# COASTAL TX PROTECTION AND RESTORATION FEASIBILITY STUDY

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Study Update

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### **STUDY SUMMARY**

http://CoastalStudy.Texas.gov

Study Name: Coastal Texas Protection & Restoration Feasibility Study

Authorization: Sec. 4091, Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) of 2007

Public Law 110-114

Appropriation: 2014-2019 yr increments thru public law

2020-2021 thru Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018

**Budget:** \$20.18 Million (\$12.282 Federal: \$7.898 Cost-shared)

Non-Federal Sponsor: Texas General Land Office

Schedule: Recon: 2014-2015

Feasibility Study Start: Oct 2016 Scheduled Completion: May 2021

Multi-Purpose: Coastal Storm Risk Management and Ecosystem Restoration

#### Scope:

Develop a *comprehensive plan* to determine the feasibility of carrying out projects for flood damage reduction, *hurricane* and *storm damage reduction*, and *ecosystem restoration* in the coastal areas of the State of Texas.

The comprehensive plan shall provide for the *protection*, *conservation*, and *restoration* of wetlands, barrier islands, shorelines, and related lands and features that *protect critical resources, habitat, and infrastructure* from the impacts of coastal storms, hurricanes, erosion, and subsidence





### **Population Centers**

- >\$125B assets at risk, growing to \$200B
- 18 coastal counties
- 6.1 million residents, growing to 9M in 50 yrs
- >24% of the TX population

#### **Critical Infrastructure**

- Nationally ranked deep-draft ports
- 450 miles of Gulf Intracoastal Waterway (GIWW)
- 40% of the Nation's petrochemical industry
- 25% of national petroleumrefining capacity
- NASA
- UTMB Level 4 Viral Laboratory

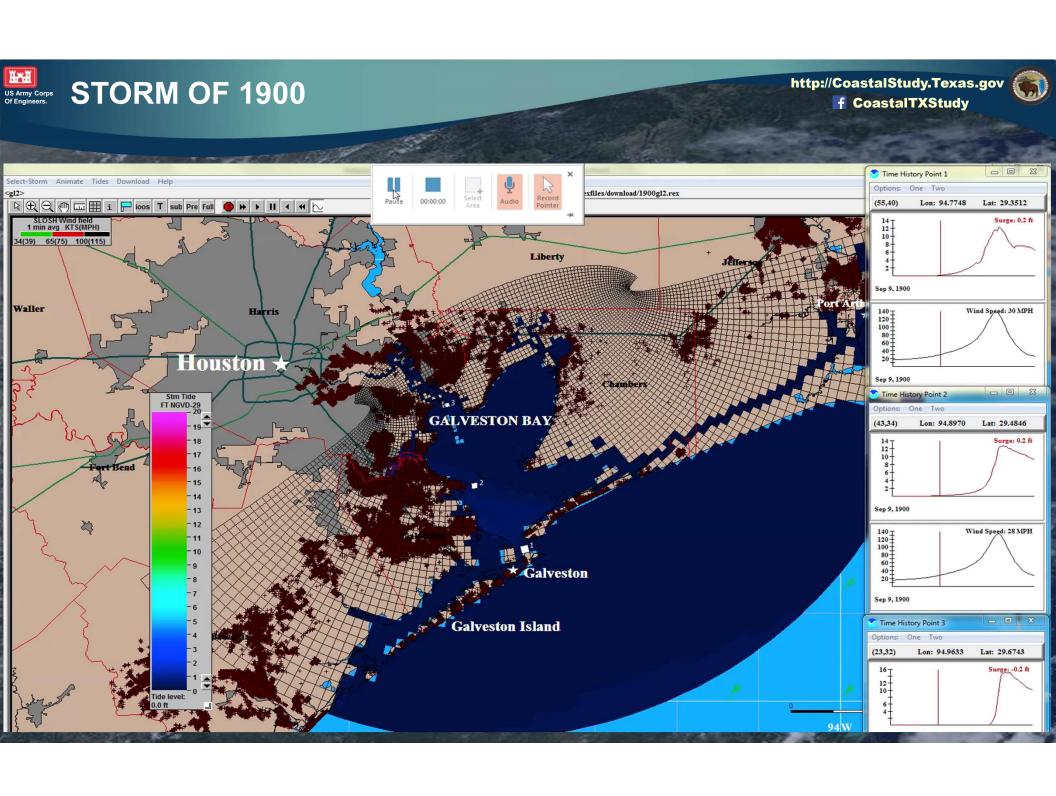


### **Coastal Ecosystems**

- Wetlands, seagrass beds, oyster reefs, dunes, and beaches
- Critical threatened and endangered species habitat
- Nursery habitat and significant commercial fisheries for oysters, shrimp, and finfish

#### **Critical Natural Features**

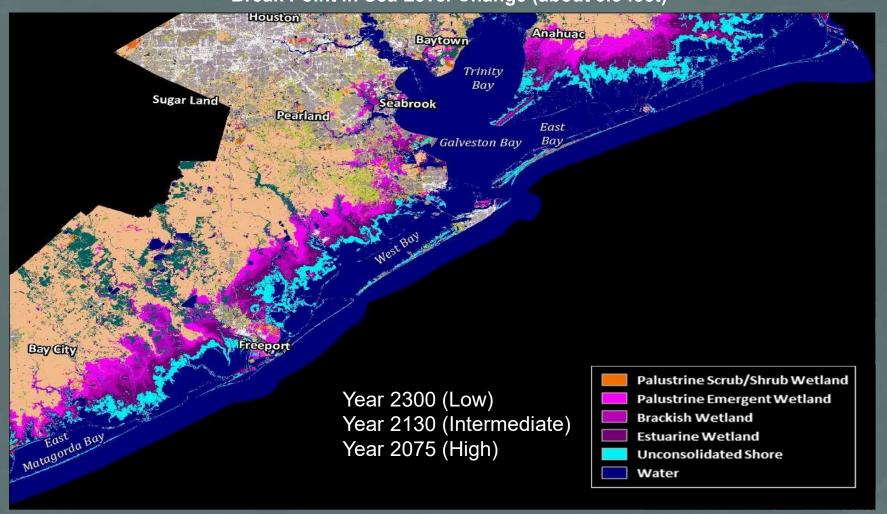
- 2 National Estuary Program sites
- Central Flyway Migration Corridor
- The Laguna Madre a rare hypersaline lagoon
- Padre Island National Seashore
- 12 National Wildlife Refuges



## **ANTICIPATED RELATIVE SEA LEVEL CHANGES**







1st Line: Hardened Perimeter at the Gulf Inlet **Storm Surge Gates** 

Next Lines: Lateral and Interior Features

**Dune Flanks** 

Ring Barrier

Upper West Bay – Clear Creek, Dickinson & Non-Structural

**GIWW Breakwaters** 

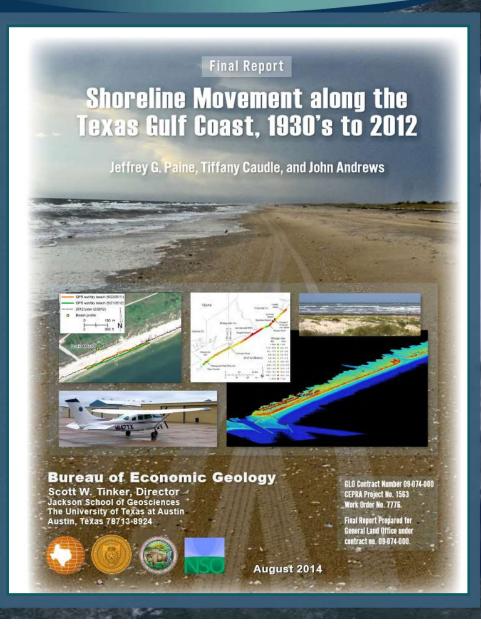
Oyster Reefs

ER Site-specific restoration features (e.g., marsh creation)



## **SHORELINE EROSION**





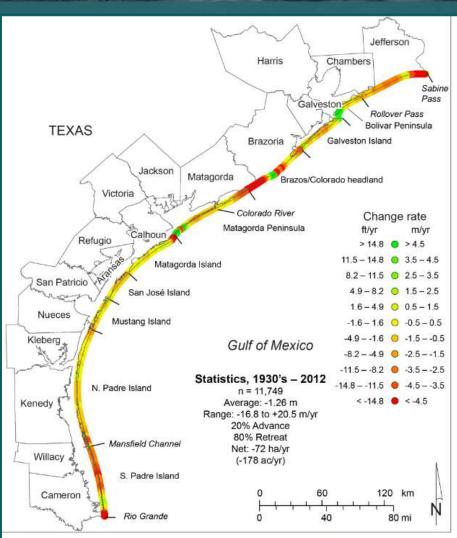


Figure 14. Net rates of long-term change for the Texas Gulf shoreline between Sabine Pass and the Rio Grande calculated from shoreline positions between the 1930's and 2012. Change rates at 11,749 measurement sites are available on the accompanying data CD in GIS-compatible format.



