Mississippi Restoration Area Shepard State Park Recreational Enhancements January 2024

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The purpose of this project is to provide additional visitor use experience and enhance access to natural resources by improvements to existing facilities, improvement and maintenance of existing trails, and providing enhanced natural resources related education programs for park visitors, including students.

The project includes creation of a plan for trail maintenance and enhancements, and implementation of the trail work as budget allows.

The "Gray House", which was previously used as a park ranger house, will be converted to an interactive Environmental Education Center. It will be used for hosting nature-based classes and events, and will include interactive components to help children/visitors learn about natural resources at Shepard State Park.

IMPLEMENTING TRUSTEES AND PROJECT PARTNERS

The Implementing Trustee for this project is the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality.

BUDGET \$735,000

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