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PROJECT FACT SHEET

**Delaware Bay Oyster Restoration
Delaware and New Jersey**

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CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS: Reps. Carney (DE-AL), LoBiondo (NJ-2)

APPROPRIATION / PHASE:
Continuing Authorities / Construction

BUSINESS PROGRAM:
Ecosystem Restoration

AUTHORITY: Section 1135 of the Water Resources Development Act of 1986, as amended:
Ecosystem Restoration.

LOCATION: The study area includes all of Delaware Bay both New Jersey and Delaware.

DESCRIPTION: The native oyster population in the Delaware Bay has been threatened with extinction. This project has restored the natural oyster beds with shell planting/transplanting, and has helped to preserve the diverse habitat in the Bay.

STATUS: FY07 funds were used for shell planting & transplanting, and the monitoring program. The FY07 funds were also used for shell purchasing & stockpiling to be used in the next (planting/transplanting) cycle. FY08 funds were used to fund a new cycle of shell planting/transplanting, as well as the monitoring program (which has been completed).

FINANCIAL

DATA (\$000)	Fed	Non-Fed	Total
Construction	4,900	1,633	6,533

BUDGET

DATA (\$000)	Comments
FY 05	237
FY 06	1,980
FY 07	1,970
FY 08	813

SPONSOR: Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection

COMMENTS: The FY08 allocation of \$813,000 was needed to fund the intended efforts necessary to complete the work on the Delaware Bay Oyster Restoration project. The project has reached the \$5,000,000 CAP project funding limit. No funds were allocated after FY08.

CRITICAL ISSUES: The funding limit would have to be raised for this project to continue.

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