



DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Marine Fisheries

Marine Fisheries Commission | Kimberlee Harding | 11/24/2024

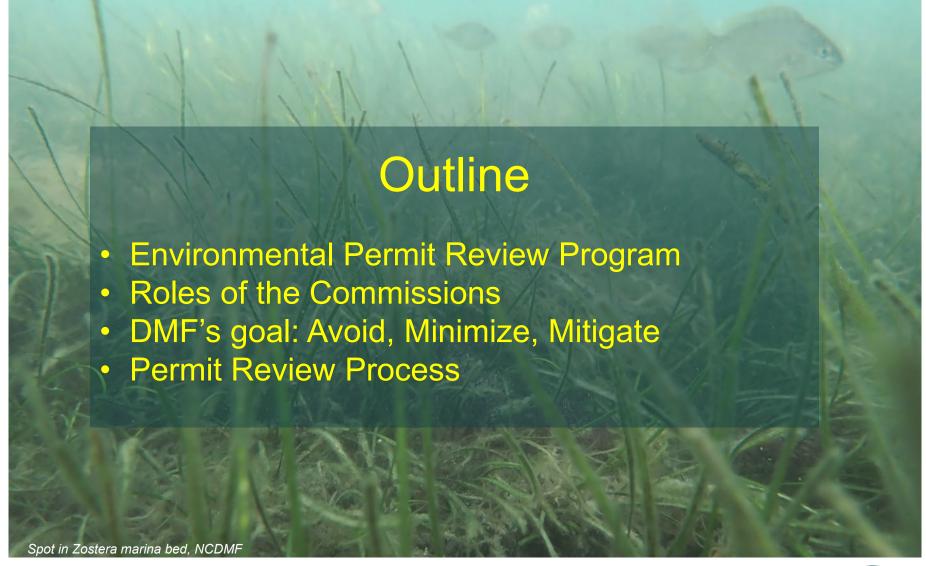


Background

How we got here:

- Historical management: piecemeal habitat protection
- Shrimp FMP Amendment 2 SAV issue paper (2022)
 - Developed concurrently with 2021 CHPP's focus on water quality
 - What we heard:
 - Serious concerns about water quality
 - SAV protection is important to all stakeholders
 - MFC approach needs to be holistic avoid singling out individual stakeholder groups
 - The Marine Fisheries Commission (MFC) requests the DMF work with the MFC's Habitat and Water Quality Advisory Committee to examine and develop more comprehensive options to protect identified SAV habitat related to all activities under the authority of the MFC, consistent with the N.C. Coastal Habitat Protection Plan.
 - Charlie Deaton presented to MFC in August 2024 to explain the science behind SAV research.
- Where we are today: Environmental Review Program and DMF's goal to:
 Avoid, Minimize, and Mitigate
- In February at the 2024 MFC, Habitat will be presenting on the importance of SAV to the commercial and recreational fisheries.









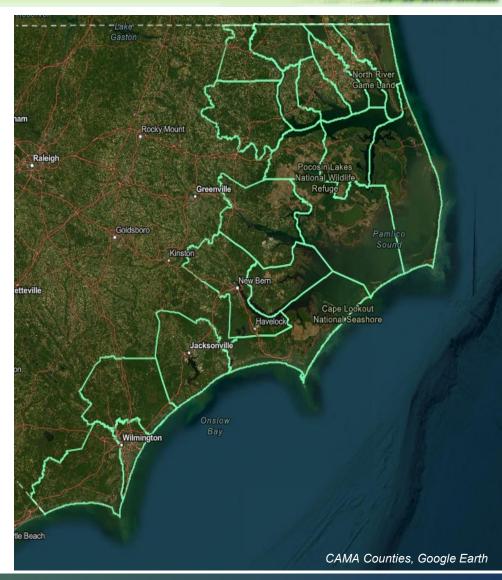






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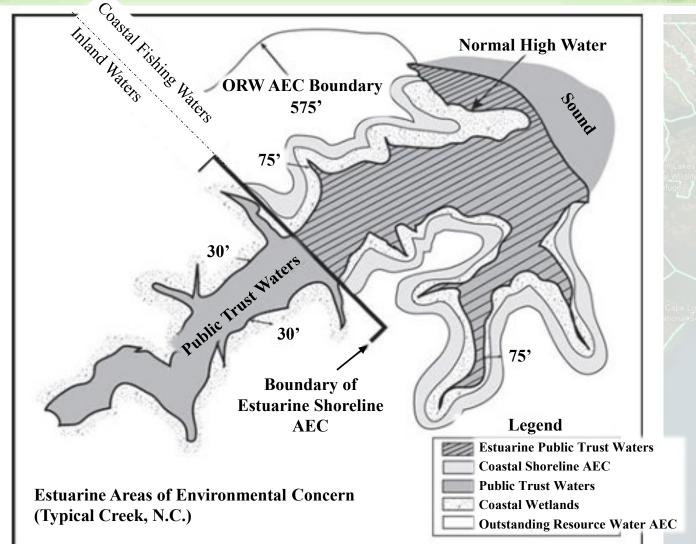
- Enacted 1974
- Includes 20 counties connected to the coast







