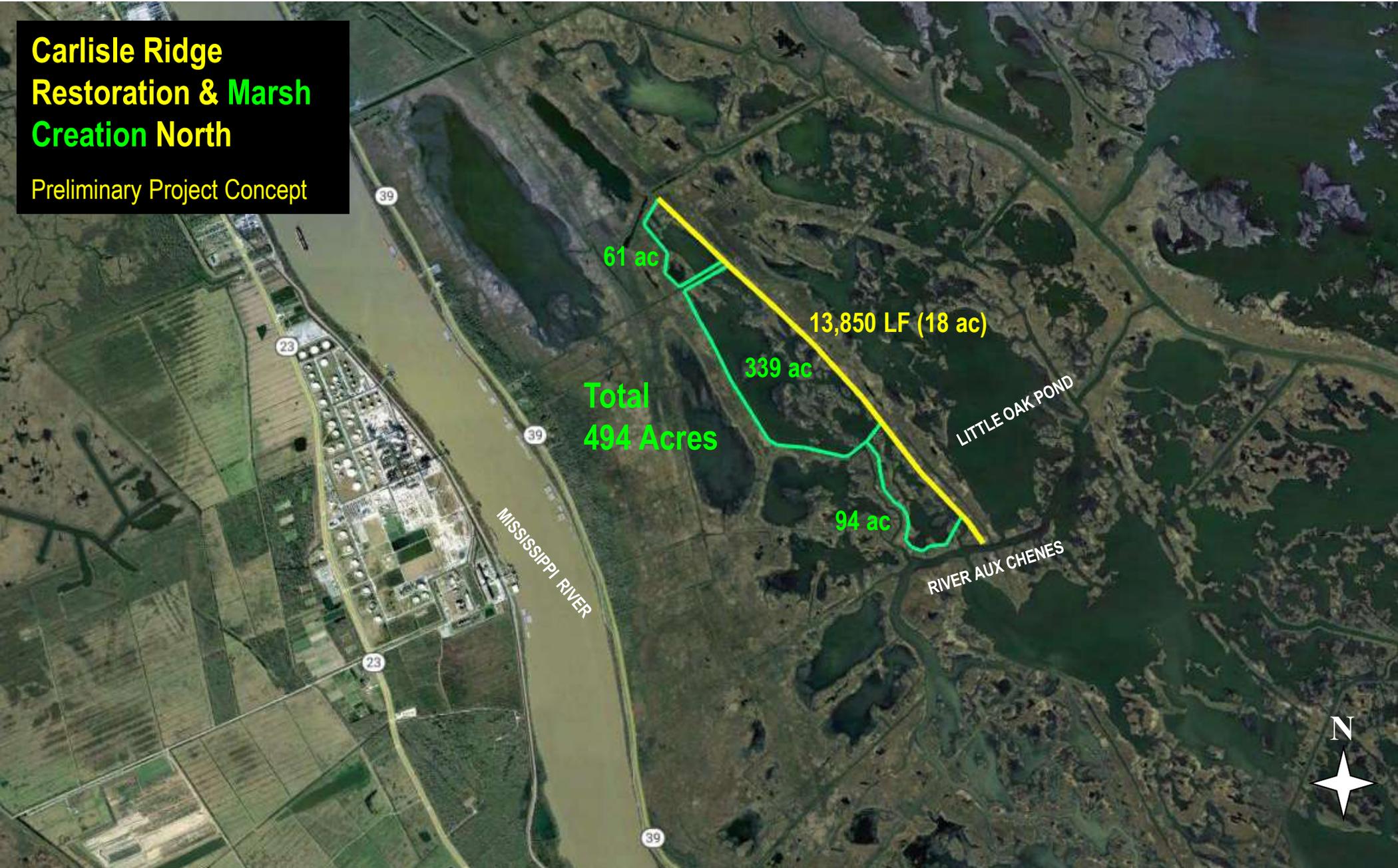


# Project Location

## Carlisle Ridge Restoration & Marsh Creation North Project

### Carlisle Ridge Restoration & Marsh Creation North

Preliminary Project Concept



# Project Area Problems & Goals

## Problems: Wetland Degradation (-0.63%/yr)

- Sea Level Rise
- Subsidence
- Hurricane Impacts
- Conversion of Marsh to Open Water

## Goals: Ridge Restoration

- Provide coastal upland habitat
- Restore natural hydrology
- Provide wave & storm surge attenuation near Carlisle
- Creating a ridge will further sustain this environment

# Project Area Goals & Solutions

## Goals: Marsh Creation & Nourishment

- Restore intertidal marsh habitat
- Design & construct resilient wetlands to maximize wetland benefits throughout the 20-year project life

