THE CARPENTER CREEK RESTORATION PROJECT



The Carpenter Creek Restoration Project will improve the health of the creek ecosystem while enhancing public access to this regional amenity. The project will prioritize **improving water quality** and **connectivity** while **bolstering community resilience** throughout the system. The benefits extend to nearby properties and contribute to the long-term vitality of Bayou Texar and health of the watershed. Restoration efforts will take different forms to best respond to the many unique conditions along the creek's length, and will be designed holistically to support overall increased ecological value and community resilience for the watershed. This will be measured by total reduced sediment loads, nitrogen levels, and localized flood levels and increased acreage of restored wetlands. Additionally, the Project will seek to create a network of destinations that will bring people to the water's edge, promoting stewardship and conservation of the creek for all.

WHERE

The project area, a 2.5 mile long stretch of Carpenter Creek, is located within the City of Pensacola and is bounded upstream by Interstate-110 and downstream by 12th Avenue. The creek is broken into **six segments**, informed by the Watershed Management Plan (published in 2022) and the Design Team's understanding of the creek. The segments each have their own unique stressors and capacity to contribute to the overall resolution of key watershed issues.

- I-110 to Davis Hwy
- · Davis Hwy to Airport Blvd
- Airport Blvd to Bayou Blvd
- Bayou Blvd to 9th Ave
- 9th Ave to Drew Circle
- Drew Circle to 12th Ave

WHAT

The Carpenter Creek Restoration Project includes design, engineering, modeling and permitting services, in addition to community engagement and site access coordination and support. This project is made possible through a generous grant from the Gulf Coast Ecosystem Restoration Council.

WHEN

The design and engineering started in **June 2025** and will be completed in **2027**. Public engagement will start in **Fall 2025**, for more information and updates please refer to the project website.

HOW

The timing and focus of the design work depend on what we learn from earlier steps in the project. Therefore, the project is divided into **Phase 1** and **Phase 2** to help us focus first on the most important parts of the creek and adjust the design as we go based on what we find, community priorities, and most urgent need.

Phase 1 includes the conceptual design of the entire 2.5-mile creek, primarily data collection and feasibility and alternative assessments with respect to creek restoration and public access design.

Phase 2 advances the project from conceptual design through 100% design. The timeline for advancement of the six project segments will be determined after phase one based on the findings of data investigations, the status of landowner coordination and community outreach, project budget, and other contributing factors at the time of execution.

WHO

The Carpenter Creek Restoration Project is managed by **The Pensacola and Perdido Bays Estuary Program (PPBEP)**. The Design Team is led by Moffatt & Nichol, with collaborators in Stream Restoration (Black & Veatch), and Public Engagement and Access (Waggonner & Ball), known collectively as the "Design Team".

This project is not possible without your input! Engagement with those who live, work or play in the area will be proactive and ongoing throughout the project timeline. Our team is committed to addressing questions, actively listening to feedback, and building a collective vision for the future of the watershed.

To stay involved, you can subscribe to the PPBEP newsletter, visit the project website, or follow us on social media (Facebook, Instagram). We hope to connect with you soon!

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