

Commission on Marine Resources

January 21, 2020



Employment, Contracts and Procurement Updates January 21, 2020

Employment Updates

- 01.06.2020 Ana Osowski Lyman Scientist III
- 01.09.2020 Ellen Flaherty Off-Bottom Aquaculture Technician
- 01.16.2020 Sharmin Cullwell Projects Officer IV
- 01.16.2020 Joe Chambless Administrative Assistant and Dispatcher

Contracts and Procurements for January 2020

Commodity Contracts						
<u>Vendor</u>	Procurement Method	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Funding Source</u>	Commodity/Service Description	
TBD	Reverse Auction	\$500,000.00	TBD	100% Bonnet Carre	Furnish & Deploy Approved Cultch	
TBD	Reverse Auction	\$500,000.00	TBD	100% Bonnet Carre	Furnish & Deploy Oyster Shell	
Crystal Seas Seafood, LLC	Exemption	\$399, 960.00	2.17.2020-2.16.2021	100% Bonnet Carre	Purchase & Deploy Live Oysters	
Service Contracts						
<u>Vendor</u>	Procurement Method	Amount	<u>Term</u>	Funding Source	Commodity/Service Description	
Auburn University	IHL/Exempt	\$72,864.00	1.15.2020 - 12.31.2020	100% OBOA	Aquaculture Extension Services	
USM	IHL/Exempt	\$49,000.00	1.1.2020 - 6.30.2020	100% Bonnet Carre	Work Order 1– Blue Crab CPUE	
USM	IHL/Exempt	\$44,401.00	1.1.2020 – 6.30.2020	100% Bonnet Carre	Work Order 2– Blue Crab Megalopae	

4-Year Overview	2016	2017	2018	2019		
Wetlands Permitting						
Extensions	3	5	5	5		
Reviews	106	108	118	97		
Coastal Zone Consistency Determinations	59	70	58	80		
Excluded Activities/Entities	131	127	113	88		
General Permits	333	350	411	428		
Permits	8	19	8	9		
Violations	71	52	36	20		
2% (15) presented to CMR Total:	711	731	749	727		
Standard	109	113	123	102		
More Complex	523	547	582	596		
Most Complex	79	71	44	29		

Coastal Zone Consistency Determination by: Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission File: DMR-180249

 Location: On the Port Bienville Industrial Canal in Pearlington, Hancock County, MS.

• Use District: (I) Industrial Use District

Agent: Compton Engineering, P.A.

ENHANCE ★ **PROTECT** ★ **CONSERVE**

• Wetland Impacts:

- Total 6.91 acre acres of wetlands
- 2.21 acres of freshwater marsh
- 0.14 acre of tidal marsh
- 0.14 acre of submerged aquatic vegetation (SAV)
- The applicant proposes to mitigate for impacts to emergent and forested wetlands by purchasing credits at an approved mitigation bank, and impacts to freshwater marsh and tidal wetlands through permittee-responsible mitigation.

Structures:

- 1,000 linear feet of riprap
- A bulkhead 850' in length
- A pier 144' x 30'
- A pier 215' x 10'
- 236 linear feet of wave attenuator

- Dredging and Excavation
 - Maintenance dredging within manmade canals
 - 850' x 50-60'
 - Existing depth: 0' to 10' below MLW
 - Proposed depth: 12' below MLW
 - Approximately 84,683 cubic yards of material will be removed
 - The applicant has received a Letter of Exception to the BU Statute. Material will be placed on-site and used for daily maintenance purposes.
 - Excavation of uplands and wetlands
 - Approximately 21,030 cubic yards of material will be removed
 - Keyhole slip 290' x 370'

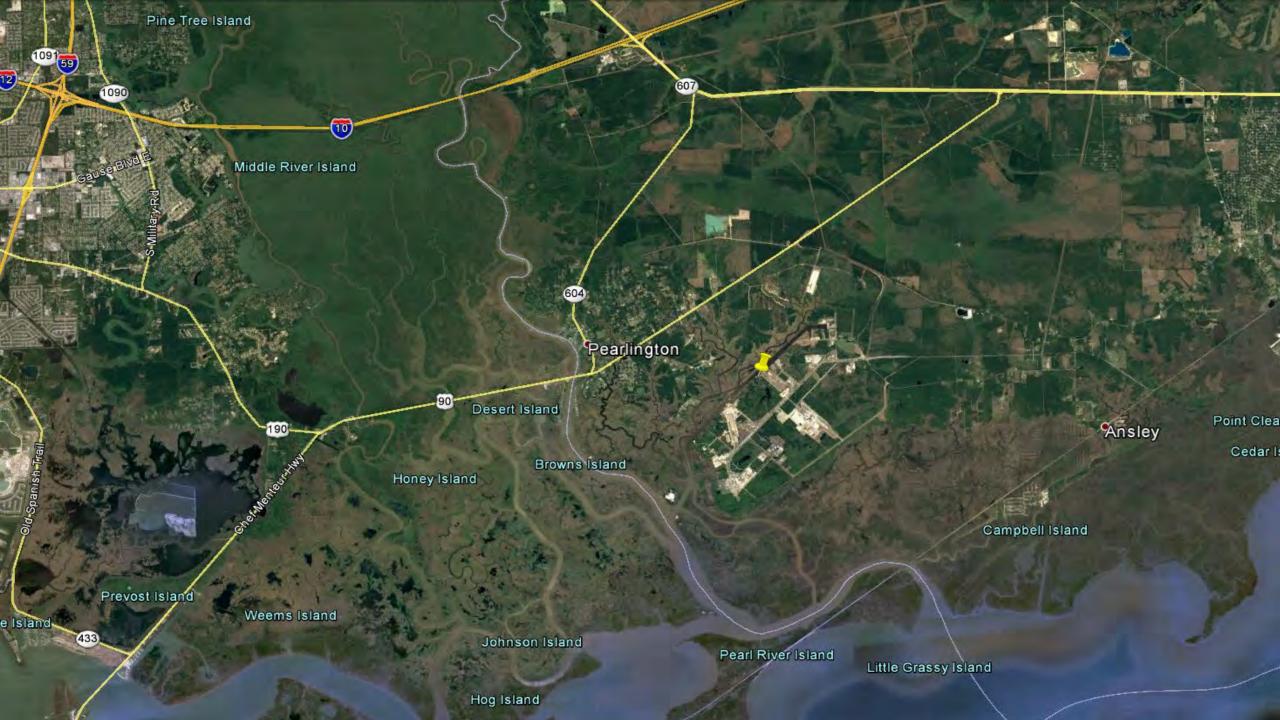
The applicant has requested a variance to Chapter 8, Section 2, Part III.N.1.f of the Mississippi Coastal Program (MCP) and to Miss. Admin. Code Title 22, Part 23, Chapter 8, Section 113.01, Item 6, which states, "Activities affecting coastal wetlands, but located outside of coastal wetlands must not affect . . . The long-term biological productivity of the coastal wetlands' ecosystem."

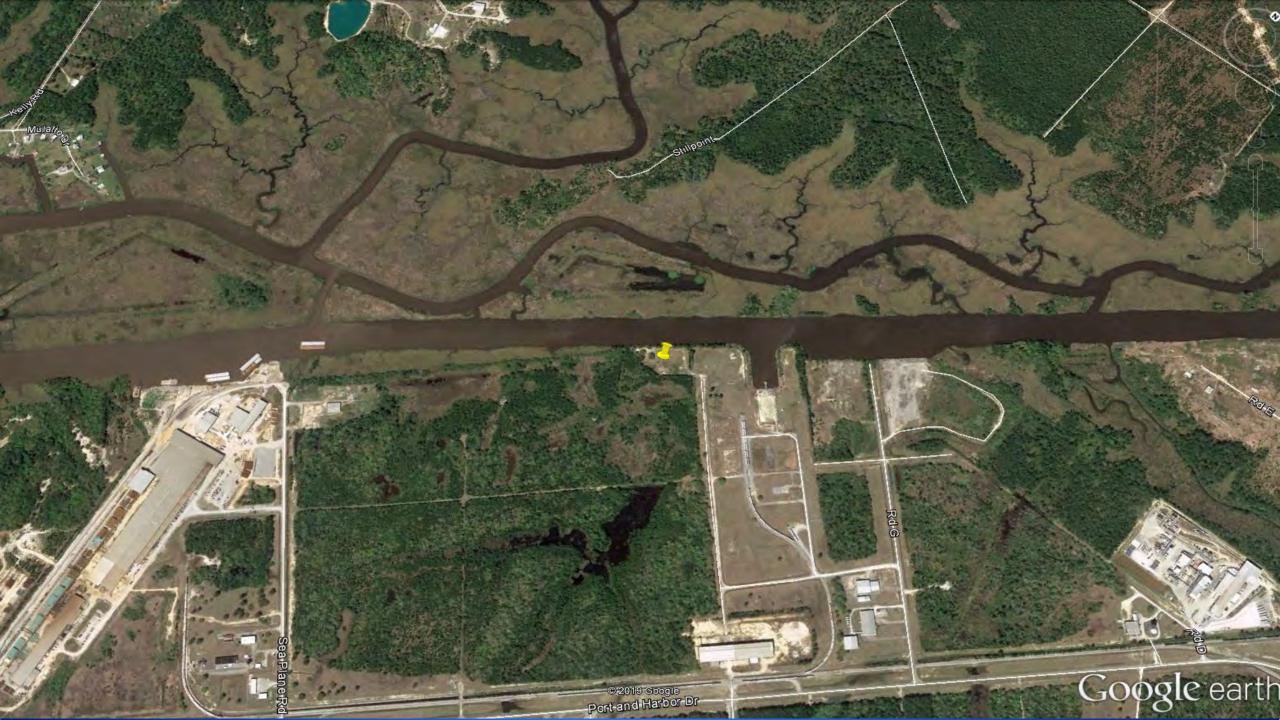
The applicant has justified these variance requests under Chapter 8, Section 2, Part I.E.2.c.iv of the MCP and Miss. Admin. Code Title 22, Part 23, Chapter 8, Section 118.04 by stating the activity requires a waterfront location; there is a significant public benefit in the activity; and a public hearing was held.

