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Anahuac National Wildlife Refuge Coastal Marsh Acquisition

This project protected 1,011 acres of estuarine emergent wetlands, tidal flats and coastal habitat in East Galveston Bay. Located on the Bolivar Peninsula near the Anahuac National Wildlife Refuge, this area is internationally recognized for its importance for shorebirds and other migratory bird species. This investment conserved and protected these essential habitats for a strategic location along the upper Texas coast.

The property conserved through this investment joined a strategic mosaic of coastal and near-shore habitats. Over 100,000 acres of this was already protected in the Texas Chenier Plain National Wildlife Refuge Complex which includes Anahuac, McFaddin, Texas Point and Moody National Wildlife Refuges. This complex of refuges includes some of the most important bird habitat on the Gulf Coast, suitable for a wide range of migratory birds, including waterfowl, raptors, shorebirds, colonial waterbirds and song birds. This project continues efforts to make these critical conservation areas more contiguous and ecologically interdependent.



This project expanded the Anahuac refuge by acquiring valuable wetlands and coastal habitat.

AT A GLANCE

RECIPIENT:
The Conservation Fund

AWARD AMOUNT:
\$4,343,572

PARTNERS:
Texas Parks and Wildlife Department

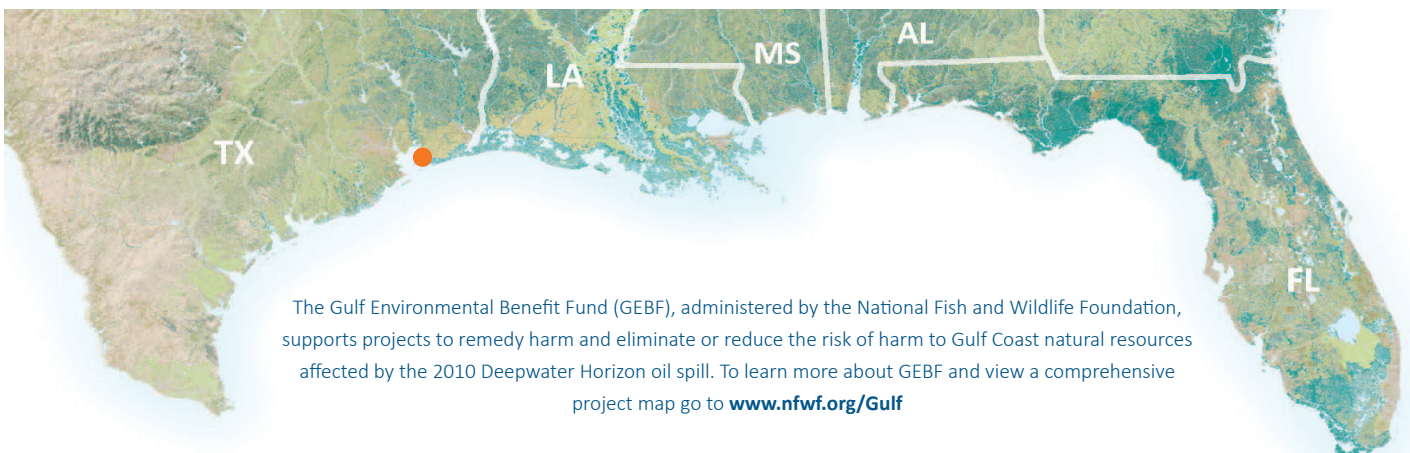
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

LOCATION:
Bolivar Peninsula, Galveston County

AWARD DATE:
November 2014

STATUS:
Closed

PROGRESS UPDATE:
Project closed January 2019.



The Gulf Environmental Benefit Fund (GEBF), administered by the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, 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 GEBF and view a comprehensive project map go to www.nfwf.org/Gulf