

2008-09 Annual Update for Coastal Fishing Reef

Project No:2146-1557

Project Title: Coastal Fishing Reef/Oyster Sanctuary

Grant Duration: Start Date: July 1, 2008 End Date: June 30, 2012

Period Covered by This Report:

Start Date: July 1, 2008 End Date: June 30, 2009

Project Costs:

Proposed CRFL: \$445,560 Grantee: Total: \$445,560

This Period CRFL: \$339,770.75 Grantee: Total: \$339,770.75

(Separately, for each study/job proposed, describe each of the following)

Study/Job Title: CRFL Coastal Fishing Reef/Oyster Sanctuary

Study/Job Objectives: Construction of a new 30-acre Coastal Fishing Reef/Oyster Sanctuary located at the tip of Gibbs Shoal in Hyde County outside Engelhard as an expansion of North Carolina's oyster sanctuary network. These funds will be used to purchase Class B Riprap to build the artificial reefs as well as the fuel needed for vessels needed during deployment. Funds will be used to purchase Class 4 buoys to mark the new Coastal Fishing Reef/Oyster Sanctuary, as required. These funds will also be used to provide travel expenses such as per diem and fuel for programmed owned vehicles to get and from the vessel anchorage and class B stockpile site.

Activity This Period: Buoys to mark the Coastal Fishing Reef/Oyster Sanctuary have been delivered and received at the South River Facility. A Major Coastal Management permit was applied for. Expected deployment of rock will start October 1, 2009 the expected date of approval of the permit.

Deviations: Due to deployment vessel scheduling conflicts (i.e. state appropriated projects: Artificial Reefs, and Oyster Sanctuary) weather and some mechanical malfunctions, deployments for the Coastal Fishing Reef have been delayed. Development of 7.5 acres of the Coastal Fishing Reef for this fiscal (08/09) will be pushed into the next fiscal year (09/10).

Expenditures this FY: \$339,770.75 was expended for the purchase and delivery of 9,000 tons of Class B Riprap to the Swanquarter stockpile site. Another \$20.75 was spent for a nautical chart depicting the possible locations of this new Coastal Fishing Reef for public meeting.