

FACT SHEET  
GENERAL INVESTIGATIONS

PROJECT NAME AND STATE: Sabine Pass to Galveston Bay, Texas

AUTHORIZATION: House Resolution 289, October 9, 1998.

<u>SUMMARIZED FINANCIAL DATA</u> :		<u>Feasibility</u>
Estimated Federal Cost		\$3,365,000
Estimated Non-Federal Cost		3,280,000
Cash	3,280,000	
Other	0	
Total Estimated Cost		\$6,645,000
Allocation Through FY 2002		567,000
Allocation for FY 2003		210,000
Budget Request for FY 2004		450,000
Balance to Complete after FY 2004		2,138,000
Amount That Could be Used in FY 2004		1,000,000

LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: The study area is located along the southeastern Texas shoreline and consists of approximately 92 miles of Gulf of Mexico shoreline in Jefferson, Chambers, and Galveston Counties from Sabine Pass to San Louis Pass at the western end of Galveston Island. A feasibility study is being conducted to evaluate and develop solutions for storm damage protection.

PROPOSED ACTIVITIES FOR FY 2003: Continue feasibility study activities.

PROPOSED ACTIVITIES FOR FY 2004: FY04 budget request of \$450,000 would be used to continue the feasibility study. Additional funding of \$550,000 would be used to maintain an optimum study schedule.

ISSUES AND OTHER INFORMATION: The study area traverses 12 miles of the 81,700-acre McFaddin Marsh National Wildlife Refuge and approximately 2-1/2 miles of the 15,100-acre Sea Rim State Park. Major problems from storm damage include potential destruction of nationally significant wetlands; damage to homes, condominiums, and commercial property; damage to Sea Rim State Park; and damage to McFaddin Marsh National Wildlife Refuge.

ADMINISTRATION POSITION: Supported.

CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST: Senators Cornyn (TX) and Hutchison (TX), and Congressmen Lampson (TX-9) and Edwards (TX-11).

DATE: February 11, 2002