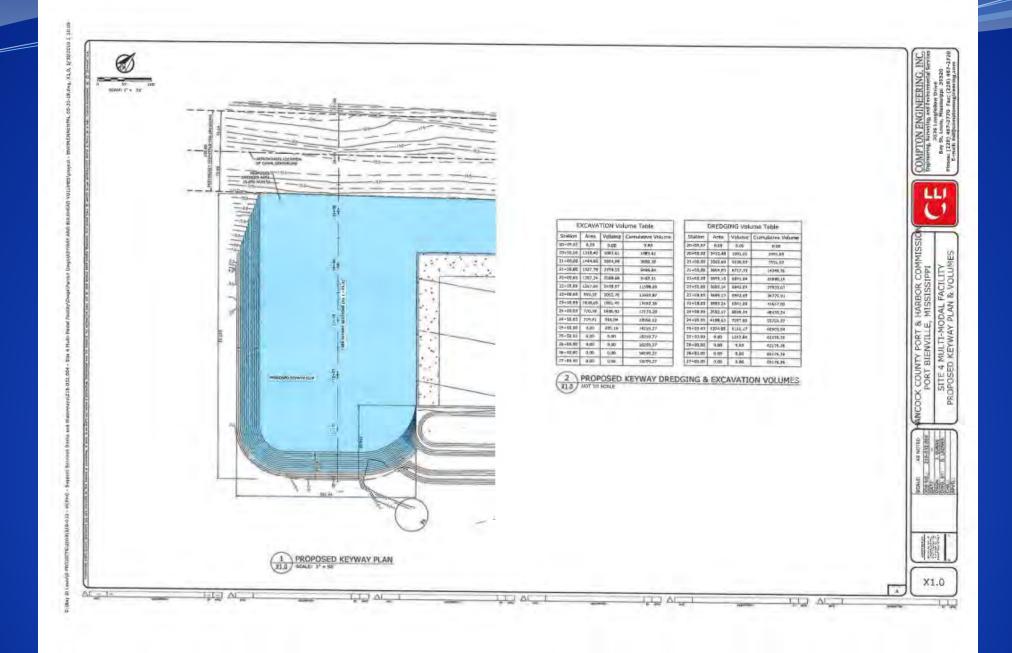


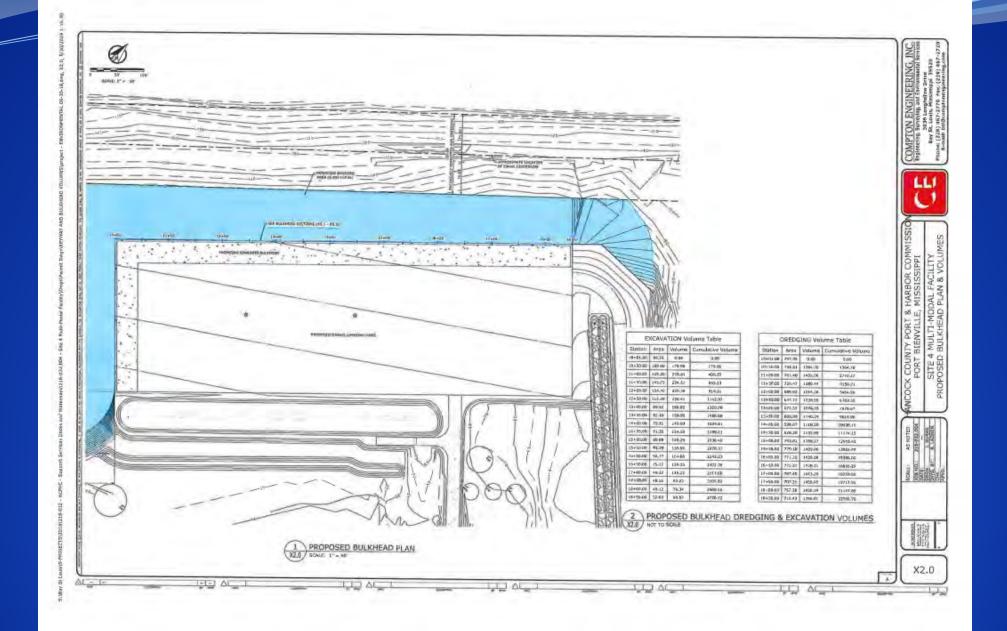




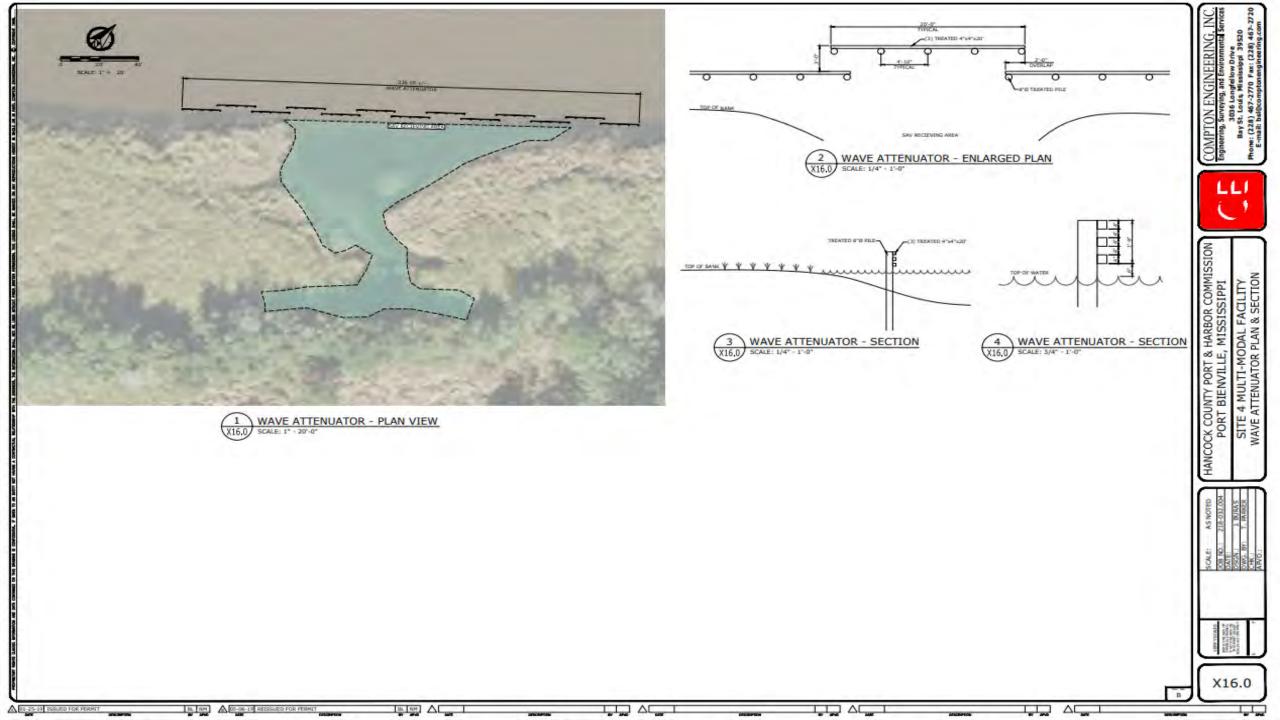












Public and Agency Notification

- Comments...
 - Notification of this project appeared in *The Sun Herald* on August 18, August 25, and September 1, 2019, and in *The Sea Coast Echo* on August 17, August 24, and August 31, 2019.
 - One public comment was received concerning:
 - -Loud noises from construction and operation activities
 - -Requested noise levels be taken into account, especially late at night
 - A public hearing was held on Tuesday, September 24, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at the David N. McDonald Training Center of the Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission located at 3060 Port and Harbor Drive, Pearlington, MS. No comments were received.
 - MS DEQ: Currently reviewing the project
 - MS DAH: Has no objections
 - MS DWFP: Recommends best management practices
 - MS SOS: Notes the project is adjacent to the Hancock County Marsh Coastal Preserve and asks that all reasonable measures be imposed to protect the integrity of the ecosystem.