### SITE SELECTION STRATEGY

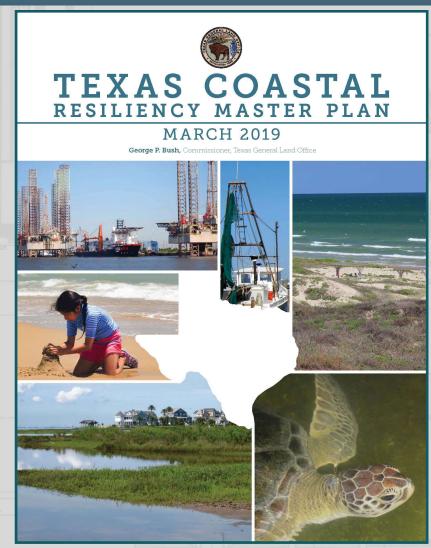


**The Goal:** Synergize with ongoing initiatives to promote resilience at a systems scale:

- > TX GLO's MP
- > RESTORE Act Sites
- > USFWS NWRs
- > NRDA

### **Our Approach**

- Formulated a list of potential sites
- Developed site selection criteria to characterize the sites
- Used Subject Matter Experts (SMEs) to screen and select sites based on these criteria
- Quantified the benefits using Habitat Evaluation Procedures (HEP) & compared that to the costs (construction/operations/maintenance)
- Recommended a combination of sites for inclusion in the comprehensive Tentatively Selected Plan (TSP)



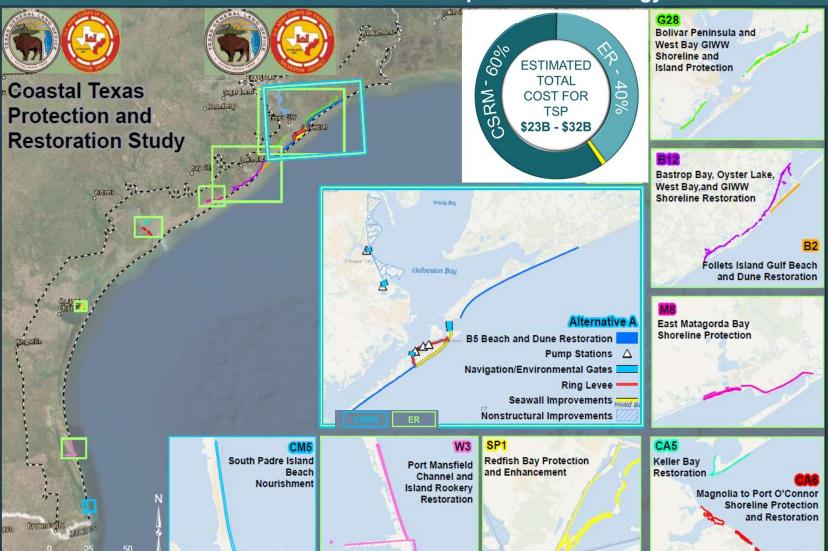


## **RECOMMENDED PLAN**

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### **Revised Coastal Resilience Comprehensive Strategy**



#### **Coastal Storm Risk Management**

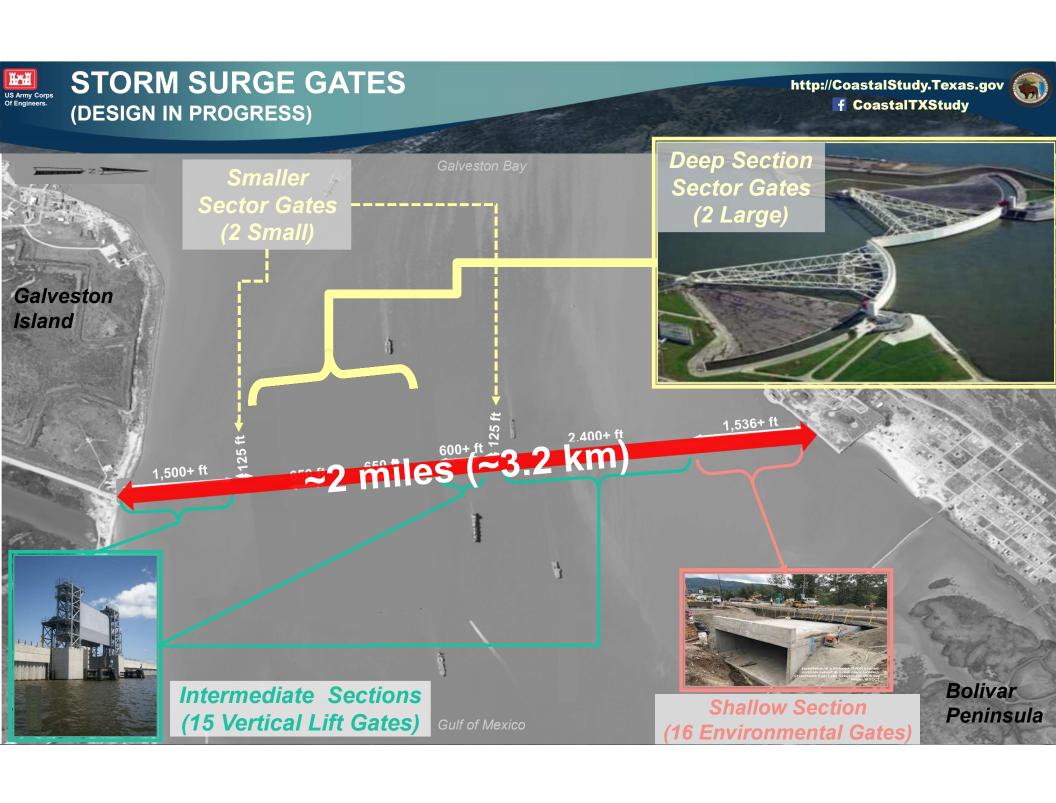
- o 2 large & 2 small sector gates
- 15 vertical lift gates & 16 monoliths
- 42 mi of Gulf-side dune/beach barrier
- o 18 mi of ring barrier
- 4-ft high extension of the seawall
- Gated closures at four locations
- Non-structural measures on the mainland
- 2 mi beach/dunes on South Padre



#### Ecosystem Restoration (6,000+ ac)

- o 737 ac of breakwaters
- o 838 ac of bird islands
- o 1,985 ac of marshes
- o 44 ac of oyster reefs
- o 2,519 ac of dunes/beaches





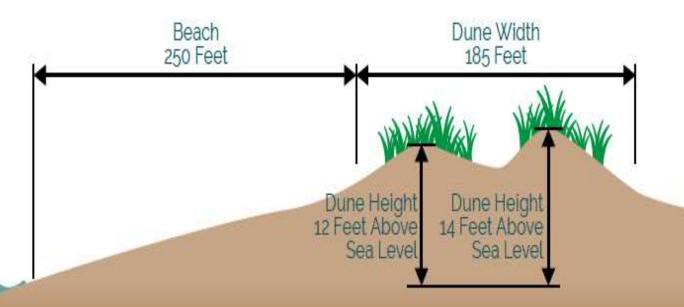


### **NATURE-BASED SOLUTIONS: DUNE & BEACHES**

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## **Beach and Dune System Components**

