

# **Regionwide Restoration Area**

June 2024



#### **RECENT ACTIVITIES**

We continue to oversee implementation and monitoring of Early Restoration projects. The Regionwide Trustee Implementation Group released its Final Restoration Plan 1 in September 2021. The plan includes nearly \$100 million for 11 projects to restore birds, sea turtles, oysters, and marine mammals. In addition to collecting bird monitoring data across the Gulf, a State and Federal Trustee workgroup continues project planning to reduce marine debris impacts on birds and sea turtles throughout the Gulf, sea turtle nesting and bird stewardship projects are getting underway, and alternatives have been developed for Chandeleur Island restoration.

#### WHAT WE DO

Our work within the Regionwide Restoration Area is intended to replenish and protect targeted marine resources (marine mammals, sea turtles, birds, and oysters) affected by the spill and which often live and migrate across broad jurisdictional boundaries.

- Maury Chatellier, Louisiana
- Chris Wells, Mississippi
- Carly Vaughn, Texas
- Erin Plitsch, U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI)
- Jamie Schubert, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)
- Ron Howard, U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA)
- Timothy Landers, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)





## **Funding Overview**

Restoration Type	Settlement Allocation	Funds Committed Through May 2024	Percent Funds	-1-1
Sea Turtles	\$89,256,165	\$49,969,529	Committed Rem	aining 44%
Marine Mammals	\$19,000,000	\$7,710,657	41%	59%
Birds	\$72,223,100	\$37,136,980	51%	49%
Oysters	\$64,372,413	\$36,642,484	57%	43%
Monitoring and Adaptive Management	\$65,000,000	\$7,322,191	11%	89%
Administrative Oversight and Comprehensive Planning	\$40,000,000	\$17,359,514	43%	57%
Total	\$349,851,678	\$156,141,355	45%	55%

### **Restoration Update**



Colonial Waterbird Avian Data Monitoring Portal // The Colonial Waterbird Monitoring Project is complete, and the data is now available through <u>the Avian Data Monitoring Portal</u>. MORE INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE ONLINE www.gulfspillrestoration. noaa.gov/restorationareas/regionwide



