

Atchafalaya

BASIN
PROGRAM

DRAFT FISCAL YEAR 2023 ANNUAL PLAN



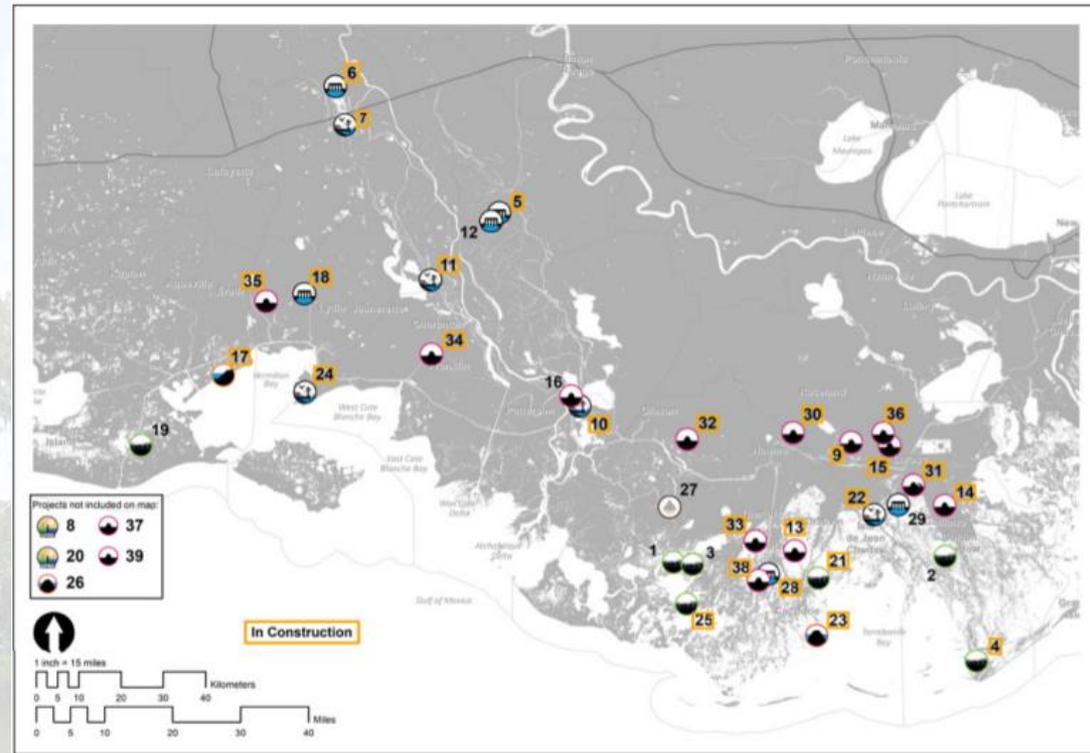


Program Highlights

- Focus on science-based water management
- Technical Advisory Group
 - Assessment of water management benefit
- Public access projects
- Informed by stakeholder interaction
- Included in CPRA Annual Plan and Coastal Program

SOUTH CENTRAL REGION

39 ACTIVE PROJECTS: 26 IN CONSTRUCTION (C), 11 IN E&D, 2 IN PLANNING





New Project Solicitation

- October 11th – November 15, 2021
- Meetings: Two in-person (Cecilia and Plaquemine) and one virtual
- Received multiple project proposals (water quality, flood control, access, outreach)

- Addition of an update to the Atchafalaya State Master Plan for FY23
- Current authorized projects informed by input

Public Hearings

Date: Tuesday Jan. 25, 2022

Time: 2:00 PM

Place: Virtual - Zoom

Date: Monday Jan. 31, 2022

Time: 6:00 PM

Place: Virtual - Zoom

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Project List:

Water Quality/Management

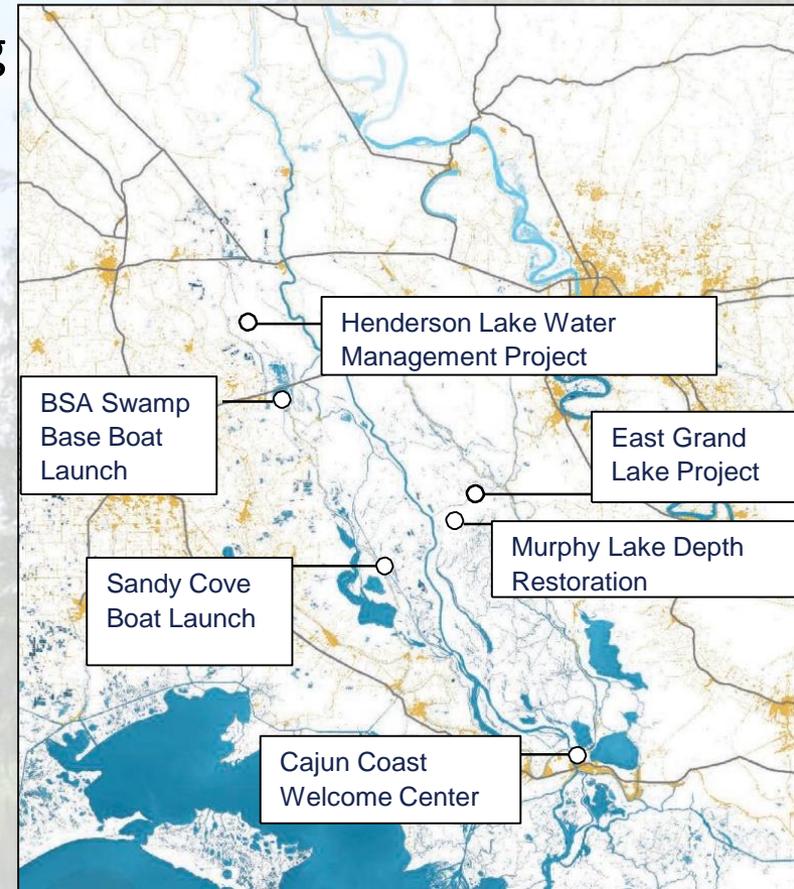
- Henderson Lake WMU Spoil Bank Gapping
- East Grand Lake Upper Region
- Murphy Lake Depth Restoration

Public Access/Recreation

- Cajun Coast Welcome Center Trail
- Boy Scouts of America Swamp Base Boat Launch
- Sandy Cove Boat Launch
- Atchafalaya Basin Geotrail

Other

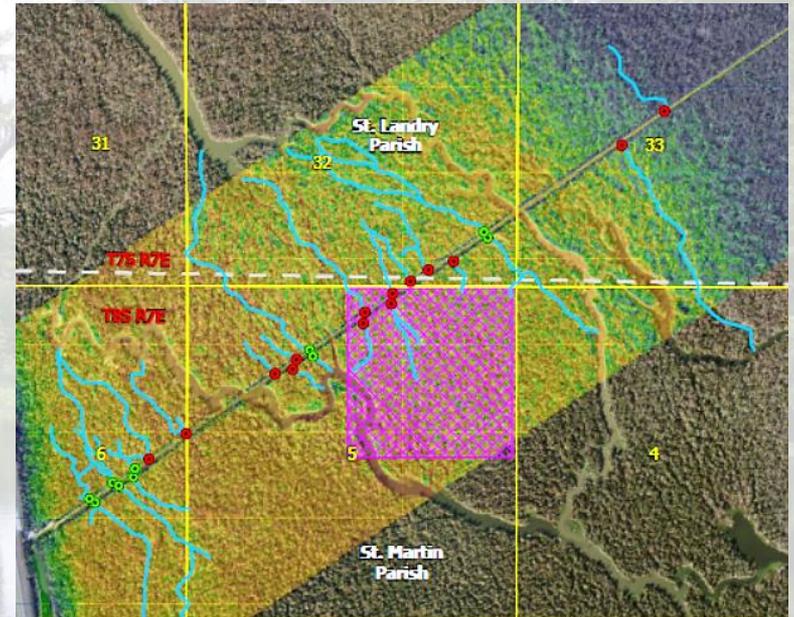
- Update to Atchafalaya State Master Plan