## Restoration Solution:

- 18 acres (13,850 linear feet) of Ridge Restoration
- 296 acres of Marsh Creation & 198 acres of Marsh Nourishment
- Hydraulically dredge material from Mississippi River
- Contained fill areas with dikes gapped after construction



## Carlisle Ridge Restoration & Marsh Creation North Project

# Project Map

- 2017 State Master Plan Polygon 001.RC.103
- Mississippi River Borrow Area
- 18 acres (13,850 linear feet) Ridge Restoration
- 494 acres TOTAL of Marsh Creation / Nourishment
- Approximately 296 acres Creation & 198 acres Nourishment

 <p>296 Acres Marsh Creation 198 Acres Marsh Nourishment</p>	<p><b>PPL32 Carlisle Ridge Restoration &amp; Marsh Creation North</b></p> <p>Federal Sponsor: NOAA Fisheries 1-2021 Aerial Imagery Map Date 02-1-2022</p>	<p><b>Legend</b></p> <p> Marsh Creation 494 acres</p> <p> Forested Ridge 18 acres</p>
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# Pipelines

## Carlisle Ridge Restoration & Marsh Creation North Project



# Summary of Features, Cost, and Benefits

- **18 acres (13,850 linear feet)  
Ridge Restoration**
- **494 Acres Total**
  - 296 acres Marsh Creation
  - 198 acres Marsh Nourishment
- **Construction Cost + 25%  
Contingency \$30M - \$35M**
- **Net Benefits: 300-350 acres**

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**Project Name**

East Lake Lery Marsh Creation

**Project Location**

Region 2, Breton Basin, St. Bernard Parish

**Problem**

The marshes forming the eastern shoreline of Lake Lery were severely damaged by Hurricane Katrina. Wind-induced waves within Lake Lery could further damage the shoreline and cause accelerated interior marsh loss. Without directly rebuilding these marshes, the lake will continue to grow and potentially coalesce with Bayou Terre aux Boeufs. The 1985 to 2020 loss rate is -0.81% per year for the USGS North Lake Lery mapping subunit.

**Goals**

The primary goals of the project are to create/nourish 257 acres of intertidal marsh through dedicated dredging and to design the project to build resilient wetlands that maximize wetland benefits for the twenty year project life. The marsh creation/nourishment area will restore approximately 1.9 miles of the lake shoreline.

**Proposed Solution**

The project would create 207 acres and nourish an additional 50 acres of marsh along the eastern shore of Lake Lery using material dredged from Lake Lery. Temporary containment dikes will be constructed and gapped within three years of construction to allow greater tidal exchange and estuarine organism access.

**Preliminary Project Benefits**

- 1) *What is the total acreage benefited both directly and indirectly?*  
This total project area is 257 acres (207 acres marsh creation and 50 acres of nourishment).
- 2) *How many acres of wetlands will be protected/created over the project life?*  
Approximately 150-200 net acres of marsh will be protected/created over the twenty year 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% over the project's 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 reestablish the eastern rim of Lake Lery.
- 5) *What is the net impact of the project on critical and non-critical infrastructure?*

The project would have moderate net positive impact to non-critical infrastructure comprised of pipelines.

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, and 3) CIAP project constructed west of Delacroix.

**Considerations**

The proposed project has utility/pipeline considerations.

**Preliminary Construction Costs**

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

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# PPL32 East Lake Lery Marsh Creation

207 Acres Marsh Creation  
50 Acres Marsh Nourishment

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## Legend

 Marsh Creation

**PPL32 PROJECT NOMINEE FACT SHEET**  
**February 10, 2022**

**Project Name**

Lake Lery Marsh Creation and Rim Restoration Project Phase III

**Project Location**

Region 2, Breton Basin, St. Bernard Parish

**Problem**

The marshes forming the northern shoreline of Lake Lery were severely damaged by Hurricane Katrina. Wind-induced waves within Lake Lery could further damage the shoreline and cause accelerated interior marsh loss. Without directly rebuilding these marshes, the lake will continue to grow and potentially coalesce with newly open waters north of the lake. The 1985 to 2020 loss rate is -0.81% per year for the USGS North Lake Lery mapping subunit.

**Goals**

The primary goals of the project are to create/nourish 401 acres of intertidal marsh through dedicated dredging and to design the project to build resilient wetlands that maximize wetland benefits for the twenty year project life. The marsh creation/nourishment area will restore approximately 2.4 miles of the lake shoreline.

**Proposed Solution**

The project would create and nourish 401 acres of marsh along the northern shore of Lake Lery using material dredged from Lake Lery. Temporary containment dikes will be constructed and gapped within three years of construction to allow greater tidal exchange and estuarine organism access.

