



# Bob Sikes Pier – Trail Restoration

## NATURAL RESOURCE DAMAGE ASSESSMENT (NRDA) – PHASE III

### PROJECT DESCRIPTION

This project will improve access to a fishing pier in the Pensacola area in Escambia County as well as enhancing the quality of the experience for its recreational users. The improvements include: 1) adding solar-powered lighting to illuminate dark areas along the pier; 2) completing a series of minor pier and rail modifications to generally improve the pier's safety; 3) renovating and rehabilitating designated parking areas to improve parking efficiency of visitors and to improve traffic flow leading into and within the pier parking lot; 4) adding an entrance sign and informational/educational signage for pier users (e.g., proper actions to take if a sea turtle should be hooked while fishing); 5) widening and enhancing

half mile section of multipurpose (bicycle/pedestrian) access trail that connects the fishing pier to other recreational and commercial areas on the beach; and 6) aesthetic improvements to the parking area, parking access road and multipurpose trail leading to Bob Sikes Pier.

Source: <http://www.gulfspillrestoration.noaa.gov/bob-sikes-pier-parking-and-trail-restoration>.

### PROJECT DETAILS

Total Funding Allocated: \$1,023,990  
Status: Design work is underway and construction is anticipated to begin Spring 2017.  
Public meetings were held on September 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>, 2016.



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