# Natural Resource Damage Assessment (NRDA)

## **Restoration Project Information Sheet**

#### **Guidelines for Completion**

Please complete all of the information requested with the best information that you have available. Limited attachments are acceptable if they are necessary to adequately describe the project, however every effort should be made to have all pertinent information included on the Restoration Project Information Sheet. Please send completed document via email to Whitney Behr at Whitney\_Behr@fws.gov or by mail to: US Fish and Wildlife Service

Attn: Whitney Behr 70 Commercial St. Ste 300 Concord, NH 03301

Below are specific guidelines for completion.

A. General Information

Organization: The name of the organization or agency submitting the information.

If you are applying as an individual indicate by filling this section with "N/A".

Contact Name: The first and last name of a person who can be contacted for additional information.

Title: The title (or position) of the above individual.

Address: The mailing address of the above individual or organization.

Phone number/Email: The phone number and email of the above individual.

Organization Website: The web page of the above organization or agency.

**B. Project Information** 

State:

County/Parish:

Type of Project: A project is considered a "Change to an Existing Project" if the project has been

previously submitted through the NRDA project information sheet.

Project ID Number If the project is considered a change to an existing project, the Project ID is the unique number given

upon submission through the NRDA project information sheet. Otherwise, leave this blank.

Project name: The common name of the project, usually a combination of location

and restoration activity (e.g., Cross Bayou Mangrove Restoration).

Location: The location where the restoration activity will take place (e.g., East Timbalier Island).

Two-letter abbreviation of the state (s) where the project will take place.

If the project occurs across several states list all states separated by commas.

County or Parish where the project will be completed. If the project occurs across multiple counties or parishes list only the primary county or parish name.

Watershed/Basin: The watershed where the project will be completed. If the project occurs across

multiple watersheds list only the primary watershed.

Latitude/Longitude: Provide a latitude/longitude of the central location of the project activity. If the activity

occurs over a large area you may also attach a map of the area of the activity.

Project Size: The size of the area where project activities will occur; designated by linear miles,

acres, or tonnage (e.g., area of plantings in a riparian buffer).

Affected Area: The area affected or influenced by the project activity; designated by acres

(e.g., area of water quality improvement as a result of riparian buffer plantings).

#### C. Project Description

A description of the project objectives, activities to be completed and expected outcomes; including information on the benefits of this project to the public and environment. If applicable, use this section to provide additional refinement to habitat and/or resource benefit (e.g., cypress wetland, barrier island). In addition, feel free to attach other information, maps, or diagrams concerning your project. Maximum 2,500 characters.

#### D. Project Activity(s)

The type of activity the project will complete to address the impacts to priority resources or habitats. Check all that apply.

Restoration: Activities conducted to create, enhance, or restore an injured resource or habitat.

Protection: Activities conducted to protect a resource or habitat by removing the threat to that

resource or habitat (e.g., shoreline stabilization, buoys or markers, nest protection).

Debris Removal: Removal of debris to restore and protect a resource or habitat.

Land Acquisition: The acquisition and conservation of land in perpetuity to protect priority resources or habitats.

Maintenance/Management: Activities conducted to maintain or manage the quality of a resource or habitat (e.g., prescribed burns).

Education: Education of a targeted audience to restore or protect priority resources or habitats.

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#### E. Project Habitat(s)

The type of habitat that the project activities are located within or will benefit. Check all that apply.

Upland: Regions located away from coastlines and the floodplains of rivers, streams, and other bodies of water.

Riverine: Regions located within or adjacent to open freshwater areas that occur within a defined channel.

Marine/Estuarine Wetlands: Regions that are inundated or saturated by saltwater on a consistent basis.

Freshwater Wetlands: Regions that are inundated or saturated by freshwater (e.g., surface or groundwater)

on a consistent basis to support saturation tolerant plant species.

Beach/Dune: Regions along a sandy shoreline that include the area from the mean low tide through the dune system.

Subtidal (nearshore/offshore): Coastal regions that are permanently inundated with salt water (e.g., ocean).

#### F. Resource Benefit(s)

Primary resources that would benefit from the project. Check all that apply.

Marine Mammals: Whales (dolphin), Manatees, Otters, etc.

