



# Florida: Franklin County Projects

## Phase III Early Restoration Projects

### PROJECT DESCRIPTIONS

The *Deepwater Horizon* Natural Resource Damage Assessment Trustees have selected six recreational use projects in Franklin County. As a result of the Deepwater Horizon oil spill, the public's access to and enjoyment of their natural resources along Florida's Panhandle was denied or severely restricted. These six recreational use projects seek to enhance and/or increase the public's use and/or enjoyment of those natural resources.

The Enhancement of Franklin County Parks and Boat Ramps: Waterfront Park project will enhance existing parking and adjacent tie-up docks at the existing Waterfront Park in Apalachicola. In addition an existing onsite building will be enhanced to serve as an information center and dockmaster office.

The Enhancement of Franklin County Parks and Boat Ramps: Indian Creek Park project will construct restroom facilities, connect them to an existing central wastewater facility nearby, and renovate the existing boat ramp, bulkhead, and parking area at the existing Indian Creek Park boat launch facility.

The Enhancement of Franklin County Parks and Boat Ramps: Eastpoint Fishing Pier Improvements project will construct new restrooms and a holding tank at the existing public Eastpoint Fishing Pier.

The Enhancement of Franklin County Parks and Boat Ramps: St. George Island Fishing Pier Improvements project will construct new restrooms and a holding tank, and renovate the existing bulkhead at the existing

St. George Island Fishing Pier.

The Bald Point State Park Recreation Areas project will construct picnic pavilions, boardwalks, and a restroom with an associated aerobic treatment system and drainfield at Bald Point State Park in Alligator Point. Furthermore, a boardwalk and floating dock for use as a canoe/kayak launch will be constructed at the park.

The Apalachicola River Wildlife and Environmental Area Fishing and Wildlife Viewing Access Improvements, Cash Bayou and Sand Beach project will construct a boardwalk on the ¼ mile Sand Beach interpretive trail and the construction of a fishing and wildlife observation structure and associated parking at Cash Bayou.

### PROJECT COSTS

The Enhancement of Franklin County Parks and Boat Ramps project is \$1,477,135.

The Bald Point State Park Recreation Areas project is \$470,800.

The Apalachicola River Wildlife and Environmental Area Fishing and Wildlife Viewing Access Improvements, Cash Bayou and Sand Beach project is \$262,989.

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