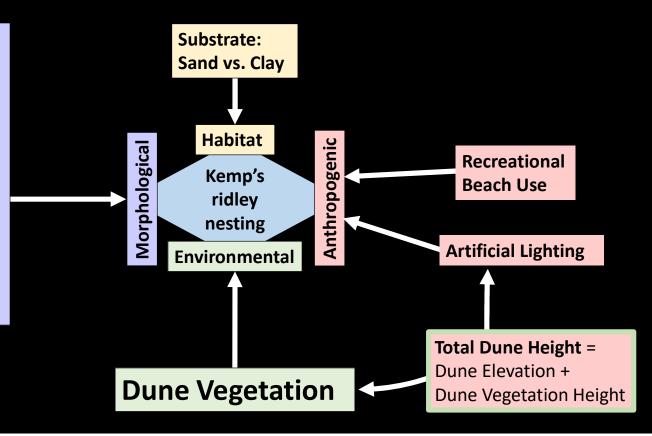
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More information is available online at: coastalstudy.texas.gov

## Conceptual Model 11, 2019 using Agency (GLO, NPS, TPWD, and ERDC) FeedbackUpdated on December

Parameters selected based on analysis using GLM and random forest models

- Nest elevation
- Distance from shoreline
- Maximum dune slope
- Average beach slope

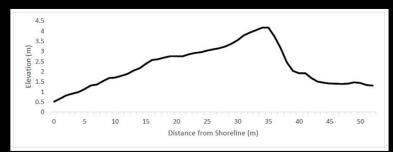


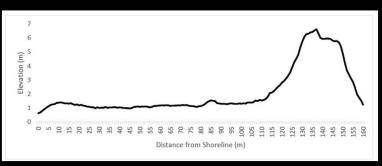
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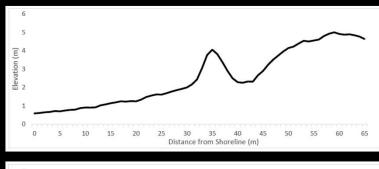


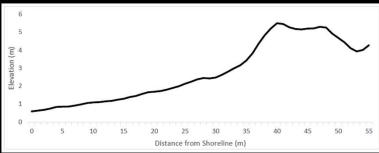
- Kemp's Ridley sea turtle chosen as target species for modeling because they
  are the most frequent sea turtle nester on the Texas Gulf Coast and they are
  considered sentinel species
- Figures from M.S. Thesis by Michelle F. Culver (2018), Beach Geomorphology and Kemp's Ridley (*Lepidochelys kempii*) Nest Site Selection along Padre Island, TX, USA



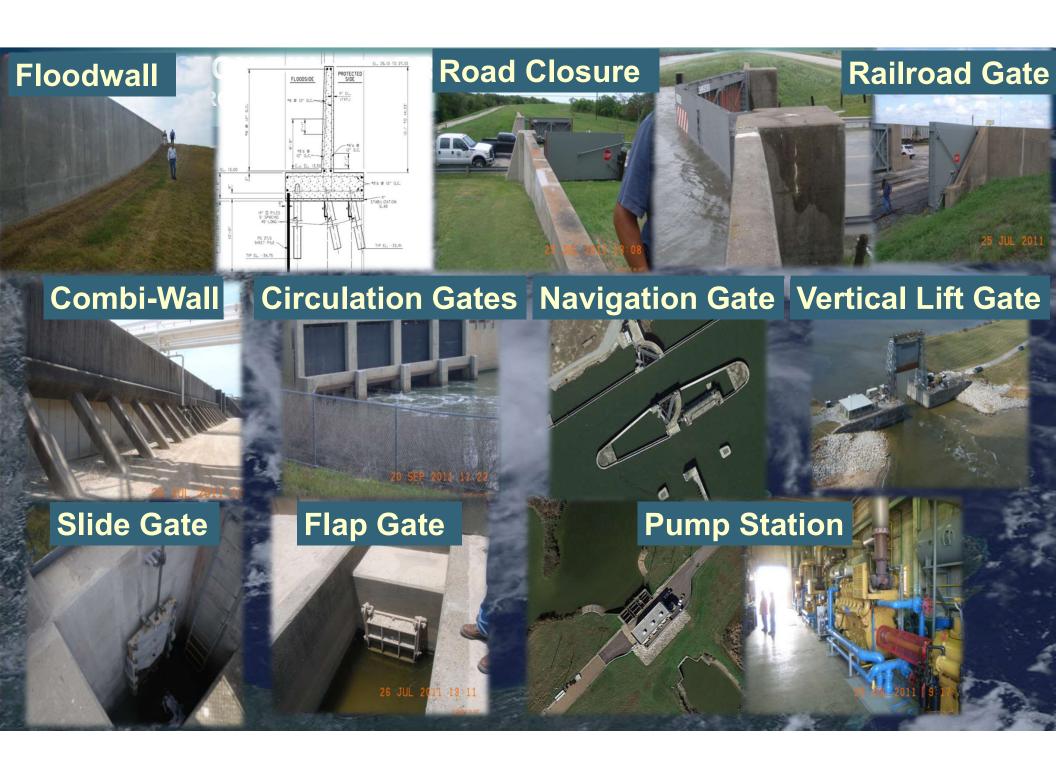














## **ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION**

(DESIGNS IN PROGRESS)

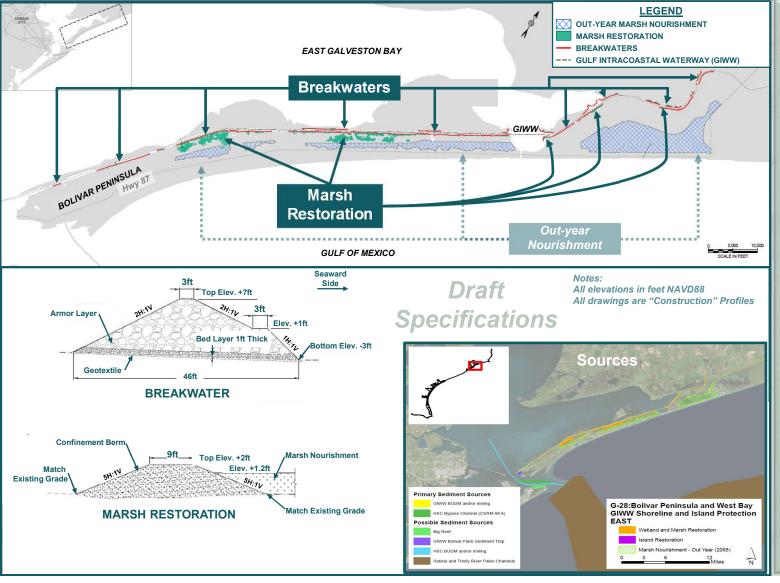
- **1. Shoreline Protection** Reduce/prevent shoreline erosion of barrier system shorelines, estuarine bay shorelines, and channel shorelines.
- Hydrologic Connectivity restore and/or create hydrologic connectivity of sensitive estuarine systems.
- **3. Estuarine Bay Systems Restoration** Restore, create, and/or protect critical estuarine wetlands, tidal flats, etc.
- 4. Barrier Beach, Dune and Back Marsh Restoration Nourish and protect barrier beach, dune, and back mar
- Oyster Reef Restoration Restore and/or create important oyster reefs.
- Neotropical Migratory Bird Habitat Restoration –
   Restore and/or create important habitat used by migratory birds
- 7. Bird Island Rookeries Restoration Restore and/or create important islands used as bird rookeries.
- 8. Restore Habitat Used by Species of Concern Restore and/or create habitat (important, critical, essential, and other habitat types) used by species of concern, such as federally- listed species, shorebirds, federally-managed aquatic species (e.g., essential fish habitat [EFH]), and others.





