Boggy Bayou Nature Park Improvements, Phase II

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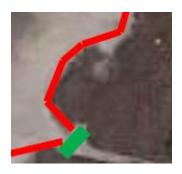
Project Background:

Boggy Bayou Nature Park, located in Port O'Connor adjacent to the Powderhorn Ranch Wildlife Management Area, provides public access to Matagorda Bay and Boggy Bayou for fishing, kayaking, swimming, hiking, and birding. The park has no amenities, except for a boardwalk over part of the marsh area. Visitors enter the park on a gravel road that borders the marsh and follow sand roads and trails around the boardwalk to reach the bay and bayou shorelines. Funding is needed to install additional bollards around the park to protect marsh and intertidal areas, wetlands, and salt and mud flats. Although Phase I of the Boggy Bayou Nature Park Improvements has helped reduce vehicle access to the park, ATVs can still enter the marsh by driving on shoreline sand trails. Installing bollards in this area will cut off this access and will keep people from dumping debris into the park. Calhoun County anticipates that all of the marsh area will be protected once these additional bollards are installed.

The contract was accepted by Commissioners' Court and signed by County Judge Richard Meyer on November 8, 2023.

Task 1: Construction

Sub recipient will solicit competitive bids from contractors to install approximately 2,100 linear feet of bollards along unprotected marsh borders. sub recipient will submit a draft site plan that includes technical specifications to the GLO for approval before soliciting a construction contractor. The specifications will pertain to the bollards and the boardwalk roof.





The project was split into two separate projects, each project being less than \$50,000 therefore; formal bids were not solicited. We received two quotes, one for the bollards and one for the boardwalk roof. The bollard project was completed by Shirley & Sons Construction and the boardwalk roof was completed by Alpha Contracting.

Task 2: Construction and CMP Signage

Subrecipient will provide oversight and management to the contractor installing bollards and the boardwalk roof. Subrecipient will install temporary CMP signage at the site during construction. The GLO will provide a permanent CMP sign, which Subrecipient will install at the project site following construction.

Bollard installation began the first week in May 2024. Shirley & Sons completed all bollard installation and invoice submitted for their work June 3, 2024. The bollard installation was a continuation of work done from the Boggy Bayou Nature Park, Phase I – GLO Contract No. 21-060-013-C673. With the bollards installed, vehicles should not be able to access the marsh land and save the land from being further harm.



Bollards Installation

Construction of the Boardwalk roof began May 14, 2024 and the temporary CMP signage was installed the same day. Progress on the boardwalk roof was hindered some because of weather. The area received significant winds and rain which delayed the work but was

still completed on time. The enhancement of the boardwalk roof is such an asset to this project. The bird watchers will now be able to have some shade and protection if they happen to get caught in the rain.



Boardwalk – Before Construction





Boardwalk Roof During Construction



Boardwalk Roof COMPLETED



CMP Signage – Temporary signage was put up May 14, 2024. As Boggy Bayou Nature Park, Phase II is a continuation of a project from Boggy Bayou Nature Park, Phase I; we

did not have new Permanent signage for this project and was informed the Permanent Signage from Phase I would be sufficient.





Task 3: Project Monitoring & Reporting

All monthly reports were submitted in a timely manner.