

## Louisiana Restoration Area



### WHO WE ARE

The Trustee representatives for the Louisiana Restoration Area are:

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- Colette Charbonneau, U.S. Department of the Interior
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### WHAT WE DO

Restoration work in the Louisiana Restoration Area will focus on restoring wetlands, coastal, and nearshore habitats, restoring water quality and habitat, and replenishing and protecting wildlife and marine resources, such as sea turtles, dolphins, birds, and oysters. We will provide and enhance recreational opportunities and restore habitats on federal lands.



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## EARLY RESTORATION PROJECTS

	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	STATUS	ESTIMATED COST
<b>REPLENISH AND PROTECT LIVING COASTAL AND MARINE RESOURCES</b>			
<b>Louisiana Oyster Cultch Project</b>	This project involves (1) the placement of oyster cultch onto approximately 850 acres of public oyster seed grounds throughout coastal Louisiana and (2) construction of an oyster hatchery facility that would serve to improve existing oyster hatchery operations and produce supplemental larvae and seed.		\$14.8M
<b>RESTORE AND CONSERVE HABITAT</b>			
<b>Louisiana Outer Coast Restoration</b>	The Louisiana Outer Coast Restoration project involves the restoration of beach, dune, and back-barrier marsh habitats, as well as brown pelicans, terns, skimmers, and gulls at four barrier island locations in Louisiana: Chenier Ronquille, Shell Island, North Breton Island, and Caillou Lake Headlands (also known as Whiskey Island). The State of Louisiana, NOAA, and DOI are working cooperatively on this project.		\$318.4M
<b>Lake Hermitage Marsh Creation</b>	This project creates 104 acres of new brackish marsh in the Barataria Hydrologic Basin using hydraulically dredged sediment from a borrow area in the Mississippi River. The 104-acre fill area is also planted with native marsh vegetation to accelerate the benefits from this project.		\$13.2M
<b>PROVIDE AND ENHANCE RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES</b>			
<b>Louisiana Marine Fisheries Enhancement, Research, and Science Center</b>	The Center establishes state of the art facilities to responsibly develop aquaculture-based techniques for marine fishery management. The project includes two sites with the shared goals of fostering collaborative multi-dimensional research on marine sport fish and bait fish species; enhancing stakeholder involvement; and providing fisheries extension, outreach, and education to the public.		\$22M

 In progress  Monitoring  Complete