# THE "BIGGEST," THE "BADDEST," AND THE "BESTEST" – Partie Deux COASTAL RESTORATION CAJUN STYLE

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#### Welcome Back to Coastal Louisiana

- > 37% of the coastal wetlands in the nation
- > 75% of all commercially harvested fish species
- > 20% of all water birds in continental U.S.
- > #1 commercial fish landings by weight in lower 48
- > 21% of all commercial fisheries' landings
- > 36% of all shrimp harvested in continental U.S.
- > 36% of all oysters harvested in continental U.S.
- > 33% of all fin fish harvested in continental U.S.
- > 20% of all crabs harvested in continental U.S.







#### Welcome Back to Coastal Louisiana

- > \$44B in annual fuel products for the nation
- > 90% of deep water oil and gas activity in Gulf
- > Asset Value of Delta ~ \$1.3 Tril
- > \$120 Bil Exported Annually
- >#1 deep water crude oil port in the U.S.
- > 2 of 4 strategic petroleum reserve sites
- >#3 U.S. natural gas producer
- > 18% of all domestic natural gas production
- > Source: 2020 Annual Plan for an Integrated Ecosystem Restoration & Hurricane Protection in Coastal Louisiana

#### CPRA Milestones (Since 2007)

- > Completed 76 Restoration and 34 Protection Projects
- > Placed over 152 MCY of Sediment
- > Restored, Created or Benefitted over 46,000 AC
- > Constructed 60 Mi of Barrier Islands and Berms
- ➤ Improved 315 Mi of Levees



➤ Secured \$21.4 Billion for Protection and Restoration in 20 Coastal Parishes

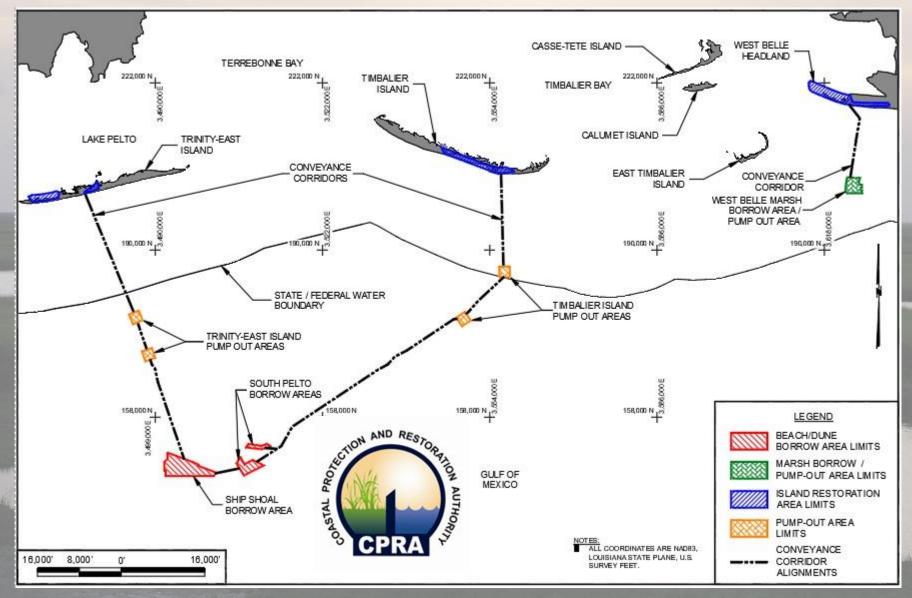
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#### Restoration Programs

- > Coastal Wetlands Planning, Protection and Restoration Act (CWWPRA)
  - Federally enacted in 1990 First Major Program to Fund Barrier Islands
- **▶** Water Resources Development Act (WRDA)
  - Title VII Louisiana Coastal Area. Addresses Louisiana's coastal ecosystem, need for long-term restoration program, and State's Coastal Master Plan
- > Natural Resources Damage Assessment (NRDA)
  - Consent Decree for Deepwater Horizon (DWH) Oil Spill Settlement Funds
- > National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF)
  - Administers the Gulf Environmental Benefit Fund LA: support barrier island and diversion projects to remedy harm caused by DWH Oil Spill
- > RESTORE Act
  - Gulf Coast Ecosystem Restoration Council: Restore long-term health of Gulf Coast region's ecosystems and economy
- **➤** Gulf of Mexico Energy and Security Act (GOMESA)
  - Dedicated Funding Stream for coastal restoration and risk reduction to Gulf States that permit OCS exploration

#### The "NEW BIG"

#### Terrebonne Basin Barrier Island & Beach Nourishment



#### Fun Facts

- > 3-Island / 4-Borrow Area Regional Renourishment Plan
- **Construction Cost** 
  - **Engineer's Opinion of Cost = \$151.3 Million (M)**
  - Construction Bid Range
    - Low = \$155.0M



- High = \$287.9M
- Avg = \$218.3M
- **➤** Construction Elements (Three Islands Combined)

