Living Shorelines Workshop

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WHY ARE WE HERE?

• Support the GLO’s mission to preserve and enhance the state’s coastal natural resources while promoting economic growth.

• Assist property owners with shoreline challenges

• Provide information about Living Shorelines

• Gather information
  – Texas Living Shoreline Manual
PROJECT OVERVIEW

PHASE 1
DEVELOP A TEXAS LIVING SHORELINE POLICY STRATEGY

PHASE 2
TEXAS LIVING SHORELINE MANUAL, OUTREACH & EDUCATION
Phase 1 Survey
PHASE 1 SURVEY - HIGHLIGHTS

- Survey sent out in October 2018
- Sent to over 4,000 Coastal Permit Holders
- 940 property owners or 24% responded to at least a portion of the survey
- At least one response was received from almost every county in the Coastal Zone
- 1 in 4 respondents are likely to make shoreline improvements in the next 5 years
- The term “Living Shorelines” was a largely unknown concept
1. Familiarity with Key Terms?
2. How would you characterize the waterbody nearest to your coastal property?
3. How severe a problem is coastal erosion on your property?
4. How severely do you believe rising water levels could impact your property?
5. What type of shoreline protection do you currently have in place?
6. Please rank the factors that would affect your decision about the type of shoreline protection to use.

SURVEY RESULTS

- Cost
- Erosion Mgmt
- Ease of Implementation
- Maintenance
- Flood Mitigation
- Attractiveness
- Water Quality
- Habitat Enhancement
- Similar to neighbor
9. If a program were available to reduce the cost of installing a living shoreline, would you be likely to participate?