Recommendation

• Based upon departmental review and evaluation of the decision factors in Ch. 8, Sect. 2, Part I.E.2. of the MCP, it has been determined that the project will allow significant expansion of the port and benefit the economic development of Hancock County. Therefore, staff recommends approval of the requested variance and the proposed project contingent on clearance from DEQ.

Request for Exclusion by: Jackson County Port Authority File: DMR-190178

- Location: Wetlands adjacent to the Escatawpa River in Moss Point, Jackson County, MS.
- Use District: (G) General Use District
- Agent: Compton Engineering
- Project Purpose/Need: More efficient rail transport of goods and abandonment of existing railroad crossings.

- Fill:
 - 4.89 acres of wetland impacts
 - 3.73 acres of tidal and tidally-influenced marsh
 - 1.16 acres of forested, non-tidal wetlands
- Mitigation:
 - Creation of 3.8 acres of tidal and tidally-influenced marsh immediately adjacent to the project area

continued

- Variance requests MCP:
 - Chapter VIII, Sect. 2, Part III.O.1: "Permanent filling of coastal wetlands because of potential adverse and cumulative environmental impacts is discouraged."
 - Chapter VIII, Sect. 2, Part III.O.2: "Areas containing submerged vegetation or regularly flooded emergent vegetation shall not be filled"
 - Chapter VIII, Sect. 2, Part III.F.1: "Bridging shall be used in preference to filling"
 - Chapter VIII, Sect. 2, Part III.F.3: "Except for the construction of replacement bridges and approaches, transportation improvement projects shall generally follow existing alignments in coastal wetlands."
- Justification:
 - Chapter 8, Section 2, Part I.E.2.c.iii: "No feasible, alternative sites or construction techniques are available, there is a significant public benefit in the activity, and a public hearing has been held."
 - Efficient transport of goods including those which support the nation's energy policy
 - Increase public safety by closing railroad crossing.

continued

- Variance requests Title 22, Part 23:
 - Chapter 8, Sect. 114.01: "Permanent filling of coastal wetlands below the mean high tide line because of potential adverse and cumulative environmental impacts is not authorized.""
 - Chapter 8, Sect. 114.03: "Sensitive coastal wetlands must not be filled"
 - Chapter 8, Sect. 105.01: "Bridging must be used in preference to filling to create roadbeds, railways, and other transportation facilities..."
 - Chapter 8, Sect. 105.03: "Except for the construction of replacement bridges and approaches, transportation improvement projects shall generally follow existing alignments in coastal wetlands."
- Justification:
 - Chapter 8, Section 118.03: "No feasible, alternative sites or construction techniques are available, there is a significant public benefit in the activity, and a public hearing has been held."
 - Efficient transport of goods including those which support the nation's energy policy
 - Increase public safety by closing railroad crossing.





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218-051.001 JACKSON COUNTY PORT AUTHORITY (JCPA), NORTH RAIL CONNECTOR - PLANNING ASSISTANCE ENGINEERING, SURVEYING & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES FIGURE 2: WETLAND IMPACTS SHEET 2 SCALE: 1"=300" DRN. BY: JDL





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FIGURE 2: WETLAND IMPACTS
SHEET 1
SCALE: 1"=300'
DRN. BY: JDL

Mitigation **Adjacent Uplands** Upland Buffer 2.3 ac Marsh Creation 3.8 ac Wildlife Solutions, Inc. 0 62.5 125 500 375 250 Phone: 251-591-2682 Feet
1 inch = 200 feet -88.508007 30.413618 Decimal Degrees

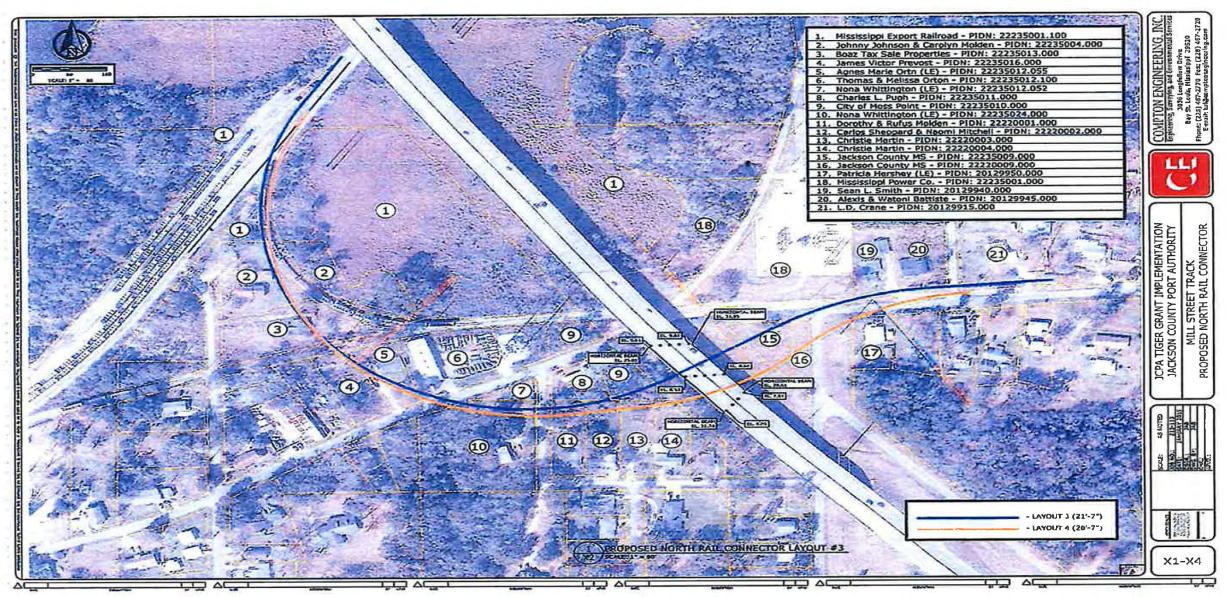




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(21) ROAD CROSSINGS THROUGH MOSS POINT & PASCAGOULA

Alternative Layouts



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Public and Agency Notification

- Notification of this project appeared in *The Sun Herald* on June 23, June 30, and July 7, 2019.
 - No public comments were received

- MS DEQ: Currently reviewing the project
- MS DAH: No objections
- MS SOS: Rent exempt lease will be required

Recommendation

• The staff of the Department of Marine Resources has conducted a thorough evaluation of the project and has made findings on the decision factors in accordance with Chapter VIII, Section 2, Part I.E.2. of the Mississippi Coastal Program (MCP). The project would allow more efficient movement of goods by rail from Bayou Casotte and the Port of Pascagoula as well as allow for the abandonment of approximately 21 rail crossings in areas of Pascagoula and Moss Point which would increase public safety. Staff recommends approval of the variance requests and permit contingent on clearance from DEQ.

Request for Permit by: Gulf LNG Liquefaction Company, LLC File: DMR-060870

- Location: Bayou Casotte in Pascagoula, Jackson County, MS.
- Use District: (I) Industrial Development Use District
- Agent: Jacobs Engineering
- Project Purpose/Need: Expand the current facility to allow for the export of natural gas

ENHANCE ★ **PROTECT** ★ **CONSERVE**

• Fill:

- 27.8 acres tidal and tidally influenced wetlands
- 10.9 acres of non-tidal wetlands
- North Marine Off-loading Facility (MOF): 0.91-acre of waterbottoms
- South MOF: 0.15-acre of waterbottoms (temporary)
- MOF: 1,350 linear feet of sheet-pile wall-fill containment (350 LF temporary)
- 50 acres of unvegetated, state-owned waterbottoms for mitigation area

Dredging:

- 200,000 cubic yards for MOFs
 - (Material has been tested and found suitable for Beneficial Use per MS Code §49-27-61)

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• Mitigation:

- •Creation of 50 Acres of tidal marsh wetlands at the mouth of Bayou Casotte.
- •For permanent fill of state-owned waterbottoms: One-time payment in the amount of \$117,268.04 to the MDMR Coastal Preserves Bureau for acquisition, conservation, and management of Coastal Preserves properties
- •Purchase of mitigation credits from a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Mobile District IRT-approved mitigation bank within the service area
- Tidelands Lease (SOS) for mitigation area

Project Description

continued

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 - Chapter VIII, Sect. 2, Part III.O.2: "Areas containing submerged vegetation or regularly flooded emergent vegetation shall not be filled"
 - Chapter VIII, Sect. 2, Part III.K.1b: "Proposed road alignments shall use upland or already disturbed marsh areas."
- Variance requests Title 22, Part 23:
 - Chapter 8, Section 114.01: "Permanent filling of coastal wetlands below the mean high tide line because of potential adverse and cumulative environmental impacts is not authorized."
 - Chapter 8, Section 114.03 which states, "Sensitive coastal wetlands must not be filled."
 - Chapter 8, Section 110.02 which states, "Proposed road alignments shall use upland or already disturbed marsh areas."