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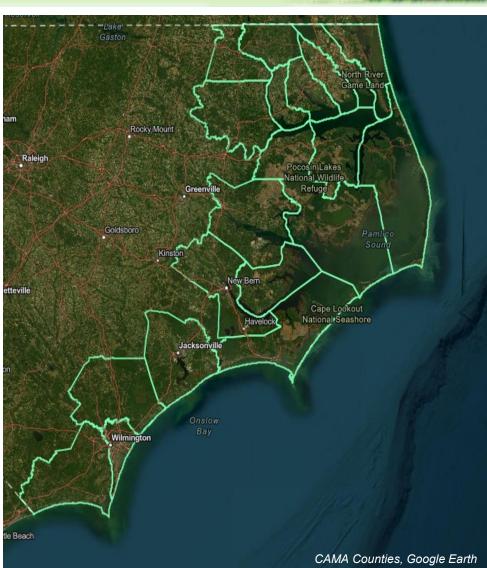






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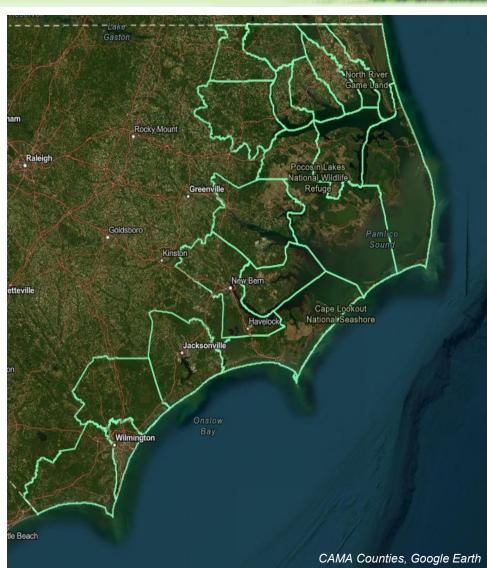




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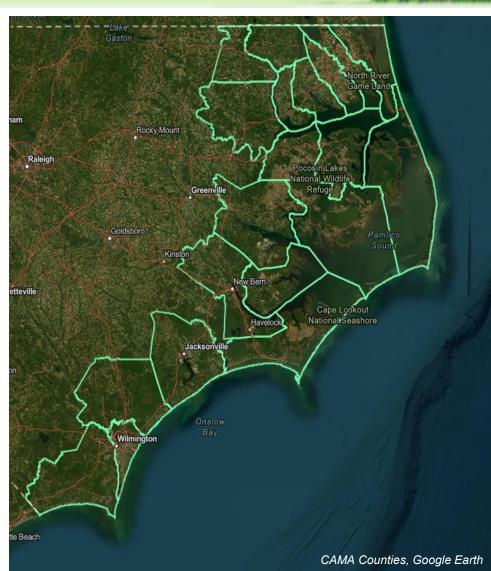


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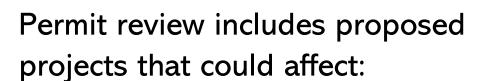


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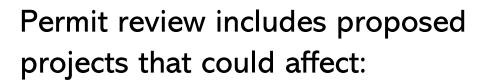


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- Navigation in coastal fishing waters

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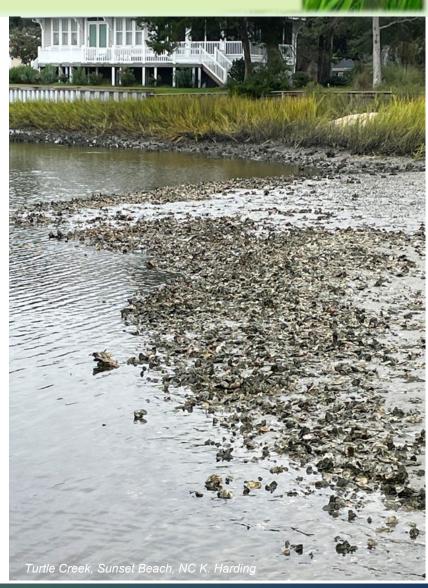




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	Permits	PNA	AFSA	SAV
Total				
Number of				
Permits	1,235	288	100	188
Objection	10	5	5	5
Proposal				
Minimized	564	152	55	127
Approval as				
Proposed	661	118	40	56

DMF's Goals for Project Development:







North Carolina General Assembly

CHAPTER 113 - CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT

(113-8) Powers and Duties of Department of Environmental Quality (113A) Article 7- Coastal Area Management (CAMA) (113A-104) Coastal Resources Commission (CRC)

15A NCAC 07H .0208 USE STANDARDS (1977) Coastal Wetlands, Estuarine Waters, and Public Trust Areas

(a)(3) Measures taken to mitigate or minimize adverse impacts shall include actions that:

Avoid, Minimize, Mitigate

Spot in Zostera marina bed, NCDMF





Roles of Commissions



DEQ

Coastal Habitat Protection Plan (§ 143B-279.8)

The Department shall use the staff of those divisions within the Department that have jurisdiction over marine fisheries, water quality, and coastal area management in the preparation of the Coastal Habitat Protection Plans and shall request assistance from other federal and State agencies, as necessary. (§ 143B-279.8)

Coastal Resources Commission (§ 113A-104) Marine
Fisheries
Commission
(§ 143B-289.51)

Environmental Management Commission (§ 143B-282.1)





