Conservation and Restoration Partnership Fund Program Summary and FY2024 Awards Announcement



FY24 Conservation and Restoration Partnership Fund Update

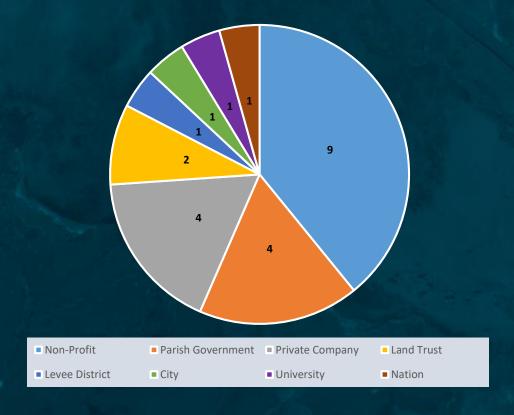
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Introduction

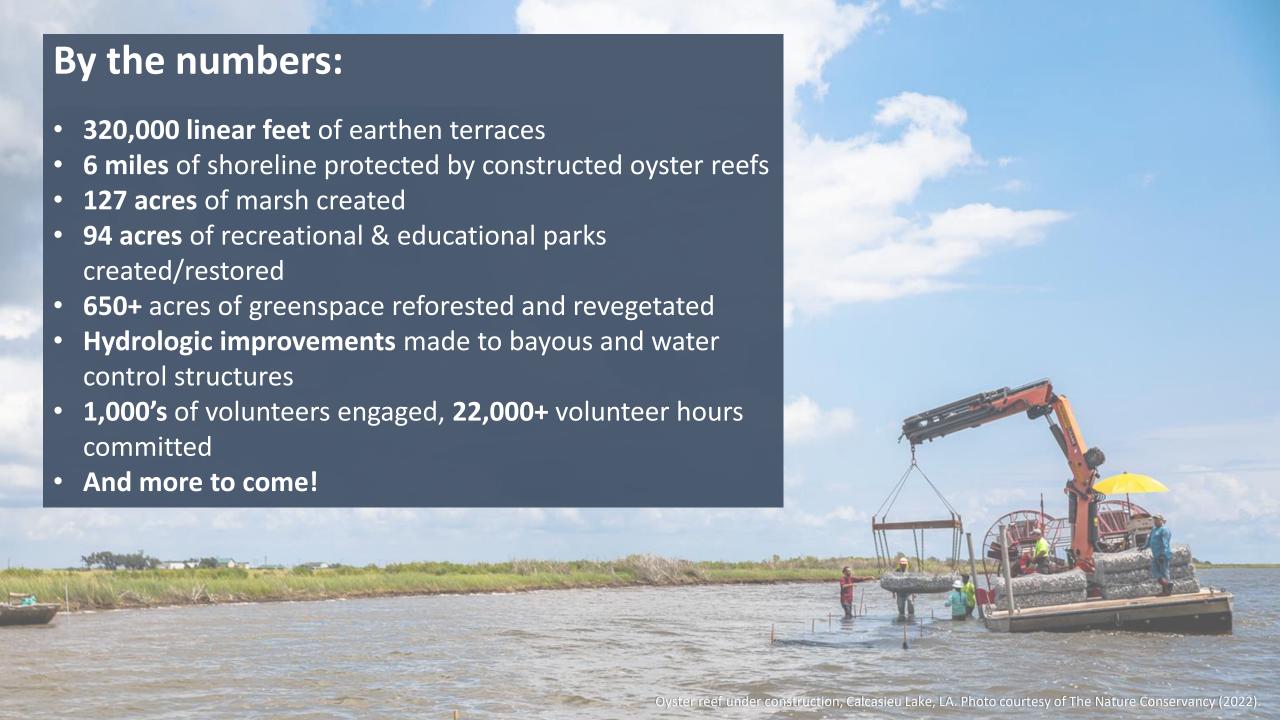
• Since 2008, CPRA has contributed over \$13 million in funding to 23 non-federal partners and their projects through the Partnership Fund program.

 Over \$23 million has been provided as match by partners to leverage a total restoration contribution of nearly \$37 million.



• The Partnership Fund is an opportunity to **collaborate** on projects that address restoration and protection needs at the local and regional scale.





Past Partnership Fund Awards





Goose Point Marsh Restoration (CRCL)

Problem:

 Hurricane Ida caused a breach at Goose Point that threatened further inundation from Lake Pontchartrain

Objectives:

- Use recycled glass from Glass Half Full to slow wave action and promote sediment retention
- Planted bulrush on the interior to further stabilize the shoreline



Goose Point Marsh Restoration, June 23, 2023. Photos courtesy of Mimi Gianfala, CPRA



Past Partnership Fund Awards





Port Fourchon Terracing and Living

Shoreline (Ducks Unlimited)

Problem:

 Marsh deterioration has left the Old Highway 1 and Port Fourchon vulnerable to storms and erosion

Objectives:

- Construct an additional 8,400 linear ft of earthen terraces that will reduce wave action and storm surge
- Enhance approximately 150 acres of existing marsh



Port Fourchon Terraces, 2024. Photo courtesy of Ducks Unlimited, Inc.



FY 2024 Awards



FY24 Conservation and Restoration Partnership Fund

- CPRA is providing \$1,000,000 in matching funds for projects aimed at coastal conservation and restoration
- CPRA uses this program funding to further leverage its funds to achieve its coastal restoration goals



Ridge Habitat Restoration in St. Bernard Parish. Photo courtesy of Pontchartrain Conservancy.



FY24 Conservation and Restoration Partnership Fund Timeline-



- Proposals were evaluated with these criteria and considerations
 - Consistent with the goals and objectives of 2023 Master Plan
 - Acreage conserved or restored
 - Synergy with other conservation and restoration efforts
 - Project constructability
 - Matching Funds



FY24 Partnership Fund Selected Projects

Partner and Project Name	Award	Match
Coalition to Restore Coastal Louisiana – Lake Boudreaux Marsh Restoration	\$50,483	\$27,940
Ducks Unlimited – 40 Arpent Canal Wetlands Enhancement II and Port Fourchon Terracing II	\$413,242	\$5,332,227
Pontchartrain Conservancy – Bucktown Marina Habitat Restoration	\$95,936	\$44,000
Restore or Retreat – West Cutoff Levee and West Grand Terre Shoreline Stabilization	\$30,887	\$19,983
The Nature Conservancy – West Cove Oyster Reef Restoration (Phase IV)	\$326,484	\$700,000
Tulane (In Partnership with ReCoast, Common Ground, CRCL, and CSED) – Mitigation of Land Loss by Strengthening Eroding Marsh	\$82,967	\$61,722
Total	\$1,000,000	\$6,185,872



COASTAL PROTECTION AND RESTORATION AUTHORITY







Photo courtesy of The Nature Conservancy- Calcasieu Lake Oyster Reef Restoration Project Phase II

Selected Projects Outcomes Cont.

- 60+ acres of vegetative plantings that will support earthen terraces and levees and enhance habitats including marsh, swamp, barrier islands, coastal forests
- Over 10,000 linear ft of terraces
- 1.5 miles of oyster reef



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Calcasieu Lake and Sabine National Wildlife Refuge Shoreline Protection and Oyster Reef Restoration. Photo courtesy of Jessica Converse, CPRA.

