

CPRA UPDATE

GLENN LEDET JR., PE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR





2024

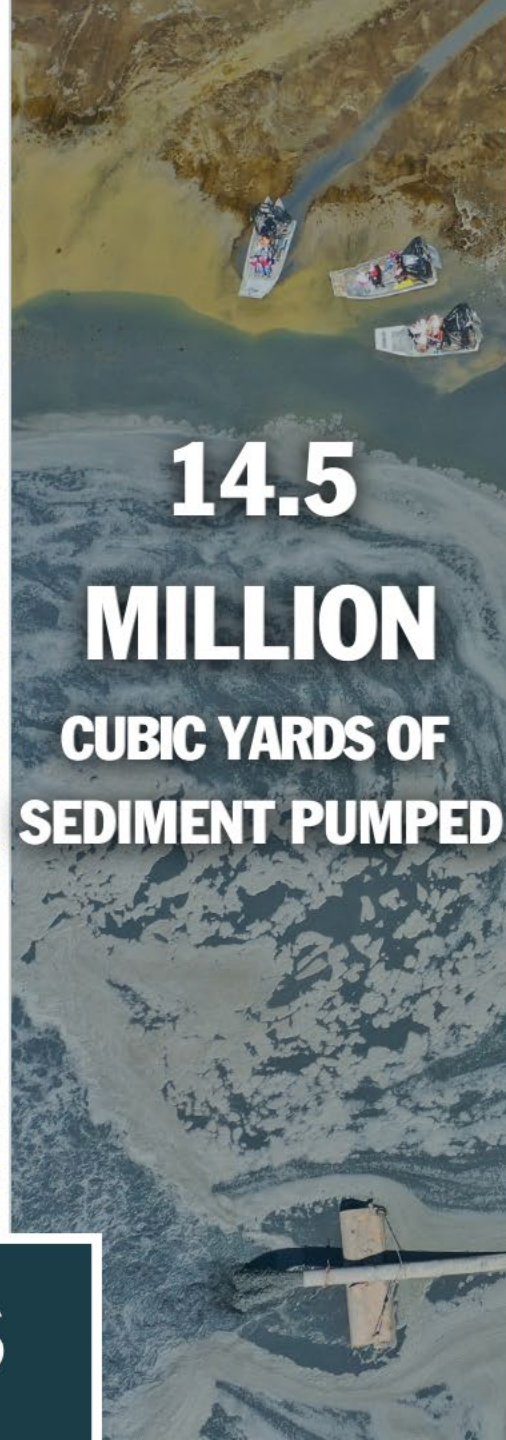
YEAR IN REVIEW



12
NEW
CONSTRUCTION
STARTS
WITH
\$3+
BILLION
TOTAL VALUE



11,111
ACRES
OF WETLANDS
BENEFITED
(2,769
ACRES
CREATED
BY DREDGING)



14.5
MILLION
CUBIC YARDS OF
SEDIMENT PUMPED



15
PROJECTS
COMPLETED
WITH
\$209
MILLION
TOTAL VALUE



10.4
MILES
OF LEVEE
IMPROVED

2024 BY THE NUMBERS

Year In Review

JANUARY

Jeff Landry take office as the 57th Governor of Louisiana

FEBRUARY

Governor Landry appoints coastal leadership positions:

- Glenn Ledet, Jr., CPRA Executive Director
- Gordy Dove, CPRA Board Chairman
- Tony Alford, Chairman of the Governor's Advisory Commission

MARCH

CPRA receives the two largest grants ever awarded by the Gulf Coastal Ecosystem Restoration Council

- \$130 million grant to partially fund the River Reintroduction into Maurepas Swamp
- \$163 million grant for the Houma Navigation Canal (HNC) Lock Complex

APRIL

CPRA hosts Coastal Industry Day to promote Louisiana's working coast

MAY

The Louisiana Legislature unanimously passes CPRA's Fiscal Year 2025 Annual Plan

CPRA announces \$7 million in parish matching awards to support flood control, marsh creation, and hydrologic restoration projects across five coastal parishes

JUNE

The SHORES Coalition travels to Washington, D.C. to promote long-term funding streams for coastal resilience

AUGUST

Governor Landry and CPRA break ground on Phase 2 construction on the HNC Lock Complex

SEPTEMBER

Hurricane Francine makes landfall in south Louisiana and recovery begins

OCTOBER

CPRA breaks ground on Southwest Coastal to fortify thousands of homes across Calcasieu, Cameron, and Vermilion Parishes

CPRA breaks ground on the Reach A Levee System

NOVEMBER

The RISEE Act passes the U.S. Senate's Natural Resources Committee

Louisiana passes constitutional amendment to use alternative energy revenues for coastal restoration