Minimize Impacts



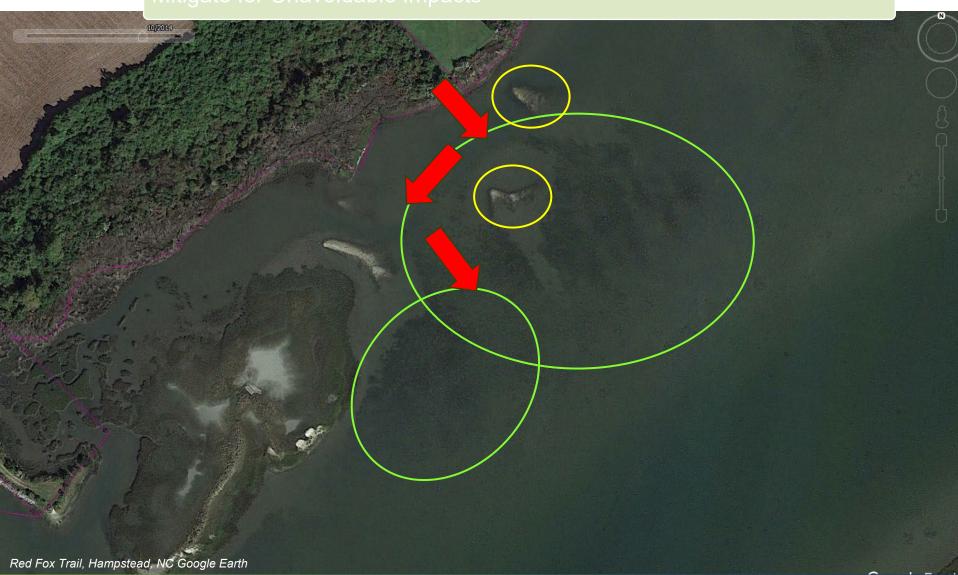
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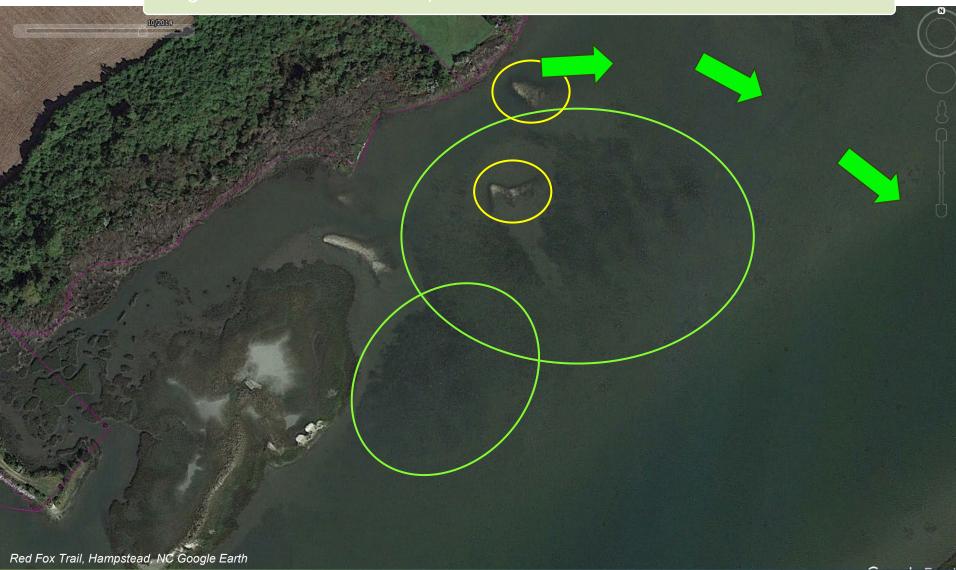
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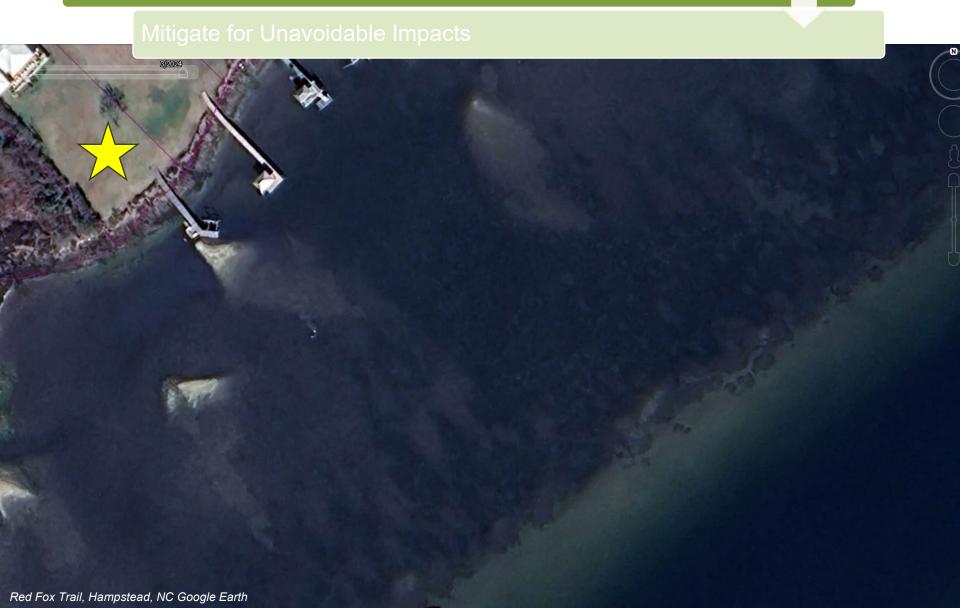
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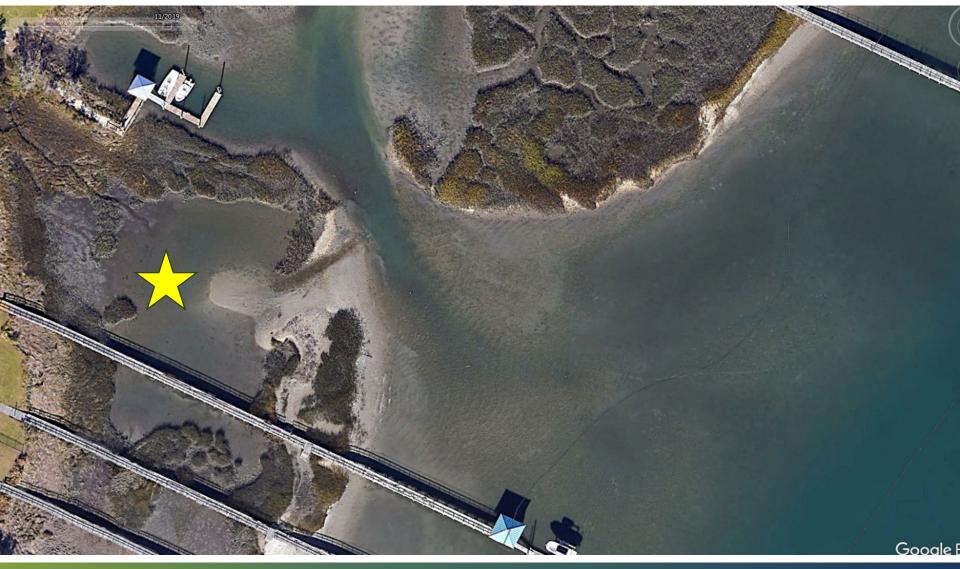












