

NAVIGATION STUDIES AND NEW WORK



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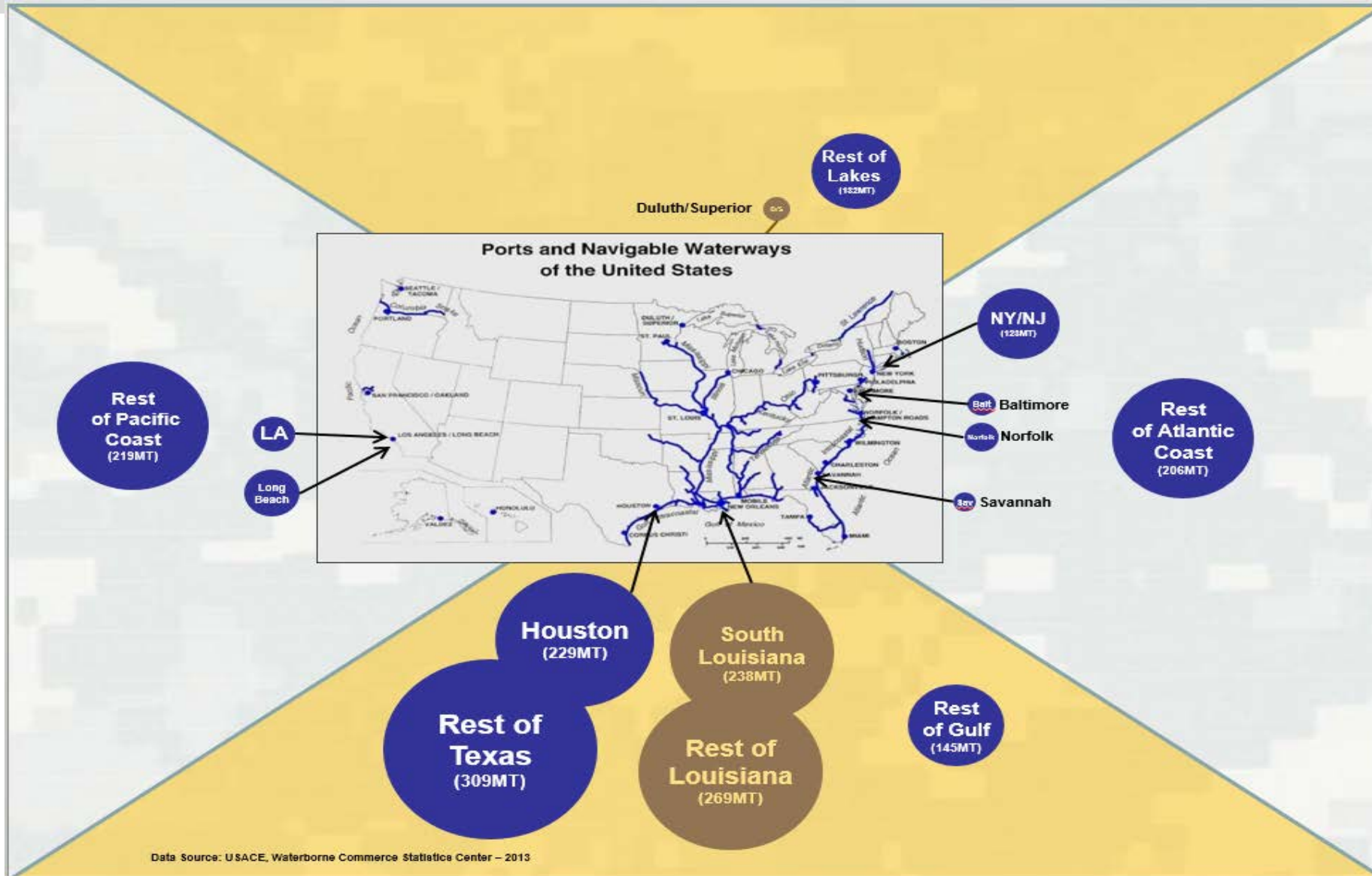
PRESENTATION AGENDA

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- Pathways for Implementing New Dredging Projects
- Modifications planned along Texas coast