DECEMBER

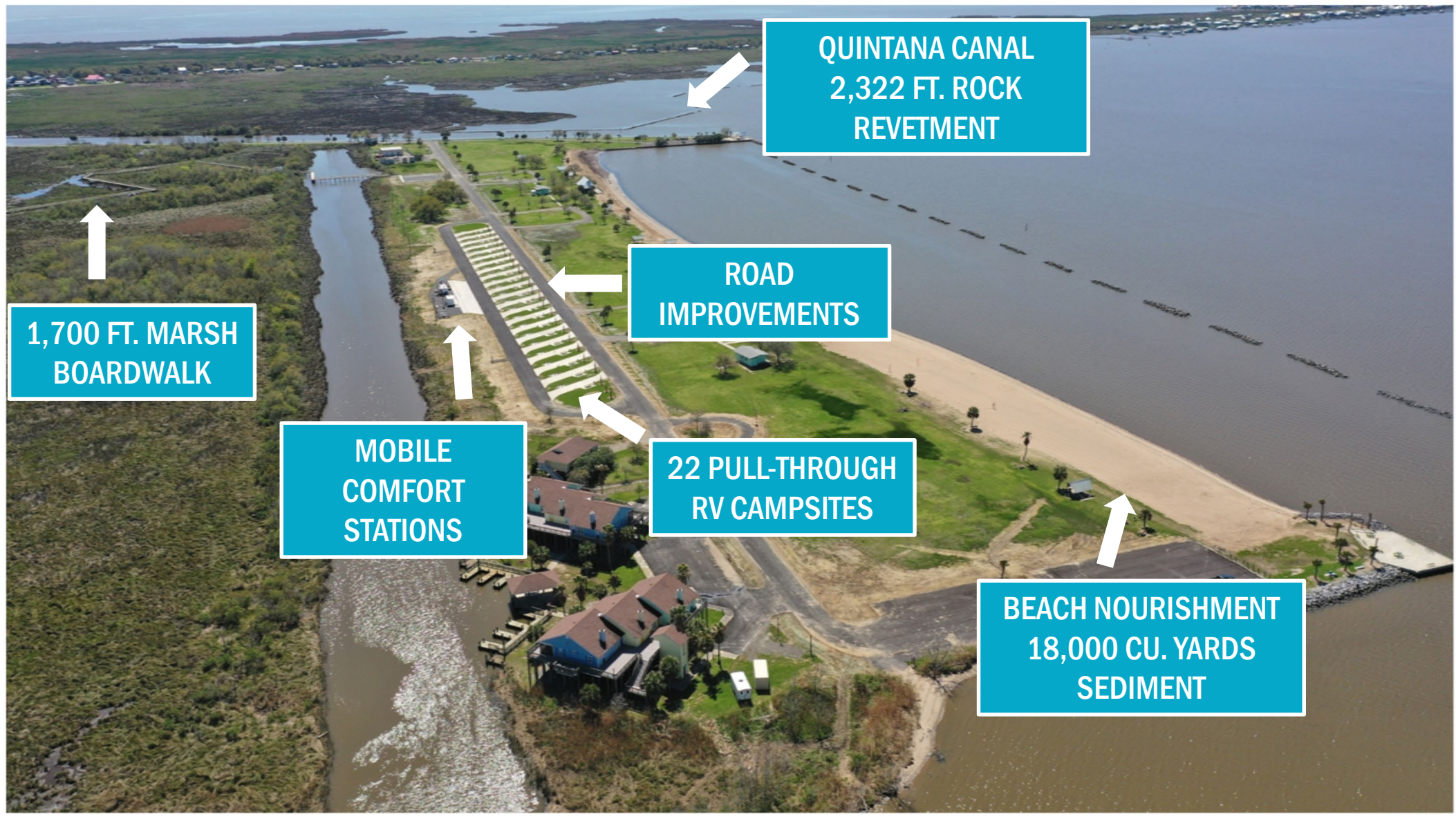
CPRA breaks ground on the River Reintroduction into Maurepas Swamp

Congress passes 2024 Water Resources Development Act (WRDA), including major authorizations for coastal Louisiana





COMPLETED PROJECTS



QUINTANA CANAL
2,322 FT. ROCK
REVTMENT

1,700 FT. MARSH
BOARDWALK

ROAD
IMPROVEMENTS

MOBILE
COMFORT
STATIONS

22 PULL-THROUGH
RV CAMPSITES

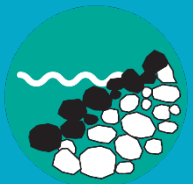
BEACH NOURISHMENT
18,000 CU. YARDS
SEDIMENT



Cypremort Point State Park Improvements

Completed 2024

Iberia and St. Mary Parishes

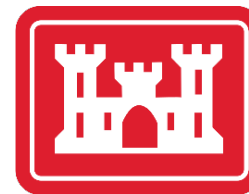
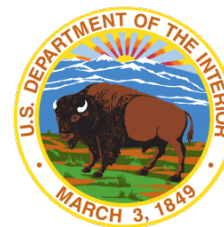