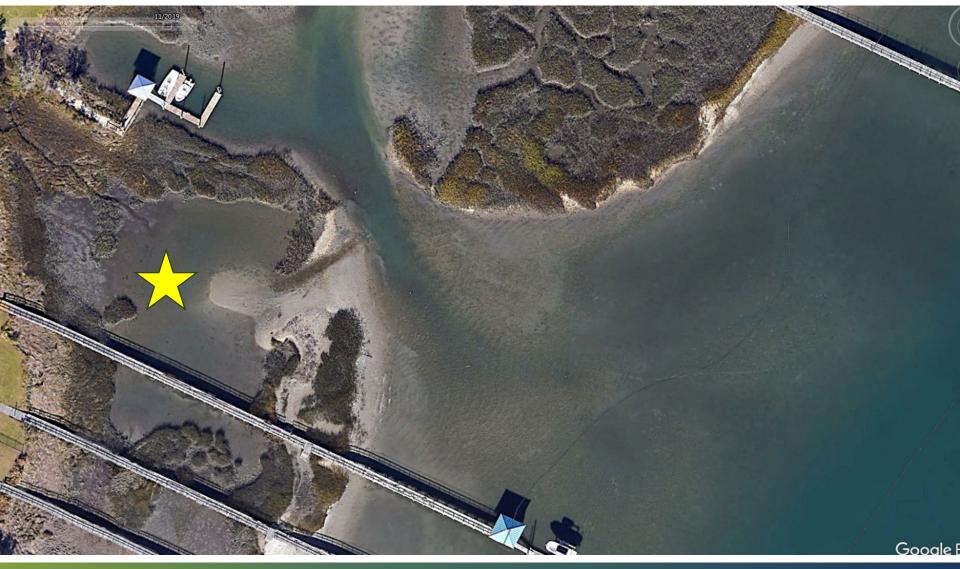


















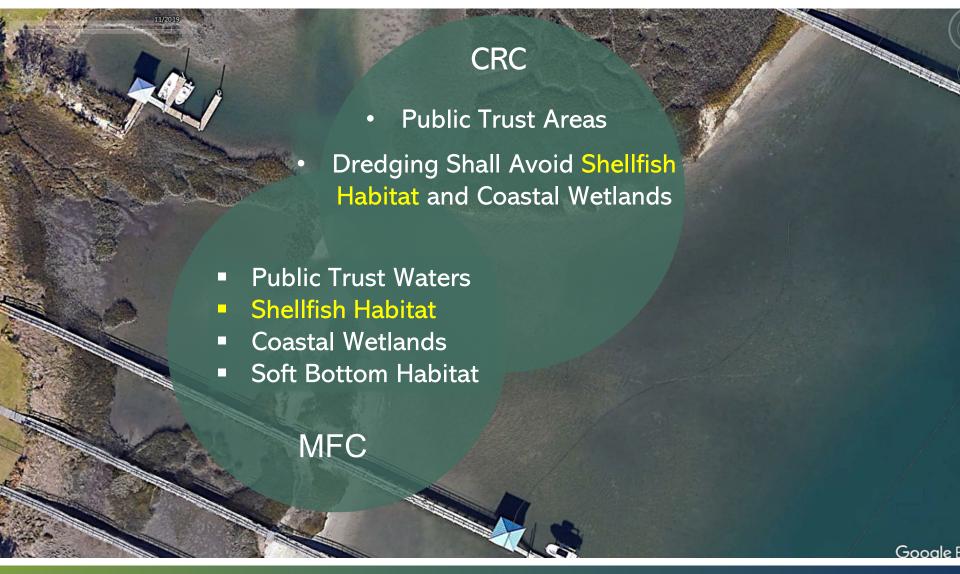




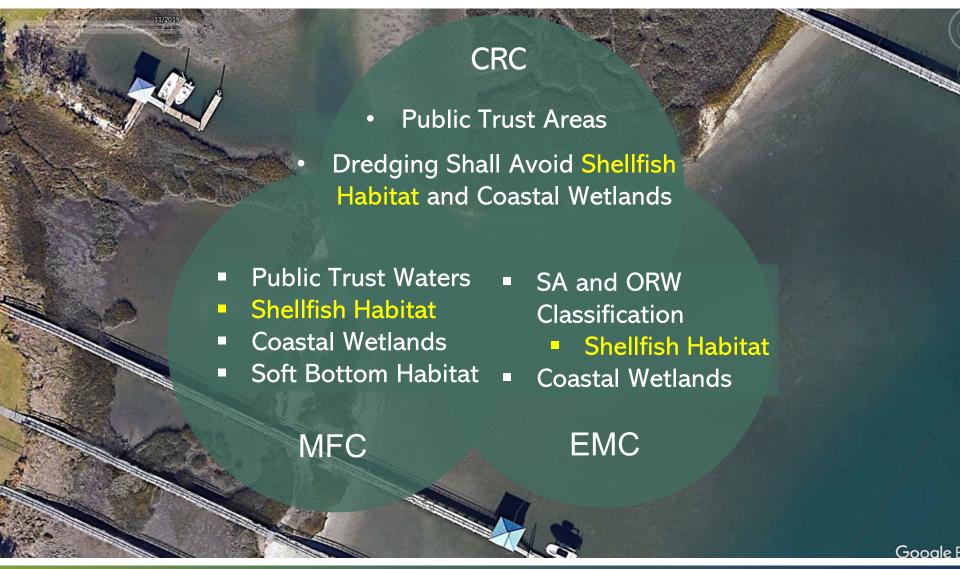




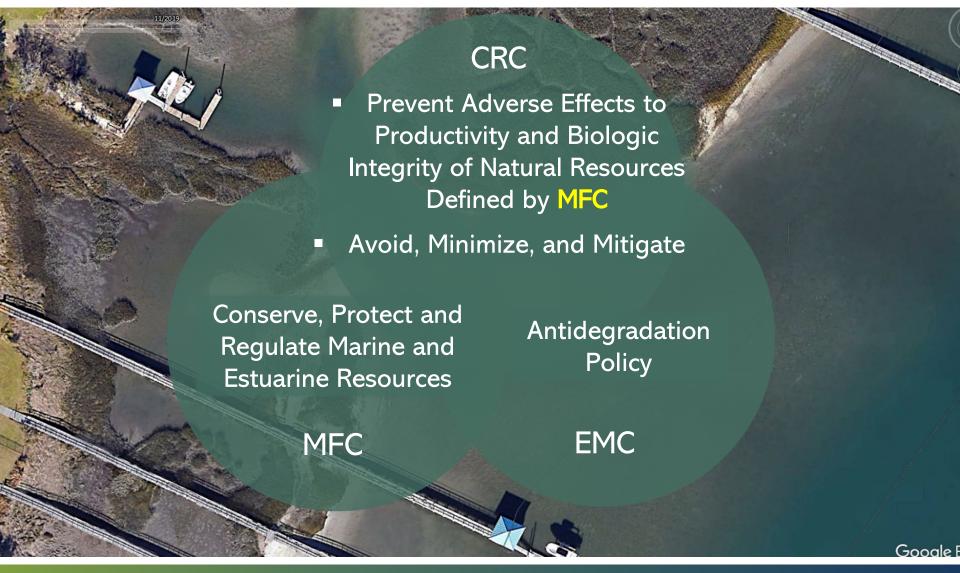






