**Preliminary Project Benefits**

- 1) *What is the total acreage benefited both directly and indirectly?*  
This total project area is 401 acres.
- 2) *How many acres of wetlands will be protected/created over the project life?*  
Approximately 200-250 net acres of marsh will be protected/created over the twenty year 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% over the project's 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 reestablish the northern rim of Lake Lery.
- 5) *What is the net impact of the project on critical and non-critical infrastructure?*

The project would have moderate net positive impact to non-critical infrastructure comprised of pipelines.

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, and 3) CIAP project constructed west of Delacroix.

**Considerations**

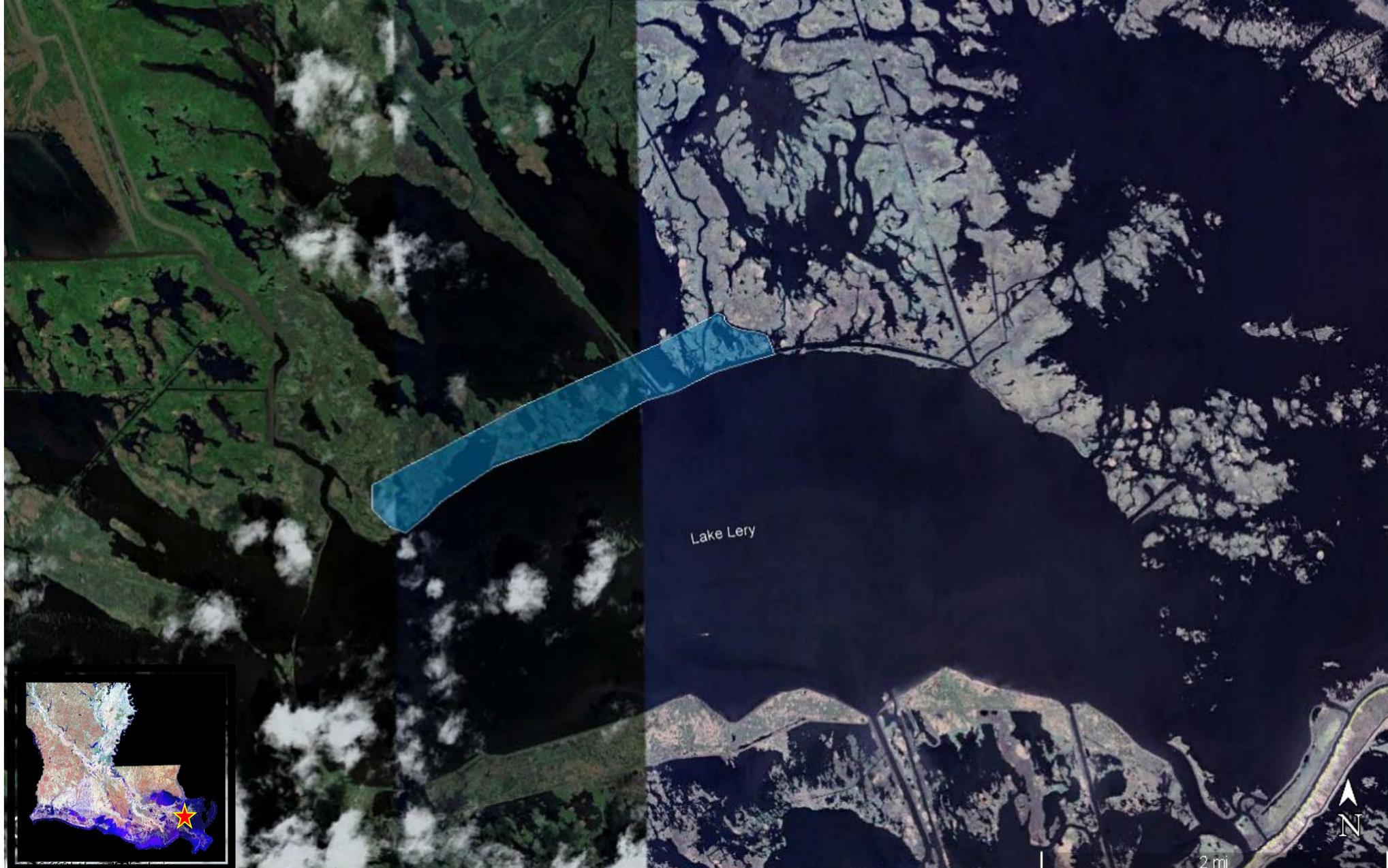
The proposed project has utility/pipeline considerations.

