

WETLANDS PERMITTING

Effects of the Presence of SAV

Permitting Authority

- ▣ Coastal Zone Management Act
 - Mandated a Management Plan
 - Federal Projects, Permits, and Grants
- ▣ Coastal Wetlands Protection Act – Title 49 of MS Code
 - Public Policy – 49-27-3
 - Definition of Coastal Wetlands – 49-27-5
 - Mississippi Coastal Program
 - ▣ Guidelines for Regulated Activities
 - ▣ Decision Factors for Granting, Denying, or Conditioning Permits

General Permits

- ▣ Activities with Minor Impacts
 - Piers and Boathouses
 - Shoreline Stabilization
 - Dredging
 - Filling



Proposed Impacts to SAV

- ▣ Consultation – Essential Fish Habitat
 - MS Wildlife Fisheries and Parks
 - NOAA National Marine Fisheries Service
 - US Fish and Wildlife
- ▣ Avoidance
- ▣ Minimization
- ▣ Mitigation
 - Size
 - Quality
 - Functionality
 - EPA Rule

Violations

- ▣ Without a Permit
- ▣ Outside Permitted Activities

- ▣ Restoration
- ▣ After-the-Fact Permit
 - Mitigation