

11th Annual DOI Restoration Workshop



DOI Natural Resource Damage Assessment and Restoration

- The mission of the Natural Resource Damage Assessment and Restoration Program is to **restore natural resources injured as a result of oil spills or hazardous substance releases** into the environment. **In partnership** with other affected State, Tribal, and Federal trustee agencies, damage assessments provide the basis for determining the restoration needs that address the public's loss and use of these resources.

Program Growth and History

- Origins in the Fish and Wildlife Service
- Establish and Organize Departmental Program
- Strengthen Trustee Collaboration and Partnerships
- Shift to Restoration Focus
- Emphasize Departmental Priorities

Deepwater Horizon - April 20, 2010



March 30, 2011

Resource Accomplishments

- Habitat acquisition and restoration on Federal, State, Tribal, and private lands
- Re-introduction of endangered species and restoration of endangered species habitat
- Migratory Bird nesting site restorations
- Fish passage and fishery restoration
- Conservation Partnerships with numerous NGOs

Secretary's Priorities and NRDAR

■ America's Great Outdoors

- ❑ Land Acquisition – Direct and Indirect, Leveraging
- ❑ Great Ecosystems – California Bay-Delta, Gulf Coast, Chesapeake Bay, Great Lakes, Everglades
- ❑ Stewardship – DOI lands, Tribal resources
- ❑ Landscape Level Conservation – Habitats, Open space, Historic/Cultural

■ Youth in the Outdoors

- ❑ Volunteers
- ❑ Environmental Education

■ Empowering Indian Nations

Focus on Restoration

Funds Disbursed For Restoration

- 1992 – 2000 \$21 million on-the-ground
- 2001 – 2005 \$76 million on-the-ground
- 2006 – 2009 \$124 million on-the-ground
- 2010 \$30 million on-the-ground

Program Outlook

- ❑ Continue Focus on Restoration and Collaborative Approach
- ❑ Continue Focus of Assessment and Restoration on Secretary's Priorities – especially America's Great Outdoors
- ❑ Continue to Strengthen Co-Trustee Partnerships
 - States
 - Tribes
 - Federal Agencies
- ❑ Conduct Biennial Review and Technical Workshops to Inform New Policies and Guidance

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