## **G28** - BOLIVAR PENINSULA AND WEST BAY GIWW SHORELINE AND ISLAND PROTECTION





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Marshes: 32 acres

Alignment: Behind breakwaters

Other Options: Big Reef, GISS Bolivar Flare Sediment Trap, HSC BUDM and/or Mining, Sabine and Trinity River Paleo Channels



## NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT (NEPA) 1969

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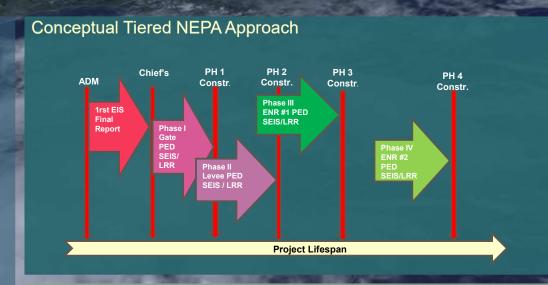
## **Environmental Impact Analysis**

- NEPA is the nation's foremost environmental law
- NEPA drives our process by requiring the identification of direct, indirect and cumulative impacts
- Tiered NEPA has been authorized for this study

### **Analyses Underway**

- Direct Impacts
  - Habitat Evaluation Procedures (HEP)
    - Quality x Quantity of Species Habitat
  - Advanced Hydrologic Modeling
    - Salinity, Velocity & Sediment Transport
  - Particle Track Modeling
    - Larval Movement & Recruitment Success
- Indirect & Cumulative Impacts

Mitigation Planning Underway









## PUBLIC OUTREACH

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## Formal Comment Period (45 days)

- Formal Meetings (NEPA Required)
- Public Open Houses
- CWGs
- Social Media
- Tech Talks
- Newsletters
- Email lists
- Stakeholder Briefings

More opportunities to engage are on the project horizon . . . . remember Tiered NEPA!

#### COASTALTEXAS STUDY STUDY UPDATE







representatives attend a Community Winds Crown Monting in May 1000

#### WE HEARD YOU!

The Coastal Texas Study has already begun considering the feedback received during the comment period for the Draft Integrated Feasibilty Report and Environmental Impact Statement (DIFR-EIS). Based upon your input, the study team is:

- Establishing Texas General Land Office (GLO)-led Community Working Groups
   Dropping the barrier levee along Gatveston Island and Bolivar Peninsula from the study completely, and investigating a dune-and-beach system along Bolivar Peninsula beach
- Re-aligning the Galveston Ring Barrier
- Evaluating non-structural mass-
- Additionally, the study te
- Continue collaboration & Evacuation from Di at Galveston
- Further storm modelin
   Coordinate and hold a summer of 2020 (inclu
   Evaluate feedback re

Design Workshop

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#### ABOUT THE STUDY

Serving as an important economic and industrial hub for the United States the Texas Gulf Coast is home to a coastal ecosystem vital to the national economy that provides valuable

#### COASTAL**TEXAS** STUDY

#### **Community Work Group Fact Sheet**

Version 1.5, Updated July 26, 2019

#### Key Study Facts:

These key talking points are expanded on in the following pages

- The Coastal Texas Protection and Restoration Feasibility Study, also known as the Coastal Texas Study, involves engineering, economic, and environmental analyses on large-scale civil works projects.
- 2) The purpose of the Coastal Texas Study is to identify coastal storm risk management (CSRM) and ecosystems restoration (ESR) measures that would protect the health and safety of Texas coastal communities, reduce this of storm damage to industries and businesses critical to the Nation's economy, and address critical coastal ecosystems in need of restorations.
- 3) The goal of the Coastal Texas Study is to form a system of resilient, robust, and adaptable projects that will work

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## COASTALTEXAS STUDY

#### OTHING BUT THE FACTS

Large, long-term studies like the Coastal Texas Study often face misconceptions

The purpose of this document is to clear up some of these misconceptions and

provide you with "Nothing But the Facts."

Misconception: The proposed plan would protect only highly and

populated areas and not all parts of the Texas coastline requires a combined effort of federal, state, and private that have been impacted by past weather events.

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The proposed features reduce risk to the community at large, not just the concentration of industrial facilities in Houston. Surrounding areas are filled with residences, as well as railways and port facilities that serve Houston, Galveston,

misconception: The Coastal Texas Study is only considering past, historical flood events. Over 600 storms that could potentially impact the Texas coast were modeled and analyzed. These possible tropical storms include the entire range of storm factors, such as

The non-federal sponsor will have the responsibility of acquiring all necessary real estate interests for the project and ensuring that relocation of utilities and facilities is accomplished. Where necessary, voluntary relocations and

acquisitions will be pursued, and eminent domain would only be imposed by a local sponsor as a last resort

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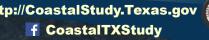
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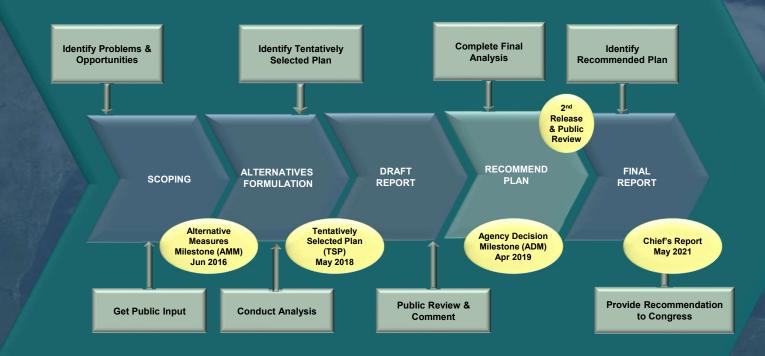
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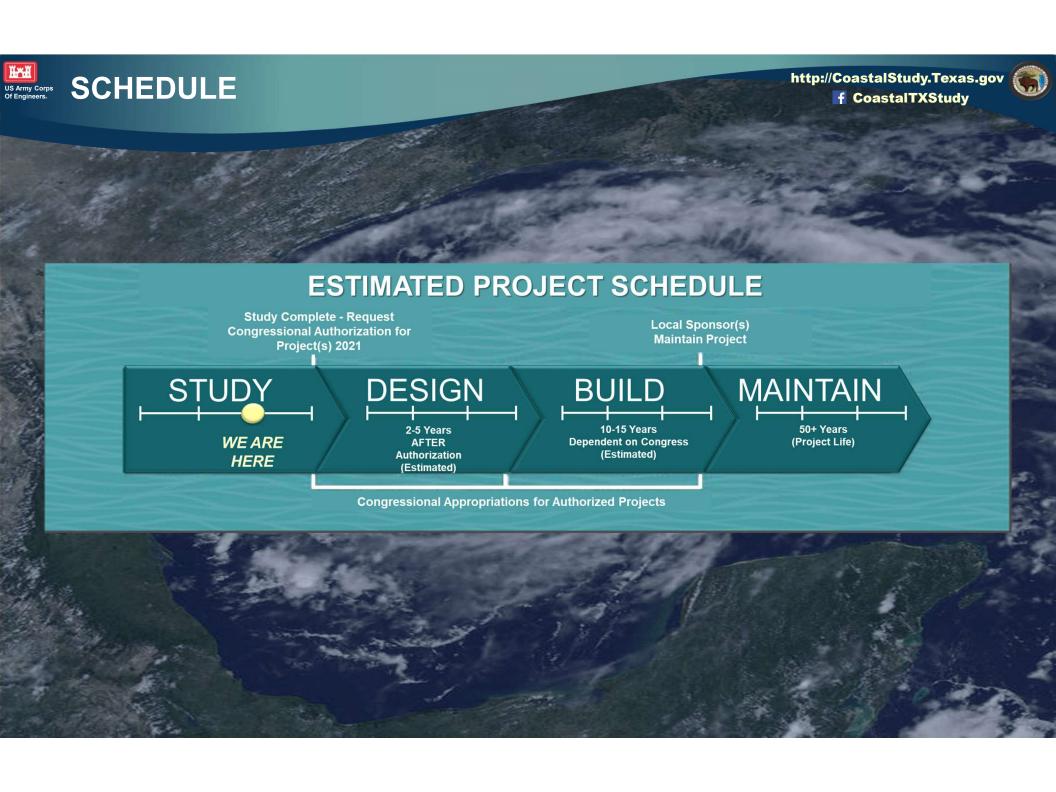
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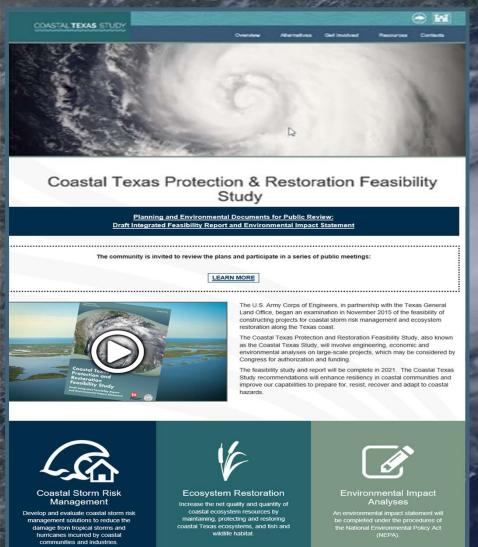