Project Description

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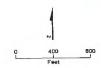
- Justification:
 - Chapter 8, Section 2, Part I.E.2.c.iv of the MCP and Chapter 8, Section 118.04 of Title 22, Part 23,: "The activity requires a waterfront location, there is a significant public benefit, and a public hearing will be held."
 - Significant economic impact
 - Decrease dependency on foreign countries for energy
 - Reduce global greenhouse gas emissions
 - Additional tidal marsh habitat
 - Reduce coastal erosion





Site Boundary

North Marsh Mitigation Area South Marsh Mitigation Area





Notes

Sources: Earl, DeLorme, NAVTEQ, USGS, Intermap, IPC, NRCAN, Earl Japan, METI, Earl China (Hong Kong), Earl (Thalland), TomTom, 2013

Sources Digital Globe Satellite Imagery; 11/29/2014.

Figure 7
Gulf LNG Existing Mitigation Areas
Gulf LNG Liquefaction Project
Gulf LNG Liquefaction Company, LLC
Jackson County, Mississippi







Proposed Project Boundary North Heavy Haul Road





Figure 4
North MOF
Gulf LNG Liquefaction Project
Gulf LNG Liquefaction Company, LLC
Jackson County, Mississippi

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Figure 5 South MOF Gulf LNG Liquefaction Project Gulf LNG Liquefaction Company, LLC Jackson County, Mississippi



Legend

Wetlands

Site Boundary

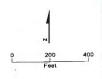




Figure 9 CSA 5 - Chevron Property Wetland Survey Gulf LNG Liquefaction Project Gulf LNG Liquefaction Company, LLC Jackson County, Mississippi

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Legend

Potential Mitigation Site

Potential Tidal Marsh Creation

Rip Rap Shoreline Protection



Gulf LNG Terminal Expansion

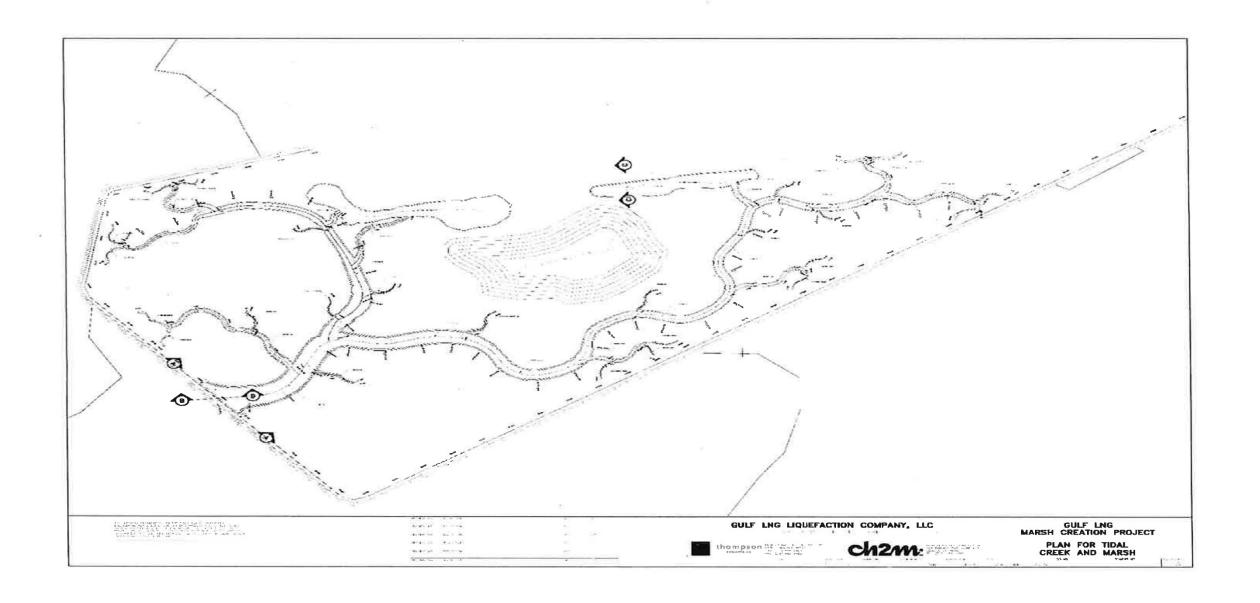
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2. Sources: ESRI Aerial Online Service, April 12, 2010.

3. http://mepping.co.jackson.me.usrjeckson.countyflexwebmap/



- Notification of this project appeared in *The Sun Herald* and *Mississippi Press* on February 21, 28, and March 6, 2016. As well as November 3, 10, and 17, 2019.
 - Public comments were received from two (2) respondents to the 2016 notice

continued

- Comment: Loss of flood protection and storm water control resulting from permanent wetland impacts and the mitigation proposed would not replace these important wetland functions
- Response: Based on modeling completed for the Project, construction of the project and associated tidal wetlands would have negligible effect on the current flood storage capacity in the Bayou Casotte area.

• Comment: A detailed, well-reasoned more robust mitigation plan is needed and should be shown before this project can proceed".

• Response: The mitigation plan was still in the draft stages at the time of the first public notice. A final mitigation plan has been provisionally approved by the USACE.

ENHANCE ★ **PROTECT** ★ **CONSERVE**

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- Comment: Skeptical of the success of the mitigation plan due to its direct exposure to MS Sound.
- Response: The mitigation plan was designed per the latest USACE manuals for Shore Protection and Coastal Engineering.
- Comment: Questions the use of three variances to the MDMR's Mississippi Coastal Plan.
- Response: See write-up

 Comment: Reduce barge berths from 2 to 1 to avoid wetland impacts.

• Response: Increased accessibility for the offloading of fill materials and aggregate, while reducing traffic impacts to Industrial Road to the north.

 A public Hearing was held on November 12, 2019. No public comments were received

MS DEQ: Currently reviewing the project

MS DAH: No objections.

MS SOS: Tidelands Lease will be required

 Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC): Issued Certification after an approximate five (5) year-EIS process

USACE: Issued Provisional Permit

Recommendation

• The staff of the Department of Marine Resources has conducted a thorough evaluation of the project and has made findings on the decision factors in accordance with Chapter VIII, Section 2, Part I.E.2. of the Mississippi Coastal Program (MCP). The project would allow both the import and export of natural gas at the Bayou Casotte Terminal. The project would create a significant amount of economic activity by creating jobs directly associated with the facility as well as construction employment. The project would be in support of the nation's energy policy by reducing dependence on foreign countries for energy. Staff recommends approval of the variance requests and permit contingent on clearance from DEQ

