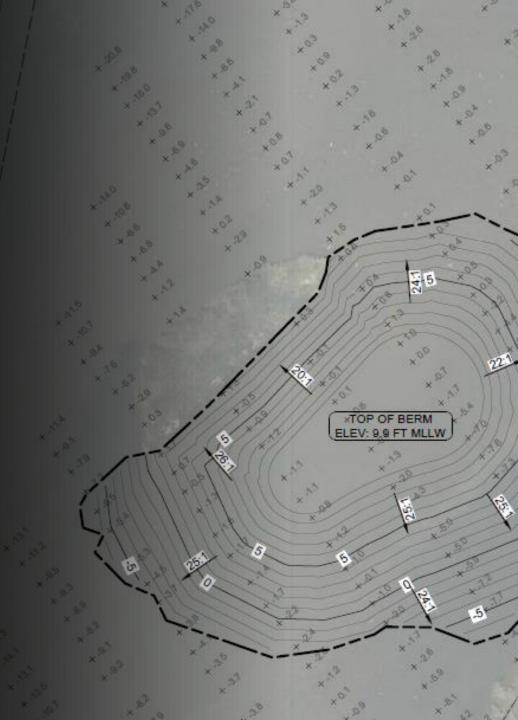
Habitat
Restoration
& Creation

Tim Keyes

GA DNR





Georgia Habitat Restoration projects



Maintenance:

• Annually burn, herbicide and scrape Dredge Spoil Island

Live oyster bed creation

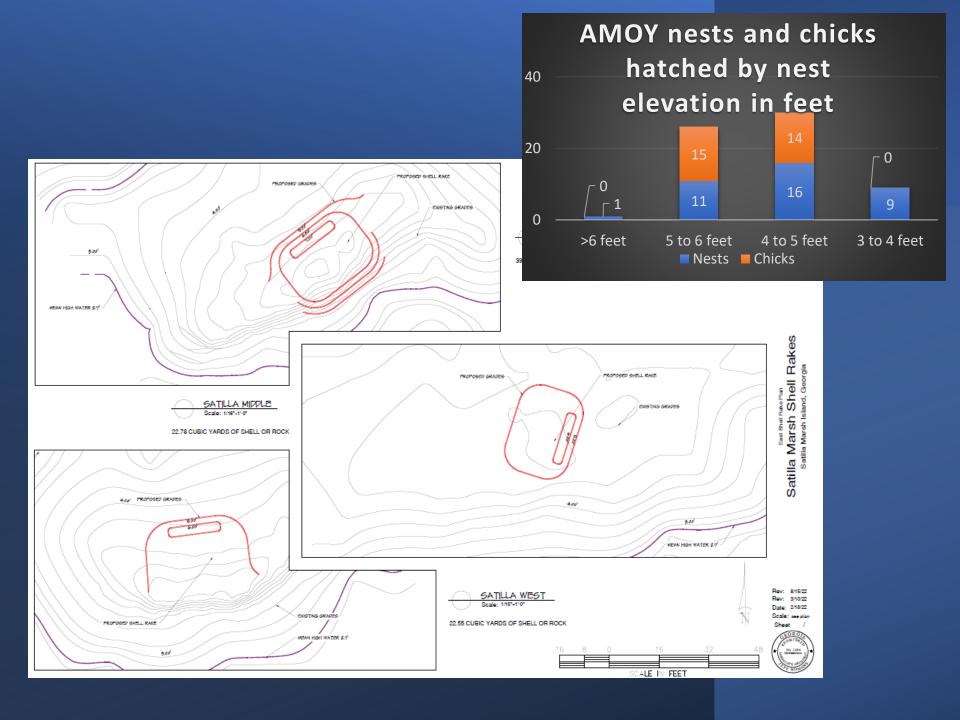
- 300 cy of shell deployed will be followed by some structure
- Slowly increasing AMOY nesting on this island enhance foraging opportunities

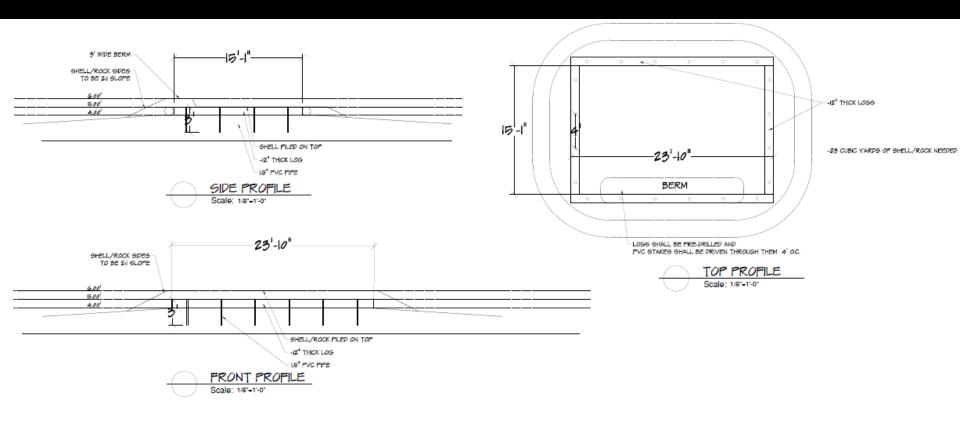
Pilot Shell Rake restoration will begin in December

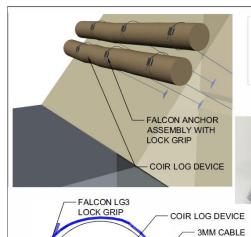
- Nationwide 18 ACOE permit and CMPA permit
- 25'X15' pole frames filled and covered with 40-60 cy shell each
- get to >= 6' NAVD88
- Hopefully good report of use and productivity next season

Bird Island on Intracoastal dredged project

- NEPA kickoff Jan2024
- Dredge during FY25.









