

# Natural Resource Damage Assessment (NRDA)

## Restoration Project Information Sheet

### A General Information

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### B Project Information

Project Name <b>Offshore and inshore artificial reef construction</b>			
Location (e.g. John Smith National Wildlife Refuge) <b>Santa Rosa Beach, Walton County</b>			
State(s) (Use 2-letter abbreviations separated by commas) <b>FL</b>	County/Parish <b>Walton</b>	Watershed/Basin <b>Gulf of Mexico</b>	
Latitude (decimal degrees) <b>0</b>	Longitude (decimal degrees) <b>0</b>	Project Size (Choose one) <input type="text"/> miles <b>50</b> acres <input type="text"/> tons	Affected Area <input type="text"/> <b>50</b> acres

### C Project Description

Please provide more information about the proposed project (Limit 2,750 characters.)

Although Walton County does not currently have an artificial reef program, many estuarine and marine species, as well as commercial fishermen, were affected by the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill. This type of program would provide habitat for estuarine and marine species across the Gulf of Mexico seafloor as well as enhance economic opportunities for local fishermen. Many species impacted, and presumed to have been impacted, by the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill will benefit from construction of new artificial reefs. Moreover, existing data documenting the economic benefits of artificial reefs to the local economy strongly validates this proposal to construct new artificial reefs as a means to accelerate ecological and economic recovery from the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill. This proposal seeks funding to construct twenty new artificial reefs.

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<b>D</b>	<b>Project Type(s)</b>	<i>(Check all that apply)</i>		
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restoration	<input type="checkbox"/> Debris Removal	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Maintenance/Management
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Protection	<input type="checkbox"/> Land Acquisition	<input type="checkbox"/> Education

<b>E</b>	<b>Project Habitat(s)</b>	<i>(Check all that apply)</i>		
		<input type="checkbox"/> Upland	<input type="checkbox"/> Marine/Estuarine Wetlands	<input type="checkbox"/> Beach/Dune
		<input type="checkbox"/> Riverine	<input type="checkbox"/> Freshwater Wetlands	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Subtidal (Nearshore/Offshore)

<b>F</b>	<b>Resource Benefit(s)</b>	<i>(Check all that apply)</i>		
		<input type="checkbox"/> Marine Mammals	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Shellfish	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Water Column
		<input type="checkbox"/> Birds	<input type="checkbox"/> Terrestrial Wildlife	<input type="checkbox"/> Sediment/Benthos
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reptiles/Amphibians	<input type="checkbox"/> Corals	<input type="checkbox"/> Shoreline
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fish	<input type="checkbox"/> Vegetation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Human Use (Recreational, Cultural)		
Will the project directly benefit State- or Federally-listed species? If so, please list them. If not, please indicate N/A.				
N/A				

<b>G</b>	<b>Project Status</b>	Property/Resource Acquisition	Not Started	Time to Implementation	1 year +
		Project Planning/Design	Not Started	Time to Project Completion	1-5 years
		Project Permitting	Not Started		
		Is this project included under a regional or statewide plan? No			
If so, please list:					

<b>H</b>	<b>Project Costs</b>	Estimated Cost	Funding Available
		\$2,000,000.00	\$0.00

<b>I</b>	<b>Project Partners</b>	Partner 1 Organization	
		Partner 1 Contact	Partner 1 Involvement
	Partner 2 Organization		
	Partner 2 Contact	Partner 2 Involvement	
	Partner 3 Organization		
	Partner 3 Contact	Partner 3 Involvement	

### Disclaimer:

The submission of project information does not guarantee project funding. Projects will be evaluated using criteria identified in OPA, NEPA, implementing regulations, and related laws. Selection and funding determinations will be made by the Trustee Council.