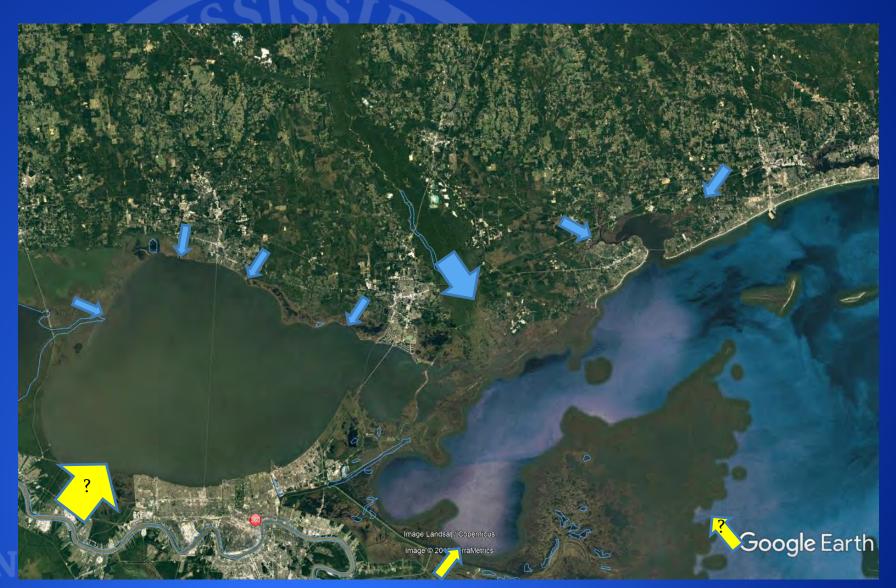


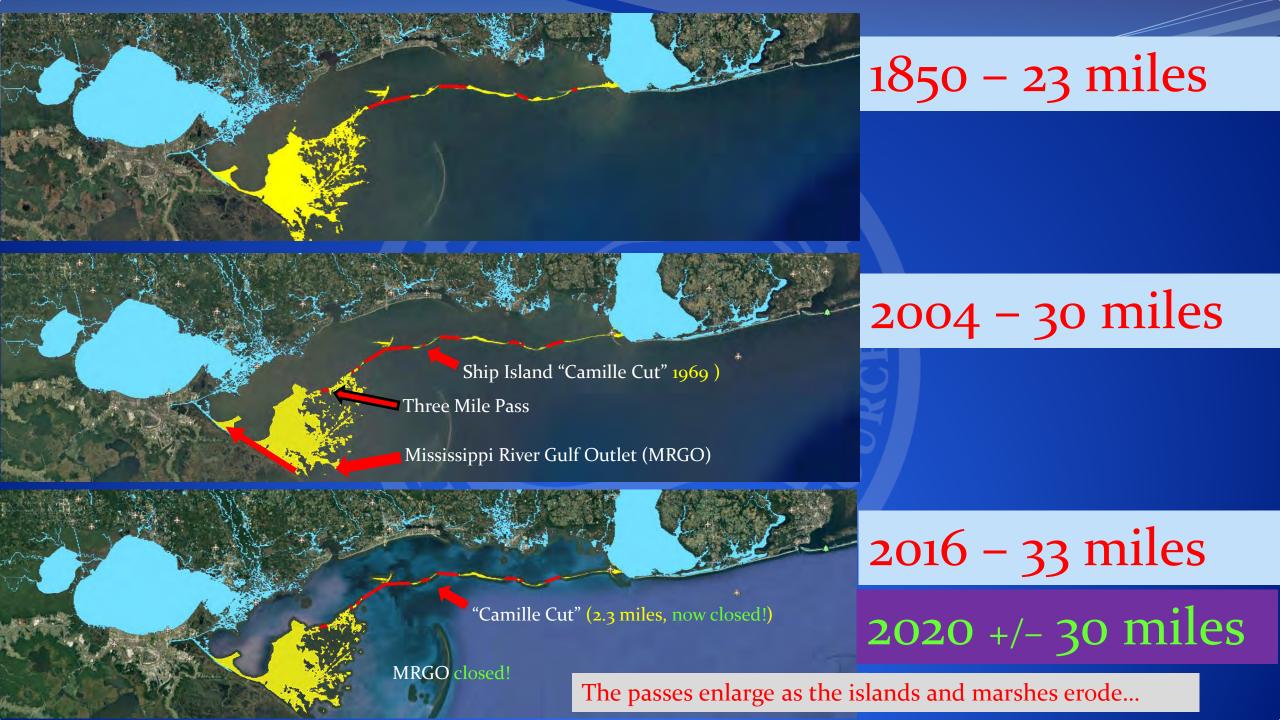
Western Mississippi Sound Hydrodynamics and Lower Pearl River Discharge

George Ramseur and Paul F. Mickle Ph.D.

Western Sound Freshwater Inputs

- Pearl River
- Jourdan River
- Wolf River
- Bonnet Carré
- Other MS River Diversions?



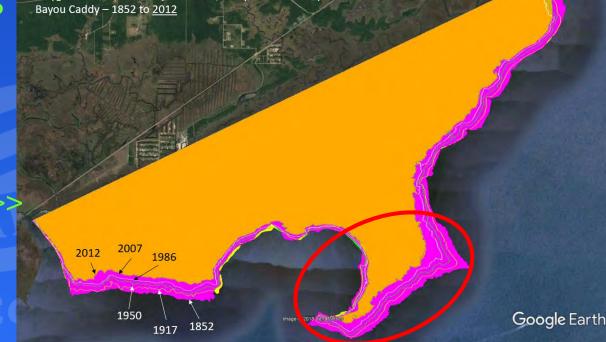


Year	Acres	Acres Lost	#Yrs	Loss per year
1852	7749.877905			
1917	7425.731693	324.146212	65	4.9868648
1950	7145.2114	280.520293	33	8.500614939
1971	7021.316241	123.895159	21	5.899769476
1986	6858.82769	162.488551	15	10.83257007
2007	6573.537493	285.290197	21	13.58524748
2012	6526.382175	47.155318	5	9.4310636
2016	6487.457754	38.924421	4	9.73110525

Hancock County Shoreline Regression, 1852 to 2016

Long term erosion rates have doubled.

Loss appears to be directly fetch related >>

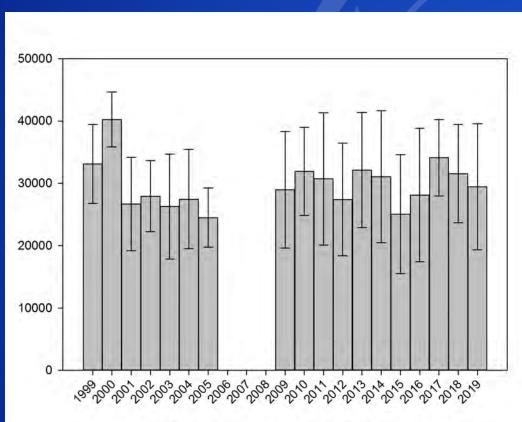


Polygons: Hancock County Shoreline, Campbell Inside Bayou to

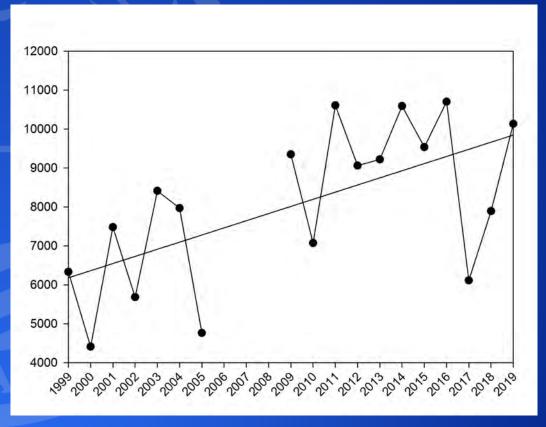
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Water Quality Variation

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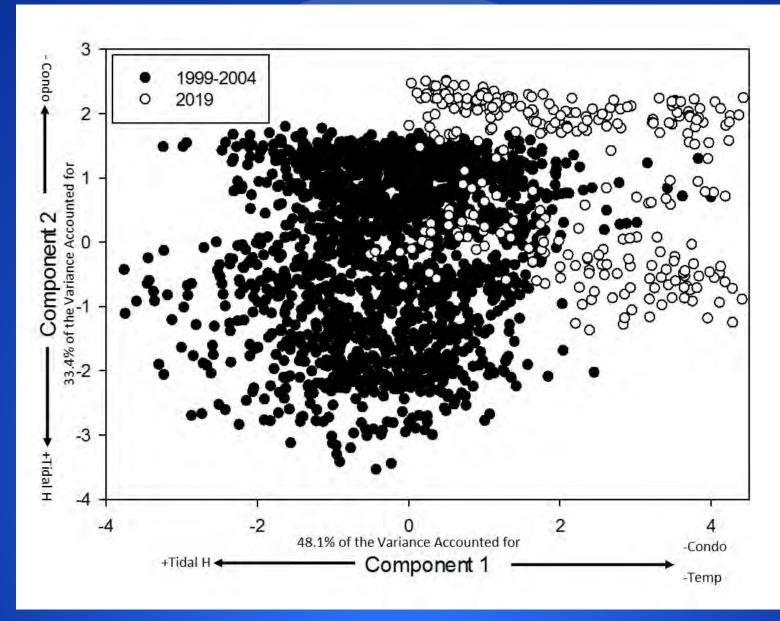