HOW TEXAS FITS IN THE NATIONAL SYSTEM



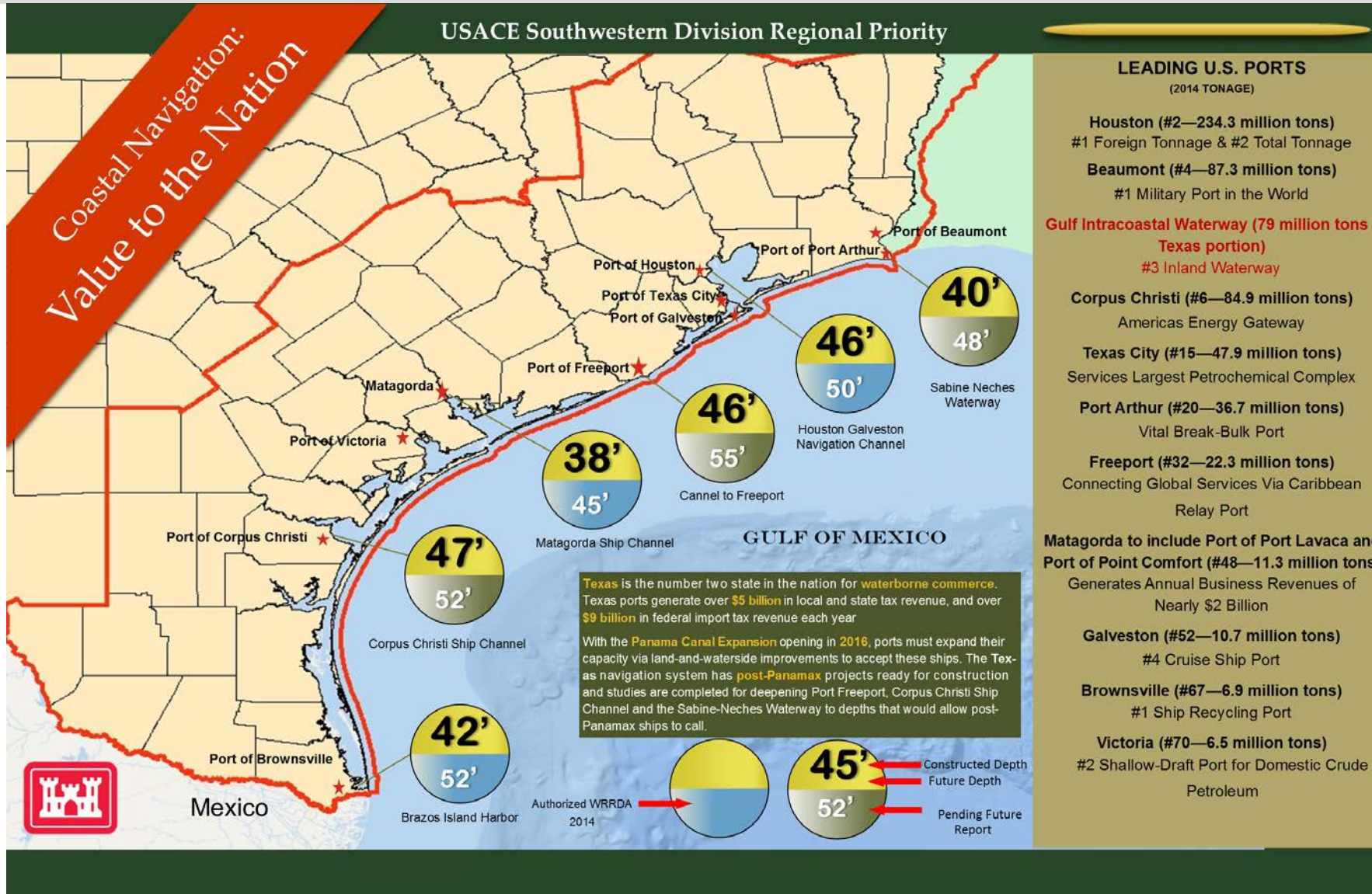
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TEXAS COASTAL NAVIGATION SYSTEM



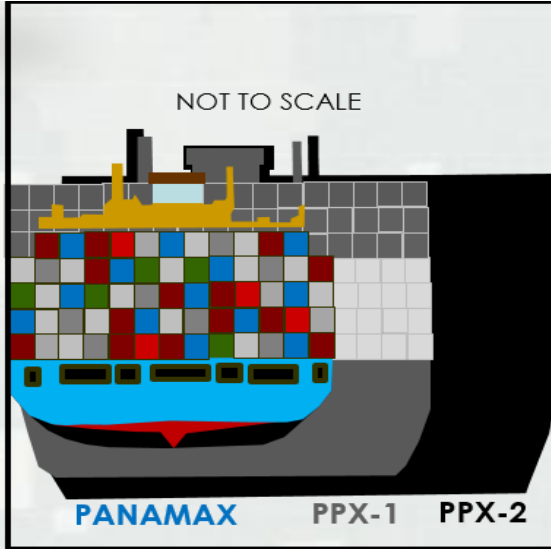
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WHY IMPROVE PROJECTS?

CONTAINER VESSELS



Sub-Panamax TEU* Capacity~ 2500
 LOA: 675 BEAM: 98 DRAFT: 37.6 DWT: 34,000

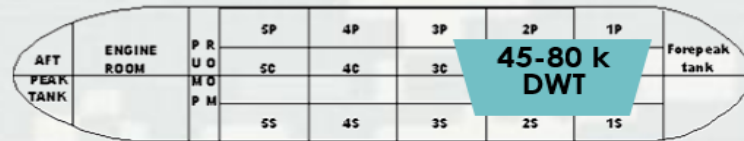
Panamax TEU* Capacity~ 3500 - 4800
 LOA: 794-845 BEAM: 106 DRAFT: 40.3-44.3 DWT: 24,000 - 65,000

