

OLIVIA HATERIUS PARK INFRASTRUCTURE

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Coastal Management Program
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Project Name: Olivia Haterius Park Infrastructure (“Project”)

Subrecipient: Calhoun County

Project Background:

Olivia Haterius County Park is a rural recreational park located in the isolated section of the county, separated from the rest of the county by Lavaca and Matagorda Bays. It is located in the town of Olivia, at the end of State HWY 172 on Keller Bay. Boating and fishing are popular at the park; however outdoor recreational upland facilities were limited. The facilities consisted of two covered picnic tables, a set of swings, and a children's small climbing station. With the planned expansion of the Port of Point Comfort facility and the deepening of the Matagorda ship channel, the number of local residents and visitors to the Olivia area will dramatically increase. The County wanted to expand park infrastructure for this increase in use. Improvements were needed to give visitors an upland location for relaxation and personal comforts.

In November 2023, Calhoun County received a \$72,000 CMP Cycle 28 award. A covered pavilion would be built and the parking area would be expanded. A porta-potty enclosure would be built, and additional picnic tables and playground facilities would be installed. New security fencing would be installed around the existing county burn pile. In conjunction with the San Antonio Bay Partnership, the County would help build a weather-resistant kayak launch and nearby kiosk. The site would be added to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department paddling trail system. A new saltwater pump would be installed at the existing fish-cleaning station as a convenience for fishermen. Native trees would be planted and new park signs would be installed.



Task 1: Engineering

Subrecipient will retain a coastal design firm to design the pavilion, develop the layout of new amenities, prepare construction bidding documents, and oversee construction of the pavilion and amenities.

1. Following county procurement procedures, G&W Engineering was hired to conduct a land survey.
2. The County prepared the construction bidding documents.
3. Commissioner Behrens oversaw construction of the pavilion and amenities.

Task 2: Construction

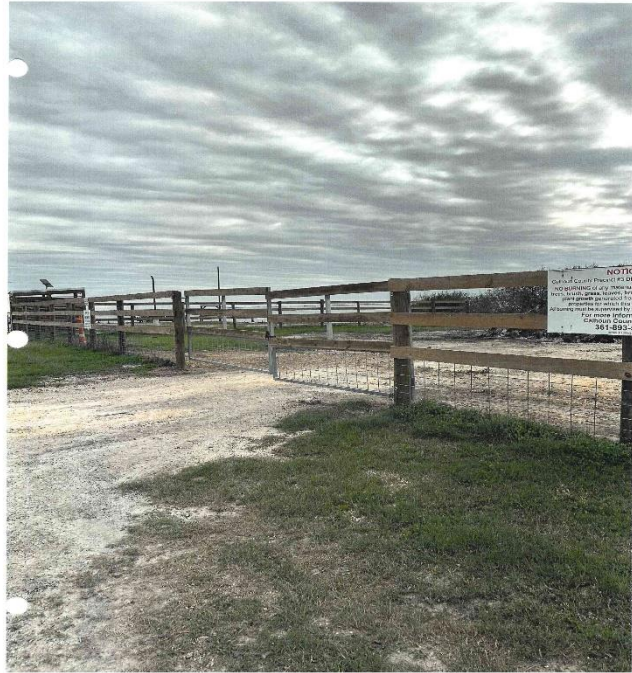
Subrecipient will follow County procurement procedures to secure a coastal construction company to build a 20' x 40' covered wooden pavilion. Subrecipient will construct the concrete slab and provide electricity to the pavilion. A local licensed electrician will hook up the electricity. Subrecipient will remove the chicken wire fencing around the burn pile and replace it with treated posts and corral boards. Subrecipient will install wooden posts and galvanized cable along the parking areas. Subrecipient will build a 20' x 96' concrete parking lot, with a 20' x 24' ADA parking space, near the pavilion. Subrecipient will refurbish the existing covered picnic tables and construct two new wooden tables. Subrecipient will replace the existing swings with two ADA-compliant swings. Subrecipient will construct a porta-potty enclosure of treated wood and concrete flooring and install a saltwater pump at the existing boat ramp. Subrecipient will install a weather-resistant kiosk to provide paddling information and safety. Access to the kayak site will be an existing, compacted sand road. Subrecipient will install temporary CMP signage at the site during construction. The GLO will provide permanent CMP signage, which the subrecipient will install at the project site following construction. A Registered Accessibility Specialist must certify the pavilion and all amenities (picnic tables, parking, kayak launch, porta potty enclosure and the route between all) as compliant with Texas Accessibility Standards (TAS).

