
San Antonio / Espiritu Santo



Heavy Trash 2 Project Report

The report below summarizes the final activity of MBMT Contract 90, Shorelines Cleanup 2025.

On March 18-20,2026, SABP mobilized an airboat / captain and crew of 2 to remove identified heavy / bulky trash debris from the Bay. The target list had been compiled from reports by volunteers participating in the annual Shorelines Cleanup event, by Allan's frequent outings, and by an airboat search to finalize the plan.

Items removed included:

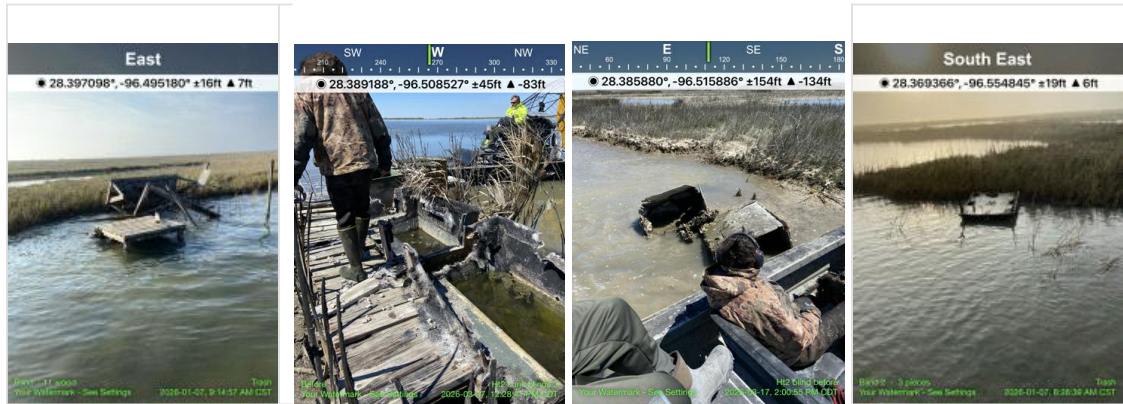
Derelict duck blinds with deteriorating Styrofoam floatation:



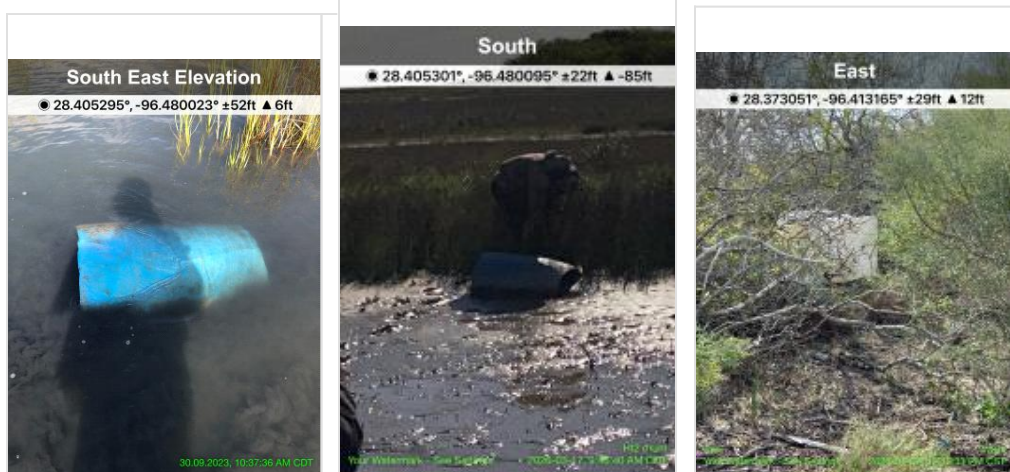
Lost navigation markers:



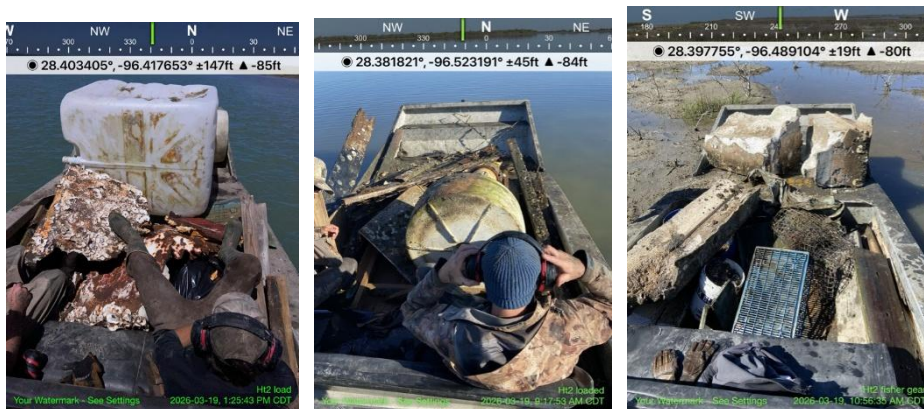
Deteriorated / Derelict duck blinds:



Drums and tanks:



Multiple Airboat Loads:



And Two Full Bins:



Not recovered but reported to **Oil Spill Response** is a drum with its original content—presumed hazardous:



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Total logged into Marine Debris Tracker:

Removal Count:	Unique Item Heavy Trash	31
	Buckets, Crates	12
	Plastic Drink Bottles	13
	Aluminum cans	13
	Crab trap floats	5
	Balloons	1
	Fishing Line, corks	2
	Other Fishing Gear	8
	Foam	2
	Glass Bottles, Jars	17
	Plastic Jugs and Containers	5
	Plastic Bags	4
	Plastic Pieces	2
	Shoes	5
	Hats	1
	shotgun shells	54
	Other	12
	Total to Marine Debris Tracker	187

Conclusions:

Heavy Trash II was a success! We removed 31 heavy trash items, and a total of 187 awful trash items found in the vicinity of our identified targets.

- Identification and planning allowed more efficient boat trips to the trash sites
- Deconstruction time for the larger items is significant. In our first heavy trash project, we concentrated on item we could pick up with minimal digging or deconstruction.
- Additional equipment might prove helpful in removing debris stuck in mud, eg a pump/water jet.
- Plenty of debris remains for future efforts!

Allan, March 22, 2026