Post-Panamax Gen 1 (PPX-1) TEU* Capacity~ 6500
 LOA: 960 BEAM: 131 DRAFT: 46.1 DWT: 80,600

Post-Panamax Gen 2 (PPX-2) TEU* Capacity: ~8700
 LOA: 1106 BEAM: 146 DRAFT: 47.6 DWT: 106,800

* Intermodal Shipping Container Measured as a Twenty-foot Equivalent Unit (TEU)

TANKERS



Liquid Capacity:
 52,100 - 79,200 kg/m³

Panamax Tankers:
 LOA: 600-750 Beam 106 Draft: 41.1- 46.2



Liquid Capacity:
 120,315 kg/m³

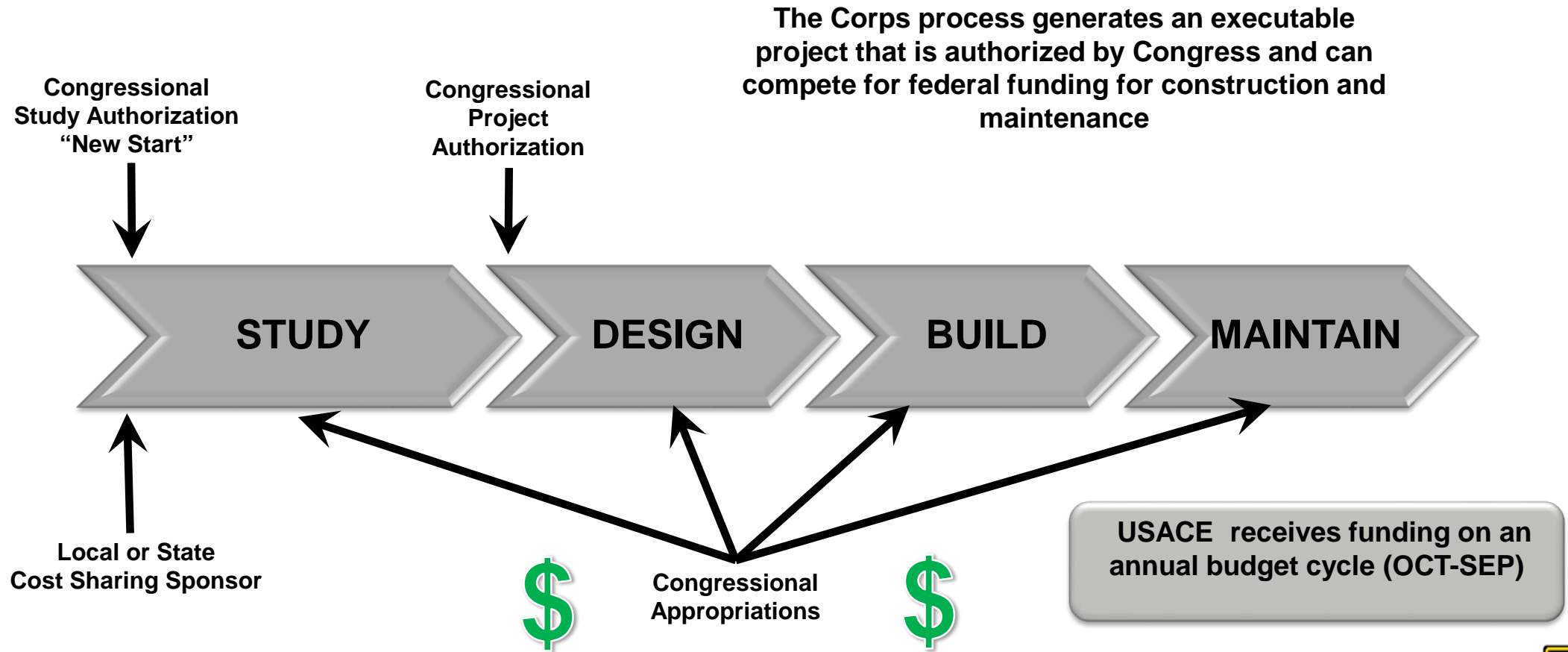
Aframax Tankers:
 LOA: 806 Beam 140 Draft: 49.1



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MODIFY NAVIGATION PROJECTS -BY AUTHORIZATION



*Feasibility Phase includes **alternatives analysis and NEPA compliance** to determine best plan to provide an environmentally sustainable solution which provides economic value to the nation



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ADDITIONAL PATHWAYS

- Continuing Authority Program
- Planning Assistance to States
- Estuary Restoration Program
- Other...

(Available for further discussion after this presentation...)