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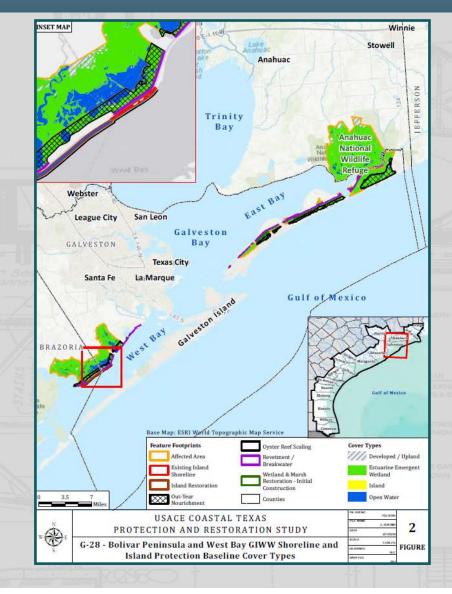




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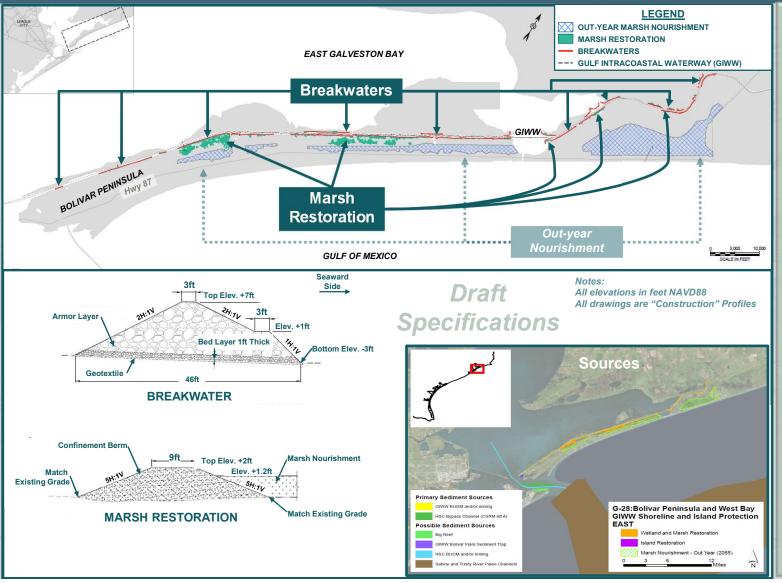






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#### Marshes: 32 acres

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Target Height: +2ft Target Width: Varies

Slope: 5H:1V Material Qtys: ~23K cy

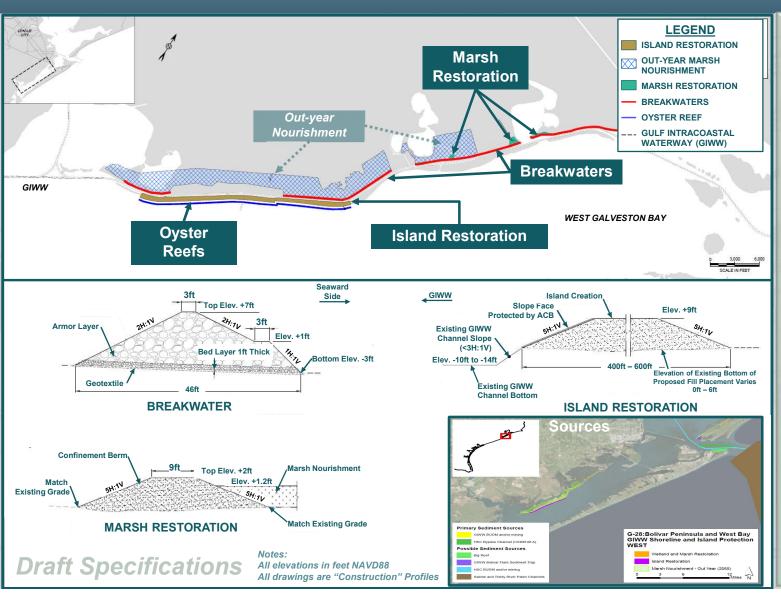
Primary Sourcing: GIWW BUDM and/or Mining

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## G28 (WEST) - BOLIVAR PENINSULA AND WEST BAY GIWW SHORELINE AND ISLAND PROTECTION





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#### Breakwaters: 9 miles

Alignment: North of GIWW in West Bay Target Height: +7ft Target Width: 46ft

Slope: 2H:1V Material Qtys: ~627K tons

**Primary Sourcing:** Commercial sources

#### Marshes: 640 acres

**Alignment: Behind breakwaters** 

Target Height: +2ft Target Width: Varies

Slope: 5H:1V Material Qtys: ~459K cy

Primary Sourcing: GIWW BUDM and/or Mining

Other Options: Big Reef. GISS Bolivar Flare

Sediment Trap, HSC BUDM and/or Mining,

Sabine and Trinity River Paleo Channels

#### Islands: 326 acres (5 mi long)

Alignment: South of GIWW in West Bay

Target Height: +9ft Target Width: 400-600ft

Slope: 5H:1V Material Qtys: 5.8mcv

**Primary Sourcing: Dredging** 

#### Oyster Reefs: 18 acres (26,280 linear ft)

Alignment: South of GIWW & islands

complexes

Benefits: 589 Net AAHUs

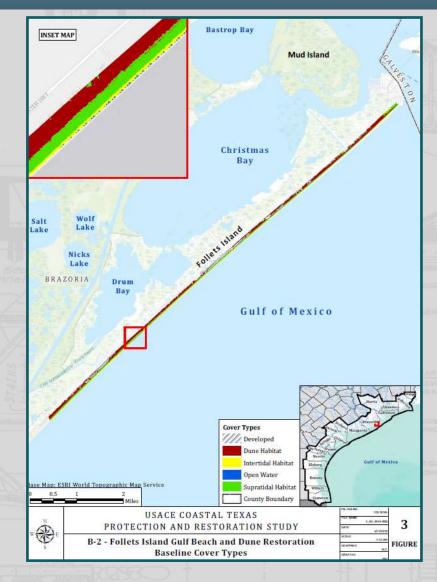
Cost: \$757K - \$989K (w/o out-yr nourishments)



## **B2** FOLLETS ISLAND GULF BEACH AND DUNE RESTORATION



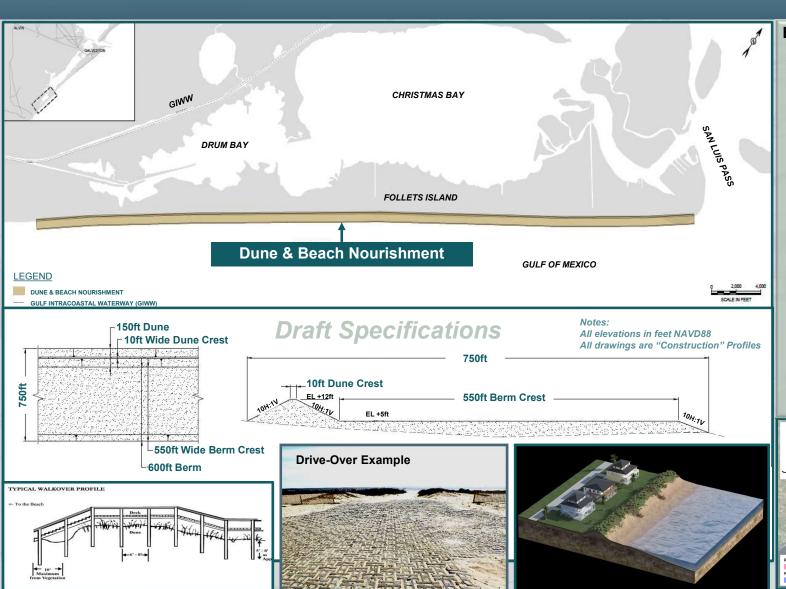






## **B2** FOLLETS ISLAND GULF BEACH AND DUNE RESTORATION





Beach & Dune Complexes: ~10.1mi

(1,114 ac)

Alignment: Current dune line Target Dune Height: 10-12ft Target Dune Width: 150ft Target Beach Width: 550-600ft