	System Performance Loading Chart	
	Maximum Working Load	Safe Working Load (Max Working Load / 1.3 Safety Factor)
LG-3 with 1/8" Cable (Loop)	1,850 bs*	1,425 lbs



Typical Pullout Resistance*				
Call Torre	Install Depth			
Soil Type	3 ft	5 ft		
Loose (SPT > 4)	300	450		
Medium (SPT > 10)	750	1,250		
Dense (SPT > 30)	1,750	3,250		
Very Dense (SPT > 50)	3,250	> 5,000		

- NOTES:

 FALCON ANCHORS ARE TO BE DRIVEN TO SPECIFIED DEPTH BASED ON SITE CONDITIONS.
- THE FALCON ANCHORS SHALL BE INSTALLED AS PER THE MANUFACTURERS RECOMMENDATION USING THE CORRECT INSTALLATION TOOLS
- AFTER THE FALCON ANCHORS ARE DRIVEN THEY MUST BE LOAD LOCKED.
- THE CONNECTION TO THE COIR LOG DEVICE WILL BE MADE BY WARPING THE 2 LEGS OF THE CABLE AROUND THE COIR LOG AND THEN CONNECTING WITH A FALCON LG-3.

Shell Rake stabilization







Shell rake project cost (6 rakes, 2 marsh islands)

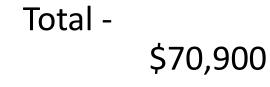
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Engineering drawings - $4,400
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Anchors & shell bags - \$2,500

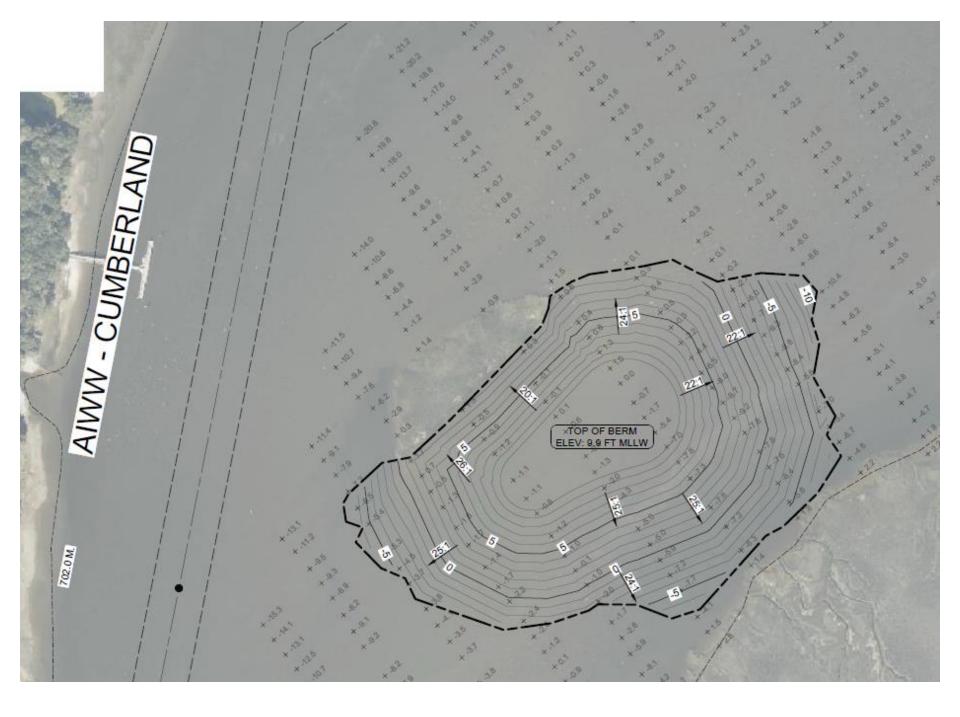
Shell (220 cy) \$19,000

Contractor \$45,000

Timbers – donated by GA Power





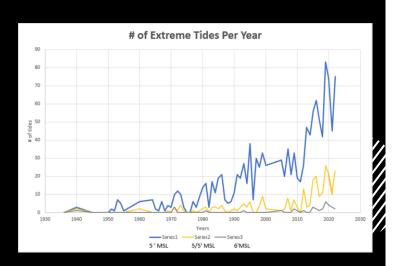


Kings Bay Submarine Base

- 12 years from filling all spoil placement sites
- 80 year plan engineering firm
 - DMMA < bird island < Offshore disposal
- Navy convened BU working Group
 - GA Tech, UGA, SERPPAS, Navy, DNR
 - Bird Island in Cumberland Sound in priority
 - NMFS approves of my site selection based on history of nesting



Habitat Team Goals



Growing need for restoration projects

Daunting challenges to initiating and completing projects

Encourage projects within the group by facilitating sharing information of all aspects of restoration/creation projects

Create information template

Story map database

Project Template - merged

- Project Info
- Project Goals
- Planning/design
 Elements
- Construction
 Elements
- Permitting Requirements
- Construction
 Costs

- Maintenance and Monitoring
- Outcomes
- Lessons Learned
- Images and Maps

Will share full draft template for feedback Please share Project information!

Story map database

- Contract finalized for Black Cat GIS to create database
- What does the working group want from database?
- Searchable by what categories?
- Include engineering data?
- Additional map layers?
 - Conservation lands, land cover?
- Pre & Post AMOY #'s and production

Habitat Session

- Habitat creation through BU
 - Mike Molnar
- Creating foraging habitat (reduce the commute)
 - Paul Medders & Neils Lindquist
- Vegetation Control
 - Lyra Brennan
- Maintenance needs
 - Hurricane Damage to Gomez Key
 - Janell Brush