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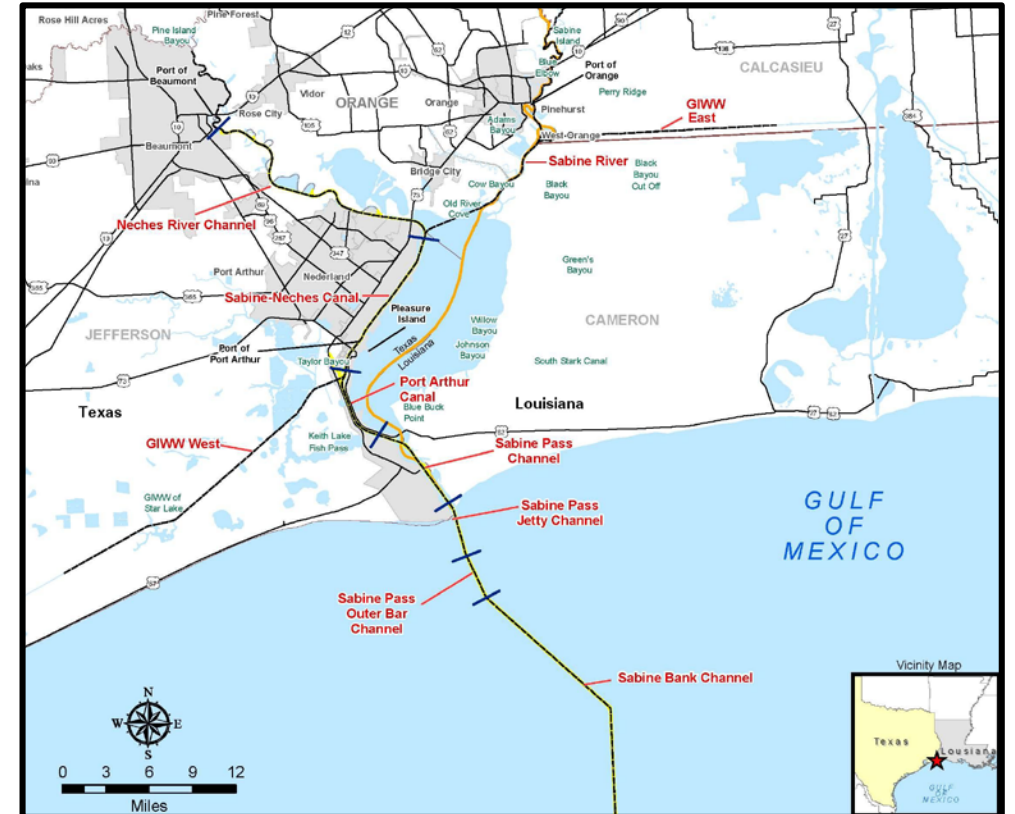
SABINE-NECHES WATERWAY (NAV)

•Status:

- Chiefs Report Complete: 2011
- Econ Update Complete: OCT 2016
- Potential Construction Start: FY19

•Features

- Est. New Work: 98 MCY
- Deepening SNWW to Beaumont to 48 feet (50 feet in offshore channels)
- Extending the Entrance Channel 13.2 miles
- Deepening and widening Taylor Bayou
- Adding/enlarging 3 turning basins and/or anchorages
- Bend easing on Sabine-Neches
- Canal and Neches River Channel
- Bridge reinforcements
- Dredged Material Management Plan
- Beneficial Use Plan
- Compensatory Mitigation Plan



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HOUSTON SHIP CHANNEL (NAV)




•Status:

- FSCA Signed NOV 2015
- Feasibility Report Complete MAY 2019
- Chief's Report OCT 2019




•Features:

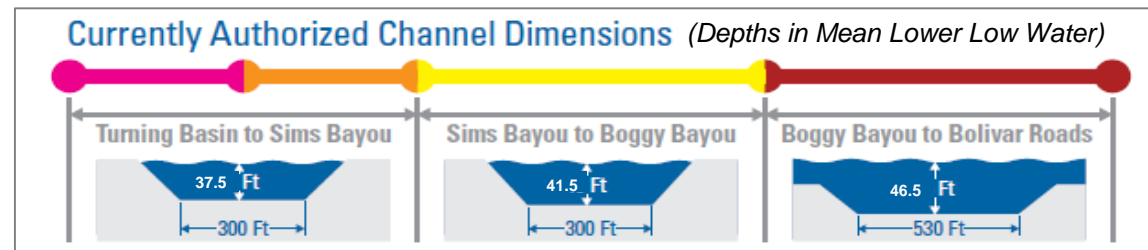
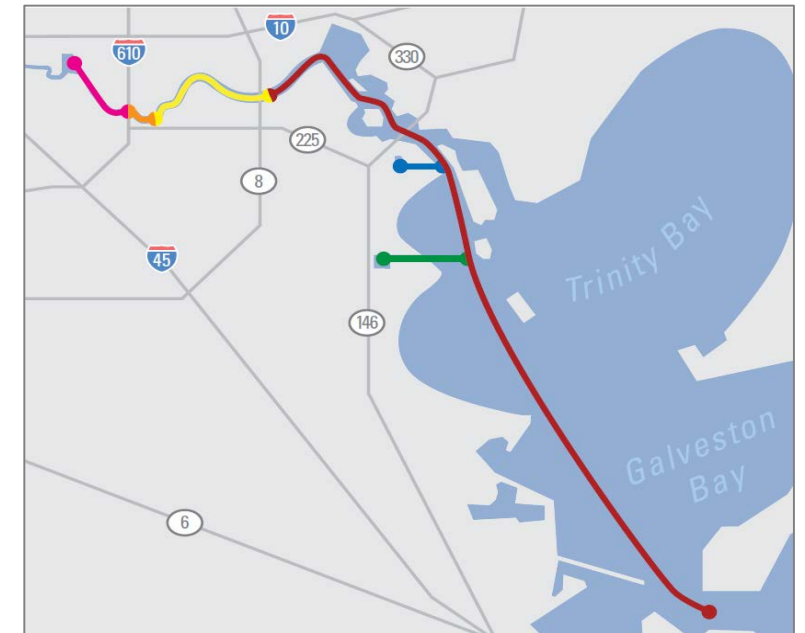
- Deepening (upstream of Boggy Bayou)
- Selective Widening (Two-Way Vessel Meeting)
- Bend Easings
- Flare Modifications
- Turning Basins
- Mooring & Anchorage Areas
- Jetty Structures (shoaling)