**❖** Total Project Volume: 9.7 MCY

**❖** Total Beach/Dune Creation: 813 Ac

**\*** Total Marsh Creation: 359 Ac

**❖** Total Project Length: 38,900 Feet

**❖** Distances from BA to Island: 25.6 Mi, 13.9 Mi, 10.7 Mi

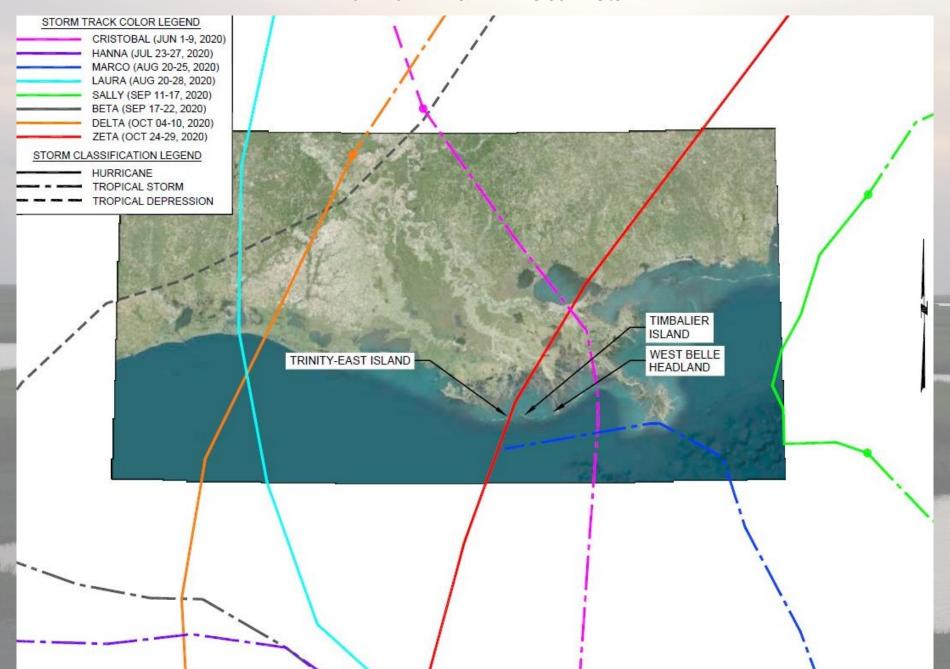
#### Sediment Excavation and Transport



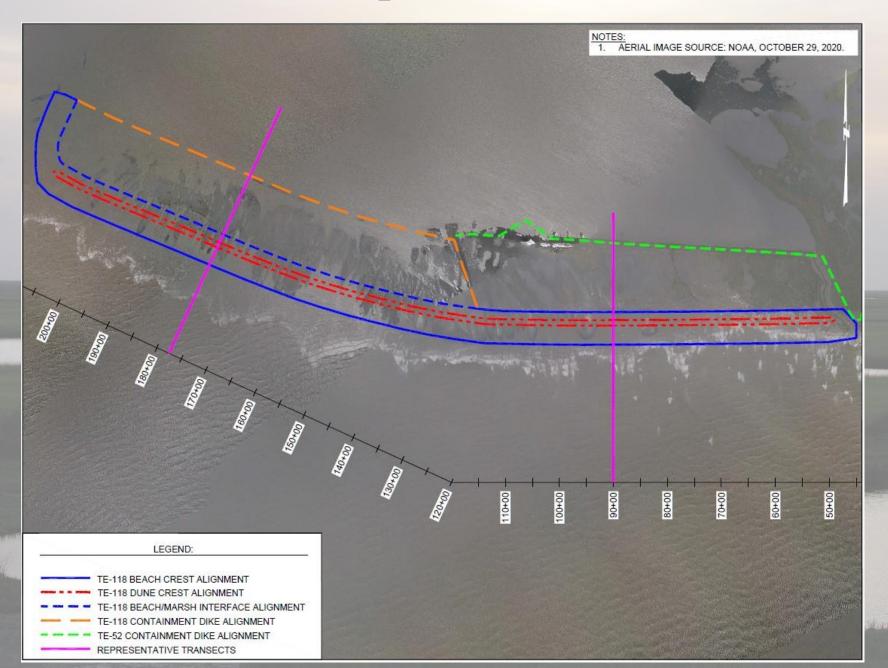
#### **West Belle Headland Under Construction**



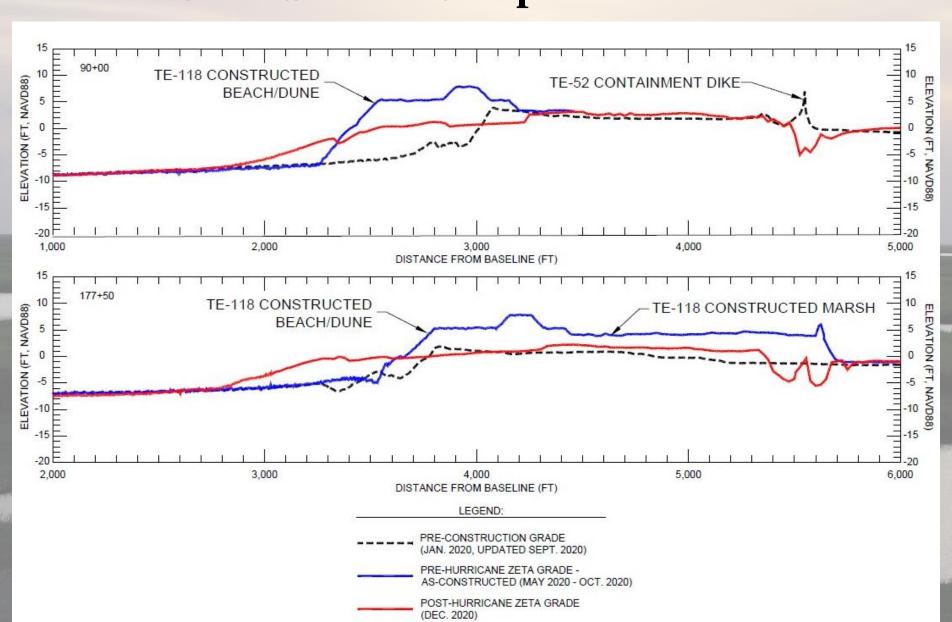
#### 2020 Hurricanes



#### 2020 Hurricane Impacts: West Belle Headland



# 2020 Hurricane Impacts Cross Section Comparison: WBH



#### **Trinity Island Under Construction**





### The "NEW BAD"



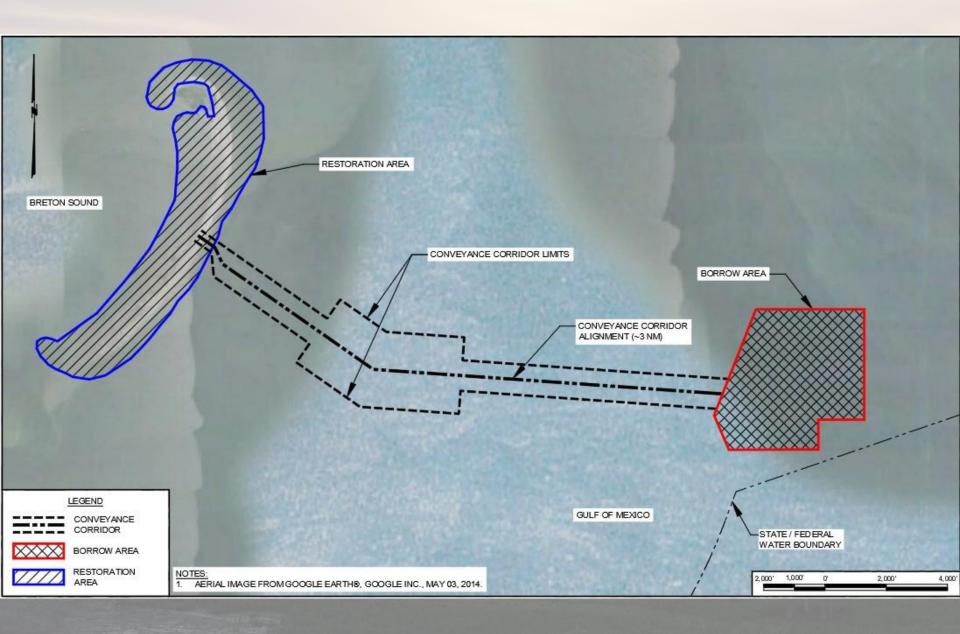
North Breton Island NRDA
Phase III Early Restoration

