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Dauphin Island East End Beach and Dune Restoration - Phase I

This project completed engineering, design and permitting for the restoration of nearly a mile of beach and dune habitat on the east end of Dauphin Island, a 14-mile long barrier island off the coast of Mobile County. The initial project concept is to place an estimated 1.2 million cubic yards of sand along 4,800 feet of shoreline to restore 35 acres of beach and dune habitat. Additional measures, such as planting and sand fencing, would be included as appropriate to assist in retaining sand on the restored beach and dune system. In 2016, the Town completed the first phase of this priority beach restoration project using Coastal Impact Assistance Program funds.

Dauphin Island is a strategically significant 14-mile barrier island in the northern Gulf, serving as the only barrier island providing protection to the state of Alabama's coastal resources. It provides valuable habitat for living coastal and marine resources and protects important Mississippi Sound resources while also maintaining important ecological conditions (salinity) within the Sound which are critical to its fisheries, oysters and seagrass beds. The island is also a significant trans-Gulf migratory bird stopover area and provides habitat to numerous beach nesting birds. Completion of the restoration of the east end beach and dune complex was identified as a priority restoration action within the 2014 GEBF-funded U.S. Army Corps of Engineers restoration assessment.



Credit | Town of Dauphin Island

Pictured above, a map of the project location.

AT A GLANCE

RECIPIENT:

Town of Dauphin Island

AWARD AMOUNT:

\$1,260,449

PARTNERS:

Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

Dauphin Island Park and Beach Board

LOCATION:

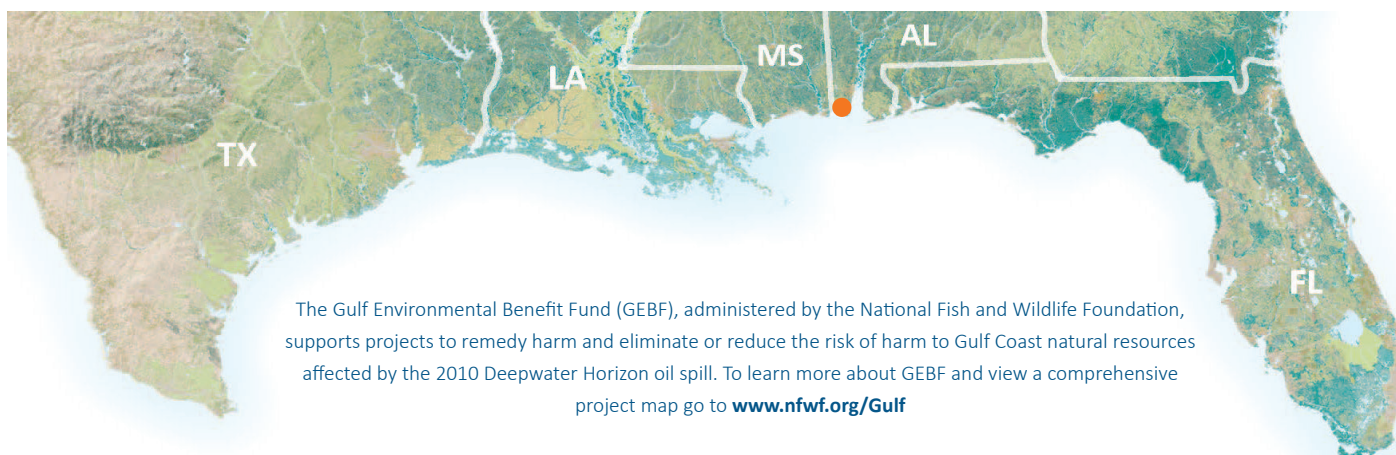
Dauphin Island

AWARD DATE:

November 2020

STATUS:

Closed in August 2023



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