Standard Deviation of Conductivity



Year Year

Bonnet Carré Influences on Water Quality



Understanding the Western Sound

BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF FLOWS



HYDRODYNAMIC MODELLING OF WESTERN MS SOUND AND THE LOWER 65KM OF PEARL RIVER



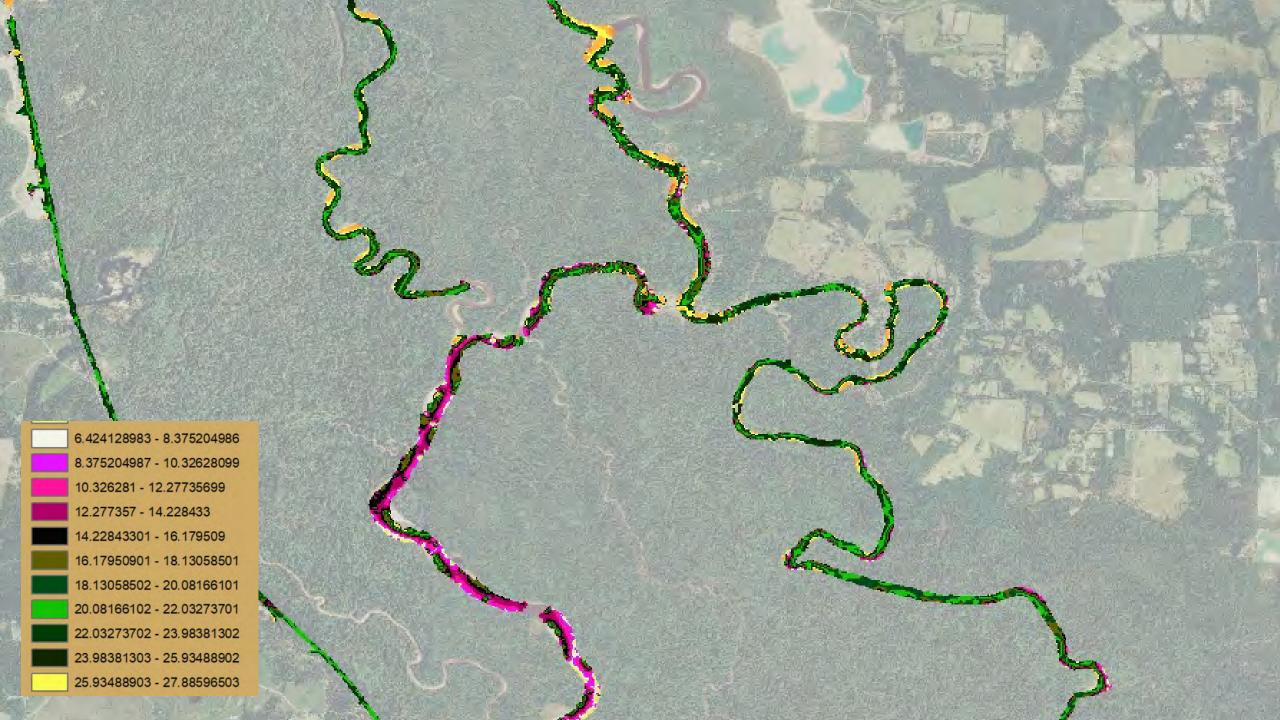
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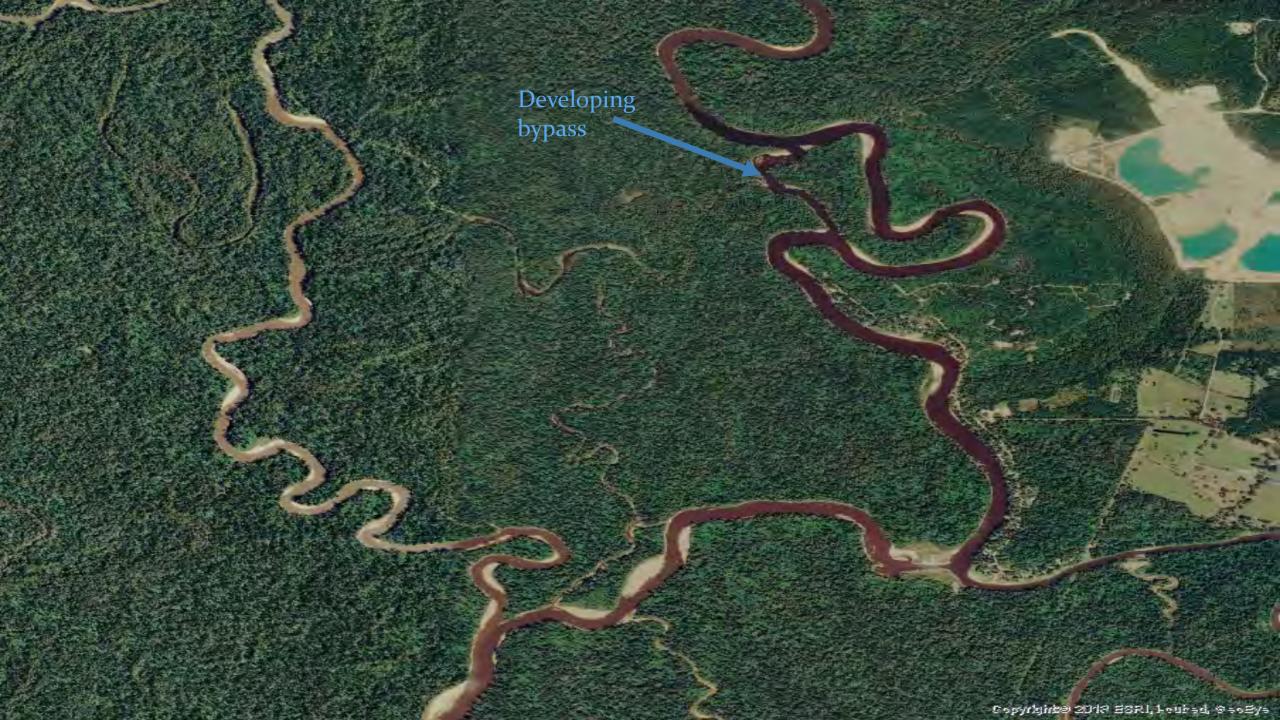


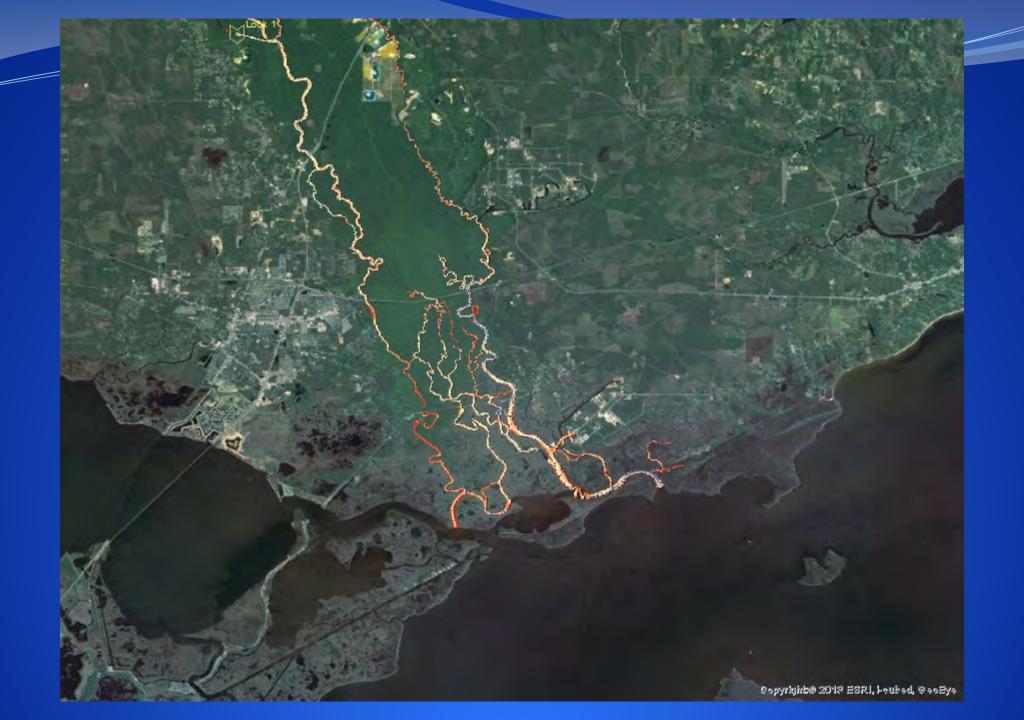
Pearl River Drainage

- Navigation
- Flood Control
- Industry
- Access
- Agriculture









Potential Paths Forward

- Identifying the WQ based HSI for:
 - Oysters
 - Crab
 - Brown Shrimp
 - Finfish?