**Preliminary Construction Costs**

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

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# PPL32 Lake Lery Marsh Creation and Rim Restoration – Phase III

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401 Acres Marsh Creation and Marsh Nourishment

**Legend**

 Marsh Creation



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# Lake Lery Marsh Creation: East Lake Lery Marsh Creation and Lake Lery Marsh Creation and Rim Restoration Phase III

REGION 2 – Breton Basin

Presenter: Dawn Davis, Fishery Biologist

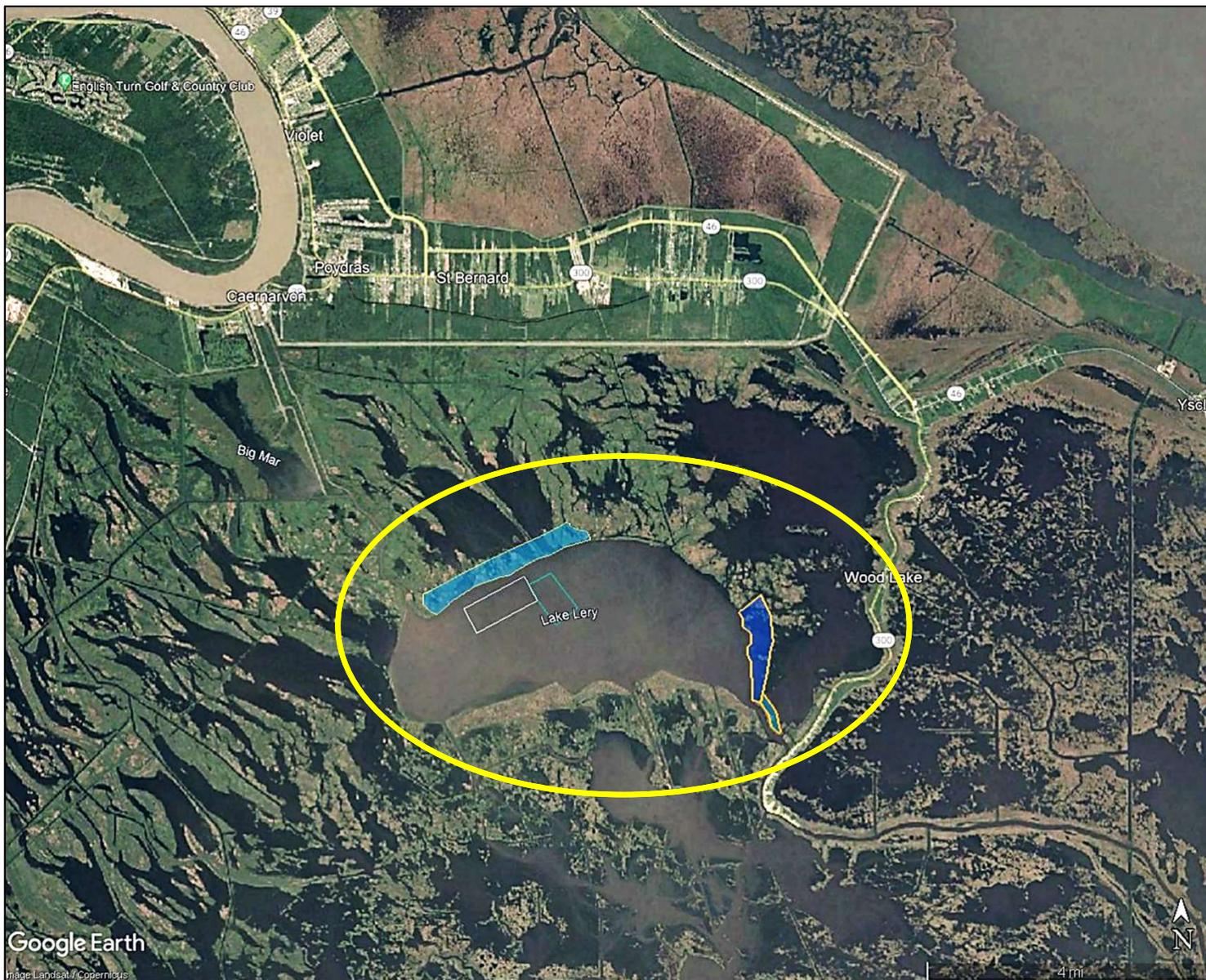
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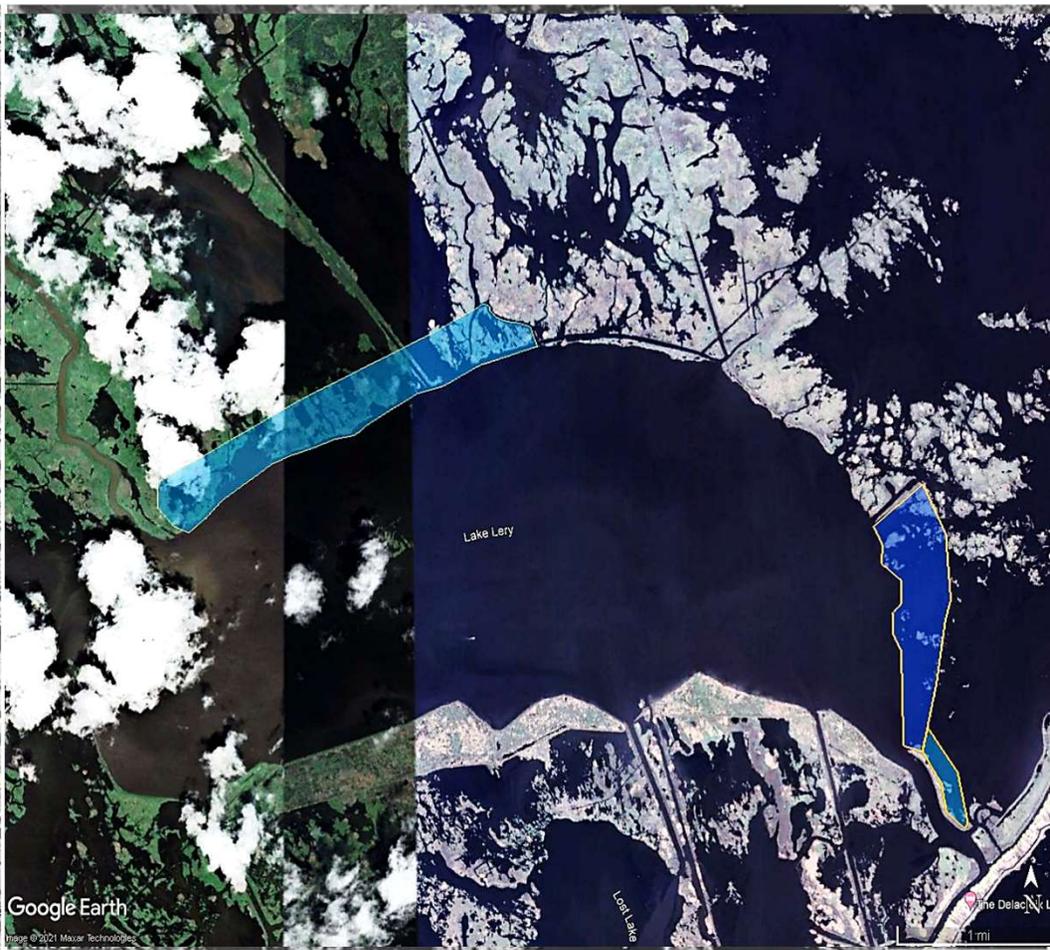
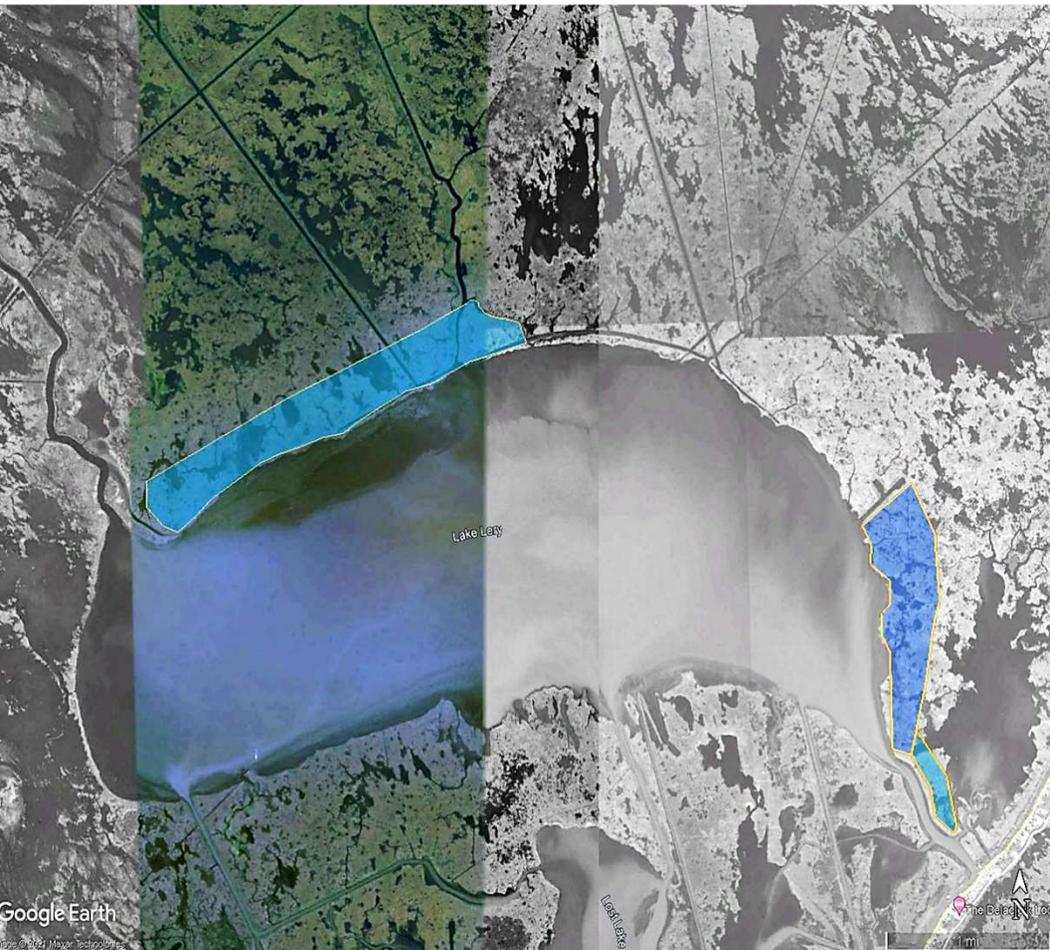
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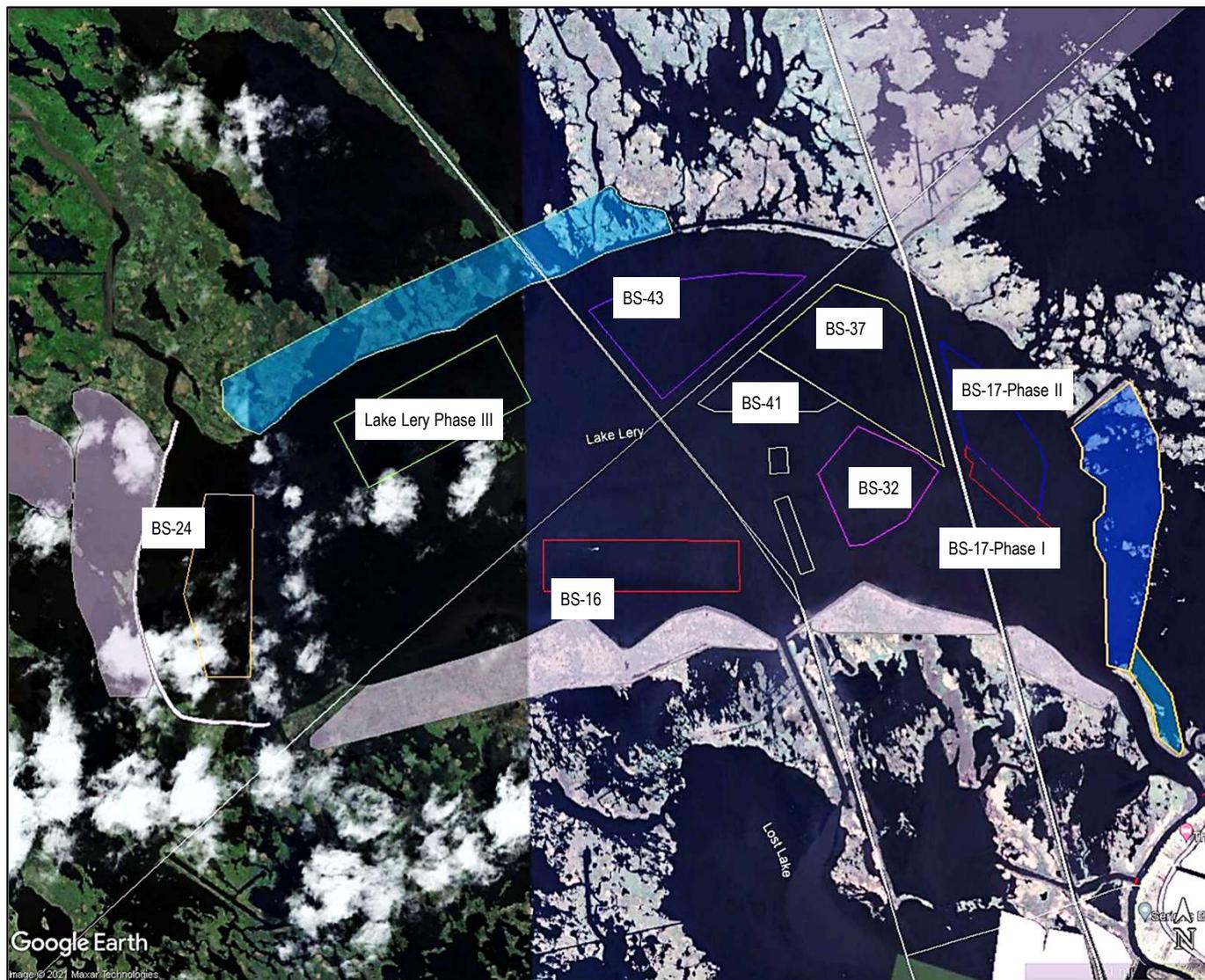
# Project Area Degradation

