



# OCEAN TRUST

*SUSTAINING THE OCEANS & COMMUNITIES DEPENDENT ON THE SEA*

Ocean Trust: An International Ocean Conservation Foundation

- Award-winning ocean conservation foundation with nine national and state distinctions
- Established in 1992 with mission of building science, conservation and seafood industry partnerships for the sustainability of the oceans & communities dependent on the sea
- Primarily foundation & grant funded leveraged with corporate & public contributions
- Partners include 100+ conservation partners throughout the US & Mexico (federal, state, local agency, individuals, companies and NGOs)
- Board: Mr. Arnold Leo (NY), Dr. Brian Rothschild (MA), Mr. Les Hodgson (TX), Dr. Dick Beamish (CA), Dr. Patrick Burchfield (TX), Mr. Grimur Valdimarsson (Iceland)
- Offices: Washington DC (VA) & Gulf of Mexico (Texas) Thor Lassen, President

## **Fisheries: Sustainability Assessments & Status of Stock Review**

Ocean Trust conducts fisheries status of stock reviews and sustainability assessments on seafood products, provides solutions for long-term sustainable use of the oceans, and is principal host of the Science & Sustainability Forum with the American Institute of Fishery Research Biologists.

## **Wildlife: Sea Turtle Marine Mammal Restoration & Protection**

Ocean Trust provides support and maintenance for sea turtle restoration at principal nesting beaches in Mexico and fostered programs to protect endangered California harbor porpoise. Visit [www.oceantrust.org](http://www.oceantrust.org)



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## **Environment: Bahia Grande Project Draws National Awards**

Ocean Trust received top conservation awards from the Fish & Wildlife Service, Texas CEQ, EPA and others for its leadership in the restoration of the Bahia Grande estuary, providing nursery habitat for fish and wildlife. Ocean Trust also provides support for coastal restoration projects around the US with federal, state and local conservation partners like:



Congratulations from  
Gov. Perry & TCEQ  
Comm. Buddy Garcia

- Oyster Reef Restoration: Massachusetts, New Jersey, Georgia
- FISH Reserve Restoration: Cortez, Florida
- Stabilization of Bay Scallop Populations: Panama City, Florida
- Bahia Grande Estuary Restoration: Brownsville, Texas
- Mangrove Protection Project: St John, Virgin Islands
- Drakes Bay Commercial Oyster Restoration: Inverness, California
- Ghost Fish Net Removal: Columbia River, Oregon



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Presents 2009 Texan  
of the Week Award

## **Sustainability Partnerships: Bonfish Grill, HEB, Whole Foods, others**

Ocean Trust is a trusted partner for many seafood, retail and foodservice companies providing guidance and solutions for sustainable seafood.