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RECIPIENTS

Amos Rehabilitation Keep
University of Texas at Austin
Marine Science Institute

AWARD AMOUNT
\$194,600

LOCATION
Port Aransas, Texas

AWARD DATE
November 2017

STATUS
Active

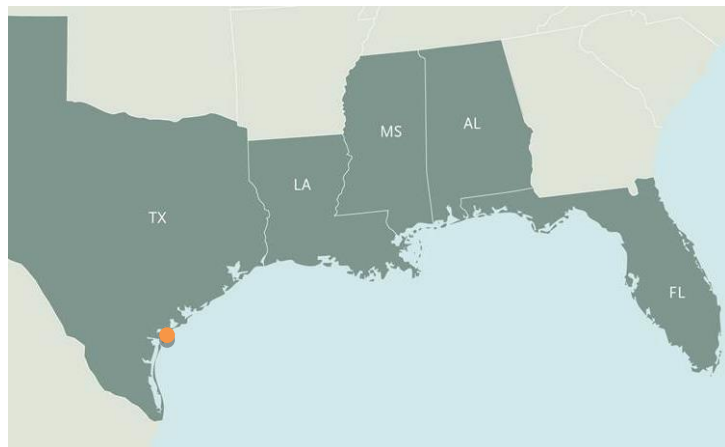
PROGRESS UPDATE
Flight cage and cold stun turtle building are the only remaining tasks, due to the limited number of available construction contractors. Construction is estimated to be complete by fall 2019. (January 2019)

TEXAS

Rebuild Flight Cage and Enclosure Complex for Rehabilitated Birds

This project will allow the Animal Rehabilitation Keep (ARK) to repair and rebuild a flight cage and seven bird enclosures which were damaged by Hurricane Harvey, as well as repair damage to the sea turtle rehabilitation pools. ARK rescues and rehabilitates injured sea turtles and birds such as Kemp’s ridley sea turtles, loggerhead sea turtles, white pelicans, and American oystercatchers. The flight cage and bird enclosures allow recovering birds to exercise flight muscles and have been shown to vastly improve the release success rate.

The Animal Rehabilitation Keep, is a facility dedicated to the rehabilitation of sea turtles and marine birds along the coast of Texas and throughout the region. The facility is located on Mustang Island and St. Joseph Island near Port Aransas, Texas, and is one of the few facilities available to treat injured wildlife along the Texas Mid-Coast.



This project will repair a damaged flight cage, above, is the interior of the flight cage before Hurricane Harvey.

The Gulf Environmental Benefit Fund, administered by the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF), supports projects to remedy harm and eliminate or reduce the risk of harm to Gulf Coast natural resources affected by the 2010 Deepwater Horizon oil spill. To learn more about NFWF, go to www.nfwf.org.