Bay

-  Bolivar Roads to Boggy Bayou
-  Bayport Ship Channel
-  Barbours Cut Channel

Bayou

-  Boggy Bayou to Sims Bayou
-  Sims Bayou to I-610 Bridge
-  I-610 Bridge to Main Turning Basin



Depth (feet)	
MLT	MLLW
45	46/46.5
40*	41.5
36	37.5

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GALVESTON HARBOR CHANNEL EXTENSION (NAV)

- Status:
 - FCSA signed: Jan 2016
 - Study Complete: FY17
 - Potential Construction Start: FY19
- Features
 - Extending the Galveston Harbor Channel 2,571 ft and deepening from 41 to 46 ft MLLW



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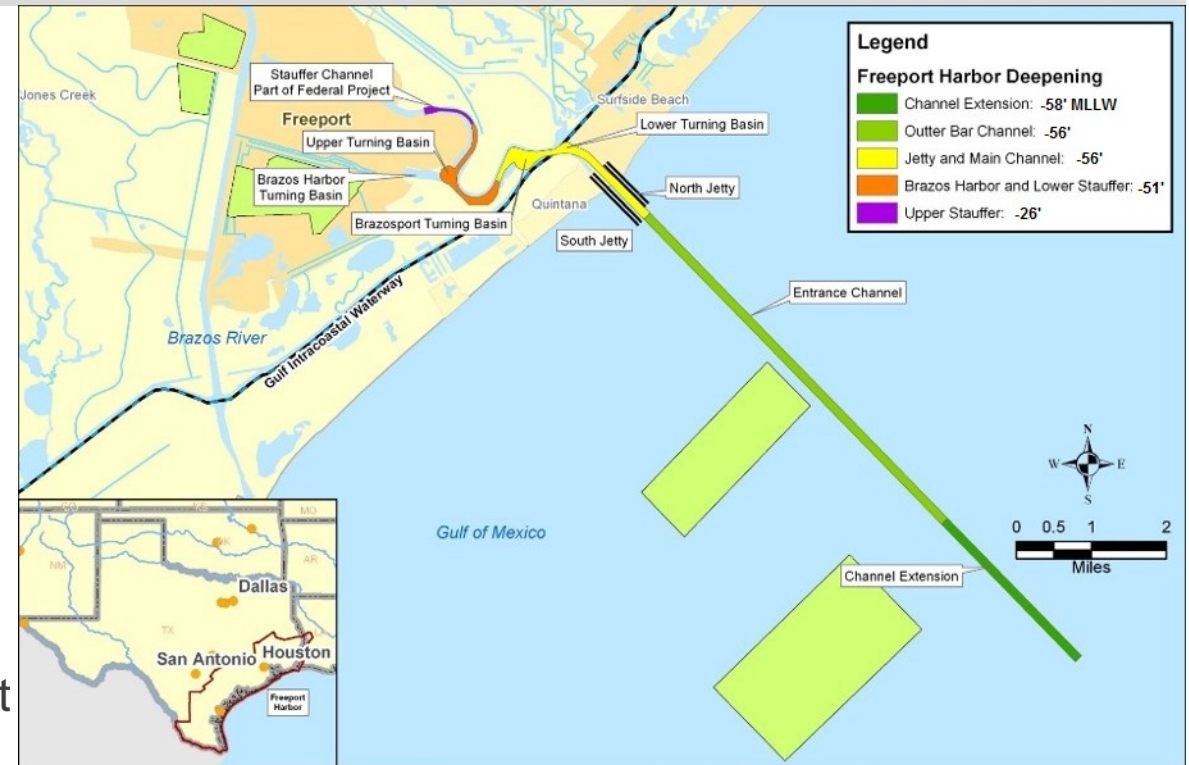
FREEPORT HARBOR (NAV)

- **Status:**

- Chiefs Report Complete: 2013
- GRR Complete: April 2018
- Potential Construction Start: FY18- 21

