

WESTERN DREDGING ASSOCIATION

*Takes Pleasure in presenting WEDA's 2013 Environmental
Excellence Award for Navigation Dredging
to the Project Team for:*

Deer Island Restoration Project

For the successful Deer Island Restoration Project that created 1 million cubic yards of dredged material beneficial use capacity, hydraulically dredged nearly two million cubic yards to repair the west end breach and restoration of the southern shoreline, and planted over 300,00 plants. Approximately 215 acres of new habitat were created for terrestrial and aquatic species.

Providing placement capacity for dredged material from both the Biloxi Lateral and East Access Navigation Channels in the 100-acre southern lagoon, the project also benefits several life history stages of migratory and resident avian species and provides nursery habitat for several fish species, while simultaneously providing recreational opportunities for people.

The outstanding project meets the vision for a resilient coast including consideration of the people, the economy, the environment, and the vast heritage of the coast.

Congratulations for an excellent project!

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