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Gulf Environmental Benefit Fund

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Pascagoula River Corridor Acquisitions

This project will acquire more than 3,400 acres of floodplain habitat and riparian buffer along the Pascagoula River corridor to benefit various wading birds, waterfowl, and fish, as well as downstream water quality. The properties are located in Jackson County, Mississippi, along the Lower Pascagoula River corridor near the confluence of the Red and Black Creeks and include significant riparian habitat and bottomland hardwood wetlands on the eastern and western sides of the Pascagoula River floodplain.

Much of the Lower Pascagoula River corridor is already protected and these parcels represent some of the remaining unprotected lands within the floodplain in Jackson County. Land conservation through fee simple acquisition continues to play an important role in restoration of the Mississippi coastal landscape.



Credit | Michael Sharp

The acquisitions will protect riparian and floodplain habitat, pictured above.

AT A GLANCE

RECIPIENT:

Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality

AWARD AMOUNT:

\$11,849,800

PARTNERS:

Mississippi Secretary of State

The Nature Conservancy

The Trust for Public Land

Mississippi Forestry Commission

USDA-USFS

LOCATION:

Jackson County, Mississippi

AWARD DATE:

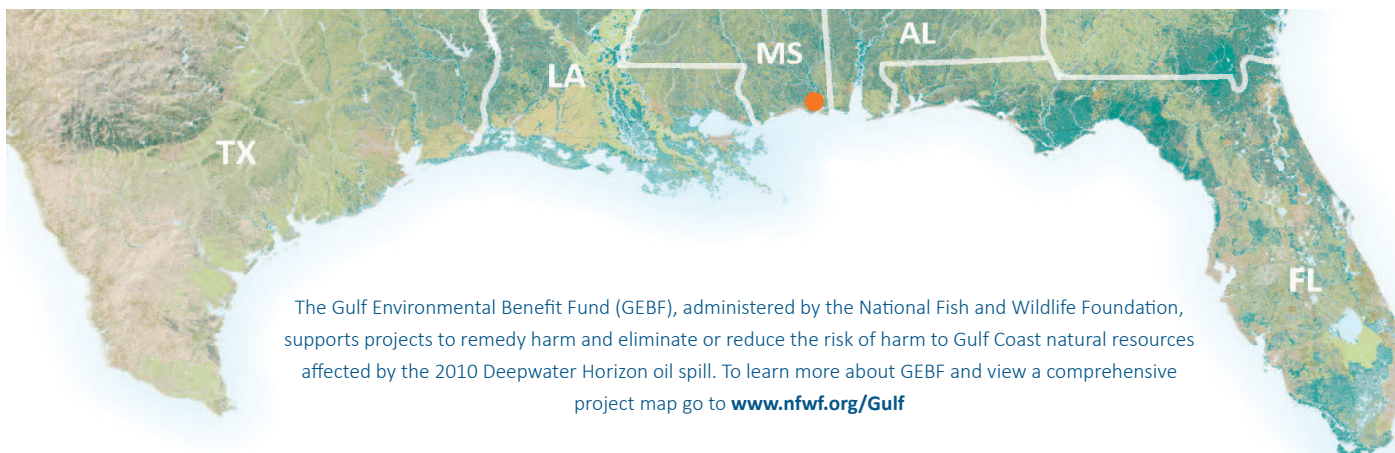
November 2017

STATUS:

Active

PROGRESS UPDATE:

Acquisitions of target parcels have been completed. MDEQ purchased nearly 2,400 acres in Jackson County, MS, which will be managed as part of the Pascagoula WMA.



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

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