- **Features**

- Est. New Work: 16.2 MCY
- Deepen Freeport Harbor Channel to 56 feet (58 feet in offshore channel)
- Extend the Outer Bar Channel 7,000 feet
- Enlarge Brazosport Turning Basin to 1,200 feet
- Deepen Brazosport Turning Basin through the Upper Turning Basin to 51 ft
- Deepen and widen the Lower Stauffer Channel to 300 feet wide by 51 feet deep
- Deepen Upper Stauffer Channel to 26 feet



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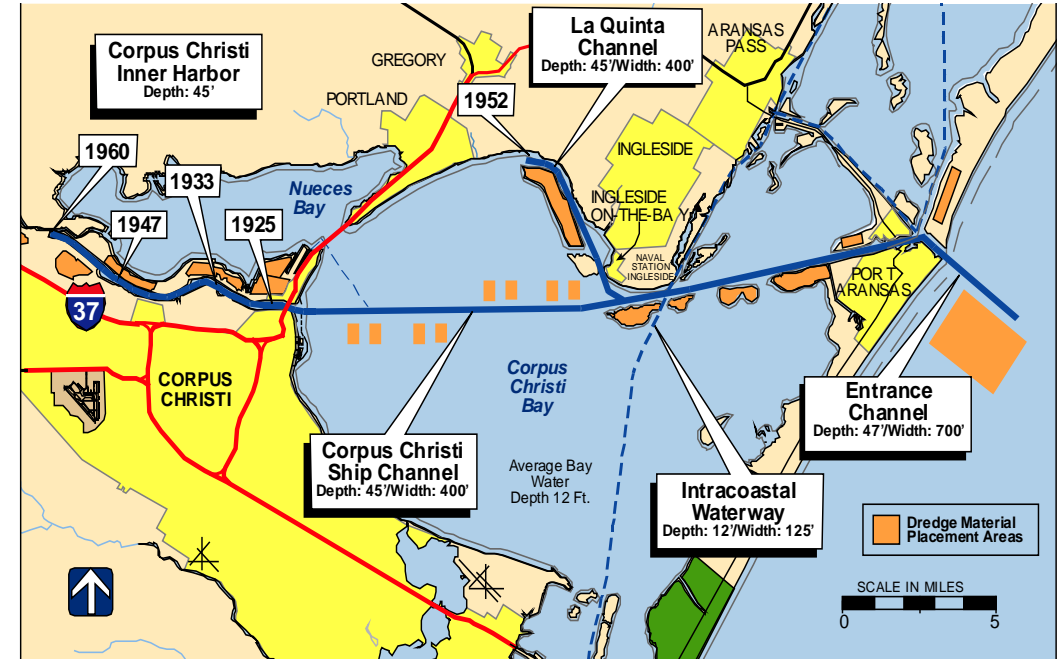


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CORPUS CHRISTI SHIP CHANNEL (NAV)

- **Status:**
 - Chiefs Report Complete: 2003
 - LRR Complete: Dec 2015
 - Potential Construction Start: FY17-FY18
- **Features**
 - Est. New Work: 32 MCY
 - Four Separable Elements: Navigation (3) and Ecosystem Restoration (1)
 - Deepen CCSC from 45 feet to 52 feet and widen segment of main channel to 530 feet
 - Construct Barge Shelves adjacent to CCSC
 - Construct two ecosystem restoration features (construction complete)
 - Deepen extension of La Quinta Channel to 39 feet (construction complete)