Freshwater Bayou Shoreline Protection

Completed 2024

Vermilion Parish





Long Point Bayou Marsh Creation

Completed 2024

Cameron Parish



LaBranche East Marsh Creation

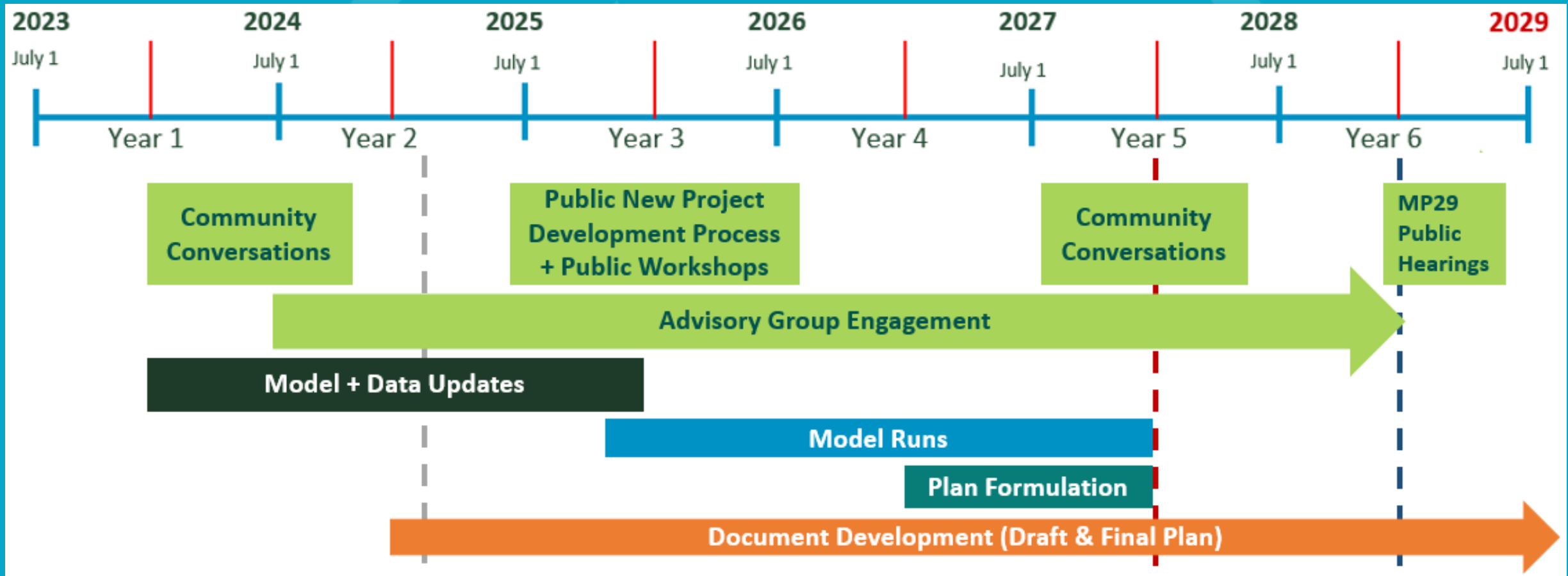
Completed 2024
St. Charles Parish



PROJECTS IN PROGRESS

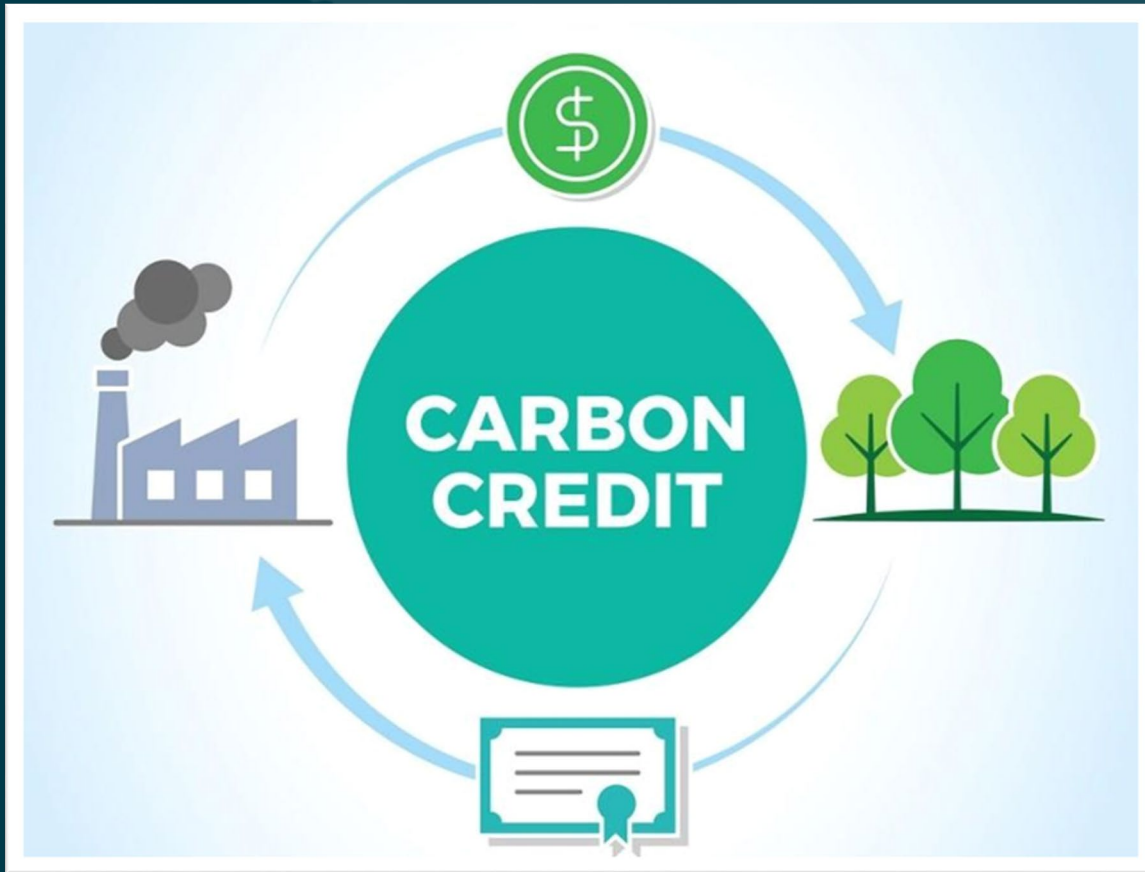


2029 COASTAL MASTER PLAN



FUTURE FUNDING ALTERNATIVES

COASTAL CARBON R&D



Infographic titled "BLUE CARBON" featuring various icons of coastal ecosystems: mangroves, salt marshes, seagrasses, and kelp. A central cloud icon contains the text "CO₂" with two downward arrows. The background includes stylized waves and a sunburst pattern.

BLUE CARBON

MANGROVES & SALT MARSHES – Remove carbon at 10x greater rate than tropical forests

Seagrasses – 0.1% of world's seafloor, but store 11% of ocean's buried carbon

The environmental and economic possibilities are endless!

NOAA logo: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce



Lake Borgne Marsh Creation
St. Bernard Parish



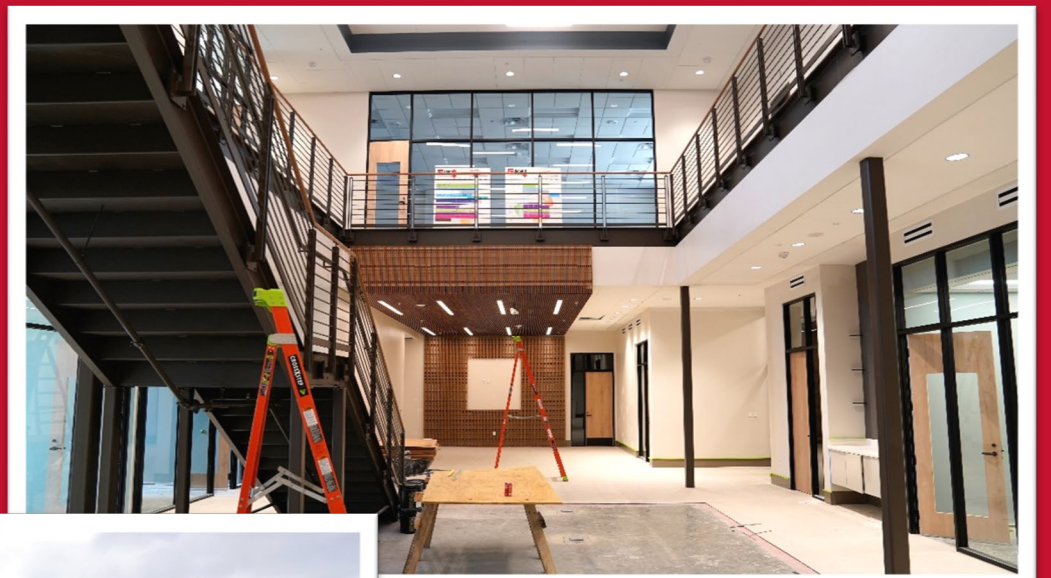
Grand Isle Beach & Dune Restoration
Jefferson Parish



Chandeleur Island Restoration Project
St. Bernard Parish



PROJECTS IN PROGRESS



Nicholls' Coastal Center Progress





GROUND BREAKINGS

MORGANZA TO THE GULF *GROUNDBREAKINGS*



*Phase 2 Construction of the Houma
Navigation Canal Lock Complex*

*Groundbreaking August 2024
Dulac, LA*



*Morganza to the Gulf of Mexico Storm
Risk Reduction System, Reach A*

*Groundbreaking October 2024
Houma, LA*

SOUTHWEST COASTAL LOUISIANA PROJECT

Groundbreaking – October 17, 2024



3D Rendering of 2113 Winnie Street Final Elevation



RIVER REINTRODUCTION INTO MAUREPAS SWAMP

Groundbreaking – December 3, 2024





**LOOKING
AHEAD**

RESTORATION AND RESILIENCE EFFORTS

White Lake Conservation Area and Marsh Island



A Vision for the WLWCA that includes...