Pre-Katrina 2005

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# Project area history

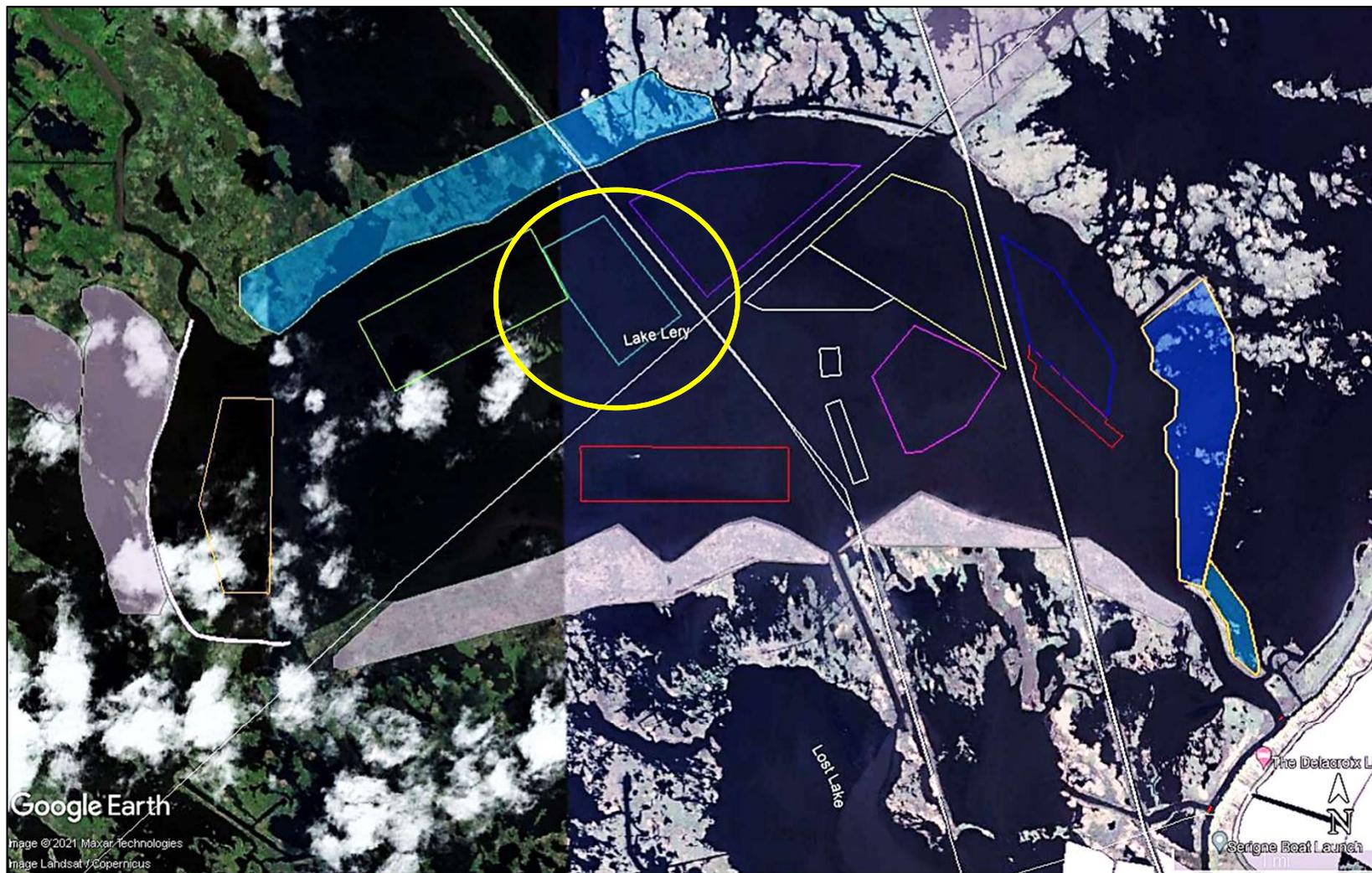


# East Lake Lery Marsh Creation

## Proposed Project Solution

- 257 acres of marsh creation/nourishment
  - 207 acres MC and 50 acres MN
  - Dredge material from Lake Lery
  - Full containment with dike gapping after construction
- Build resilient wetlands that maximize wetland benefits for the twenty year project life
- Restore 1.9 miles of lake shoreline

# Project Map



Google Earth

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### PPL32 East Lake Lery Marsh Creation

