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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:

• Amendments to the original project scope were negotiated and finalized, with the updated contract fully executed on 22 June 2023.

III. Status of tasks in progress:

• We have maintained communication with our colleagues at TPWD, who are preparing to initiate the bidding process for the Mesquite oyster reef construction. Once they have identified and secured a contractor, we will work directly with them to facilitate construction of an expanded area of reef restoration using MBMT funds.

IV. Plan for next reporting period:

• We will continue to maintain regular communication with TPWD contacts throughout the bidding 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.