- HABITAT RESTORATION
- HABITAT MANAGEMENT
- FLOOD PROTECTION
- SHORELINE PROTECTION
- WATER CONTROL/MANAGEMENT
- NON-CONSUMPTIVE USES
- STRUCTURES
- RESEARCH
- REVENUE GENERATION



Marsh Island Restoration Conceptual Design

COLLABORATION WITH PORT AND WATERWAYS INVESTMENT COMMISSION



NOTABLE EXECUTIVE ORDERS

EO 14154 - Unleashing American Energy

Prioritizes energy exploration and production, expedites energy permitting, and terminates 'Green New Deal' policies.

EO 14156 - Declaring a National Energy Emergency

Aims to give legal justification for expediting permitting for energy projects.

EO 14172 - Restoring Names that Honor American Greatness

Renames the Gulf of Mexico to Gulf of America

EO 14213 - Establishing the National Energy Dominance Council

Elevates energy issues to the White House via Dept. of Interior Leadership.

EO 14192 - Unleashing Prosperity through Deregulation

Establishes goal of ten regulations removed for each additional regulation issued.



Gov. Jeff Landry signs Executive Order No. JML 25-027, directing state agencies to change all references to the Gulf of Mexico in Louisiana laws and other documents to the "Gulf of America."

DOD REVOKES PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT MANDATE

Background

- **Project Labor Agreement (PLA):** a pre-hire collective bargaining agreement between a construction union and a contractor, establishing terms and conditions of employment for a specific project, including wages, benefits, and dispute resolution.
- President Biden's EO 14063 mandated PLAs for federal construction contracts over \$35 million.
- The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers would have to enter into a PLA for certain civil works projects, including those that CPRA serves as the non-Federal sponsor, such as West Shore Lake Pontchartrain.
- Thanks to Congressman Higgins, CPRA was invited to testify before the House Oversight Committee on concerns regarding cost escalation, reduced bids, project delays, and reduced workforce opportunities in Louisiana.

SUBJECT: Class Deviation—Waiver of Project Labor Agreement Requirements

Effective immediately, contracting officers shall not use project labor agreements for large-scale construction projects, implemented at Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) subpart 22.5 and 36.104(c). Contracting officers shall amend solicitations to remove project labor agreement requirements, including any solicitation provisions and contract clauses prescribed at FAR 22.505.

This class deviation remains in effect until rescinded. Direct questions to DPCAP/DARS at osd.dfars@mail.mil.

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PLA Mandate Rescinded

- On February 7, the Department of Defense removed the PLA requirement, instructing the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army (Procurement) to instead refrain from using PLAs. This instruction applies to U.S. Army Corps of Engineers projects.

FULL-YEAR CONTINUING RESOLUTION FOR FY25 PASSED

H.R. 1968, the Full-Year Continuing Appropriations & Extensions Act of 2025 was signed into law on March 15. The law funds the federal government through September 30, 2025.

Key Takeaways

No Congressional report language enacted.

USACE funding will be allocated by work plan to active projects.

- \$143M Investigations
- \$1.8B Construction
- \$368M MR&T
- \$5.5B O&M

FY24 repurposed \$1.4B in unobligated USACE funds from IIJA to Construction. Those funds are not available for FY25.

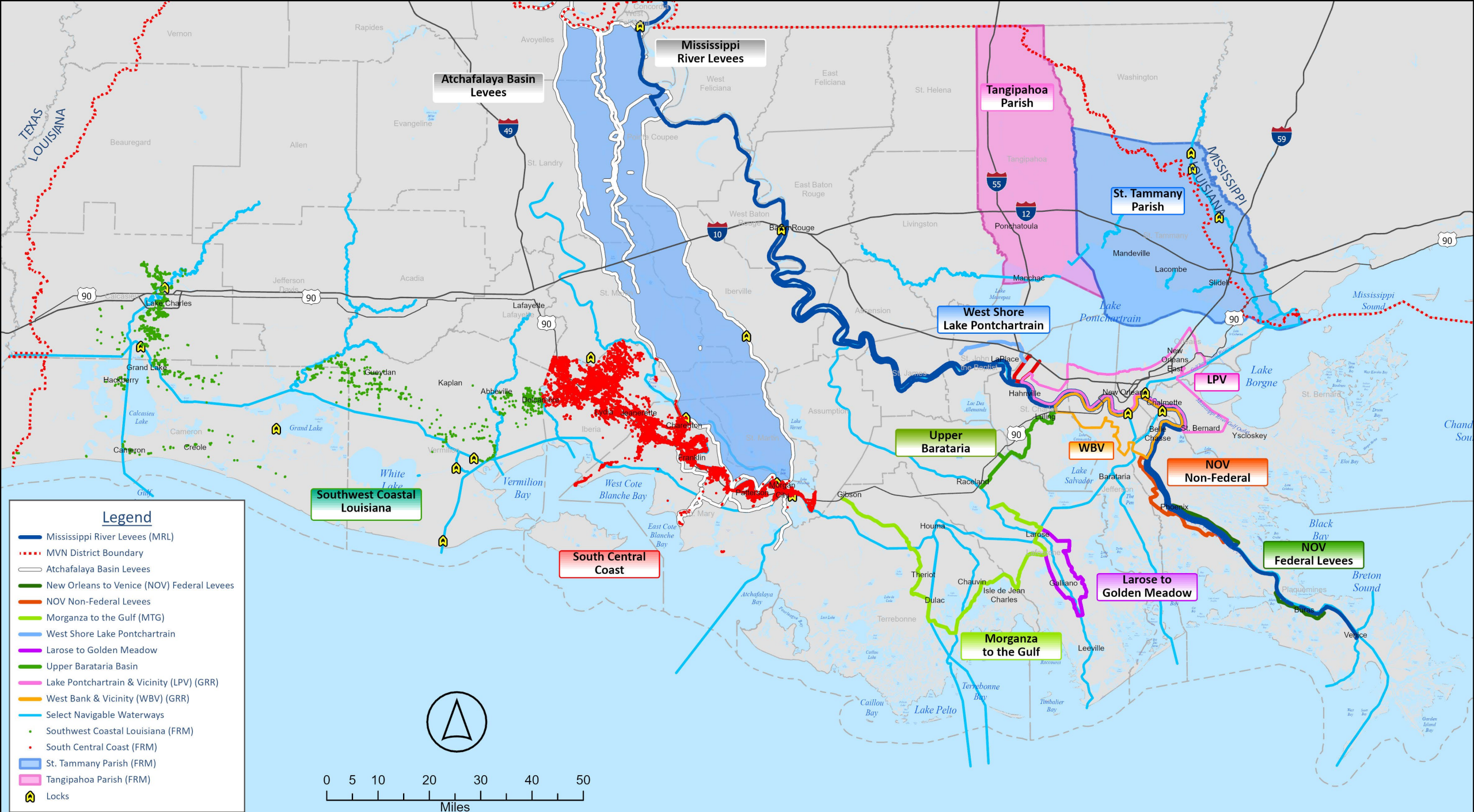
FY25 earmarks removed. FY24 earmarks remain.

