



Natural Infrastructure: A Smart Investment for the Gulf

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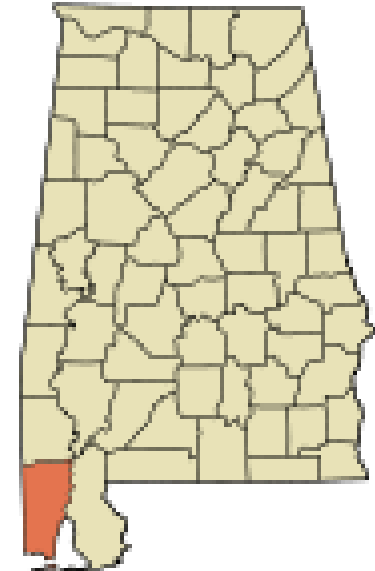
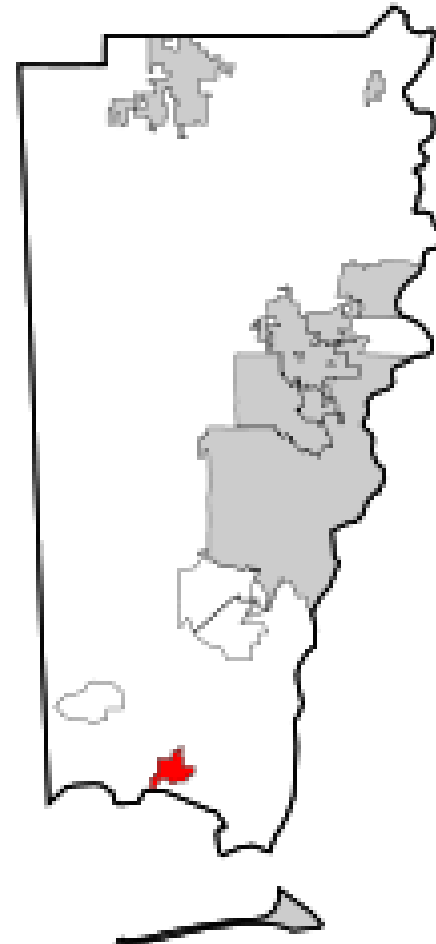
Lightning Point, Bayou La Batre, Alabama

Revitalization Project



“Revitalize the locally important waterfront area at Lightning Point by restoring, enhancing, and protecting the shoreline habitats, and by providing improved community access.”

– Mission Statement



- Groundbreaking occurred Spring 2019
- Construction due to launch this Summer
- \$14 million investment



Multiple benefits

- Shoreline protection – 1.5 miles overlapping breakwaters and 2 jetties
- Beneficial use of dredged material – used to create and sustain marsh habitat
- Habitat creation – 28 acres of marsh habitat, restoration of tidal creeks and scrub-shrub upland habitat
- Recreation – walking paths, lookout point, low impact parking



Economics of Coastal Adaptation



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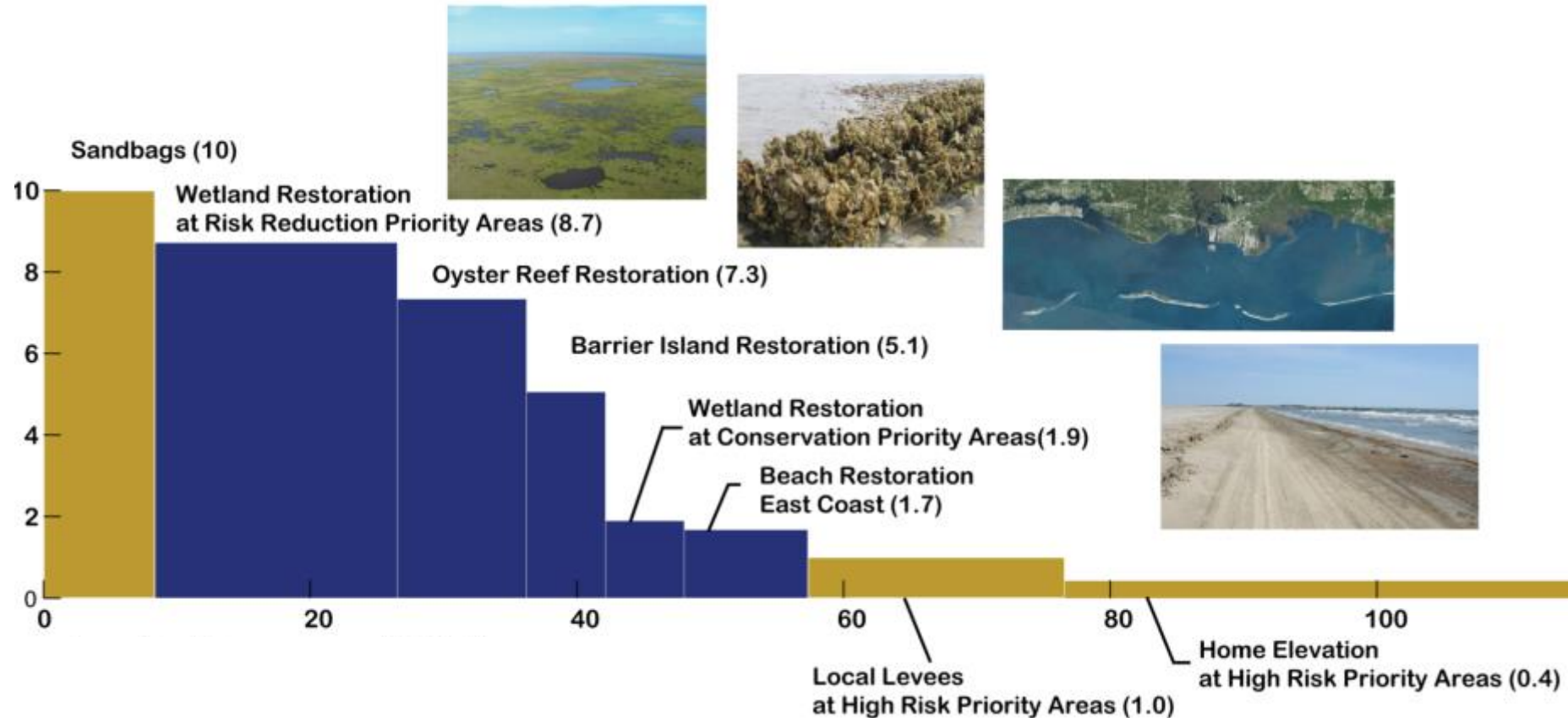
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Benefit to Cost ratio



Averted Damages (\$ Billions)



Thank you

Questions?

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