Henderson Lake WMU Spoil Bank Gapping Program

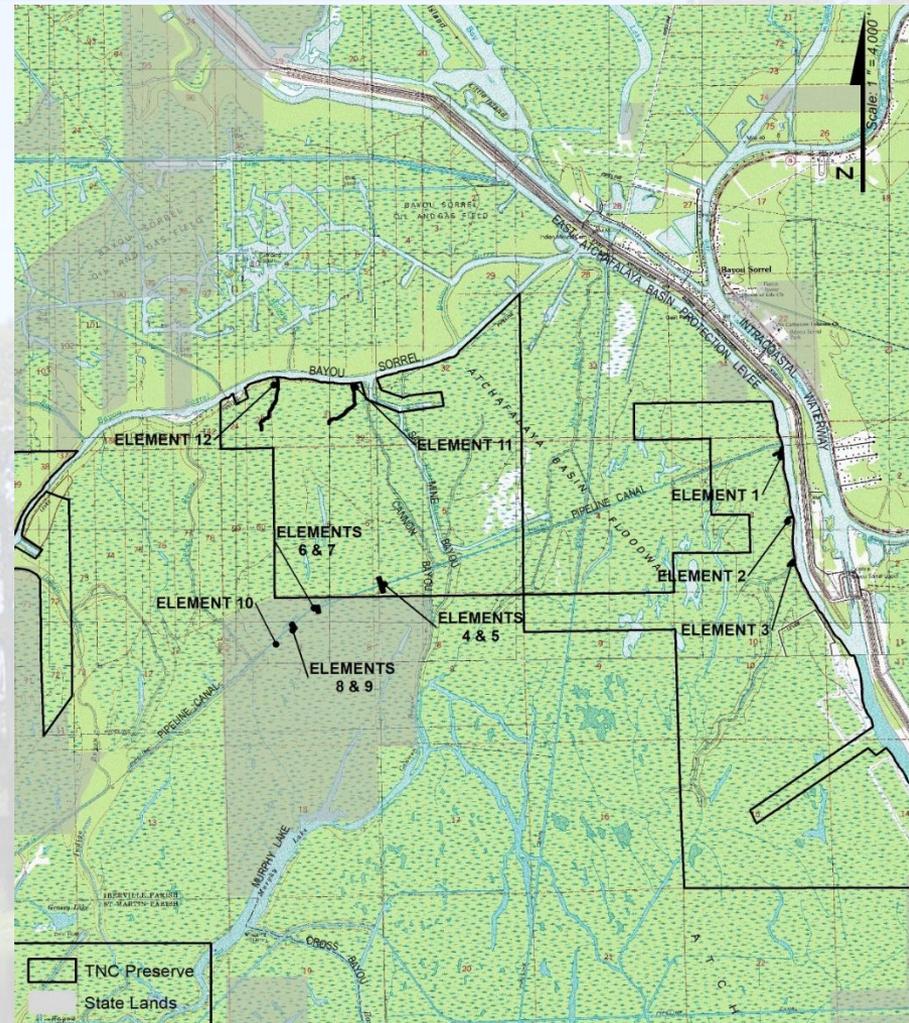
- 25 spoil bank gaps proposed
- Received 95% design Dec. 2021
- Bid package to be submitted early Spring 2022
- Program anticipates project construction beginning in FY22





East Grand Lake Restoration

- 12 restorative elements proposed to promote north-south flow
- Undergoing design and permitting
- Ongoing robust monitoring program since 2016





Boy Scouts of America Swamp Base Boat Launch

- Commercial grade, ADA compliant, dock system

Cajun Coast Welcome Center Trail

- Construction of ADA compliant boardwalk, and informational signage behind the Cajun Coast Center in St. Mary Parish

Sandy Cove Boat Launch

- Located in Iberia Parish, upgrades are proposed to improve boat launch, and facilities

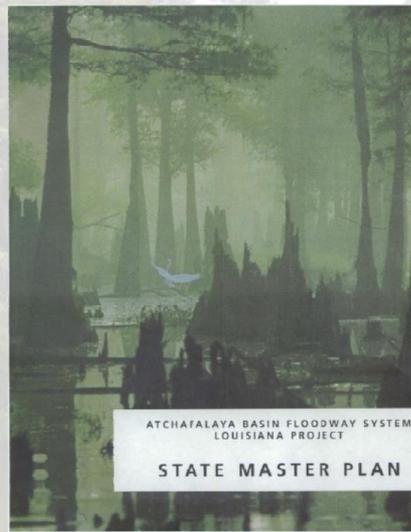
Atchafalaya Basin GeoTrail

- 24 geocaches in cultural/historic locations throughout the basin (accessible without boat!)



Atchafalaya Basin Floodway System State Master Plan Update

- 1998 State Master plan: 15 year lifespan
- 2021 ARBRE TF – recognized the need and recommended an update to the State Master Plan
- Extensive opportunities for public input to help plan development



Atchafalaya River Basin Restoration and Enhancement Task Force

Findings and Recommendations to the Louisiana Coastal Protection
and Restoration Authority Board



GOVERNOR'S
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ACTIVITIES



Federal Funding for Atchafalaya Basin

- Supplemental Disaster Relief Bill: \$162.6M
 - \$77.6M to complete construction of the Atchafalaya Basin Floodway System LA Project
 - \$85M to construct Charenton Floodgate, enhance levees at Bayou Larose and Alabama Bayou;
- Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act: \$52.9M
 - \$10 million to construct Bayou Sale East-West tie-in
 - \$9.8 million for levee repairs and dredging near Morgan City/Three Rivers, LA and at Berwick Bay Harbor
 - \$33.1 million for dredging and surveys of Lower Bar, Bay, Upper Bar; Bayous Chene, Boeuf, and Black



Program Next Steps

- Review FY23 Annual Plan comments
- Continued outreach to stakeholders
- Further coordination and input from the ARBRE Task Force
 - CPRAB determine implementation of TF recommendations
- USACE coordination for activities/funding
- Project implementation



PUBLIC COMMENTS ACCEPTED THROUGH February 26 ,2022

Read the Draft FY23 Annual Plan:
coastal.la.gov/Atchafalaya-basin-program/

E-Mail Comments:

Subject (FY2023 Atchafalaya Basin Annual Plan) @ coastal@la.gov

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Public Comment – Atchafalaya Basin Program

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