Allow the spatial HSI for each species drive the project support for the state of MS



Mississippi Department of Marine Resources

Agency Financial Results

as of December 31, 2019

Commission on Marine Resources January 21, 2020

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES

Income Statement - Fiscal Year 2020 As of December 31, 2019

Key Metrics:

•State Revenue of \$4.1M

- •Agency Revenue of \$19.4M
- •State Net Income of \$950K
- Agency Net Income of \$6.5M

Federal	:

		•	GOMESA PHII:	Operating		
		State	NFWF:	Subtotal	Tidelands	Total DMR
	Revenue:					
	Transfer in from Other Governments	-	-	-	-	-
	Off-road Fuel Tax	3,050,000	-	3,050,000	-	3,050,000
	Federal/NonFederal Grants	-	3,030,688	3,030,688	-	3,030,688
	Sales Revenue	463,341	1,170	464,510	1,781	466,292
	Indirect Cost Recovery	501,157	-	501,157	-	501,157
	Other Revenue	100,535	317,323	417,858	11,970,750	12,388,608
	Current Budget Year Revenue:	4,115,033	3,349,181	7,464,213	11,972,531	19,436,745
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7	Expenditures:					
	Salaries, Wages, Fringe	2,617,427	1,380,777	3,998,204	396,645	4,394,849
	Travel	16,094	21,551	37,645	19,432	57,078
	Contractual Services	294,386	2,598,901	2,893,287	435,862	3,329,148
A	Commodities	199,029	1,127,381	1,326,411	75,298	1,401,708
	Other than Equipment	-	-	-	-	-
	Equipment	32,708	71,514	104,222	48,832	153,053
	Vehicles	-	-	-	-	-
	Wireless Devices	-	-	-	-	-
	Subsidies, Loans, and Grants	5,208	1,852,445	1,857,653	1,648,139	3,505,792
	Current Budget Year Expenditures:	3,164,853	7,052,568	10,217,421	2,624,208	12,841,629
	Current Budget Year Net Income/(Loss):	\$ 950,180	\$ (3,703,387)	\$(2,753,208)	\$ 9,348,323	\$ 6,595,116

January 21, 2020

Financial Budget Comparison

• After six months of Fiscal Year 2020:

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES

2020 Budget Comparison As of December 31, 2019

Expenditures:
Salaries, Wages, Fringe
Travel
Contractual Services
Commodities
Equipment
Vehicles
Wireless Devices
Subsidies, Loans, and Grants
Total Expenditures:

	Actual Year to Date Expenditures			
	Operating	Tidelands	Total	
	\$ 3,998,204	\$ 396,645	\$ 4,394,849	
	37,645	19,432	57,078	
	2,893,287	435,862	3,329,148	
	1,326,411	75,298	1,401,708	
	104,222	48,832	153,053	
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s	1,857,653	1,648,139	3,505,792	
	\$10,217,421	\$2,624,208	\$ 12,841,629	
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Budget Year Totals				
Operating	T	idelands	Total	
\$ 7,202,532	\$	791,201	\$ 7,993,733	
131,873		15,568	147,440	
5,277,376		823,021	6,100,397	
4,561,748		355,023	4,916,771	
889,842		285,922	1,175,764	
45,000		12,387	57,387	
6,249			6,249	
30,215,765		5,307,425	35,523,190	
\$48,330,385	\$	7,590,546	\$55,920,931	

Percent Remaining			
Operating	Tidelands	Total	
44.5%	49.9%	45.0%	
71.5%	-24.8%	61.3%	
45.2%	47.0%	45.4%	
70.9%	78.8%	71.5%	
88.3%	82.9%	87.0%	
100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
100.0%	0.0%	100.0%	
93.9%	68.9%	90.1%	
78.9%	65.4%	77.0%	

- Operating Funds have 78.9% of Budget remaining
- Tidelands Trust Fund has 65.4% of Budget remaining



Mississippi Department of Marine Resources FY2021 Tidelands Trust Fund



Tidelands FY2022 Schedule

Date	Description
May 31, 2020	Request for Proposals
July 1, 2020	Deadline for Proposals
July - Aug 2020	Compliance Review
September - October 2020	Merit Review
November 2020	Recommendations and CMR Approval of Ranked Proposals
December 2020	Legislative Forum
January 2021	Projects/Report to Legislature
April 2021	FY2020 Appropriations
November 2021	Check from SOS Office
November - December 2021	Projects Awarded



Tidelands Trust Fund FY2021 Proposal Results

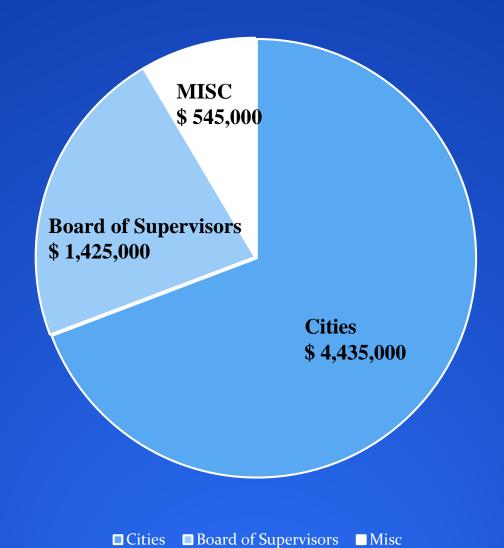
121 APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED \$57,944,477

55 PUBLIC ACCESS 66 TIDELANDS MANAGEMENT \$11,479,948 \$46,464,529 **27** Submitted by Cities 25 Submitted by MDMR \$37,706,275 \$4,258,792 16 Submitted by Counties **32 Submitted by Universities** \$5,559,420 \$6,001,581 **12** Miscellaneous 9 Miscellaneous \$3,198,834 \$1,219,575

Appropriated for FY2020: \$11,000,000



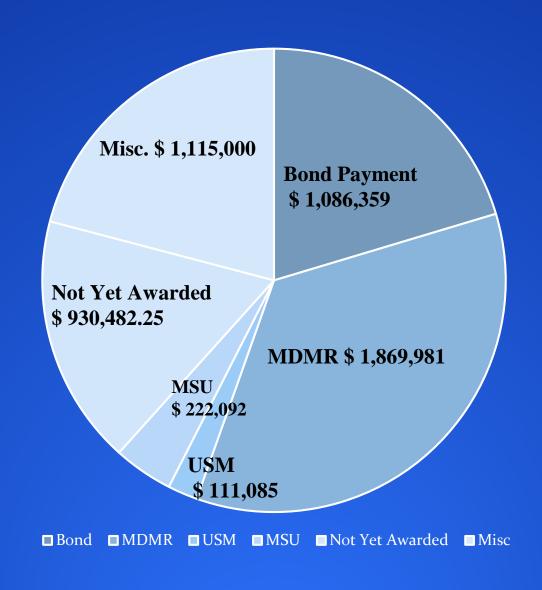
Public Access Awards FY2020



Tidelands FY2020 Public Access Awards Total \$ 6,405,000



Managed Projects Awards FY2020



Tidelands FY2020 Managed Projects Allocated \$3,508,641



Title 22 Part 7: Commercial Tarpon Regulations Final Adoption

Joe Jewell January 21, 2020

Background

- At the September 17, 2019 CMR meeting, the following motion was passed:
 - Motion: To proceed with a Notice of Intent for regulatory changes to Title 22 Part 7
 Chapter 9 to add Paragraph 114 prohibiting the harvest or possession of an Atlantic
 Tarpon for commercial purposes.
- At the October 15, 2019 CMR meeting this item was removed from the agenda.
- November 19, 2019 CMR meeting the Commission passed motion to withdraw the previously approved commercial Tarpon NOI. Tabled issue and requested staff to discuss further.
- At the December 17, 2019 CMR meeting, the following motion was passed:
 - To proceed with a Notice of Intent for regulatory changes to Title 22 Part 7 Chapter 9 regarding commercial rules for Atlantic Tarpon (Megalops atlanticus) within Mississippi waters.

CMR Passed Notice of Intent on December 17, 2019

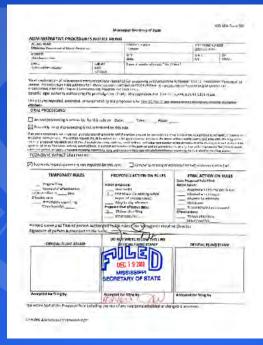
Notice of Intent filed with the SOS on December 19, 2019

December 20, 2019 MDMR Web Page Notice

Legal Notice Appeared in the Sun Herald on December 22, 2019.



MDMR Web Notice





SOS NOI Notice

Sun Herald Notice

Public Comments on Title 22 Part 7 NOI

- Public comment period: December 19, 2019 through January 13, 26 Days.
- No public comments were received.

Title 22 Part 7 Chapter 9

Chapter 9 Commercial Size, Possession and Catch Limits

114 It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation, to barter, sell, offer for sale or transport for sale or possess for sale Atlantic Tarpon (*Megalops atlanticus*).

115 It shall be unlawful for any commercial fishermen to possess any Atlantic Tarpon smaller than seventy-five (75) inches fork length or to possess more than a daily bag limit of one (1) Atlantic Tarpon per vessel.

Required:

A motion to proceed with Final Adoption for regulatory changes to Title 22 Part 7 Chapter 9 regarding commercial rules for Atlantic Tarpon (*Megalops atlanticus*).



State Saltwater Finfish Records

Matt Hill January 21, 2020

Youth Division: Conventional Tackle

Youth Saltwater Fishing Record

Knobbed PorgyCalamus nodosus

New Record: 1 lb. 4.8 oz.

