



**US Army Corps
of Engineers**
New Orleans District

Project Fact Sheet

Official Project Name

CAP - Calcasieu River, Mile 5 to 14, Cameron Parish, Louisiana

Location

The proposed habitat project is located in the southwest corner of Louisiana approximately 90 miles from the Louisiana – Texas border and 5 miles north of the Gulf of Mexico coastline in Cameron Parish, Louisiana.

Purpose

The intent of this project is to use the material resulting from maintenance dredging as a positive resource to restore habitat lost in the Calcasieu estuary, rather than placing this material into existing upland confined disposal areas. Additional projects in the area are focusing on the beneficial use of dredge material, but are constrained by the Federal Standard. The CAP 204 program is used to pay the incremental costs between the Federal Standard and the beneficial use of the same material.

Background

Several loci have been identified as potential sites for the beneficial use of material from the maintenance dredging of the Calcasieu River between Miles 5 and 14. Those covered by the base proposal of the Calcasieu DMMP will be eliminated from consideration for this project, as those will of necessity become part of the definition of the federal standard. These alternatives comprise the areas for this proposed project, but could be augmented by other alternatives, if suggested by the non-Federal sponsor or other agencies.

Authority

Section 204 of the Water Resources Development Act of 1992 (Public Law 102-580).

Scope

The total anticipated cost for this project is 3.5 million.

Progress to Date

Feasibility initiated.

Partners/Sponsors

Louisiana Department of Natural Resources (<http://dnr.louisiana.gov/>)

DNR has agreed in principle to becoming the Non-Federal Sponsor for the project.