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Coastal Restoration, Incorporated’s placement of 40 scientifically engineered Wave Attenuation Devices (WADs) completes Phase One of Project GreenShores. GreenShores wins coveted Coastal America Award.

Over the past two years, Project GreenShores numerous partners have participated in a community based effort to establish an oyster reef and salt marsh within the Pensacola Bay ecosystem. This project has restored the bay front estuary to its historic habitat, stabilizing the shoreline and providing essential fish habitat and habitat for wildlife propagation and conservation. Project GreenShores is located along the northwest side of the Pensacola Bay Bridge in downtown Pensacola, Florida.

Coastal Restoration, Inc. (CRI) was contracted in the spring of 2003 to resolve shoreline destabilization issues with the eastern edge of the newly created project area being eroded away. CRI designed the GreenShores “Coastal” Haven, engineered for its wave attenuation capabilities and its added benefits as a fully-balanced, stable, durable and productive marine life habitat. This GreenShores Coastal Haven stands 6 feet tall with a twelve foot base on each of three sides and weighs well over 21,000 lbs. In order to maintain the same physical characteristics of the rest of Phase One, visible above water, limestone boulders were incorporated in the design.

Due to the very shallow conditions and enormous weight of the Coastal Haven, the deployment of the units took 6 hours, expertly placed in the designed configuration for maximum wave energy attenuation. The units were immediately effective as a front passed through the area with three foot waves on the south side of the Coastal Haven units and completely smooth conditions on the north side.

A formal ceremony was held on November 6, 2003 at the National Naval Aviation Museum in Pensacola Florida, awarding the Coastal America Award to Project GreenShores and the many participants, Including Coastal Restoration, Inc.

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Congratulations to the Members of the Project GreenShores Team on receiving the Coastal America 2003 Partnership Award. The award recognizes outstanding partnerships that make a significant contribution toward the restoration and protection of our Nation's coastal environment.

Project GreenShores resulted from partnerships between many dedicated Federal, State, and local organizations working together to restore a large shallow area in the northern part of Pensacola Bay after years of damaging human impact. Through the development of a multi-phase restoration plan that included the promotion of community education and awareness, this vital area is becoming a thriving environment, rich in community pride. Your collaborative efforts to restore the nearshore oyster reefs, sea grass beds and saltmarsh habitats, including the support of the local Seabees, are to be commended. I appreciate your efforts to bring together collective resources to meet common goals and better our environment.

Please accept my best wishes for your continued success.
Executive Office, President G. W. Bush
Award from Coastal America for Project
GreenShores
Project GreenShores Phase One Haven

12 FT BASE / 3 FT TALL + ROCK
1 FT THICK R-CONCRETE
9 FT X 9 FT X 9 FT TOP FOR ROCK
12K LBS / ROCK

TOP VIEW

WAVE VIEW
Project GreenShores Phase One Haven
Scientifically designed for

Project Green Shores

21,000 lb WAD Coastal Haven Unit