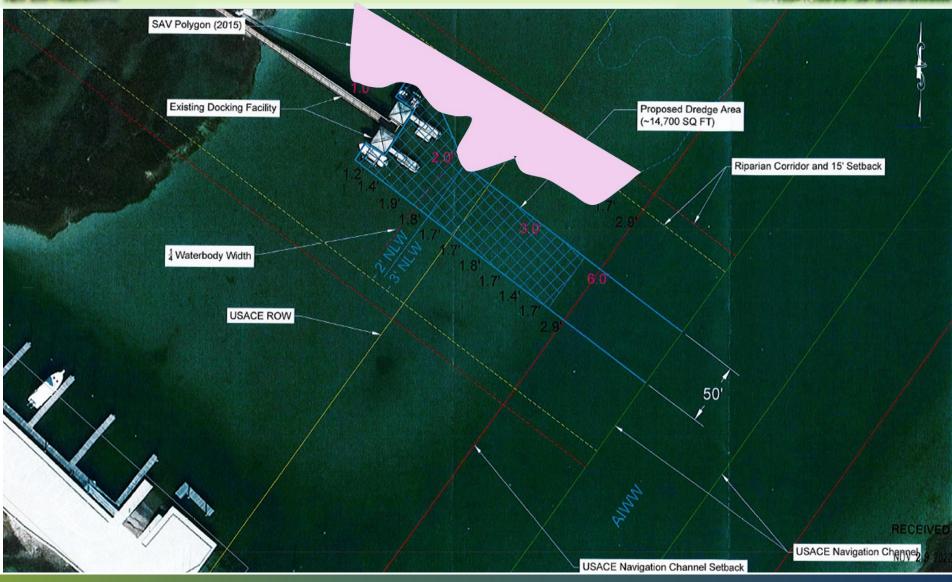












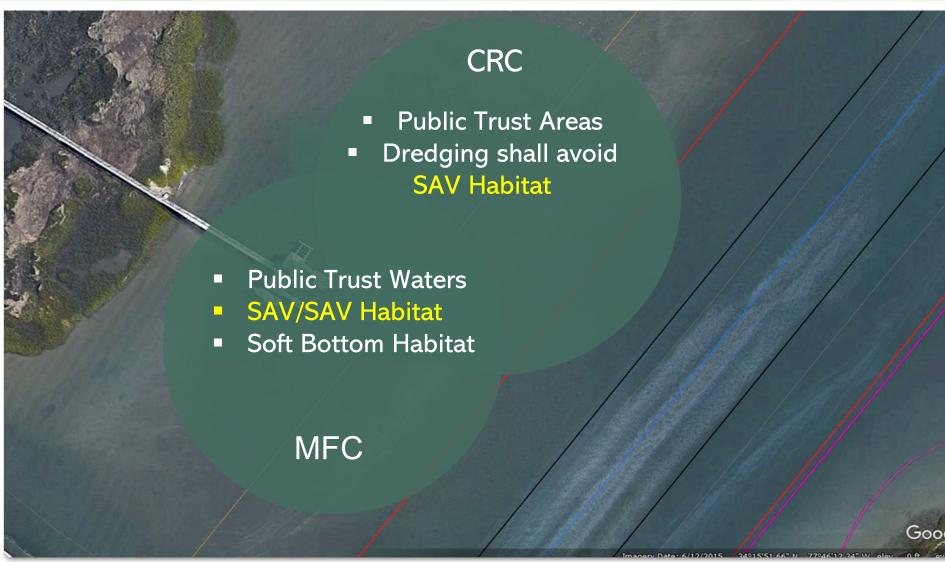






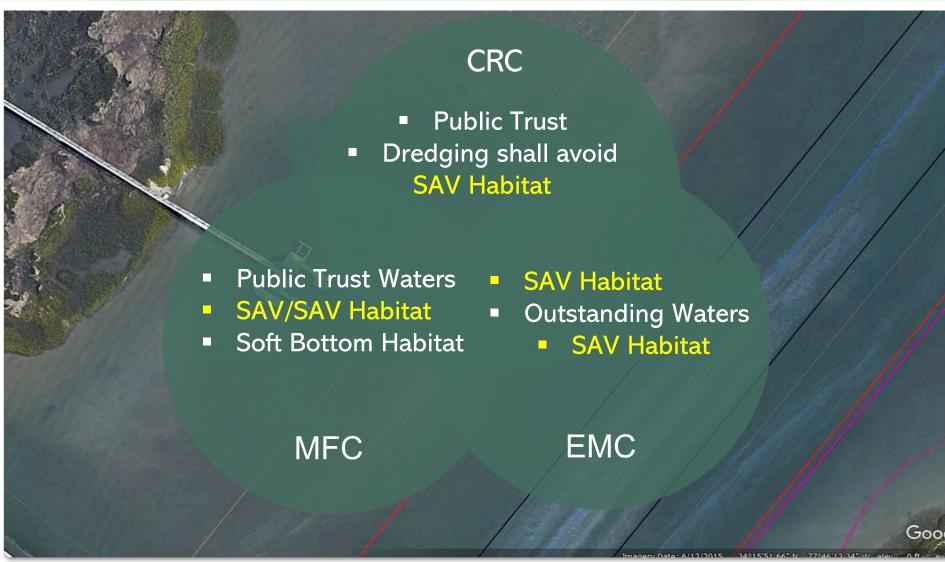
















CRC

- Prevent Adverse Effects to Productivity and Biologic Integrity of Natural Resources Defined by MFC
