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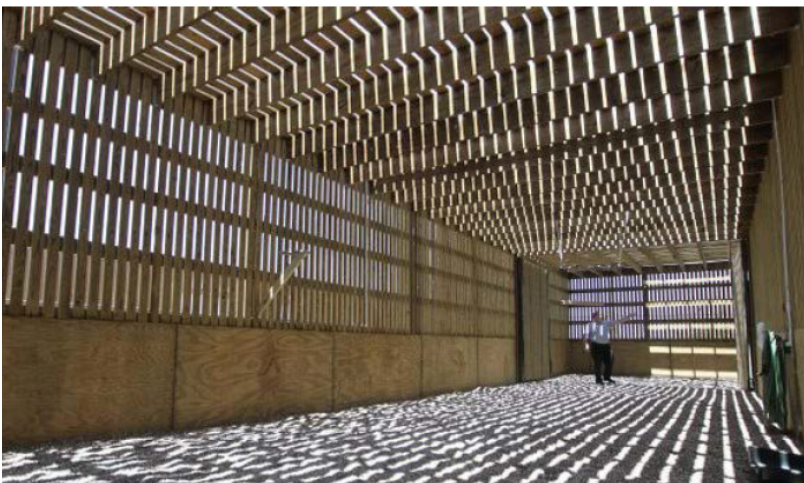
Gulf Environmental Benefit Fund

## TEXAS

# Rebuild Flight Cage and Enclosure Complex for Rehabilitated Birds

This project allowed 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 repaired a damaged flight cage. Above is the interior of the flight cage before Hurricane Harvey.

## AT A GLANCE

### RECIPIENT:

Amos Rehabilitation Keep

University of Texas at Austin  
Marine Science Institute

### AWARD AMOUNT:

\$193,288

### LOCATION:

Port Aransas

### AWARD DATE:

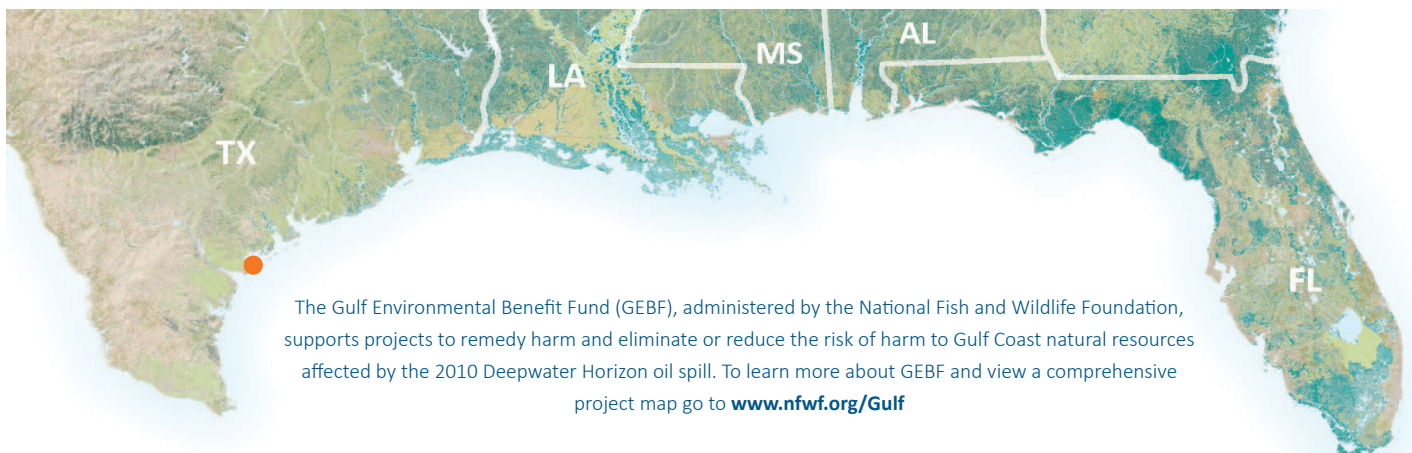
November 2017

### STATUS:

Closed

### PROGRESS UPDATE:

Project closed July 2020.



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