Angler: Blake Bosarge

*Also qualifies as All Tackle and Conventional Tackle Record



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Youth Saltwater Fishing Record

Spanish Flag Gonioplectrus hispanus

New Record: 10.98 oz.

Angler: Blake Bosarge

*Also qualifies as All Tackle and Conventional Tackle Record





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Youth Saltwater Fishing Record

Vermilion Snapper Rhomboplites aurorubens

New Record: 2 lbs. 9.0 oz.

Angler: Blake Bosarge







Motion to Adopt New State Records







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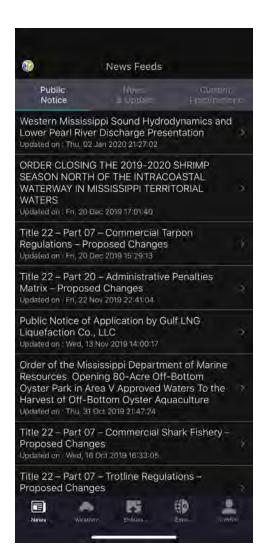


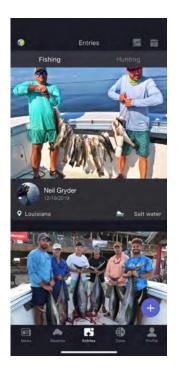
All in ONE Platform

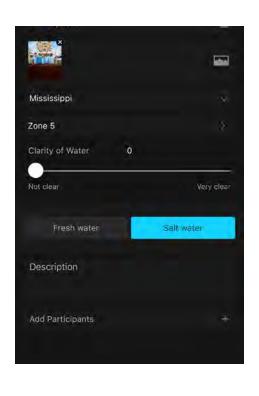
- Data Collection on recreational harvest and discard catches
- Real-time Rule & Regulation changes from Gov. Agencies
 - ▶ Ability to search all states rules/regs
- Weather API for forecast/entry logging
- Local
 - Search for fuel dock/marinas
- Multi-state License sale
 - Proof of purchase with user ID number
 - Renewal program
- Safety features for users
 - Distress
 - Tracking system
- Better survey access

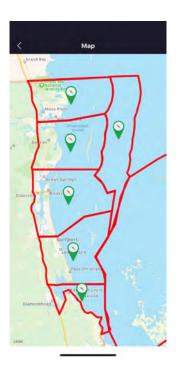
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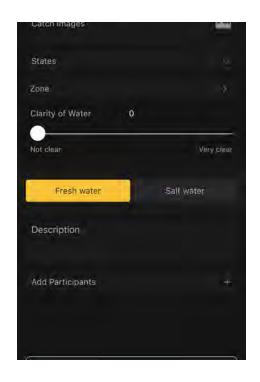
- Directly connected to TruSportsman
- Have all commission meetings & events being put on
- Season closure







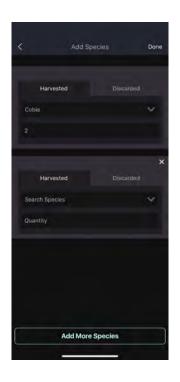


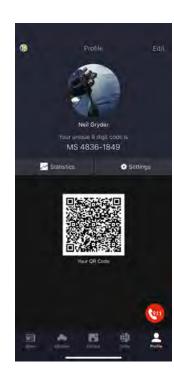


Entries

- Auto date/time
- Picture of total catch
 - Measuring tool
- State zones separated
- Water clarity



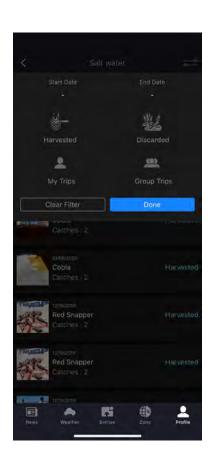


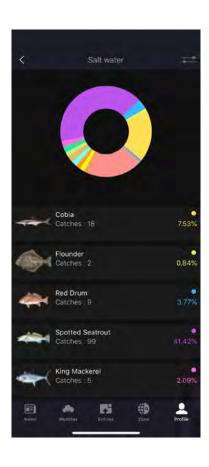


Species Entry

- Species search
- Quantity of each species
- ► Harvest/Discard separation
- Multi-Person/Multi-Day Entries
 - ► Bar-code participation additions
 - Statistics go to each user
 - Available to search "multi's" separate from single person entries

Statistics



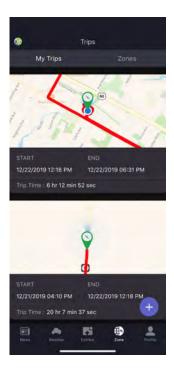


- Track all harvest & discard catches
- Zones participated
- Weather recorded with each entry
- Picture records





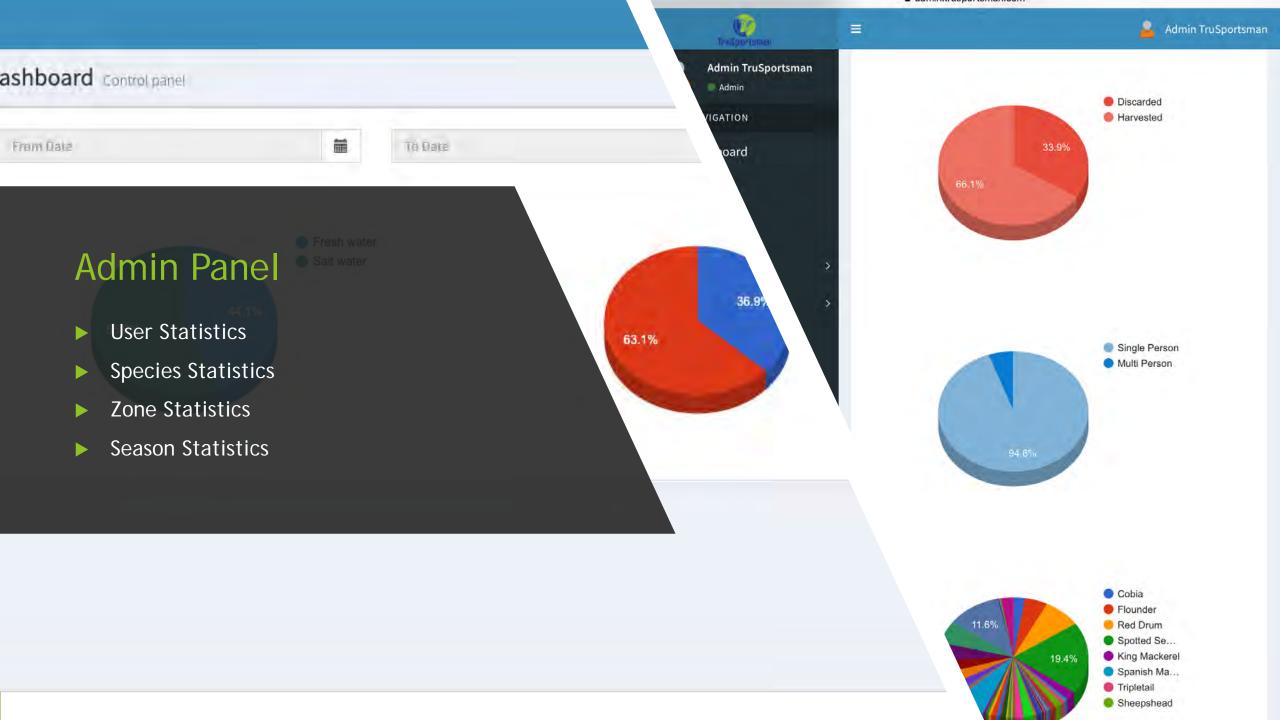




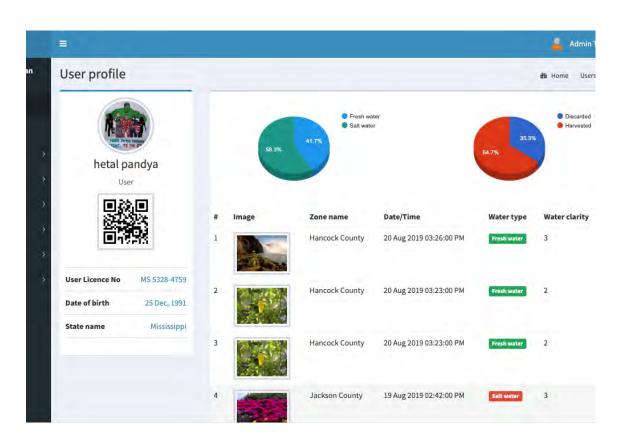


Additions

Entry calendar, weather & zone record statistics, GPS tracking



User Search



- Law Enforcement access by bar-code
- License validation
- Statistics access
- Violation history





CMR Meeting Added or Modified Motions

January 21, 2020

Agenda Item: E.1.

Motion: Give Executive Director the authority to establish start date for 2020 snapper season and brief the Commission at the February monthly meeting.