### **Breton National Wildlife Refuge**

Refuge established on October 4, 1904 by an executive order of President Theodore Roosevelt. This is the 2<sup>nd</sup> oldest refuge in the country and the only refuge know to have been visited by President Roosevelt in 1915.



### **Project Overview Map**



#### Fun Facts

- ➤ Highlight Reel: 80,000 CY/Day Production Day
- **Construction Cost** 
  - **Engineer's Opinion of Cost = \$59.6 Million (M)**
  - **A** Low Bid = \$54.4M



**Construction Elements** 

**❖ Total Fill Volume:** 5.9 MCY

**❖** Beach/Dune Creation: 374 AC

**❖** Marsh Creation: 185 AC

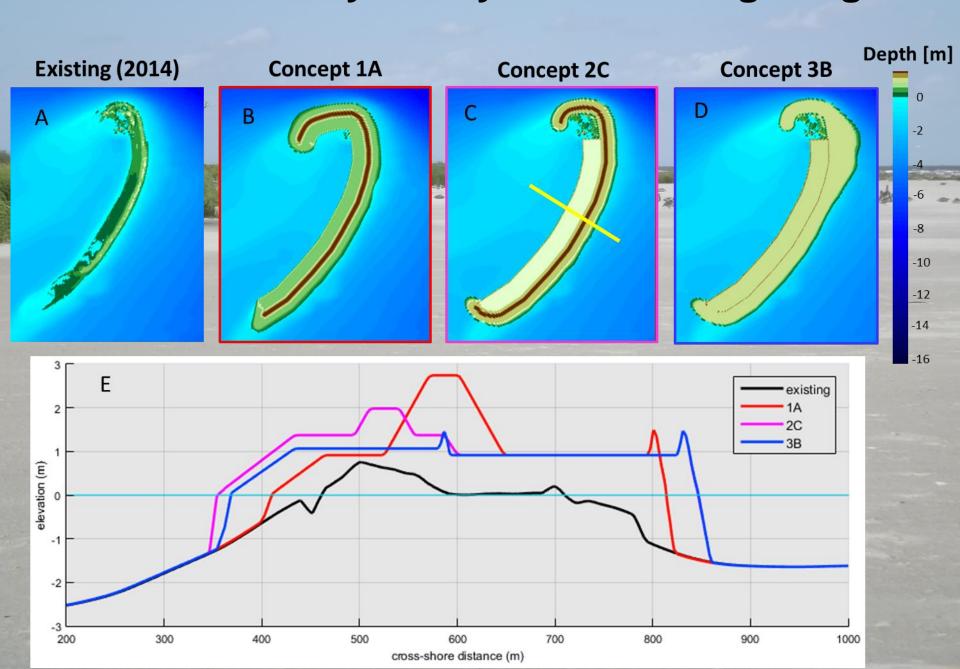
**\*** Wetland Creation: 67 AC

Project Length: 14,340 Feet

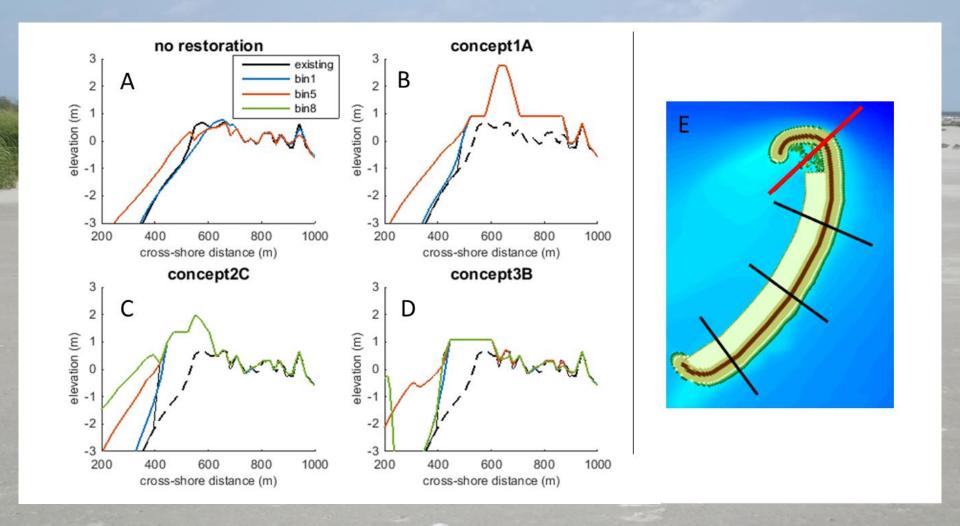
**❖ Project Density:** 410 CY/ LF

**❖** Borrow Area to Island: 3.5 Miles

#### **Alternatives Analysis: Hybrid Modeling Program**



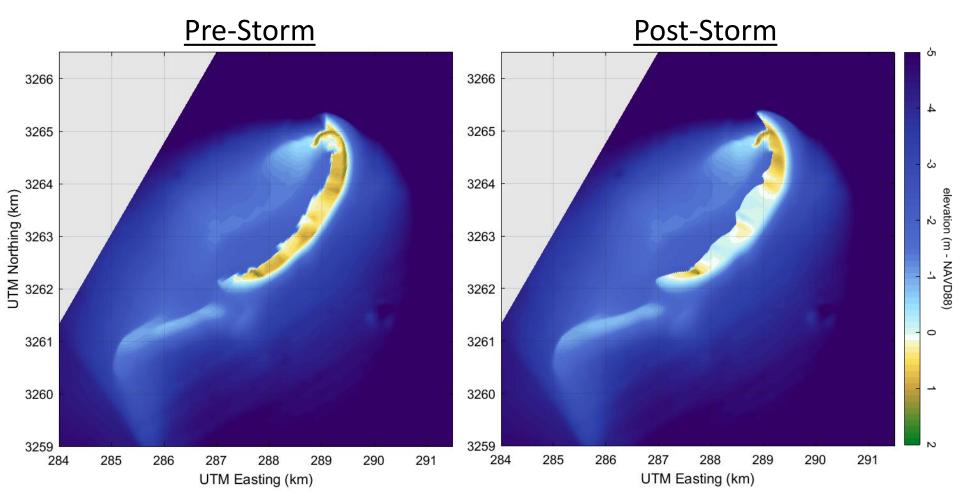
