

Matagorda Bay Mitigation Trust Semi-Annual Progress Report

Restoring Oyster Reef Habitat in Mesquite Bay
Award # 020

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II. Description of tasks completed:

- We have maintained communication with colleagues at TPWD regarding Mesquite Bay oyster reef permitting and construction.

III. Status of tasks in progress:

- Per TPWD, the USACE permit required to begin construction is awaiting a NMFS consultation review. Contractor bid evaluations have been submitted and the bid should be awarded soon. Construction is currently scheduled to begin as soon as April 1, 2024, contingent upon completion of the permitting process.

IV. Plan for next reporting period:

- We will continue to maintain regular communication with TPWD contacts throughout the permitting and construction processes and will provide feedback as needed on permitting and planning decisions.

V. Adherence to project timeline:

- No delays have been encountered to the updated project schedule. We will update if NMFS/ USACE permit review causes a delay to the construction timeline.