



# Texas Restoration Area Habitat Restoration

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## ABOUT HABITAT RESTORATION

Impacts from the *Deepwater Horizon* oil spill resulted in damage and loss to multiple habitats. The goal of habitat restoration projects is to not only restore and conserve habitat, but also to restore and enhance other integrated ecosystem services such as water quality, coastal and marine resources, and recreational opportunities. Different projects are anticipated to provide turtle nesting area, enhance bird use areas, improve quality of fish nurseries, and increase coastal biodiversity.

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# Habitat Restoration Projects

Project Name	Project Budget	Status
Bahia Grande Coastal Corridor Habitat Acquisition	\$2.3 M	Monitoring/O&M
Bahia Grande Channel F Hydrologic Restoration	\$1.5 M	In progress
Bahia Grande Hydrologic Restoration	\$5.1 M	In Progress
Bessie Heights Wetland Restoration	\$4.9 M	In Progress
Bird Island Cove Habitat Restoration - Construction	\$5.0 M	In Progress
Bird Island Cove Habitat Restoration Engineering	\$206 k	In Progress
Dredged Material Planning for Wetland Restoration	\$2.0 M	In Progress
Essex Bayou Habitat Restoration Engineering	\$372 k	In Progress
Follets Island Habitat Acquisition	\$2.0 M	In Progress
Follets Island Habitat Acquisition Phase 2	\$3.3 M	In Progress
Galveston Island Habitat Acquisition	\$1.1 M	In Progress
Indian Point Shoreline Erosion Protection	\$2.2 M	Monitoring/O&M
Laguna Atascosa Habitat Acquisition	\$5.4 M	Monitoring/O&M
McFaddin Beach and Dune Restoration	\$18.4 M	In Progress
Mid-Coast Habitat Acquisition	\$2.1 M	Monitoring/O&M
Pierce Marsh Wetland Restoration	\$3.1 M	In Progress



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The Texas TIG has funded projects which provide benefits that affect the functioning of the entire ecosystem and offer multiple resource benefits. The acquisition projects not only preserve habitat, but also provide turtle nesting and bird rookery areas, while Bahia Grande Channel F Hydrologic Restoration increases quality of fish nurseries, and Indian Point Shoreline Erosion Protection helps protect salt marsh and seagrass habitats. The McFaddin Beach and Dune Restoration project restores lost beach and dune habitat, which in turn helps protect both freshwater and salt marsh, provides higher quality nesting habitat for least terns, expands wintering habitat for endangered piping plovers, provides turtle nesting area, and increases recreational beach area.