# **Cross Section (Northern Profile)**



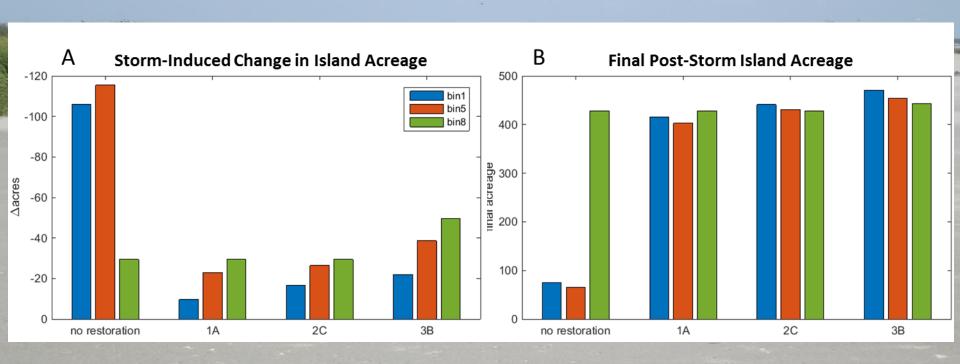
#### Storm #3 (TY12): Hurricane Gustav

Maximum Wave Height:	6.7 meters (22.0 ft)
Maximum Surge:	1.1 meters (3.6 ft)
Duration:	~48 hours

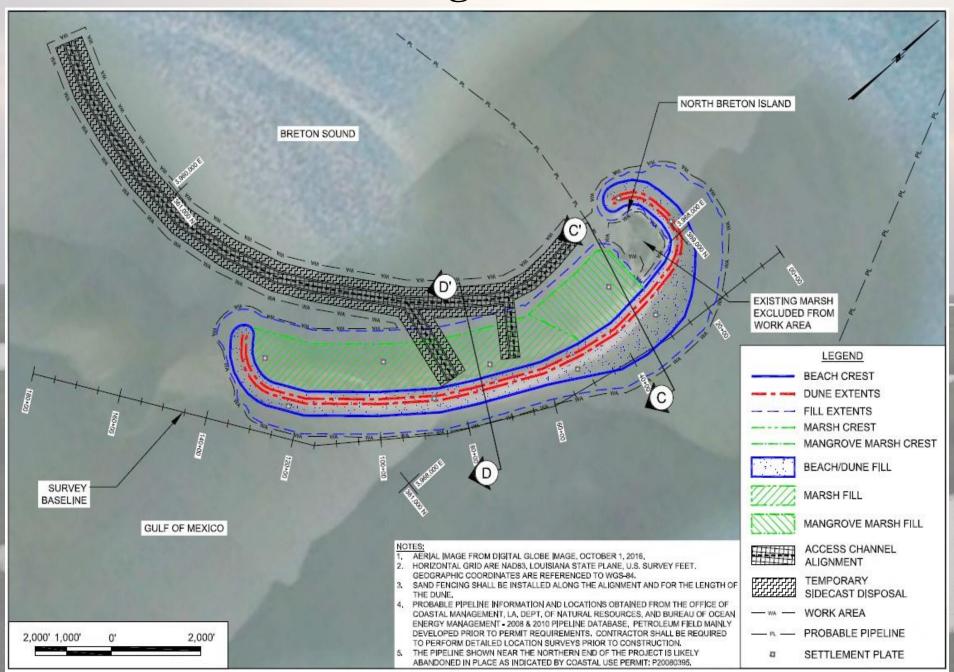




# Calculated Change in Island Acreage

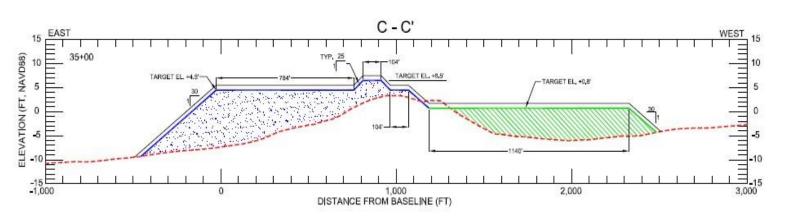


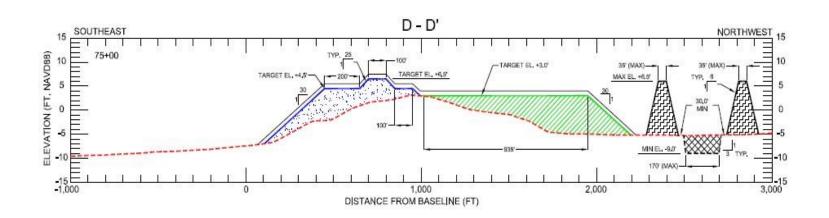
#### **Design Plan**



#### **Typical Cross Sections**



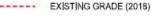




#### NOTES: SECTIONS ARE VIEWED AS LOOKING SOUTH.

- 2. EXISTING GRADE SURVEY PERFORMED BY EMC SURVEYS, INC. IN 2018.
- DIMENSIONS ARE PROVIDED FOR DESIGN PURPOSES AND DO NOT MEASURE ALONG THE SURVEY BASELINE.
- A +1.0 FT ELEVATION CONSTRUCTION TOLERANCE SHALL BE ACCOMMODATED FOR CONSTRUCTION PURPOSES.