- Avoid, Minimize, and Mitigate

Conserve, Protect and Regulate Marine and Estuarine Resources

MFC

Antidegradation Policy

EMC

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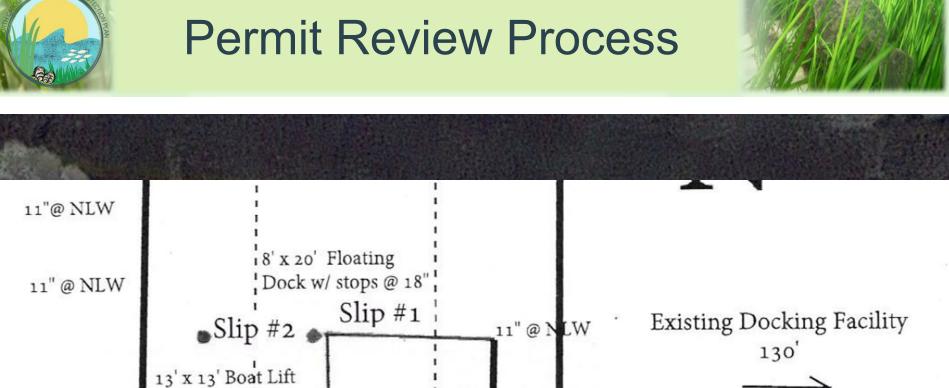












