



Five Years of NOAA Pollution Assessment and Restoration Accomplishments

NOAA's **Damage Assessment, Remediation, and Restoration Program (DARRP)** is responsible for evaluating, restoring, and protecting our nation's coastal and estuarine habitats harmed by hazardous waste releases, oil spills, and vessel groundings. NOAA and co-trustees work with those responsible to secure funding for restoration to compensate the public. Natural Resource Damage Assessment (NRDA) pollution settlements are used to restore robust fisheries,

endangered species, coastal habitats, and outdoor recreation. Over fiscal years 2019-2023, NOAA and co-trustees have achieved a significant number of pollution settlements, developed restoration plans with tribal, state and federal partners, and implemented many restoration projects. These projects benefit the American public, including underserved, Indigenous and coastal communities; the blue economy; and coastal resilience.

5 Years*

*FY'2019-2023

\$369M Recovered for Restoration

41 NRDA SETTLEMENTS ACROSS 16 STATES

SETTLEMENTS

- 13 Oil Spills
- 27 Hazardous Waste Sites
- 1 Ship Grounding

NUMBER OF SETTLEMENTS BY STATE/TERRITORY

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|--------------|-----------------|----------------|------------------|
| 3 Alaska | 1 Indiana | 6 New Jersey | 2 South Carolina |
| 1 California | 6 Louisiana | 2 Oregon | 3 Texas |
| 1 Delaware | 1 Massachusetts | 1 Pennsylvania | 2 Virginia |
| 1 Hawaii | 1 Michigan | 1 Puerto Rico | 9 Washington |

RESTORATION BENEFITS



Coastal Communities

Restoring habitats and fisheries supports jobs, cultures, and economies by preserving benefits like tourism, fishing, and flood protection for future generations, including tribes and historically underserved communities impacted by pollution.



Coastal Resilience

Restoring habitats like wetlands, reefs, and living shorelines protects communities from storms, flooding, and sea level rise in the face of climate change.



Blue Economy

Restoring fish and shellfish supports sustainable resource use and provides economic benefits through recreation, tourism, blue economy jobs, coastal resilience, and increased access to nature.

Below is a quick snapshot of some of the types of restoration that we've recently implemented with our partners

Habitats Protected & Restored*

70

Total Projects Implemented

4,661

Acres Restored

2,526

Acres Protected

81

Stream Miles Opened

Types of Restoration Projects



Coral



Wetland



Oyster



Fish Passage



Recreation

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