#### CONSTRUCTION TOLERANCE

#### BEACH & DUNE FILL

LEGEND



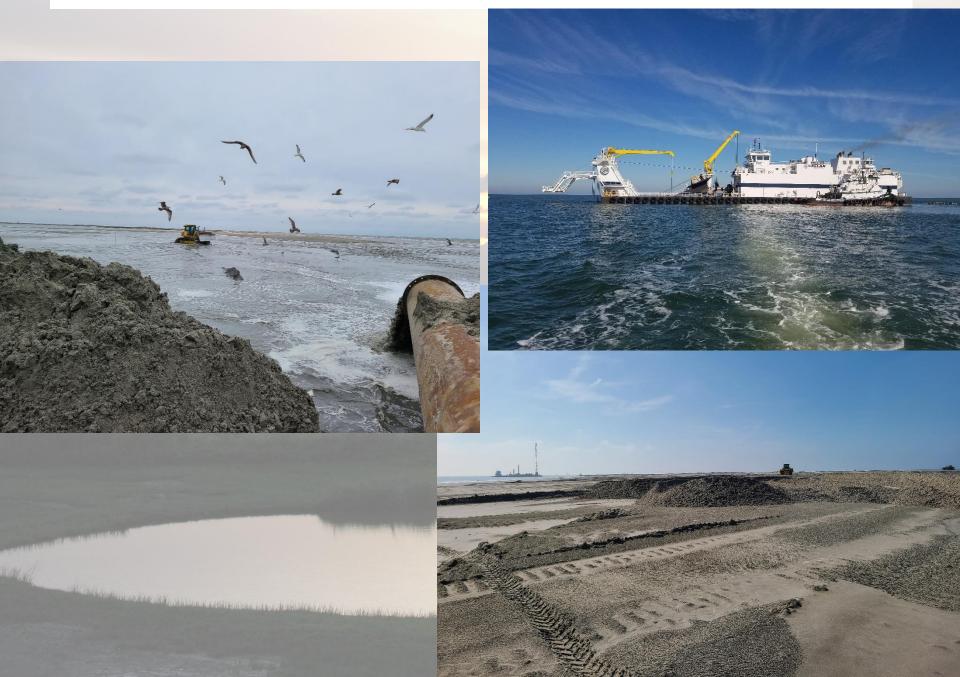


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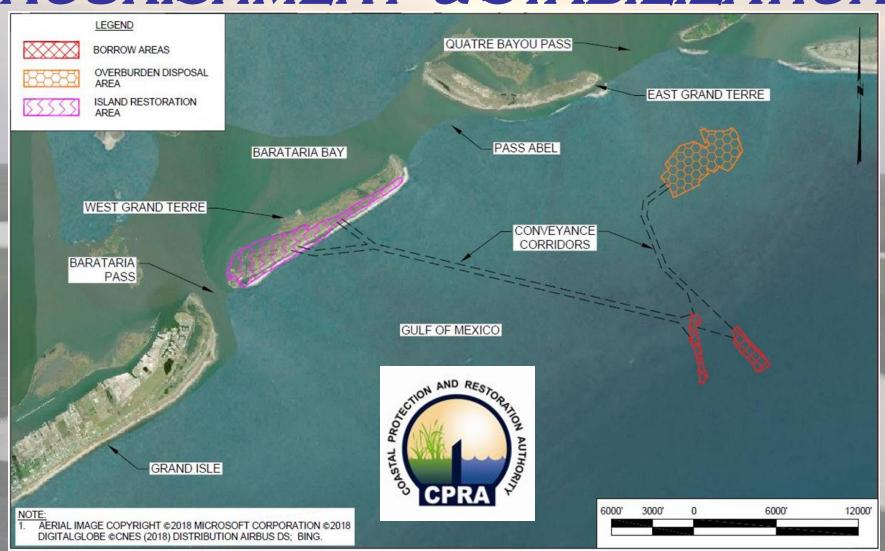


TEMPORARY SIDECAST DISPOSAL

#### **Breton Island – Under Construction**



# The "NEW BEST" WEST GRAND TERRE BEACH NOURISHMENT & STABILIZATION



#### **FUN FACTS**

➤ Highlight Reel: Two Relic Distributary Channels Providing Sand for Beach, Dune and Marsh; Constructing over 6,000 feet of Rock Revetments for Shoreline Protection of Significant Cultural Resources

#### > Construction Cost

- **Engineer's Opinion of Cost = \$65.2 Million**
- **\*** Construction Bid Range
  - **■** Low = \$53.4 Million
  - High = \$58.8 Million
  - Avg = \$56.1 Million