Slope: 10H:1V

Material Quantities: ~8.78mcy

Primary Sourcing: Shoreface dredging

(purple)

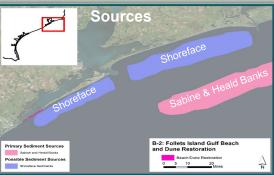
Other Options: Sabine/Heald Banks (

#### **Design Concepts:**

- · Nourish with sand only no engineered
- Fill the road gaps roads
- Walk- & Drive-overs
- · Must address drainage issues

Benefits: 200 Net AAHUs

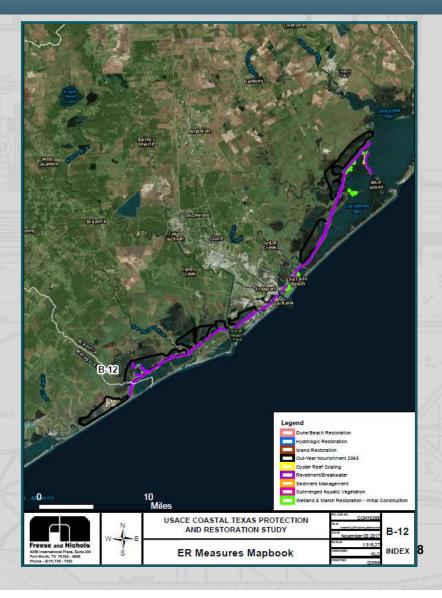
Cost: \$433K - \$600K (w/o out-yr nourishments)

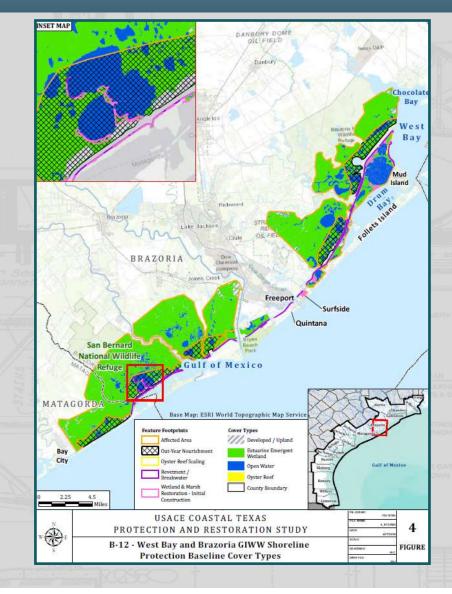




## **B12** - BASTROP BAY, OYSTER LAKE, WEST BAY, AND GIWW SHORELINE RESTORATION



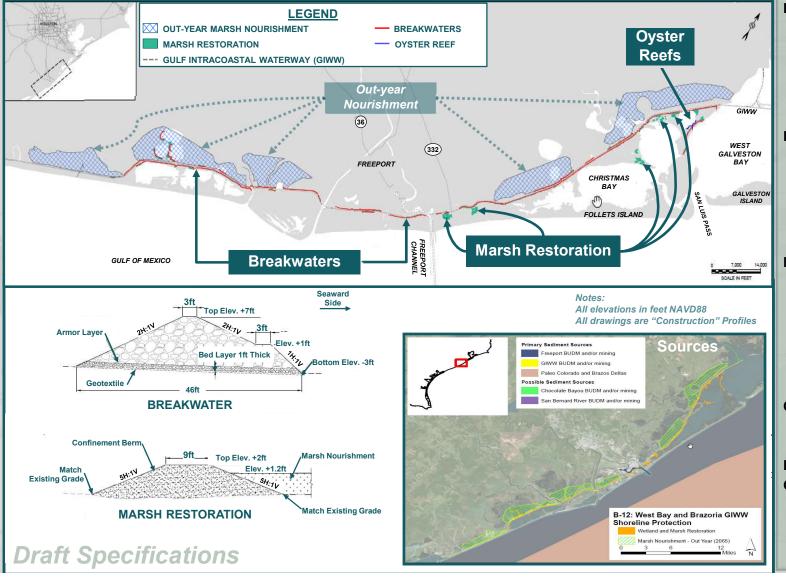






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#### Breakwaters: 43.2 miles

**Alignment:** Western side of West Bay, and Cowtrap Lakes, and along selected segments of the GIWW in Brazoria County

Target Height: +7ft Target Width: 46ft

Slope: 2H:1V Material Qtys: ~3.0M tons

**Primary Sourcing: Commercial sources** 

#### Marshes: 551 acres

**Alignment: Behind breakwaters** 

Target Height: +2ft Target Width: Varies

Slope: 5H:1V Material Qtys: ~2mcy

Primary Sourcing: GIWW BUDM and/or Mining

Other Options: Big Reef, GISS Bolivar Flare Sediment Trap, HSC BUDM and/or Mining, Sabine and Trinity River Paleo Channels

#### Oyster Reefs: 3,708 linear ft

Alignment: Designed to reduce breaching of

Oyster Lake into the West Bay

Benefits: 1,031 Net AAHUs

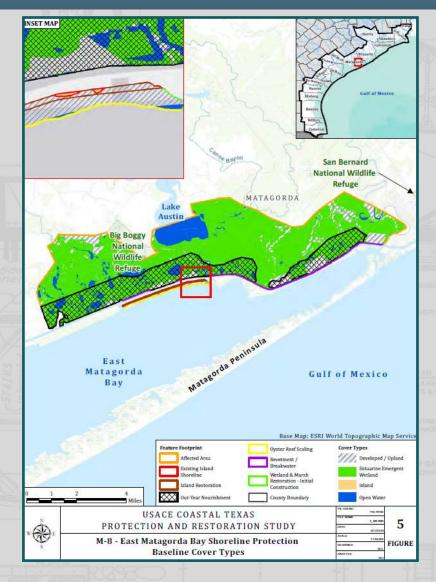
Cost: \$517K - \$718K (w/o out-yr nourishments)



## **M8** - EAST MATAGORDA BAY SHORELINE PROTECTION



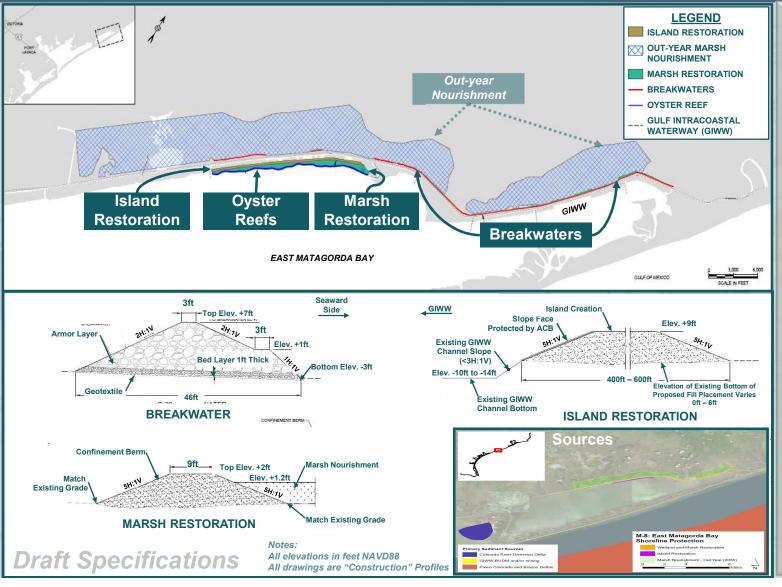






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#### Breakwaters: 8.9 miles

Alignment: Along unprotected segments of the GIWW, along the Big Boggy NWR shoreline, and eastward of the end of East Matagorda Bay (not where the GIWW is stabilized adjacent to PAs)