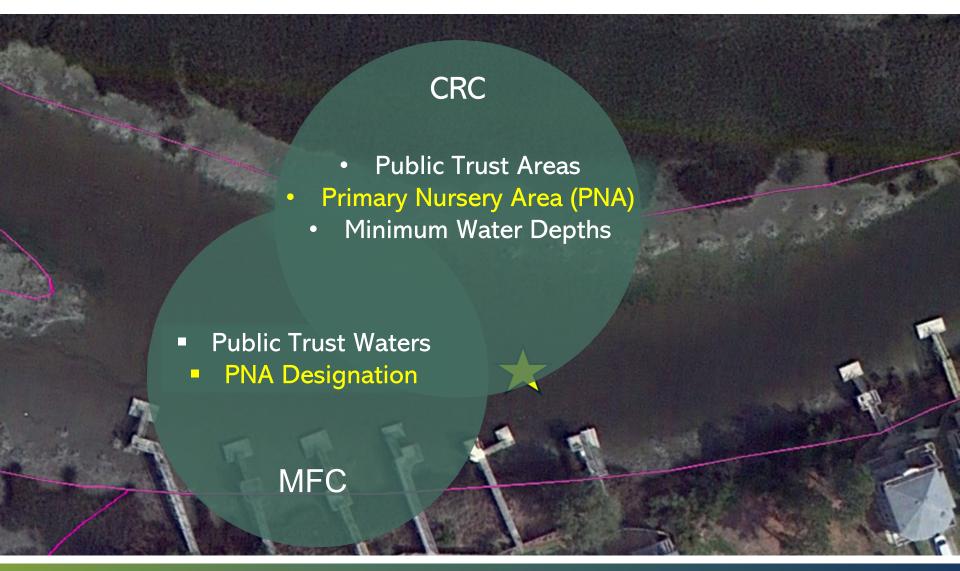




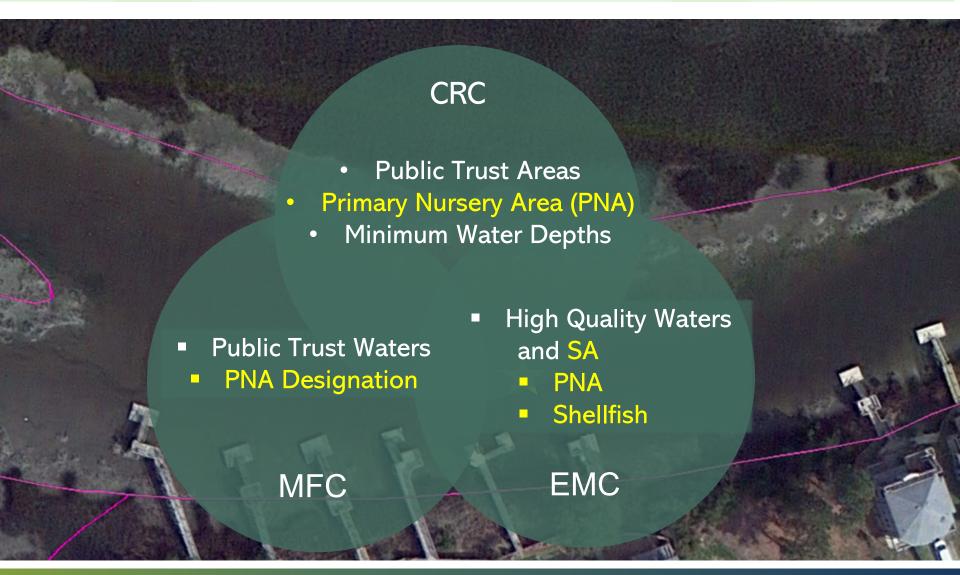




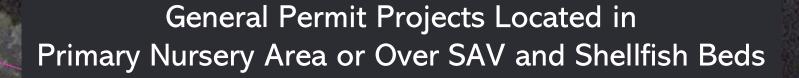










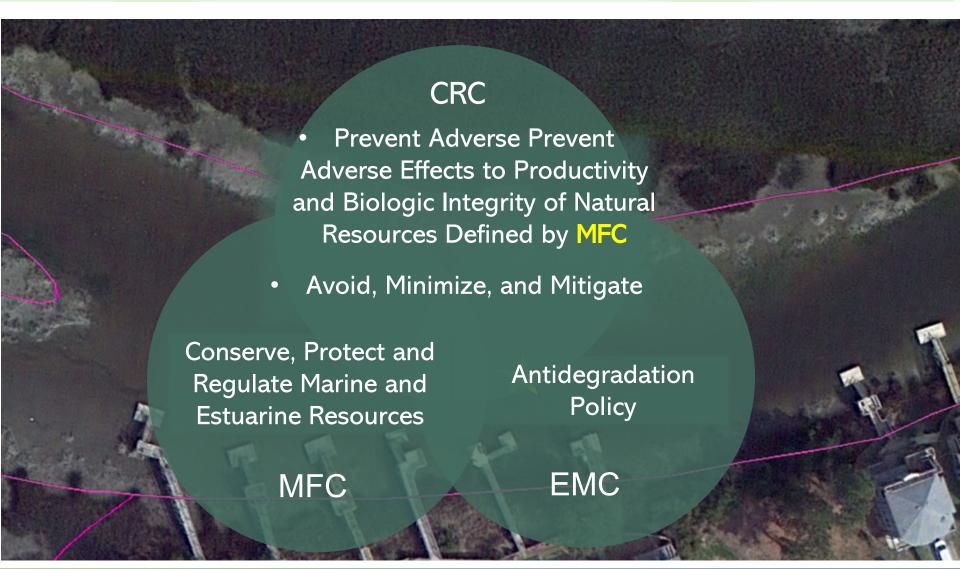


Rules:

- Floating Docks in less than 18" NWL,
- Formalized Boat Slips in less than 2.0' NWL,
- Proposed in PNA, or over SAV and Shellfish Beds,

