



ALABAMA COASTAL MANAGEMENT

The purpose of the State of Alabama's Coastal Area Management Program (ACAMP) is to balance economic growth with the need for conservation of Alabama's coastal resources for future generations. The ACAMP promotes wise management of the cultural and natural resources of the state's coastal areas and fosters efforts to ensure the long-term ecological and economic productivity of coastal Alabama.



State Program in Action

- During the 2023 fiscal year, the ACAMP initiated \$1.22 million in CZM project funding to 16 subawards to local governments for projects and activities in coastal Alabama.
- The ACAMP sponsored and organized the 36th Annual Alabama Coastal Cleanup in partnership with the Alabama People Against a Littered State – more than 2,300 volunteers participated, removing over 21,300 pounds of trash and marine debris from the coastal area.
- A total of 254 federal consistency proposals were submitted to the Alabama Department of Environmental Management – of those reviewed, nine federal consistency projects were modified due to consultation with the applicant to meet State Coastal Zone Management policies.



- The ACAMP promoted sustainable tourism and improved public access in Alabama's coastal area through a subaward to the Alabama Gulf Coast Convention & Visitors Bureau.
- Approximately 56 of the 243 Public Access sites in Mobile and Baldwin Counties, as identified in the Mobile Bay National Estuary Program/ACAMP 2022 Public Access Inventory Update, have received 306A funds for public access development and/or improvement since the ACAMP was established in 1979.
- Various municipalities, including City of Citronelle, City of Daphne, City of Foley, City of Gulf Shores, City of Loxley, City of Mobile, City of Saraland, and the South Alabama Regional Planning Commission have been awarded ACAMP funding to assist with planning efforts including comprehensive planning, zoning, and mapping updates, storm water management, subdivision regulation updates, and public access improvements.



Facilitating Actions to Address Coastal Hazards

The Alabama Coastal Area Management Program is promoting coastal resilience through the facilitation of both acquisition and management of intact coastal transition habitats which serve as buffers against climate and storm related impacts. The program has continued partnering with the Mobile Bay National Estuary Program (MBNEP) to update the Public Access Inventory, as well as continue integration of the Alabama Coastal Nonpoint Pollution Control Program into the MBNEP Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan.



A State-Federal Partnership

Since 1979, the State of Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources has effectively used federal funding to implement the Alabama Coastal Area Management Program. Most recently, the Alabama Coastal Area Management Program has successfully used Inflation Reduction Act and Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Competitive and Non-competitive funding to advance coastal restoration and acquisition in the coastal area.

Did you Know?...

The ACAMP received a \$1,103,000 National Coastal Zone Management Habitat Protection and Restoration Bipartisan Infrastructure Law grant award for fee simple acquisition of an ~490-acre acquisition on West Fowl River in Mobile County.

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