Target Height: +7ft Target Width: 46ft

Slope: 2H:1V Material Qtys: ~634K tons

**Primary Sourcing:** Commercial sources

#### Marshes: 239 acres

**Alignment: Behind breakwaters** 

Target Height: +2ft Target Width: Varies

Slope: 5H:1V Material Qtys: ~670,000cy

Primary Sourcing: CO River Diversion Delta,

GIWW BUDM and/or mining, Paleo

Colorado/Brazos Deltas

#### Islands: 92.7 acres (3.5 miles)

Alignment: South of GIWW in West Bay

Target Height: +9ft Target Width: 400-600ft

Slope: 5H:1V Material Qtys: 2mcy

**Primary Sourcing: Dredgin** 

Oyster Reefs: 31,355 linear ft

Alignment: bayside of channel

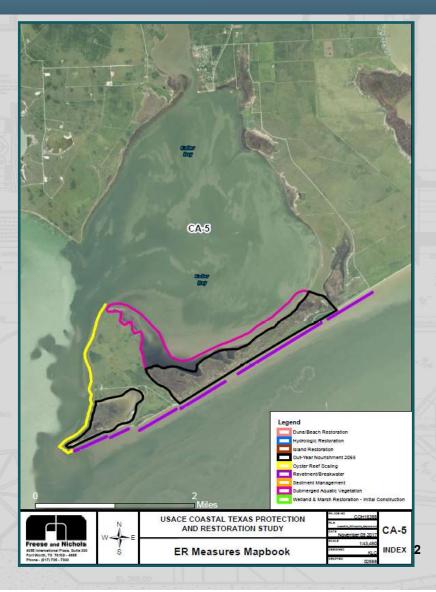
Benefits: 144 Net AAHUs

Cost: \$150K - \$210K (w/o out-yr nourishments)



## **CA5** – KELLER BAY RESTORATION



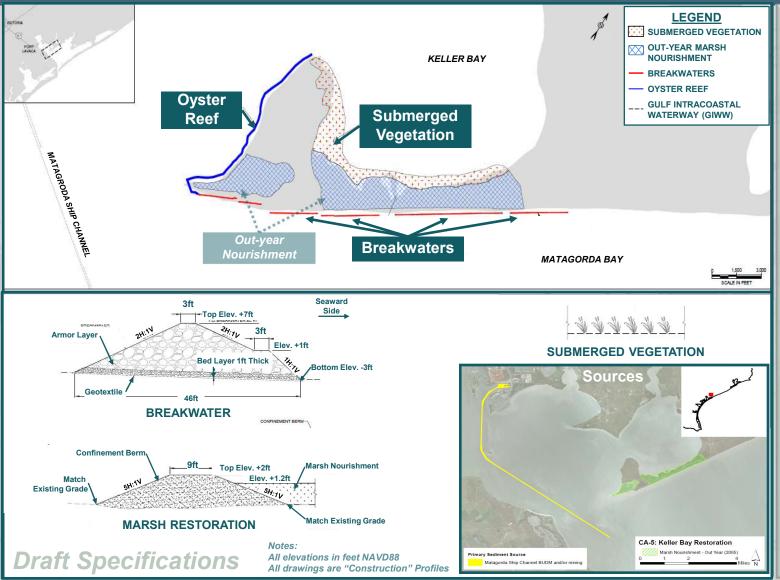






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Breakwaters: 3.8 miles

Alignment: Along Matagorda Bay side

Target Height: +7ft Target Width: 46ft

Slope: 2H:1V Material Qtys: 271K tons

**Primary Sourcing:** Commercial sources

Submerged Vegetation: 296 acres

Configuration: Spacing and plant types TBD

Oyster Reefs: 12,213 linear ft

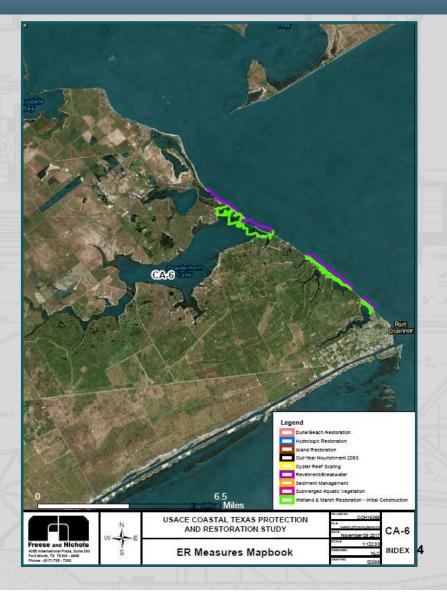
Benefits: 226 Net AAHUs

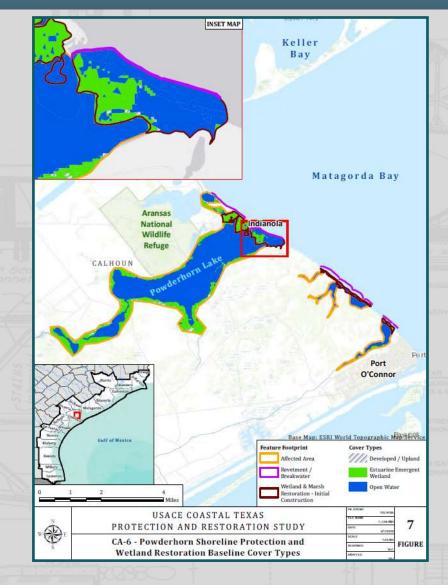
Cost: \$47K - \$66K (w/o out-yr nourishments)



## **CA6** – MAGNOLIA TO PORT O'CONNOR SHORELINE PROTECTION AND RESTORATION



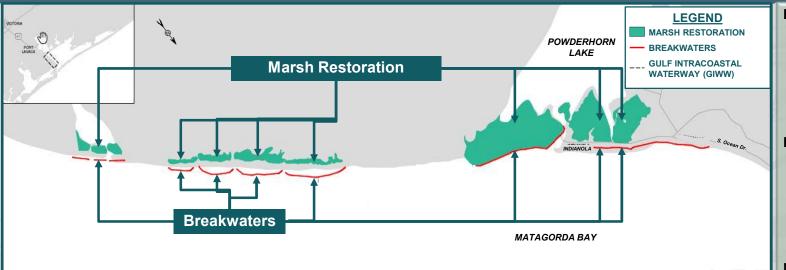






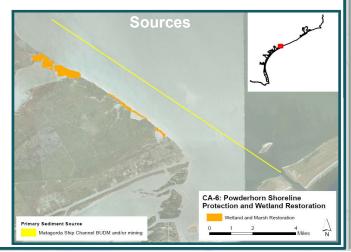
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### **Draft Specifications**



#### **DESIGN CONCEPTS:**

- · Place breakwaters first
- · Slotted to allow hydrologic exchange
- Adaptive out-year nourishments to maintain heights with RSLR (not in recommended plan)
- Culch placed within reef template final elevation and slopes TBD

#### **Breakwaters: 5 miles**

**Alignment:** For shoreline stabilization fronting portions of Indianola, Powderhorn Lake estuary, and TPWD's Powderhorn Ranch

Target Height: +7ft Target Width: 46ft

Slope: 2H:1V Material Qtys: 356K tons

**Primary Sourcing:** Commercial sources

#### Marshes: 531 acres

**Alignment: Behind breakwaters** 

Target Height: +2ft Target Width: Varies

Slope: 5H:1V Material Qtys: ~641,000cy

**Primary Sourcing:** Matagorda Ship Channel BUDM and/or mining

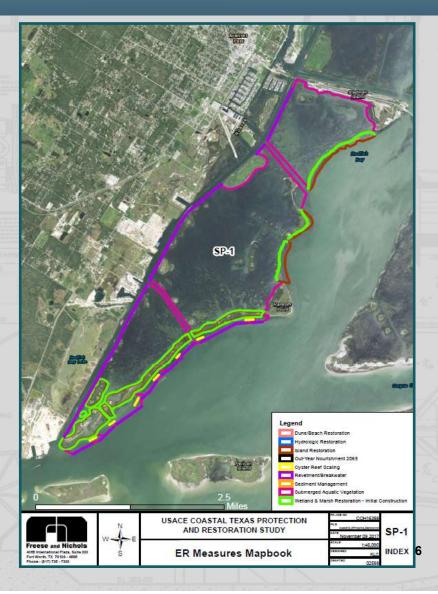
Benefits: 20 Net AAHUs

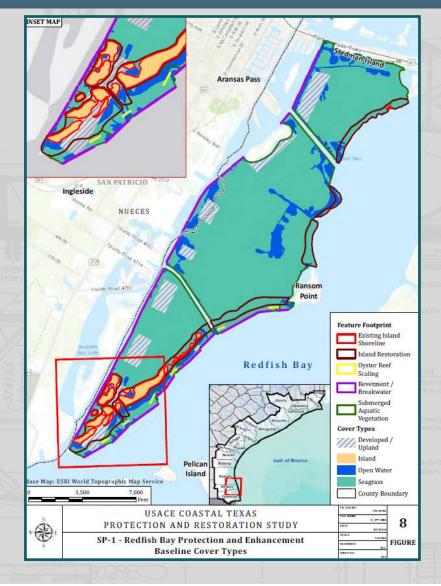
Cost: \$64K - \$88K (w/o out-yr nourishments)