Must Consult with NCMDF

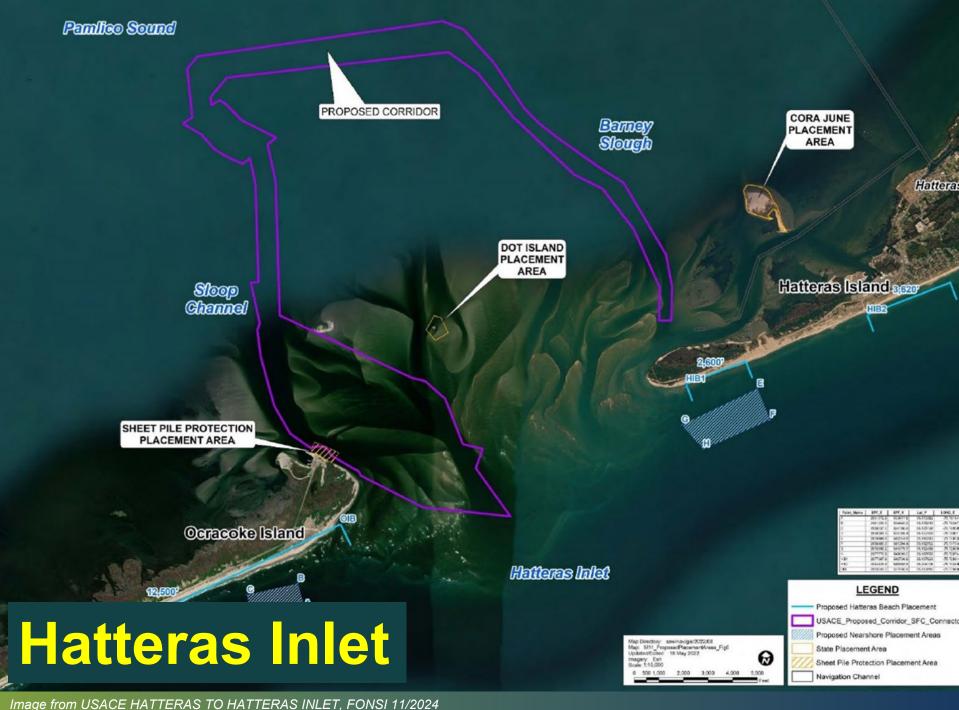












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Proposed Hatteras Beach Placement

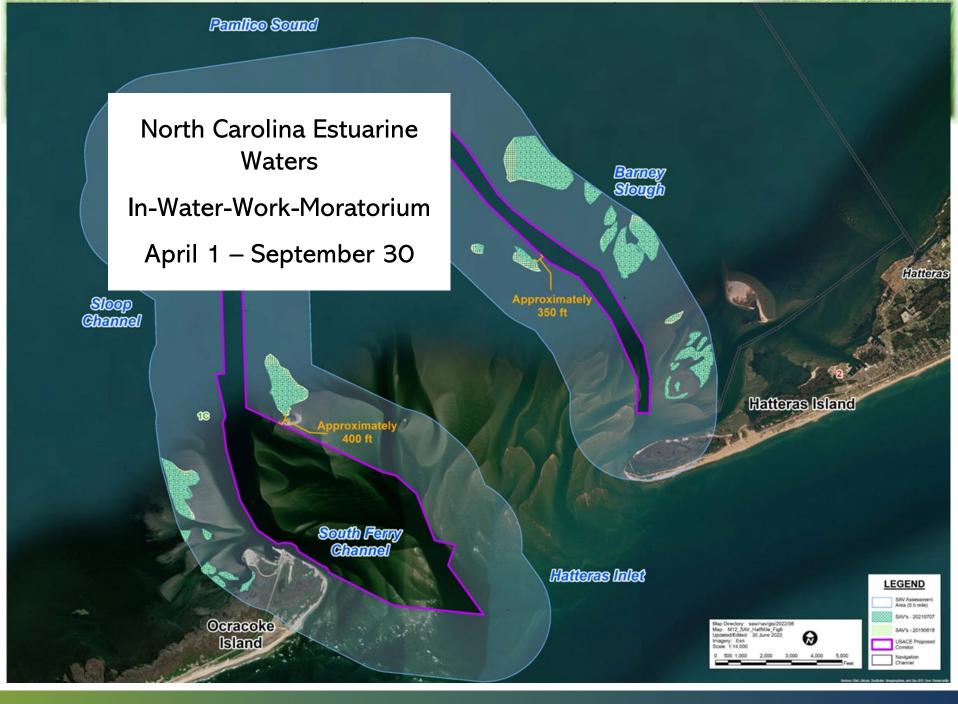
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Proposed Nearshore Placement Areas

State Placement Area

Sheet Pile Protection Placement Area
Navigation Channel

















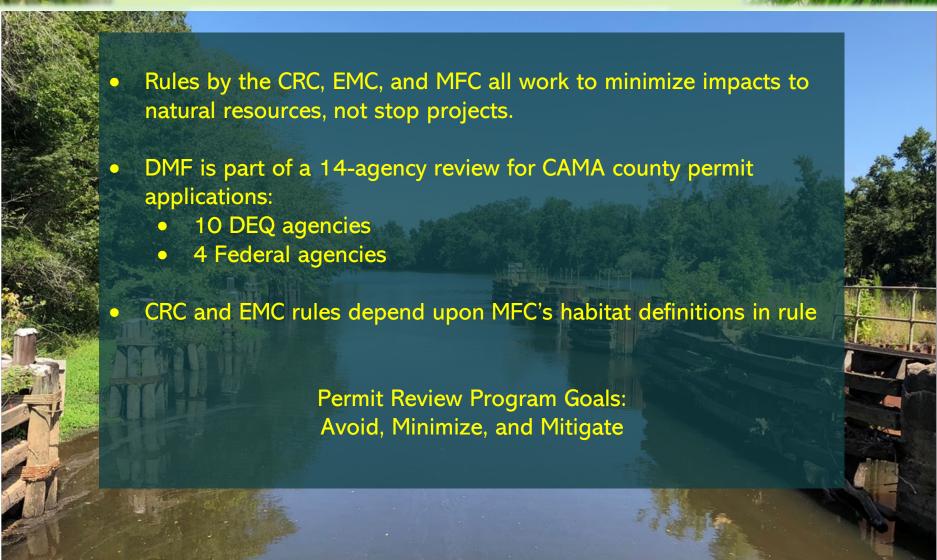








Take Aways





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