#### Construction Elements

**❖** Beach/Dune/Marsh Fill: 2.3 MCY ~ 316 AC

**❖** Overburden: 2.9 MCY

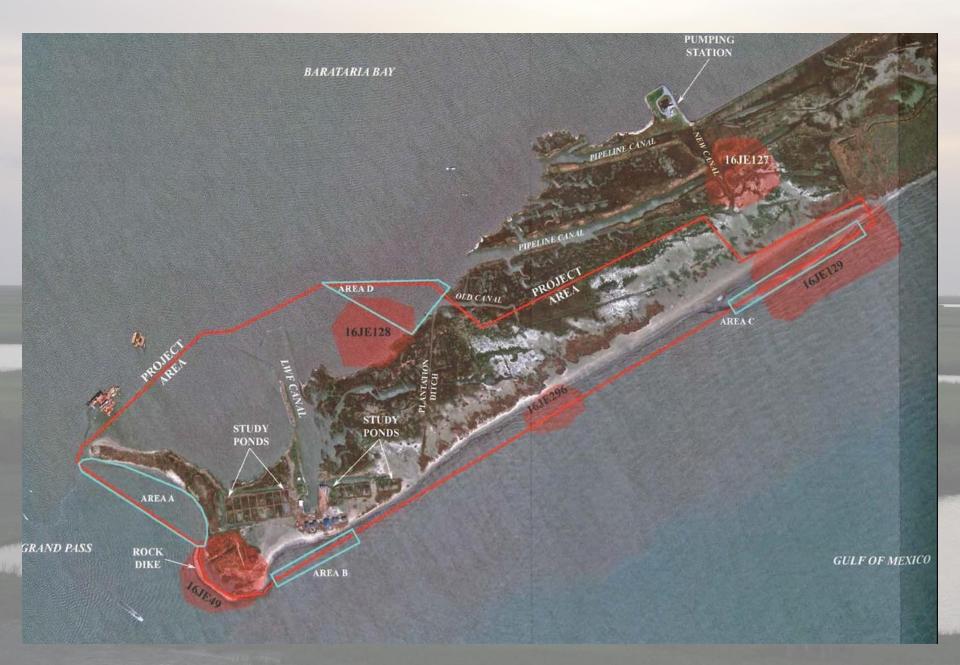
❖ Project Length: 13,700 Feet

**❖ Project Density:** 167 CY/LF

**❖** Rock Work: 84,000 Tons



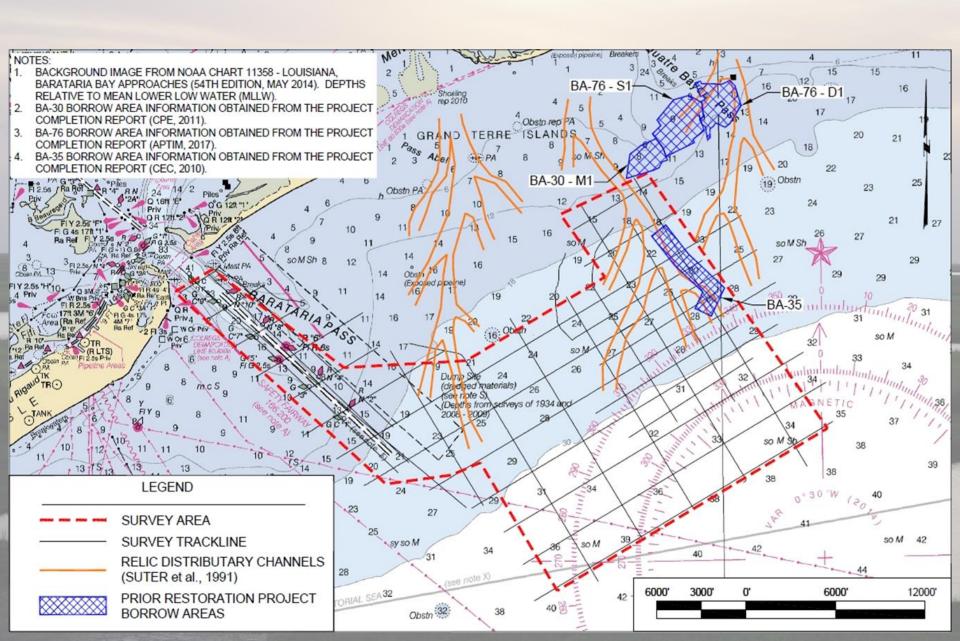
#### **Restoration Area Cultural Resources**



