



U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service – Southwest Region



Uvalde National Fish Hatchery American Recovery and Reinvestment Act FACT SHEET

Project Description

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) has utilized \$343,000 in Recovery Act Funds to complete eight projects at Uvalde National Fish Hatchery (NFH) in Uvalde County, Texas that focused on upgrading and rehabilitating the fishery’s facilities.



Uvalde NFH near San Antonio, Texas, completed eight projects at the hatchery with \$343,000 in Recovery Act Funds.

The first three projects included installing a new water supply line to 10 production ponds, replacing kettle screens and constructing a new flume which will enable Uvalde to better monitor the amount of water leaving the hatchery.

The fourth and fifth projects reinforced Uvalde’s crisis capabilities by installing new emergency wiring on a back-up well and constructing a new chemical storage building and shed over a back-up generator.

The seventh and eighth projects aided the infrastructure of Uvalde by replacing a septic system and making the fishery’s buildings more energy efficient by replacing light bulbs; increasing insulation; installing programmable thermostats; caulking, sealing and weatherstripping leaks; and replacing windows and appliances.

The sixth project included purchasing bird deterrent netting for a one-acre production pond to protect the fish. The

Project Benefits

These eight Recovery Act projects have helped increase Uvalde’s ability to cultivate five endangered species, including the Razorback sucker, Bonytail, fountain darter, Comanche Springs pupfish and Texas wild-rice as well as the recreational channel catfish by allowing the fishery to better manage its water supply. The projects have aided Uvalde in times of crisis by upgrading the fishery’s emergency capabilities. In addition, the hatchery is already seeing lower energy bills thanks to energy efficient upgrades.

Total Budget Information for 8 Projects at:

Uvalde NFH: \$343,000*

For More Information

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