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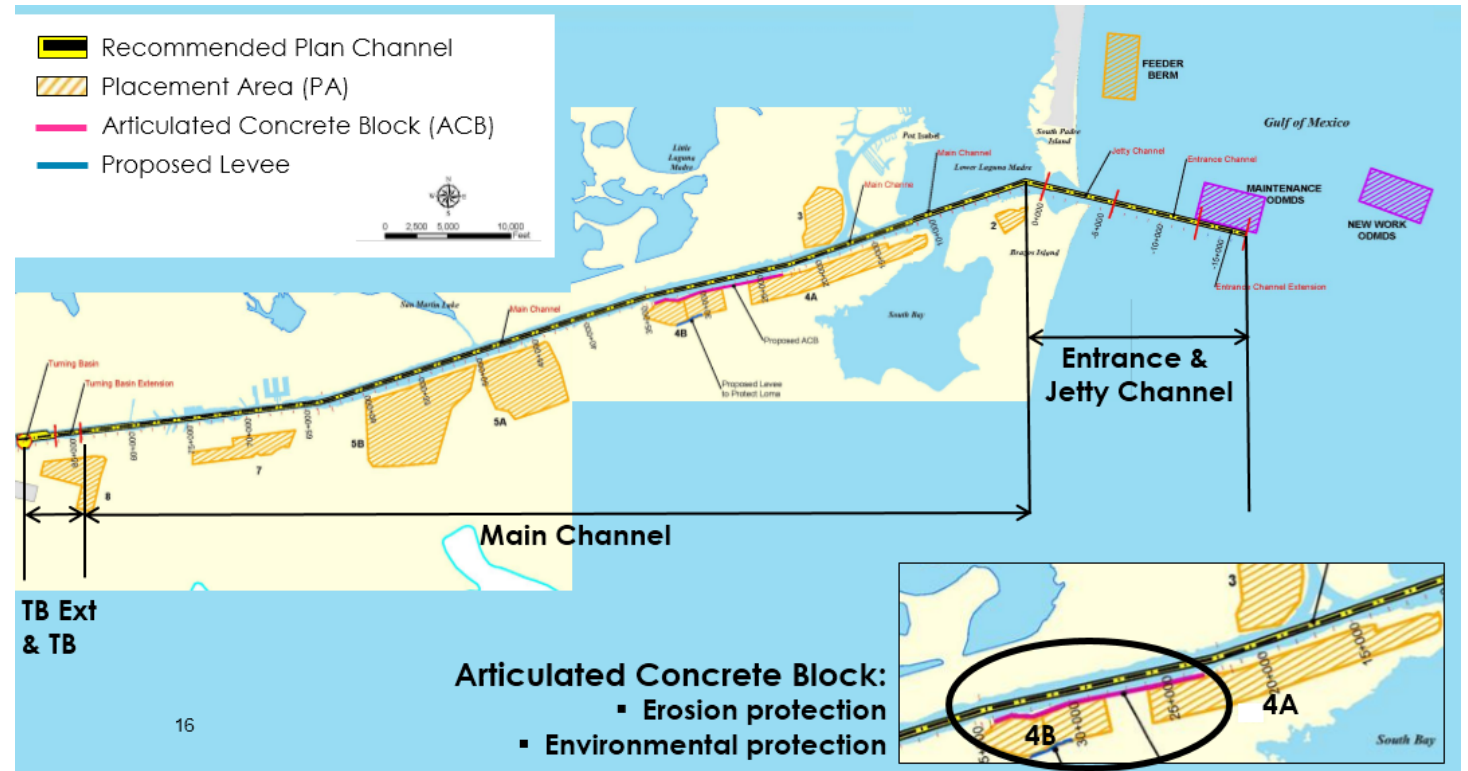
BRAZOS ISLAND HARBOR (NAV)

- **Status:**

- Chiefs Report Complete: 2014
- Ongoing 408/204 report to allow NFS to construct themselves (JAN 2017)
- Potential Construction Start: TBD

- **Features**

- Est. New Work: 14 MCY
- Deepening main channel to 52 ft and entrance channel to 54 ft



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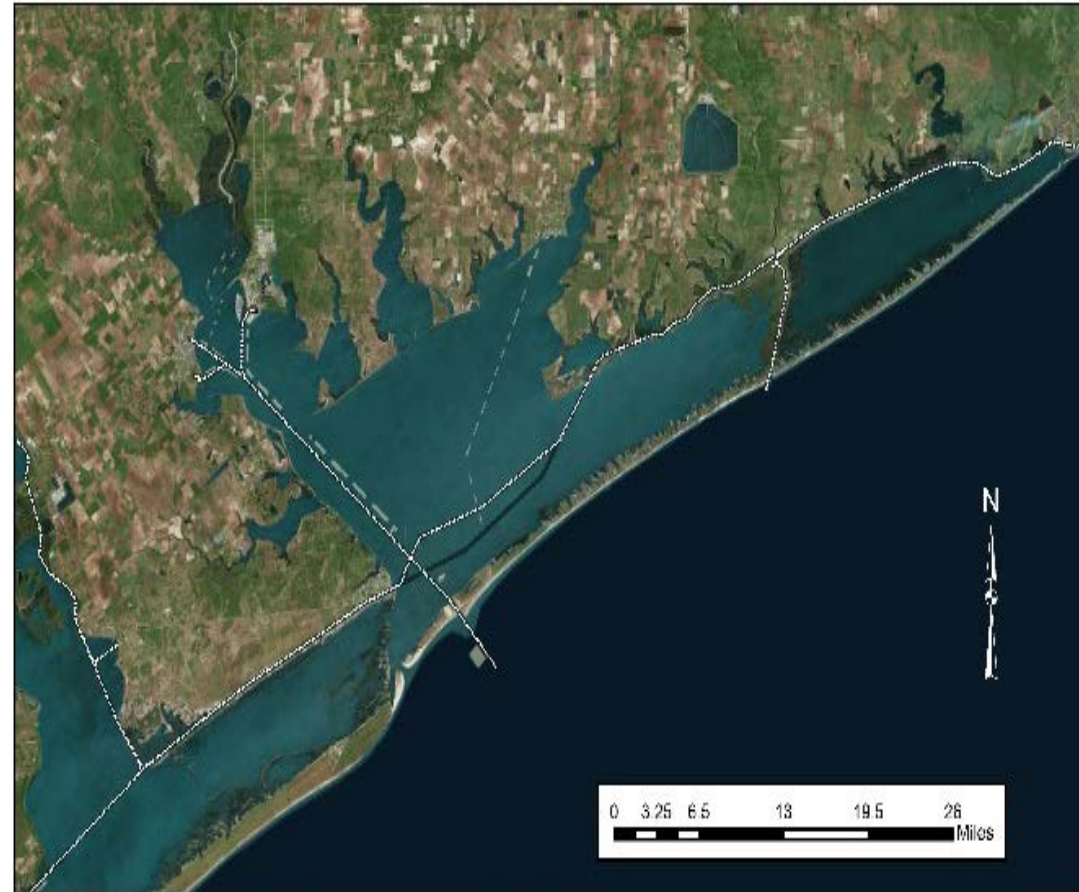