FY26 Appropriations Requests Solicited

- Senator Cassidy – Due March 28
- Congresswoman Letlow – Due March 28
- Leader Scalise – Due March 28
- Remaining delegation – TBD

Earmark	Value	Sponsor
Morganza	\$93 M	Cassidy, Kennedy, Scalise
Southwest Coastal	\$20 M	Kennedy
WBV	\$11.7 M	Kennedy
Upper Barataria Basin	\$10 M	Cassidy, Kennedy
MRGO Ecosystem	\$5 M	Cassidy, Kennedy
Southwest LA	\$1.9 M	Higgins
Lower MS River	\$3.5 M	Cassidy
St. Tammany	\$3.25 M	Cassidy, Kennedy, Scalise
South Central Coastal	\$1 M	Kennedy, Higgins
LPV	\$500 K	Kennedy
Pointe Celeste	\$200 K	Kennedy

Removed Coastal Earmarks



Legend

- Mississippi River Levees (MRL)
- MVN District Boundary
- Atchafalaya Basin Levees
- New Orleans to Venice (NOV) Federal Levees
- NOV Non-Federal Levees
- Morganza to the Gulf (MTG)
- West Shore Lake Pontchartrain
- Larose to Golden Meadow
- Upper Barataria Basin
- Lake Pontchartrain & Vicinity (LPV) (GRR)
- West Bank & Vicinity (WBV) (GRR)
- Select Navigable Waterways
- Southwest Coastal Louisiana (FRM)
- South Central Coast (FRM)
- St. Tammany Parish (FRM)
- Tangipahoa Parish (FRM)
- Locks

0 5 10 20 30 40 50
Miles

WRDA 2024 PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD OPEN

WRDA 2024, the Thomas R. Carper Water Resources Development Act

Timing

On March 6, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers announced the 60-day comment period for WRDA 2024, which concludes on April 28.

Submission Guide

Comments to Docket COE-2024-0004 can be submitted through:

- The Federal eRulemaking Portal
- Email to WRDA2024@usace.army.mil
- Mail to: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers,
ATTN: Ms. Amy Frantz, CEW-P,
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, 3F91,
441 G St NW, Washington, DC 20314