1. Following county procurement procedures, Lynn Engineering was hired to design and build a 20' x 40' covered wooden pavilion. Mossier Electric installed the electricity.
2. The County removed the chicken wire fencing around the burn pile and replaced it with treated posts and corral boards. A new metal entrance gate was installed. A new sign was posted on the fencing with requirements and hours of operation.
3. A new 40' x 105' asphalt parking lot was constructed, creating eight additional parking spaces. Posts were erected around the parking lot. One spot was designated for ADA parking. All state required signage and markings were added.
4. Kraftsman Commercial Playgrounds & Waterparks was hired to manufacture and install ADA swings. Because the existing structure would not support an ADA swing, a new structure was installed to accommodate regular and ADA swings. New matting was also installed. Additionally, the size of the playground area was increased 30 feet to the west towards the pavilion.
5. An ADA-compliant, wooden porta-potty enclosure to accommodate two units was built on a cement slab near the ADA parking lot. Legacy Sanitation Services will clean the facility once a week unless requested otherwise.
6. Cement sidewalks were laid from the ADA parking location to the pavilion and the new swing set. A new sidewalk and benches were installed between the old existing picnic area and the playground area.
7. A solar, bilge-type pump was installed on the cleaning table next to the boat ramp. Previously, only a bucket and rope had been available for fishermen to use. Mossier Electric installed the pump.
8. The County refurbished the two existing picnic tables and put sheet metal over the tables. Two wooden tables were installed in the new pavilion.
9. The San Antonio Bay Partnership (SABP) was responsible for building the wooden kiosk, installing buoys around the landing location and coordinating with Texas Parks & Recreation to get the site added to their paddling trail system. Because it was taking a long time for SABP to complete the coordination, the County built the kiosk to ensure it got done on time. The site is now listed in the paddling trail system. The buoys are on site, waiting for the signage to arrive. The buoys and signs will be installed upon delivery of the signage.
10. The County and Calhoun County 4H youth planted 12 native trees around the picnic and playground area.

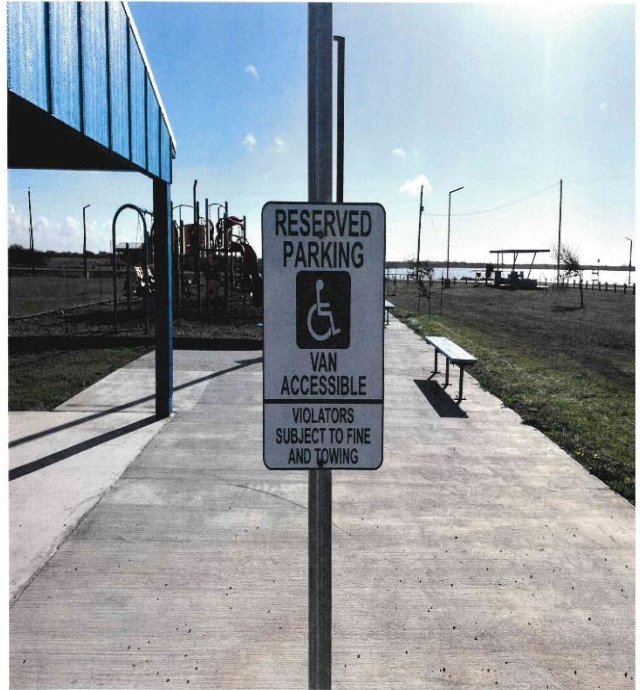
11. A Registered Accessibility Specialist certified the pavilion and all new amenities as compliant with Texas Accessibility Standards.
12. A new park entrance signage with park regulations and hours was installed. A permanent CMP funding acknowledgement sign was installed near the picnic area.



