



## Strengthening Coastal Protection and Restoration

-  **\$17 billion for Army Corps of Engineers infrastructure priorities.** This includes \$2.55 billion for construction of Coastal Storm Risk Management and Hurricane and Storm Damage Reduction projects, specifically targeting states such as Louisiana that have been impacted by federally declared disasters over the last six years. Additional Louisiana projects that will benefit from these dollars include the Southwest Coastal Louisiana and Morganza to the Gulf Projects and \$350 million for Louisiana Corps Federal projects for dredging and emergency repair damages caused by Hurricanes Laura, Delta, and Zeta. There's \$808 million for Mississippi Rivers and Tributaries and \$251 million for Flood and Coastal Emergencies, which directly benefit Louisiana.
-  **\$53 million for Lake Pontchartrain.** Lake Pontchartrain will receive this funding over five years to support local restoration efforts.
-  **\$491 million for National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Community Based Habitat Restoration Program.** NOAA's Community-based Restoration Program provides funding for restoration projects that ensure fish have access to high-quality habitats. Projects range from improving access to habitats by removing dams and other barriers, to restoring coral and oyster reefs, to rebuilding coastal wetlands. This funding invests in coastal resiliency projects through a habitat restoration program that helps protect the safety and well-being of coastal communities, like those in Louisiana, by buffering shorelines from erosion, reducing flooding, and removing potentially hazardous structures.
-  **\$492 million for NOAA Flood Mapping, Observations, and Modeling.** This funding will update and improve mapping and modeling to get a better picture of the risk of flooding in Louisiana and throughout the country. Specific programs funded include the Coastal Mapping Program, nextGen National Water Modeling framework and others that depict the extent and depth of floods from actual and forecasted events.
-  **\$2.13 billion for Ecosystem Restoration and Resiliency Funding** to restore the ecological health of federal lands and waters, and private lands. Working with state partners, like Louisiana, this funding will advance coastal restoration and flood mitigation efforts.
  - \$400 million is available for grants to states to implement voluntary ecosystem restoration projects on private or public land with a focus on cross-boundary projects (i.e. projects that cross across public and private land).
-  **\$53 million for EPA's Gulf of Mexico ecosystem restoration program.** This protects and restores the water bodies and coastal environments associated with the greater Gulf of Mexico region.
-  **\$60 million for states in the Mississippi River and Ohio River Basins** to support states' [Nutrient Reduction Strategies and fight hypoxia](#).