April 2008



Little Pecan Bayou Hydrologic Restoration (ME-17)

Transferred

Project Status

Approved Date: 2000 Project Area: 13,544 acres
Approved Funds: \$1 M

Total Est. Cost: \$1 M

Net Benefit After 20 Years: 56 acres

Status: Transferred

Project Type: Hydrologic Restoration

PPL#: 9

Location

The project is located in Cameron Parish, Louisiana, east of the Mermentau River.

Problems

Marshes within the project area north of Louisiana Highway 82 are stressed hydrologically due to seasonal salinity spikes exacerbated by construction of the Mermentau Ship Channel. Marshes south of the highway are characterized as large open water areas with limited freshwater inputs.

Restoration Strategy

Structural measures reduce marsh salinity levels and allow fresh water to be conveyed to the area south of Louisiana Highway 82.

Progress to Date

Modeling has been completed. Planning and design is ongoing. A 30% project review is projected for June 2008.

This project is on Priority Project List 9.



Perimeter structures, such as the one shown above, and other project features will be used to restore hydrology in the project area.

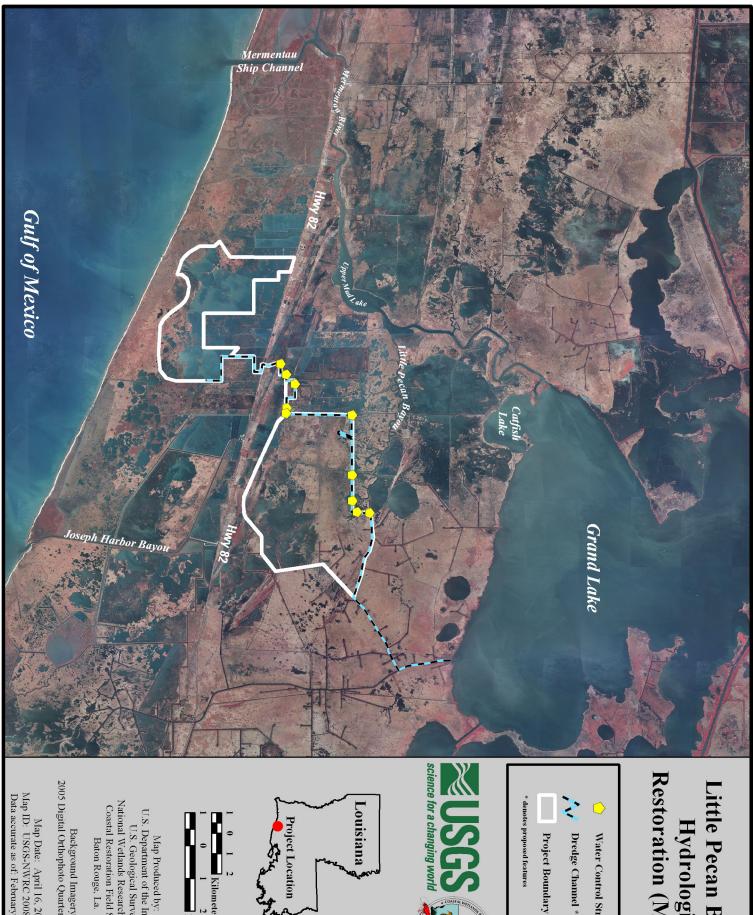
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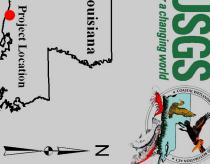
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Project Boundary

Water Control Structure







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Background Imagery: 2005 Digital Orthophoto Quarter Quadrangle

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