Southwest Louisiana Gulf Shoreline
Nourishment and Protection (ME-24)

Project Status

Approved Date: 2006  Project Area: 1,244 acres
Approved Funds: $0.01 M  Total Est. Cost: $0.01 M
Net Benefit After 20 Years: 888 acres
Status: Engineering and Design
Project Type: Shoreline Protection
PPL #: 16

Location

The project is located along the Mermentau Basin in Cameron and Vermilion Parishes, Louisiana.

Problems

The Gulf of Mexico’s shoreline, in the vicinity of Rockefeller Refuge, is reportedly eroding at an estimated rate of 35 to 39 feet per year.

Restoration Strategy

Approximately 4.9 million cubic yards of sediment will be deposited along 47,900 linear feet of gulf shoreline between Dewitt Canal and Constance Lake. The result will be to create approximately 421 acres of marsh platform, mud flat and shallow water that extend into the gulf.

Progress to Date

The Louisiana Coastal Wetlands Conservation and Restoration Task Force approved engineering and design funding in January, 2006. The project delivery team has been assembled and, pending development and acceptance of a cost share agreement, a kickoff meeting and site visit will be planned.

This project is listed on Priority Project List 16.

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