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Mid-Barataria Sediment Diversion Draft Phase II Restoration Plan 3.2 Overview

LOUISIANA TRUSTEE IMPLEMENTATION GROUP (LA TIG)



CPRA

State agency and permit applicant for the Mid-Barataria Sediment Diversion

Responsible for engineering, design, and coordinating with USACE

LA TIG

Group of coordinating federal and state agencies responsible for overseeing the use of the Deepwater Horizon oil spill settlement dollars allocated to Louisiana

Responsible for the Restoration Plan, which is the document that details the recommendation of funding the project



Deepwater Horizon oil spill implications

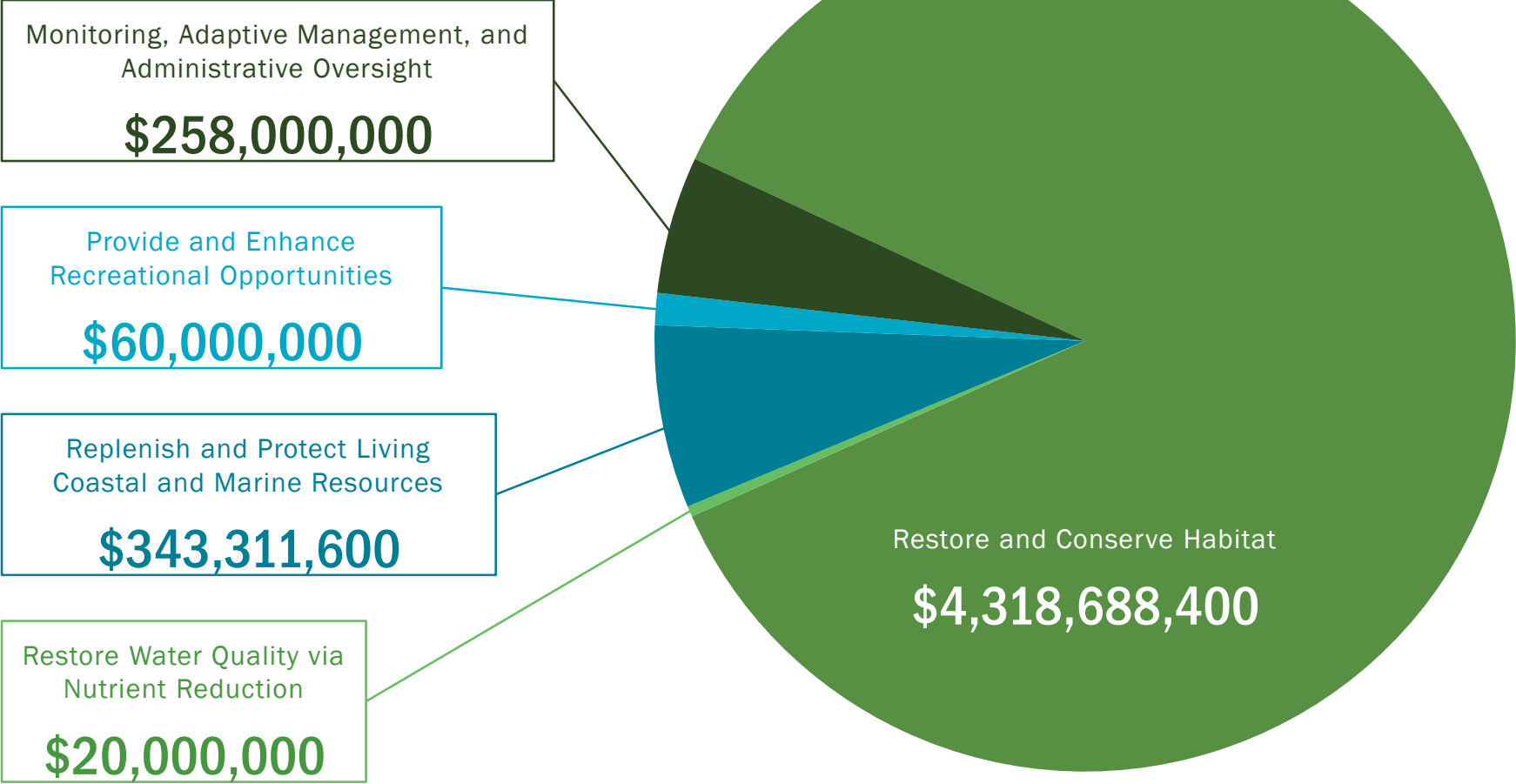
BARATARIA BASIN IS HOME TO
THE MOST HEAVILY OILED AREAS

IMMEDIATE AND LONG-TERM
IMPACTS OF OILING: UP TO 3X
ACCELERATION OF RATE OF
EROSION

RESPONSE ACTIVITIES FURTHER
ACCELERATED RATE OF WETLAND
LOSS

LA TIG Allocation

TOTAL ALLOCATION = \$5B



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Considering the scale of impacts from the oil spill, the Trustees also understand the importance of increasing the resiliency and sustainability of this highly productive Gulf ecosystem through restoration.” To address these large-scale impacts, the Trustees agreed that “[d]iversions of Mississippi River water into adjacent wetlands have a high probability of providing these types of large-scale benefits for the long-term sustainability of deltaic wetlands.