Upcoming Virtual Listening Sessions

- March 26, 1-3 CST
- April 2, 1-3 CST (tribal focus)
- April 9, 1-3 CST



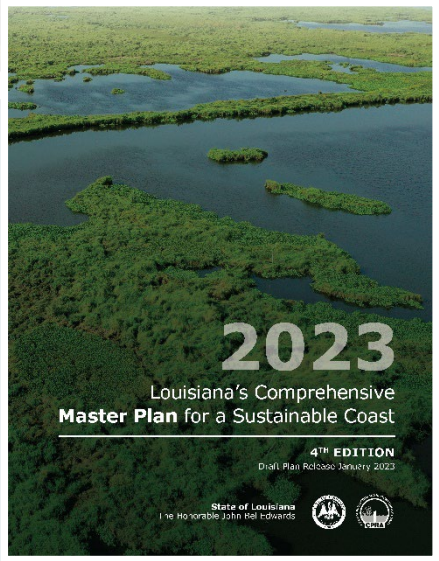
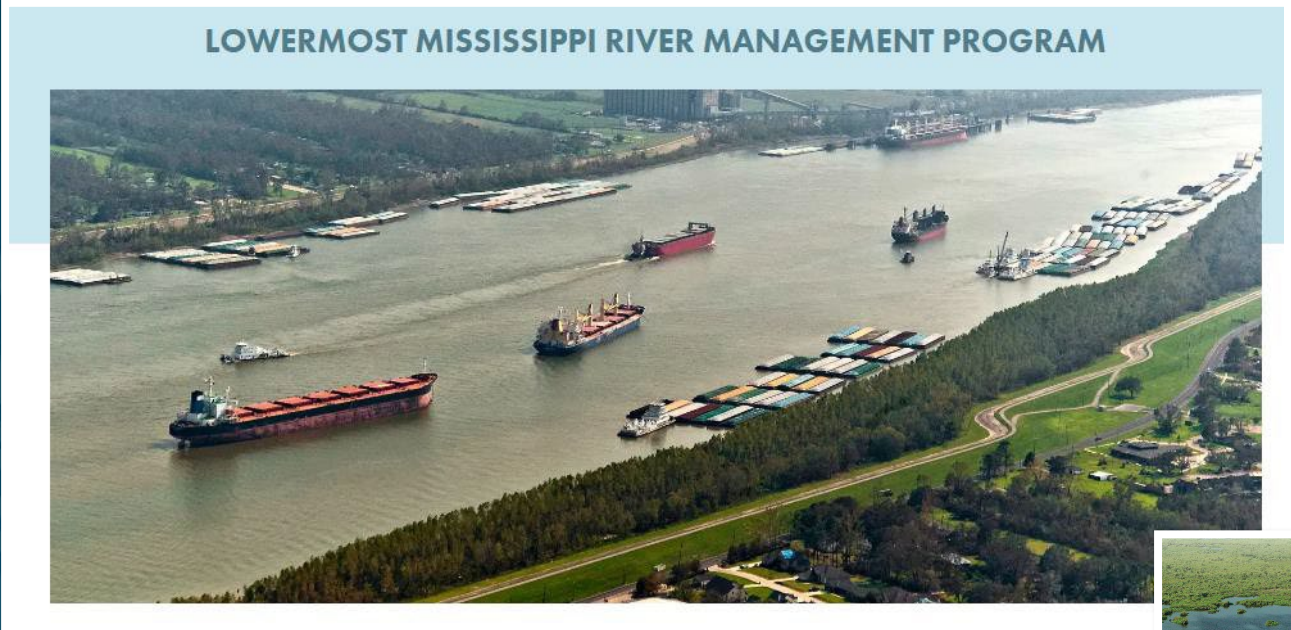
Submit your
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the Federal
eRulemaking Portal
by April 28, 2025