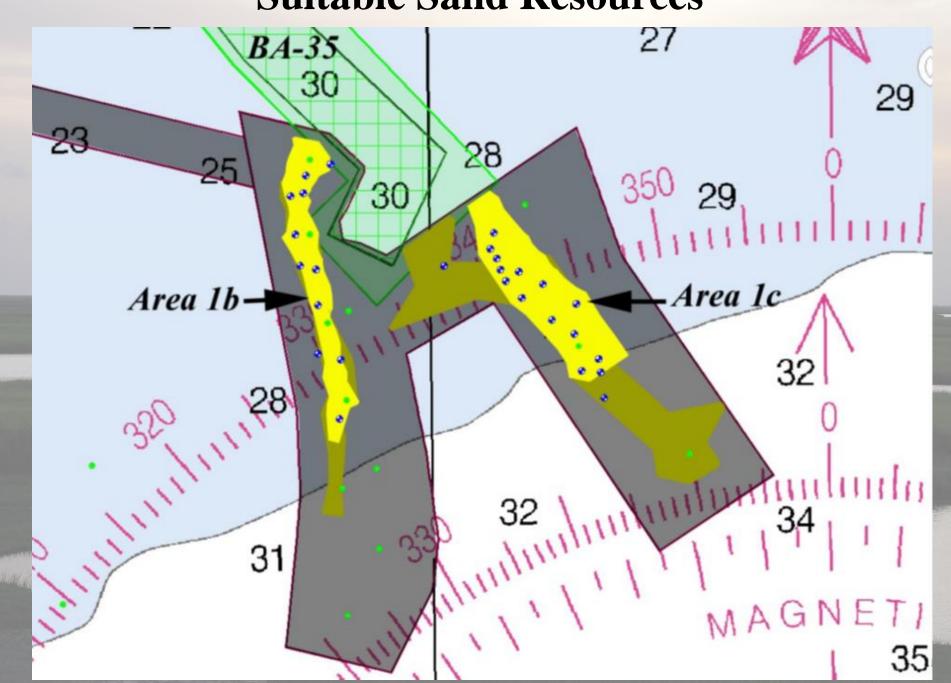
#### **Structure Demolition (2020)**



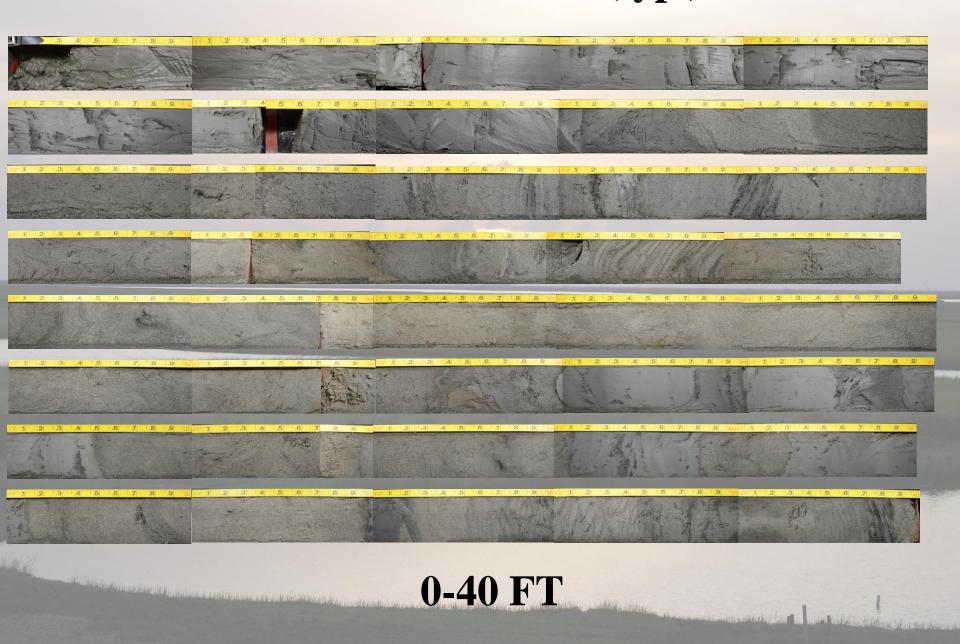
#### **Sand Source Search**



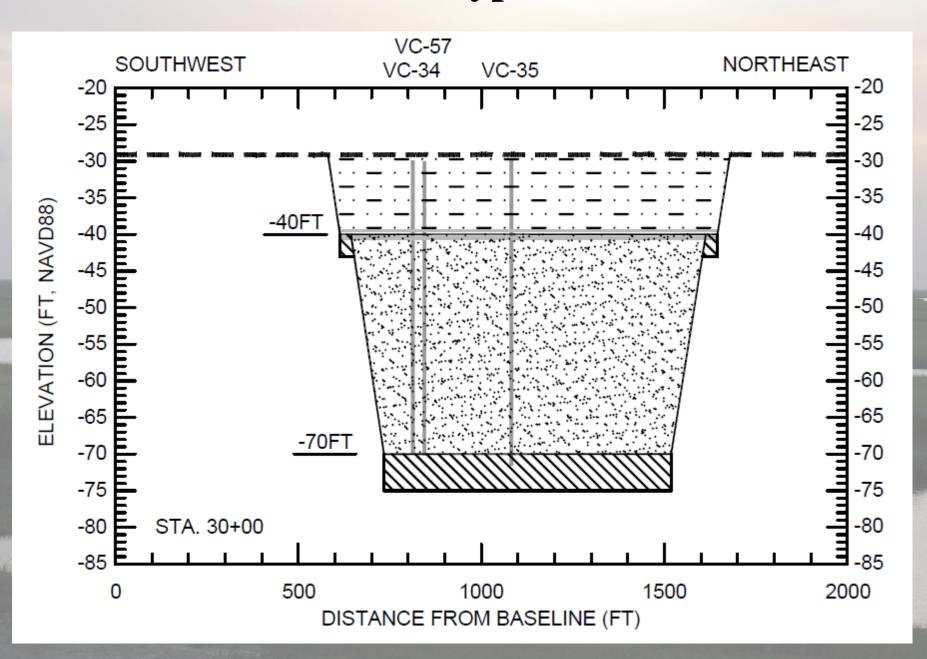
#### **Suitable Sand Resources**



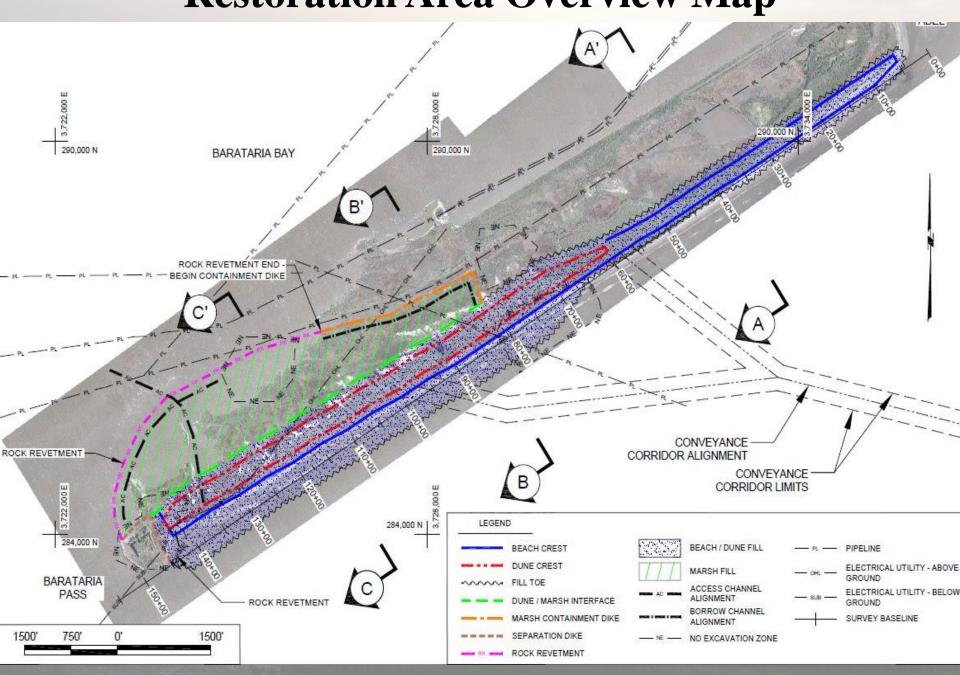
## Borrow Area Core (typ.)



