

State of Louisiana

Golden Triangle Marsh Creation

The Golden Triangle Marsh Creation project's objective is to restore and protect wetland, fish, and wildlife habitat and help maintain landscape integrity and enhance community resilience.

The Golden Triangle is a narrow band of brackish marsh directly east of New Orleans between Lake Borgne and the confluence of the Mississippi River Gulf Outlet and the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway. The Golden Triangle Marsh falls within Bayou Sauvage

National Wildlife Refuge acquisition boundary, one of the last remaining marsh areas adjacent to Lakes Pontchartrain and Borgne. The Golden Triangle Marsh Restoration Project will be constructed by hydraulically dredging and pumping sediment from Lake Borgne approximately 16 miles to the designated fill site. The fill site is approximately 600 acres. Lake Borgne is currently the most cost effective borrow site for the project. However, other borrow sources (i.e. Mississippi River, offshore deposits, etc.) may be identified through a comprehensive planning and feasibility effort. Measures of success for this project include wetlands and wildlife habitat restoration, as well as increased environmental education and outreach for the public in nearby New Orleans. Requested funding amount: \$4,347,733.