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(NEW)MATAGORDA SHIP CHANNEL (NAV)

- Status:
 - Study Kickoff: August 2016
 - Chiefs Report Complete: July 2019
- Features
 - May Include
 - Deepening/Widening of Existing Channel
 - Substantial Dredging, depending on plan



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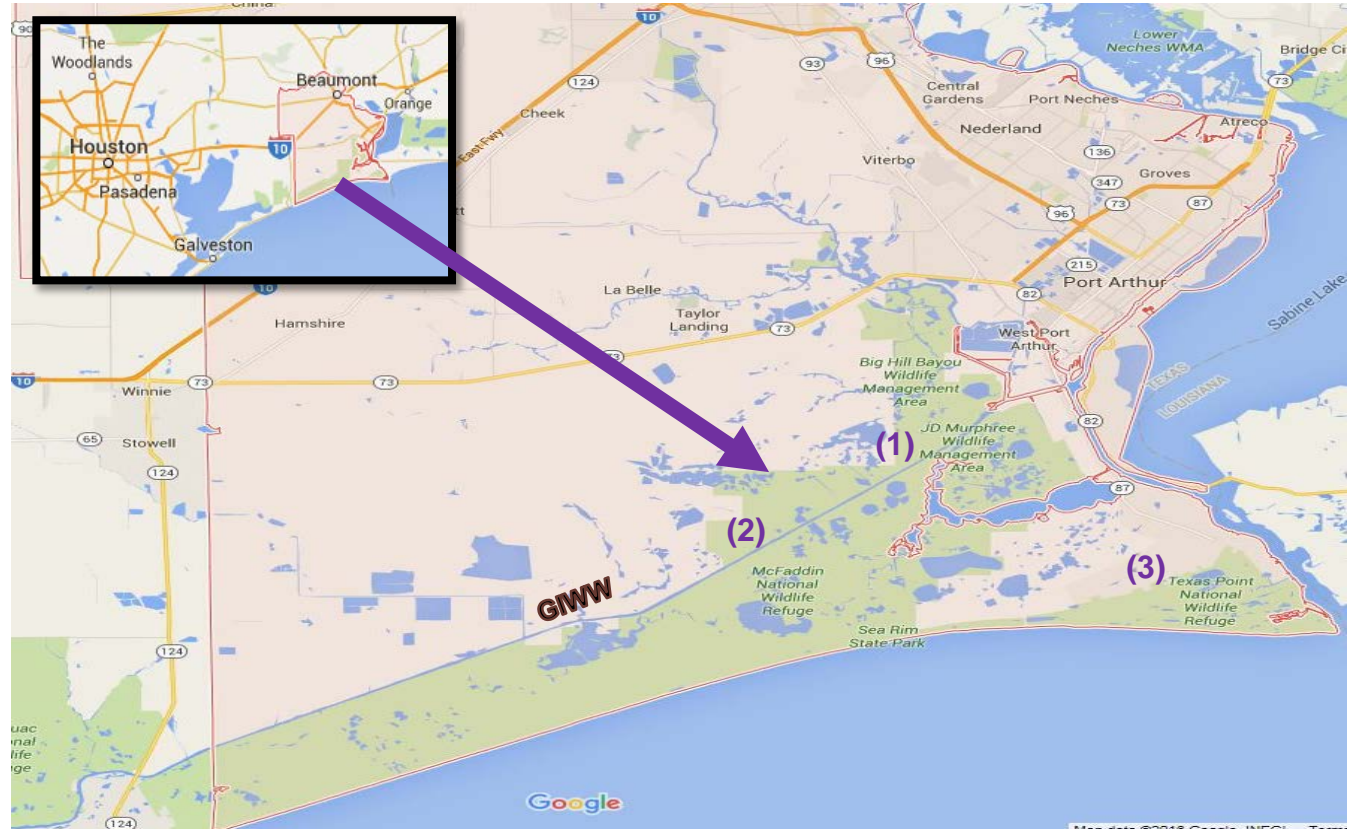


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(NEW) JEFFERSON COUNTY STUDY (ER)

- **Status:**
 - Kick-off Meeting – 3 NOV, 2016
 - Chiefs Report Complete: FY 19
- **Features**
 - Coastal shoreline restoration
 - Use of sediment material from dedicated dredging to construct a marsh
 - Beneficial use of dredged material



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COASTAL TEXAS (CSR/ER)

- Status:
 - TSP: May 2018
 - Chiefs Report Complete: April 2021
- Features
 - May include
 - Coastal Barrier(s)
 - Major navigation structures
 - Large scale beach nourishment
 - Large ecosystem restoration projects



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