Birds: All birds

Reptiles/amphibians: Sea turtles, alligators, snakes, lizards, frogs, etc.

Fish: Nearshore and offshore fish Shellfish: Oysters, shrimp, crabs, etc.

Terrestrial Wildlife: All upland animals

Corals: Shallow and deep water corals

Vegetation: All plants (e.g., submergent, emergent, and terrestrial)

Water column: Water quality and plankton

Sediment / Benthos: Sediment permanently inundated with water, and organisms associated with the sediment (e.g., worms)

Shoreline: Land area adjacent to water (e.g., beaches, marsh)

Human Use: Improved recreation, infrastructure, community resilience, etc.

Status Species: Will this project directly benefit State or Federally listed threatened and/or endangered species?

If so, please list them. If not, please indicate N/A.

G. Project Status

Property/Resource Acquisition: Acquisition of the property, resource, or landowner agreements (e.g., easements) in which the project

activity will occur. Indicate the status by selecting NOT STARTED, IN PROGRESS, COMPLETED, or N/A.

Planning/Design: Project planning and engineered design of the project activity.

Indicate the status by selecting NOT STARTED, IN PROGRESS, COMPLETED, or N/A.

Permitting: Acquisition of all local, state, and federal permits needed to implement the project activity (e.g., NEPA).

Indicate the status by selecting NOT STARTED, IN PROGRESS, COMPLETED, or N/A.

Time to Implementation: Number of months required to prepare for the start of project activity.

Time to Completion: Following the start of the project, number of months required to complete the project activity.

Regional Planning: Is this project included under a regional or statewide plan/initiative? (YES or NO)

If yes, please list the plan/initiative in the space provided.

H. Project Cost

Estimated Cost: The total cost of the project including any funds contributed

by the applicant or other organizations (e.g., match funds).

Funding available: Monies (from the applicant or partnering organizations/agencies) already committed

for partial funding of the project activity. Indicate amount in the adjacent box.

#### **H. Project Partners**

Please provide the name, contact, and involvement (equipment, matching funds, design, etc.) of other organizations or agencies with the project activities.

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A General Information	Organization								
	Contact Name (First Last)		Title						
	Address			City		State	ZIP		
	Phone Number ext.	Email							
	Organization Website								
<b>B</b> Project Information	Type of Project		If this is a Change to an Existing Project, enter the Project ID Number						
	Project Name								
	Location (e.g. John Smith National Wildlife Refuge)								
	State(s) (Use 2-letter abbreviations separated by commas)		County/Parish		Watershed/Basin				
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Resource Benefit(s)		(Check all that apply)							
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		Birds			ent/Benthos				
		Reptiles/Amphibians	Corals						
		Fish			Use (Recreational, Cultural)				
		Will the project directly benefit State- or Federally-listed species? If so, please list them. If not, please indicate N/A.							
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G	Project Status	Property/Resource Acquisition		Time to Implementation					
		Project Planning/Design			Time to Project Completion				
		Project Permitting.							
		Is this project included under a regional or statewide plan? If so, please list:							
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The submission of project information does not guarantee project funding. Projects will be evaluated using criteria identified in OPA, NEPA, implementing regulations, and related laws. Selection and funding determinations will be made by the Trustee Council.

### Paperwork Reduction Act Information

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Responses to this collection are voluntary. Collection of restoration project information will be undertaken in order to provide information to Natural Resource Trustees to develop potential restoration alternatives for natural resource injuries and service losses requiring restoration during the restoration planning phase of the Natural Resource Damage Assessment (NRDA) process. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 20 minutes including the time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspects of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to the NOAA Fisheries Office of Habitat Conservation, Restoration Center, Louisiana State University, Sea Grant Building, Room 124C Baton Rouge, LA 70803.

Notwithstanding any other provision of the law, no person is required to respond to, nor shall any person be subject to penalty for failure to comply with, a collection of information subject to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act, unless that collection of information displays a currently valid OMB Control Number.

The identity of respondents will not remain confidential. The information collected will be reviewed for compliance with the NOAA Section 515 Guidelines established in response to the Treasury and General Government Appropriations Act, and certified before dissemination.