PROGRAM COORDINATION





LOWER MISSISSIPPI RIVER COMPREHENSIVE MANAGEMENT STUDY



TIMELINE

Draft Annual Plan Presented to CPRA Board – January 15, 2025

Public Comment Period Ended: March 22, 2025

Final Annual Plan Presented to CPRA Board – April 16, 2025

Final Annual Plan Submitted to Legislature – TBD



200 ATTENDEES ACROSS 4 MEETINGS – 239 PUBLIC COMMENTS



Lake Charles



Houma



Jefferson

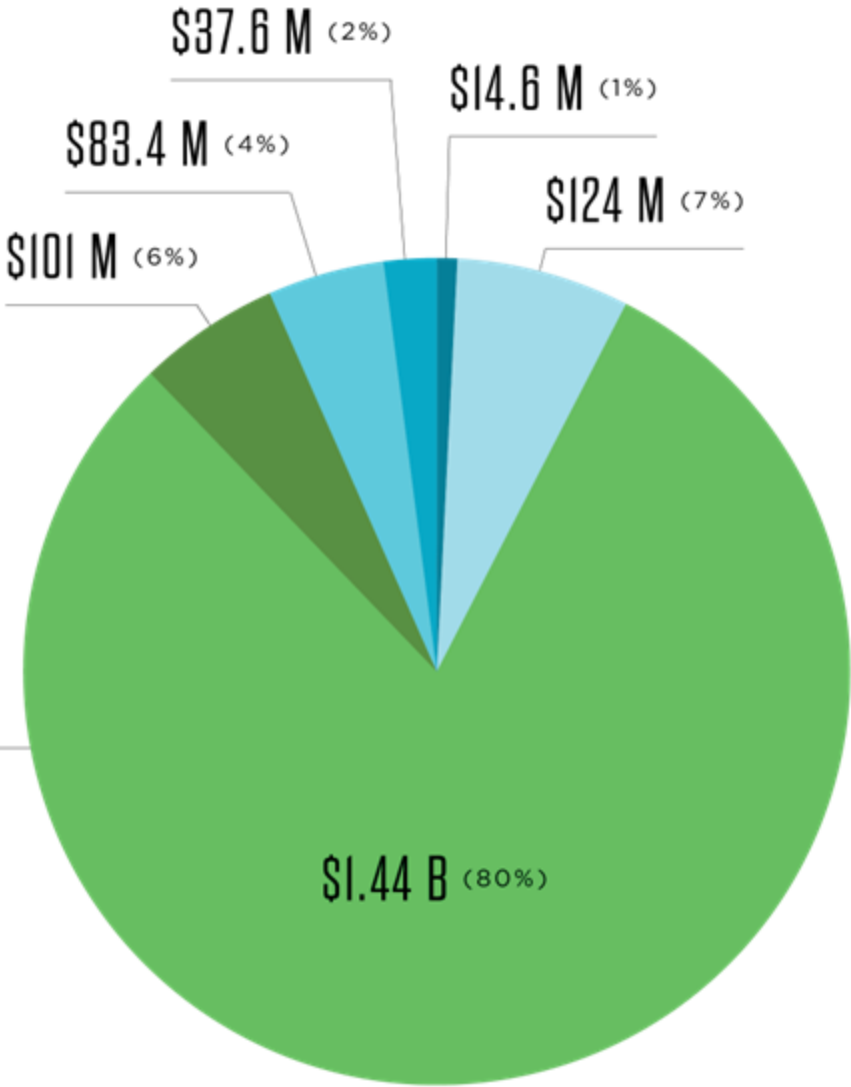
Total Projected Expenditures FY 2026

BY PROJECT PHASE

- PLANNING
- ENGINEERING & DESIGN
- CONSTRUCTION
- OPERATION, MAINTENANCE & MONITORING
- ONGOING PROGRAMS & INITIATIVES
- OPERATING COSTS

FY 2026 TOTAL EXPENDITURES

\$1.80 BILLION



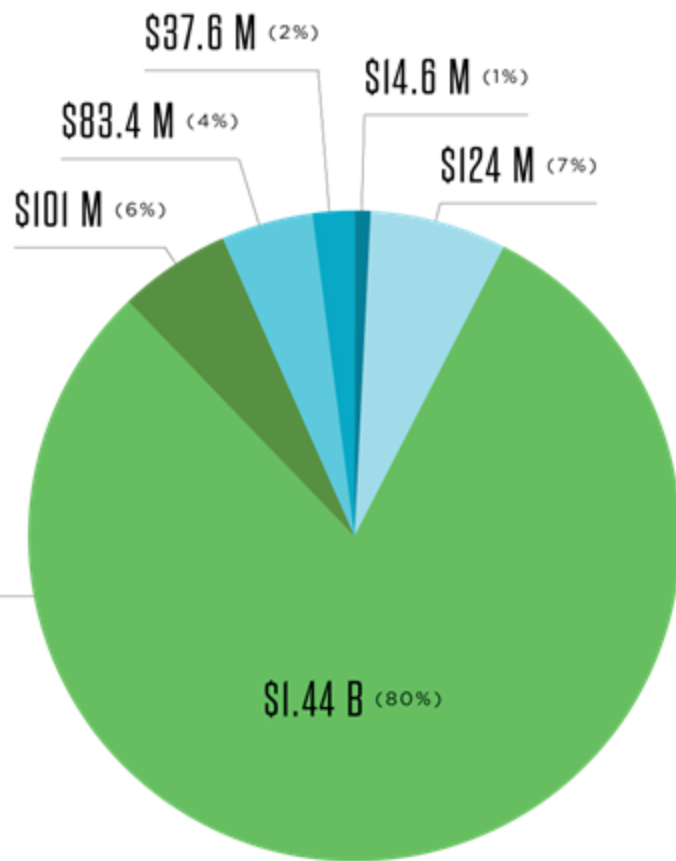
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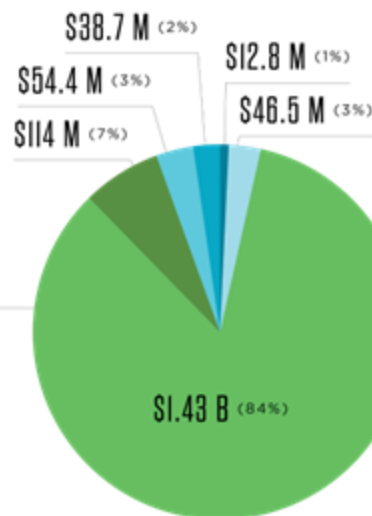
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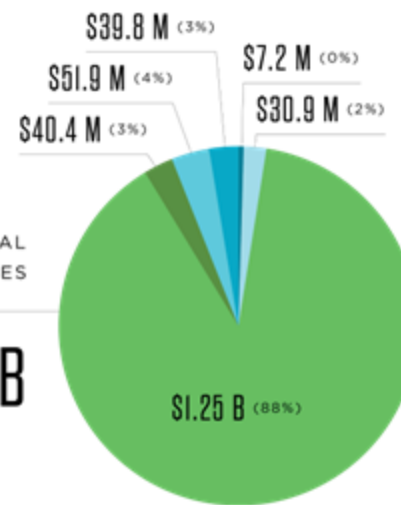
FY 2027 TOTAL EXPENDITURES

\$1.70 B



FY 2028 TOTAL EXPENDITURES

\$1.42 B



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