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Programmatic Damage Assessment and Restoration Plan (PDARP)

Barataria Basin Strategic Restoration Plan

THE TRUSTEES' TWO DECISIONS:

- 1 A restoration strategy that utilizes a suite of restoration approaches/types, including large-scale sediment diversions to restore deltaic processes, marsh creation, and ridge restoration
- 2 Selected 3 projects for further evaluation and planning:
 - Mid-Barataria Sediment Diversion
 - Large Scale Marsh Creation: Component E
 - Barataria Basin Ridge and Marsh Creation: Spanish Pass Increment

Draft Phase II Restoration Plan #3.2:

MID-BARATARIA SEDIMENT DIVERSION

MBSD Restoration Objectives

Restore injuries from the Deepwater Horizon oil spill

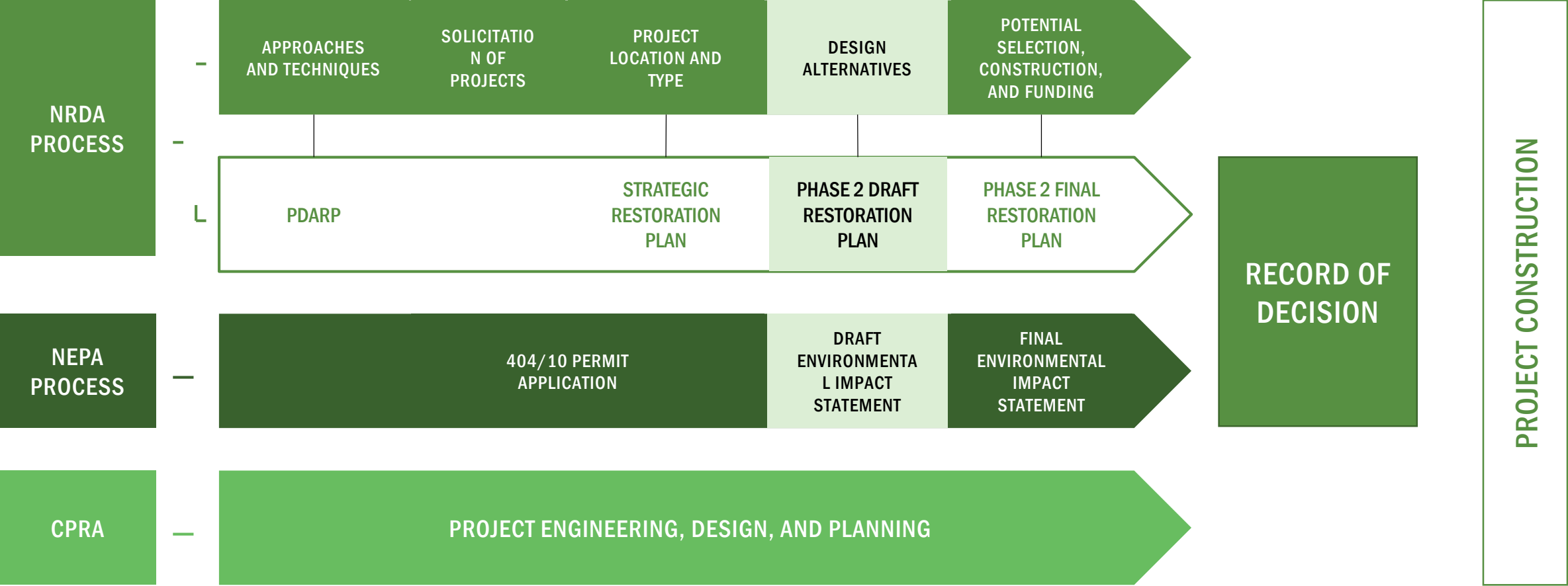
Deliver freshwater, sediment, and nutrients to the Barataria Basin through a large-scale sediment diversion

Reconnect and re-establish sustainable deltaic processes between the Mississippi River and Barataria Basin

Create, restore, and sustain wetlands and other deltaic habitats



NRDA + NEPA Processes



- Submit comments **electronically**:
 - parkplanning.nps.gov/MBSD
- Submit **written comments**:
 - U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District
Attn: CEMVN-OD-SE, MVN-2012-2806-E00
7400 Leake Avenue
New Orleans, LA 70118
- Submit **oral comments** via the toll-free number:
 - 866-211-9205
- Submit **oral comments** during the virtual public meetings
 - April 6, April 7, April 8

ALL COMMENTS SUBMITTED ON OR BEFORE
MAY 4, 2021, WILL BE CONSIDERED

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