## **SP1** – REDFISH BAY PROTECTION AND ENHANCEMENT



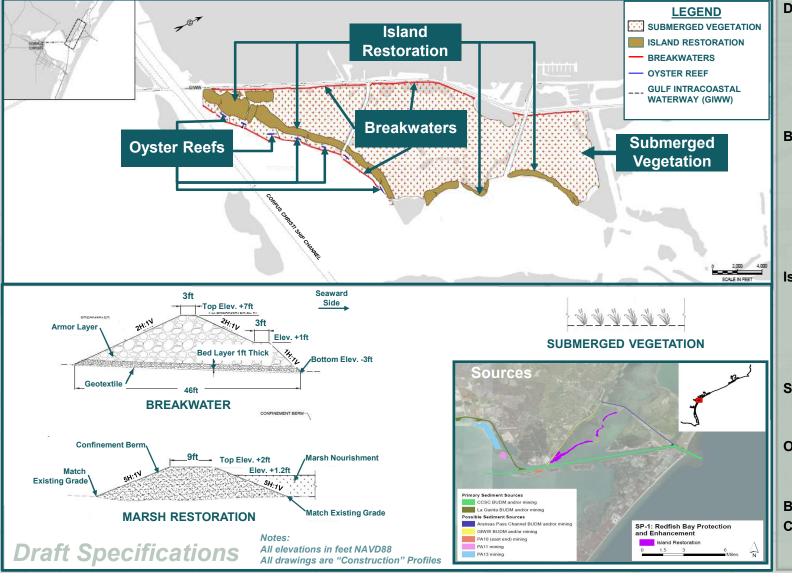






### **SP1** — REDFISH BAY PROTECTION AND ENHANCEMENT





#### **DESIGN CONCEPTS:**

- · Place breakwaters first
- · Slotted to allow hydrologic exchange
- Adaptive out-year nourishments to maintain heights with RSLR (not in recommended plan)
- Culch placed within reef template final elevation and slopes TBD

#### Breakwaters: 7.4 miles

**Alignment:** Along the unprotected GIWW shoreline, along the backside of Redifish Bay, and on the bayside of the restored islands

Target Height: +7ft Target Width: 46ft

Slope: 2H:1V Material Qtys: 524K tons

**Primary Sourcing: Commercial sources** 

#### Islands: 391.4 acres

Alignment: South of GIWW in West Bay

Target Height: +9ft Target Width: 400-600ft Slope: 5H:1V Material Qtys: 2mcy

**Primary Sourcing: Dredgin** 

#### Submerged Vegetation: 3,026 acres

Configuration: Spacing and plant types TBD

Oyster Reefs: 7,392 linear ft

Benefits: 3.184 Net AAHUs

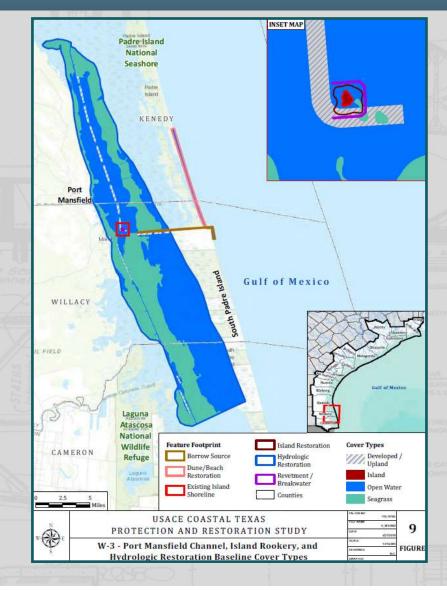
Cost: \$274K - \$384K (w/o out-yr nourishments)



## W3 - PORT MANSFIELD CHANNEL AND ISLAND ROOKERY RESTORATION



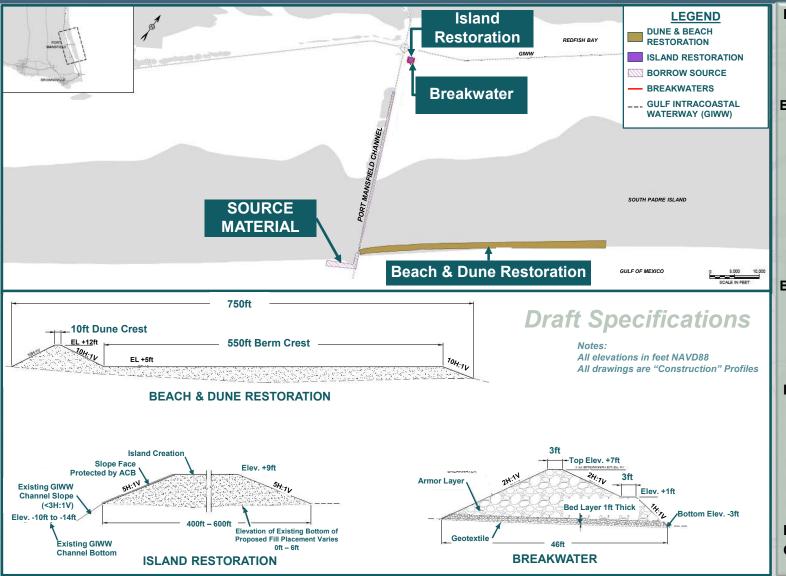






## W3 - PORT MANSFIELD CHANNEL AND ISLAND ROOKERY RESTORATION





#### **DESIGN CONCEPTS:**

Restore circulation in the Lower Laguna
 Madre with dredging. The sediment from the
 dredging will be placed on a bird island and
 north of the Mansfield Pass jetty.

#### Beach & Dune Complexes: ~9.5mi

Alignment: Current dune line on the ocean-

side of island/peninsula

Target Dune Height: 10-12ft
Target Dune Width: 150ft

Target Beach Width: 550-600ft

Slope: 10H:1V

Material Quantities: TBD Primary Sourcing: TBD

#### Breakwaters: 0.70 miles

Alignment: Surrounding bird island

Target Height: +7ft Target Width: 46ft

Slope: 2H:1V Material Qtys: 46.7K tons

**Primary Sourcing:** Commercial sources

#### Islands: 27.8 acres

Alignment: South of GIWW in West Bay
Target Height: +9ft Target Width: 400-600ft
Slope: 5H:1V Material Qtys: 488K cy
Primary Sourcing: Port Mansfield Channel

Benefits: 89 Net AAHUs

Cost: \$36K - \$50K (w/o out-yr nourishments)

## STUDY UPDATE: HOW DID WE GET HERE?

http://CoastalStudy.Texas.gov



**ALT A: COASTAL BARRIER** 



**ALT B: MODIFIED BARRIER (TX CITY)** 



**ALT C: MID-BAY BARRIER** 



ALT D1: UPPER BAY (SH 146)



**ALT D2: BAY RIM** 





### **PROJECT COSTS** IS IT WORTH IT?

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### The NED/NER Plan must balance:

- ✓ Engineering soundness
- ✓ Environmental acceptability
- ✓ Economically justifications
- Unity: Benefits Equal Cost
- Benefits include quantitative, qualitative, monetized & nonmonetized units
- SRM-60% Locally Preferred Plan (LPP) is a plan that is preferred by the non-Federal sponsor over the NED/NER plan, and is sometimes recommended for project authorization instead (with caveats)
- LPPs must be evaluated just as the Federal Plan (costs, impacts, benefits)

## **Projected Costs**

40%

Coastal Barrier: \$14.2B-\$19.9B

Ecosys. Restoration: \$8.9B-11.9B

\$71.6-\$83.1M South Padre CSRM:

> TOTAL: \$23B - \$32B

**ESTIMATED** TOTAL **COST FOR TSP** \$23B - \$32B

> **Recovery Costs for Past** Storms:

Hurricane Ike (2008):

\$38B

Hurricane Harvey (2017):

\$125B