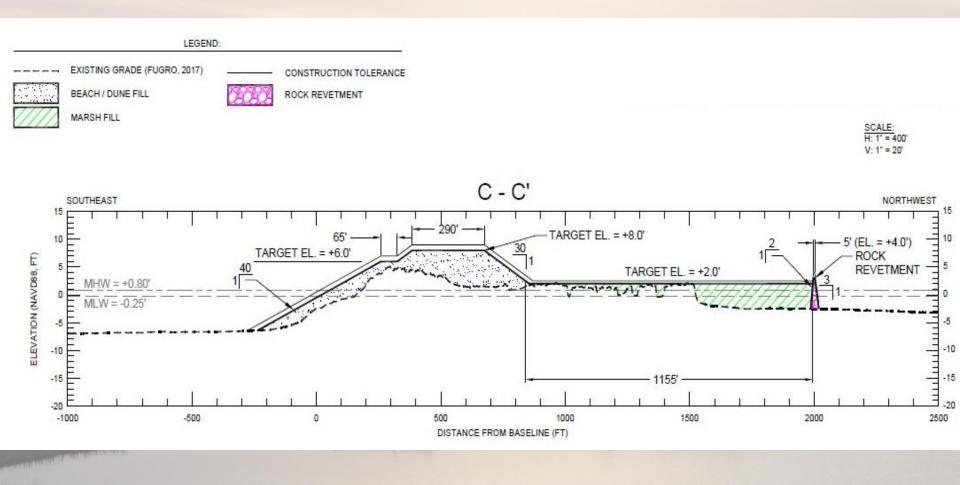
#### **Borrow Area Typical Section**



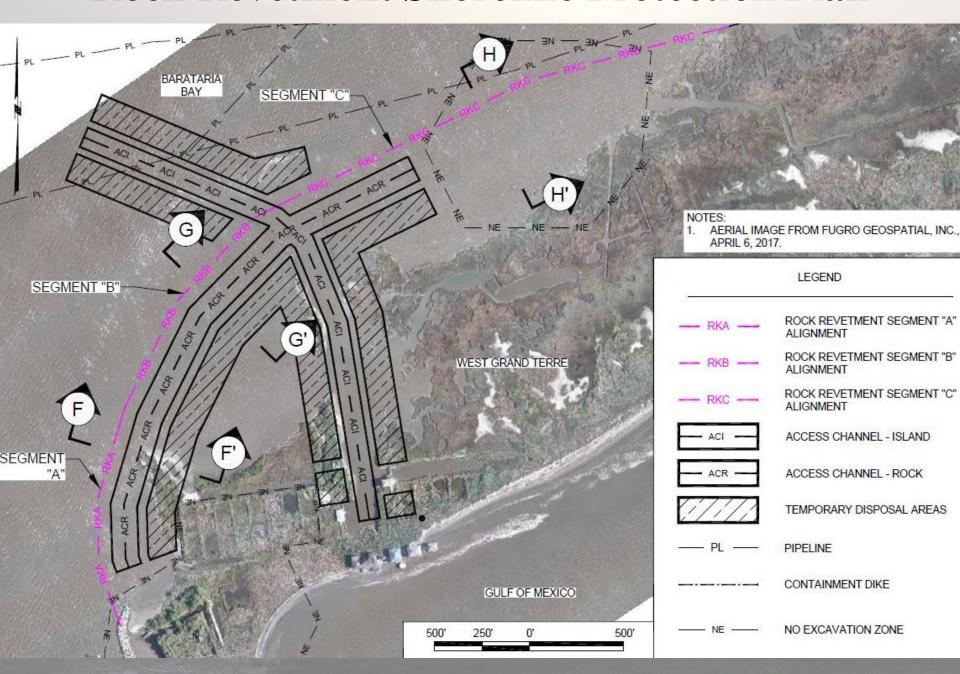
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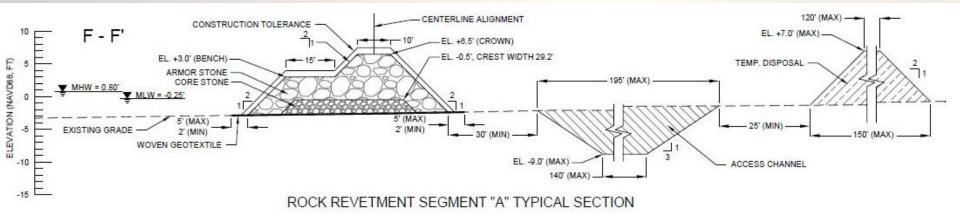
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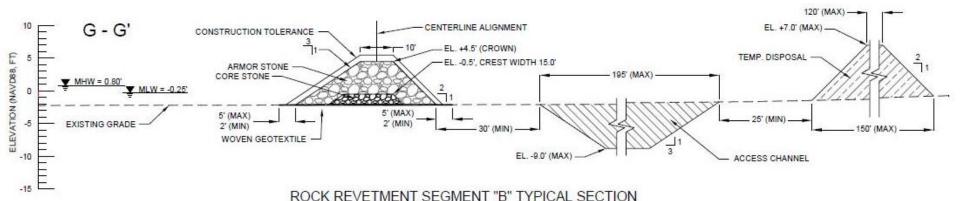


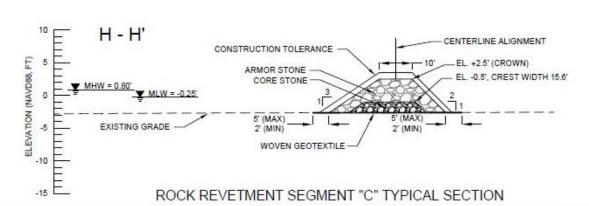
#### **Rock Revetment Shoreline Protection Plan**



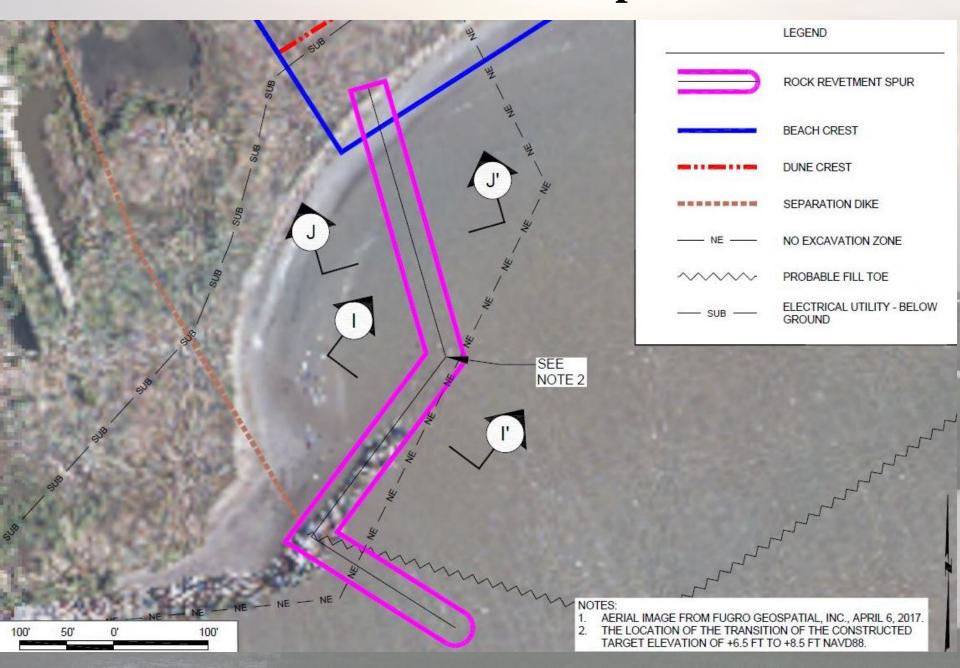
#### **Rock Revetment Typical Sections**







#### **Rock Revetment Spur**



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