## **Region-wide Restoration Area**



The Trustee representatives for the Region-wide Restoration Area are:

- Amy Hunter, Alabama
- Kelly Samek, Florida
- Matt Mumfrey, Louisiana
- Marc Wyatt, Mississippi
- Angela Sunley, Texas
- Colette Charbonneau, U.S. Department of the Interior
- Jamie Schubert, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
- Michele Laur, U.S. Department of Agriculture
- Timothy Landers, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

## WHAT WE DO

Restoration for the Regionwide Restoration Area would replenish and protect wildlife such as dolphins, sea turtles, birds, and oysters. Wildlife affected by the spill often live and migrate across jurisdictional boundaries so Region-wide Restoration Area projects will be implemented across these jurisdictional boundaries as well.



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## EARLY RESTORATION PROJECTS

	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	STATUS	ESTIMATED COST
REPLENISH AND PROTECT LIVING COASTAL AND MARINE RESOURCES			
Enhanced Management of Avian Breeding Habitat Injured by Response Activities in the Florida Panhandle, Alabama, and	Beach-nesting bird habitats were harmed by oil spill response activities. Placing markers at sensitive nesting is intended to protect eggs, chicks and adults. The project is located across three Gulf states: Florida, Alabama and Mississippi. In Florida, site enhancements are located in Escambia, Santa Rosa, Okaloosa, Walton, Bay, Gulf, and Franklin counties. In Alabama, sites are located in Baldwin and Mobile counties. In Mississippi, sites are located in Jackson and Harrison counties. The Department of the	Ċ	\$1.8M
Mississippi Improving Habitat Injured by Spill Response: Restoring the Night Sky	Interior and Florida are working together to implement this project. Public area lighting deters female turtles from reaching their natural beach habitat and reduces successful nesting. The lighting also disrupts the migration of baby sea turtles toward the ocean. This project will retrofit existing lighting to make it more turtle friendly at locations in Florida and Alabama. The Department of the Interior along with Alabama and Florida state agencies are working together to implement this project.	Ċ	\$4.2M
Sea Turtle Early Restoration Project	Includes complementary components: (1) Kemp's Ridley Sea Turtle Nest Detection and Enhancement; (2) Enhance the Sea Turtle Stranding and Salvage Network and develop an Emergency Response Program; (3) Gulf of Mexico Shrimp Trawl Bycatch Reduction. The Department of the Interior, NOAA and Texas are working together to implement this project.	Ċ	\$25M

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