Deepwater Horizon Natural Resource Damage Assessment and Restoration

# Mid-Island Parks and Public Beach Improvements Project

# **Alabama Restoration Area**

## **PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

This project would involve the acquisition and management of two parcels of property on Dauphin Island, a barrier island at the mouth of Mobile Bay in south Mobile County, Alabama, along with proposed public amenities. The two parcels are approximately .94 and 1.15 acres, respectively and are zoned for resort-commercial, multi-family, and commercial general use. The parcels would be owned and amenities maintained by the Town of Dauphin Island. Acquisition would protect these parcels from future development, increasing public access and enhancing the quality of the visitor experience.

#### **Proposed Public Access Amenities**

This project proposes to build 100 public parking spaces on each of the parcels, as well as 500 square feet of accessible restrooms on Parcel B. A boat ramp could be funded by the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources on Parcel C in the future, but is not part of this planning process.

A parking fee of approximately \$5 per vehicle would be charged.

The acquisition and construction of public access amenities on these two parcels would support additional access to Parcel A, the acquisition of which was recently approved for funding by the NFWF program.

### **ESTIMATED COST**

The estimated cost for planning, engineering and design, construction, monitoring, and Trustee supervision for this project is \$1,900,000. Operation and maintenance would be funded by the Town of Dauphin Island through the parking fees discussed above.



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