207 Acres Marsh Creation  
50 Acres Marsh Nourishment

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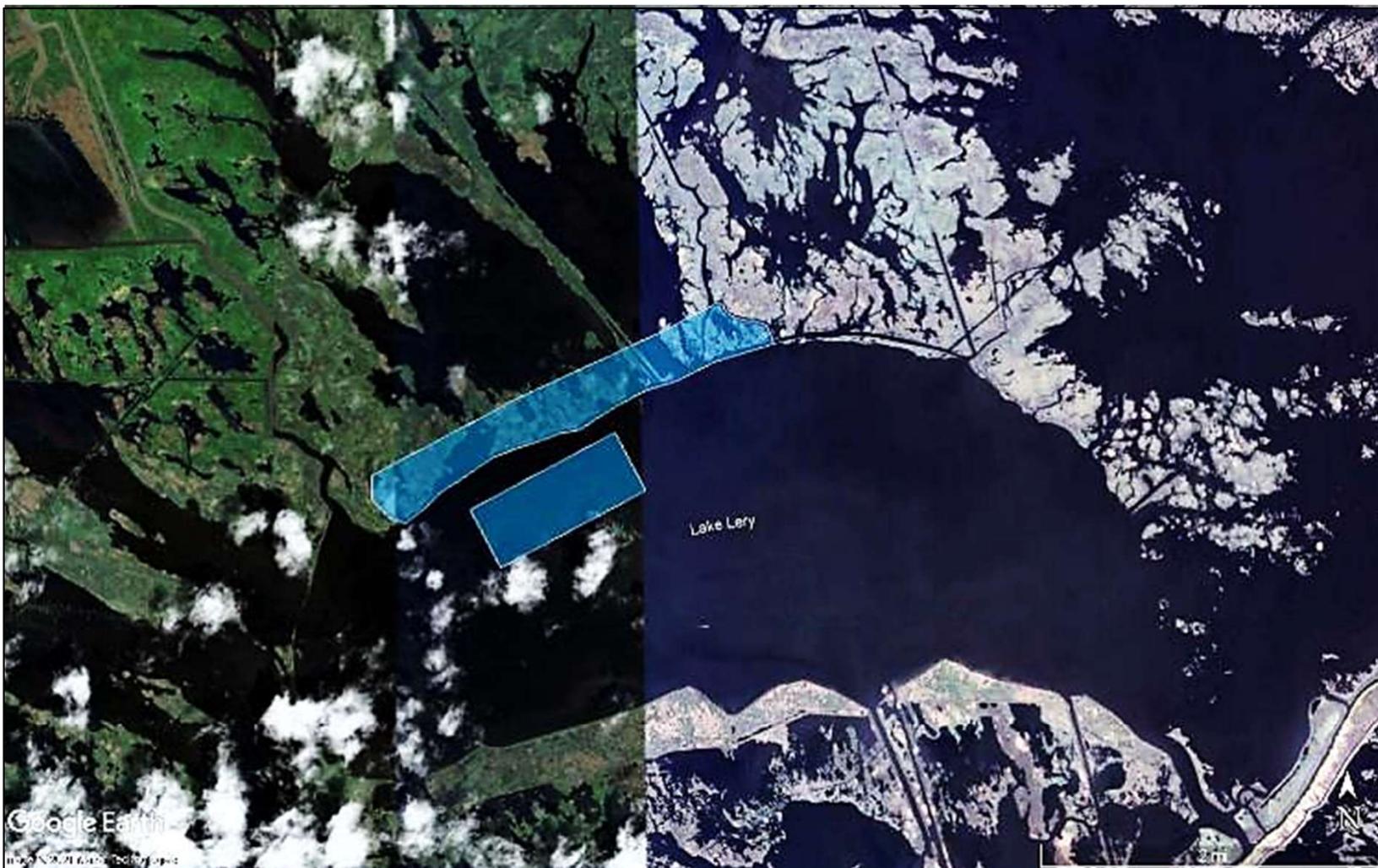
 Marsh Creation

# Lake Lery Marsh Creation and Rim Restoration Phase III

## Proposed Project Solution

- 401 acres of marsh creation/nourishment
  - Dredge material from Lake Lery
  - Full containment with dike gapping after construction
- Build resilient wetlands that maximize wetland benefits for the twenty year project life
- Restore 2.4 miles of lake shoreline

# Project Map



 <p>401 Acres Marsh Creation and Marsh Nourishment</p>	<h3>PPL32 Lake Lery Marsh Creation and Rim Restoration – Phase III</h3> <p>Federal Sponsor: NOAA Fisheries 2021 Aerial Imagery Map Date 02-10-2022</p>	<h3>Legend</h3> <p> Marsh Creation</p>
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# Summary

## East Lake Lery Marsh Creation

- Marsh Creation/Nourishment: 257 Acres
- Construction Cost + 25% Contingency: \$15M - \$20M
- Net Benefits: 150-200 acres

## Lake Lery Marsh Creation and Rim Restoration Phase III

- Marsh Creation/Nourishment: 401 Acres
- Construction Cost + 25% Contingency: \$20M - \$25M
- Net Benefits: 200-250 acres

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