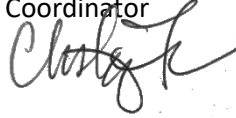




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FROM: Christy Fellas, DWH Environmental Compliance Coordinator  
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DATE: February 2, 2022

SUBJECT: ESA No Effect Determinations for Restoration Projects in Texas TIG  
Restoration Plan and Environmental Assessment #2

Based on my review of project materials including the Biological Evaluation forms (Winter 2021), and in coordination with representatives from NOAA's Protected Resource Division (PRD) in the Southeast Regional Office, the NOAA Restoration Center (RC) determined that the projects listed below will have no effect on species or habitats listed under the Endangered Species Act (ESA) under the jurisdiction of National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS).

- Bahia Grande Channel F Hydrologic Restoration
- Follets Island CMA Additions
- Galveston Island Habitat Acquisition
- Petronilla Creek Constructed Wetlands (E&D only)
- Petronilla Creek Watershed Nutrient Reduction
- Texas Breeding Shorebird and Seabird Stewardship Project
- Upper TX Coast Sea Turtle Rehabilitation Facility

These projects only include land acquisition, engineering and design activities at this time or are taking place in upland locations. These types of activities are not expected to have any effects to protected species or habitats under NMFS' ESA jurisdiction.

Once engineering and design is complete, some projects may be considered for implementation in a future NRDA restoration plan. At that point, projects selected for implementation would be analyzed for potential effects from construction that may affect ESA-listed habitats or species and any necessary consultations would be completed.