NEW FENCING AROUND BURN PILE



NEW ADA PARKING LOT



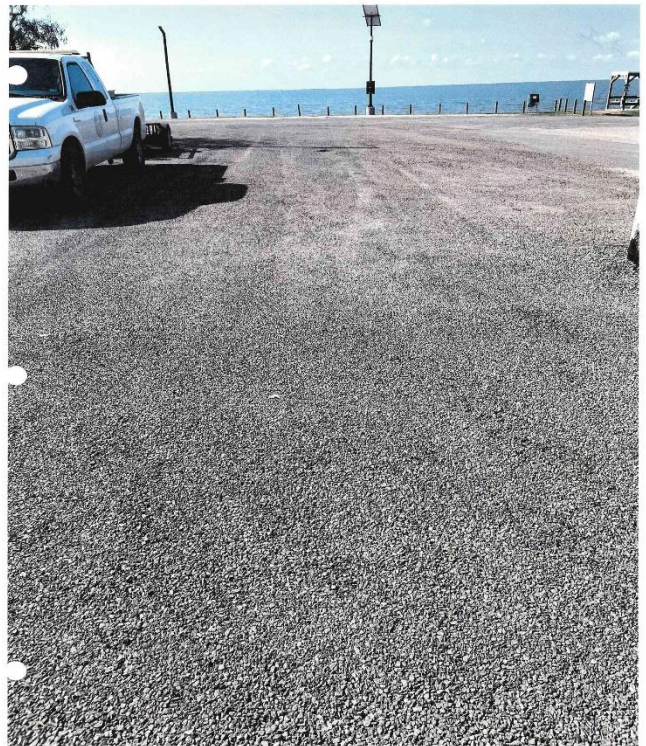
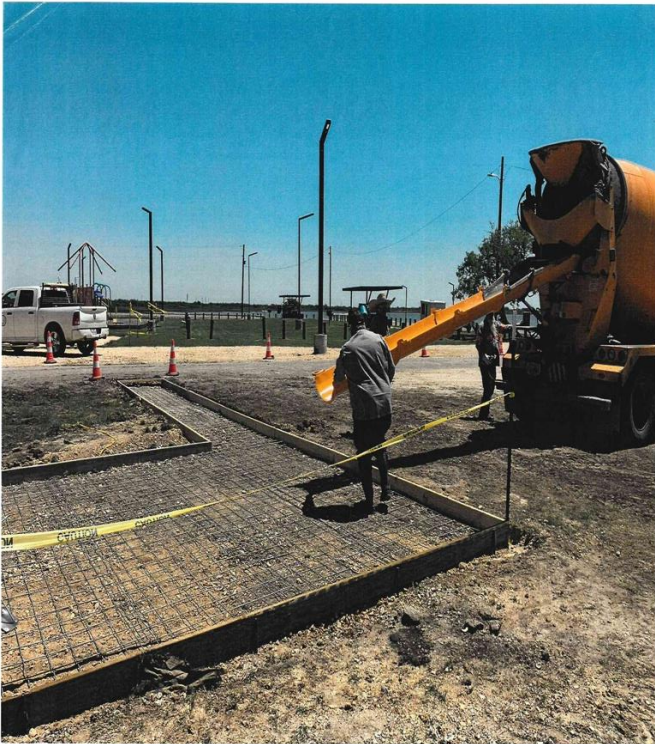
NEW ADA SWINGS

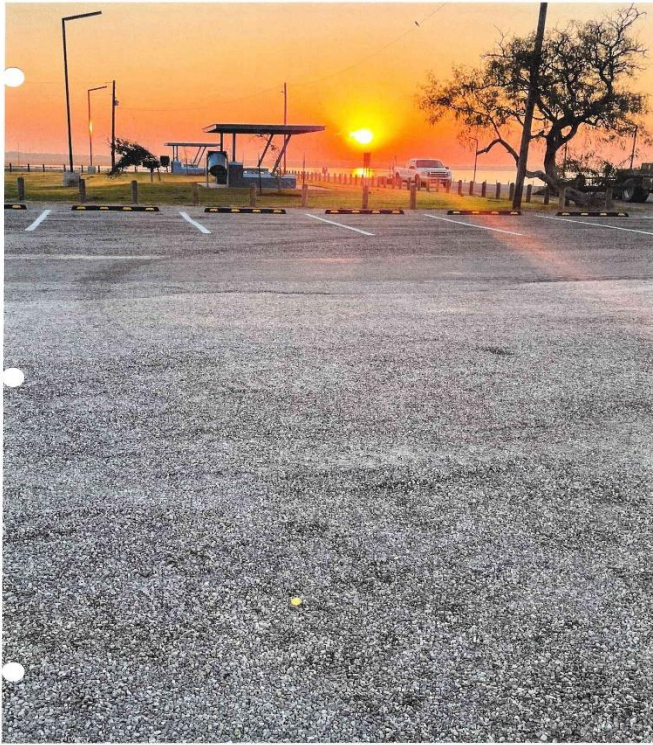


NEW PORTA-POTTY ENCLOSURE



NEW SIDEWALKS, EXTRA PARKING AND BOLLARDS

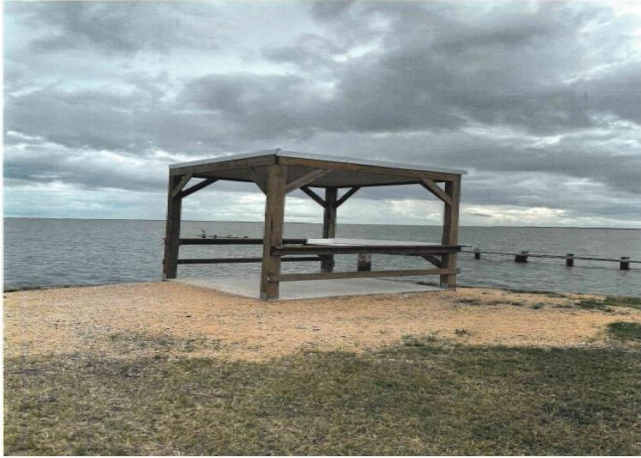




NEW AND REFURBISHED PICNIC TABLES



NEW SOLAR PUMP, KIOSK AND TREES



NEW PAVILION

