This project will permanently protect 375 acres of critical coastal marsh habitat in the Mission River Delta, an estuary adjacent to Copano and Aransas Bays in the mid-coast of Texas. The proposed tract is composed of tidal marshes that provide critical habitat for migratory waterfowl, shorebirds, waterbirds, and other iconic coastal wildlife species. Acquisition of the proposed tract will expand and connect existing conservation areas to create a nearly 6,000 acre intact corridor for wildlife, including the endangered whooping crane and other coastal waterbirds.

The proposed acquisition sites are adjacent to existing and proposed conservation areas and will contribute to a large intact conservation corridor throughout the Mission River Delta. Permanent protection of the proposed site supports conservation goals in local and regional conservation plans, multiple goals within the federal and state approved Coastal Bend Bays Plan and the Gulf Coast Ecosystem Restoration Council’s Comprehensive Plan.