

John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System Unit Q01P, Mobile Point, Alabama Summary of Final Recommended Changes

Type of Unit: Otherwise Protected Area (OPA)

Location of Unit: Unit Q01P is comprised of four discrete segments spanning four separate Coastal Barrier Resources System (CBRS) maps. Only the western segment of this unit, which is located west of Gulf Shores at the westernmost end of Fort Morgan Peninsula in Baldwin County, Alabama is being remapped at this time.

Congressional District: 1

Date of Final Recommended Map: April 10, 2015

Number of Maps: Unit Q01P is depicted on four maps; however, the Service only updated one map for the unit which is the subject of this summary.

Base Map Imagery Source and Date: U.S. Department of Agriculture National Agriculture Imagery Program, 2013

Establishment of Unit: The Coastal Barrier Improvement Act (Pub. L. 101-591 enacted on November 16, 1990) originally established unit Q01P.

Historical Changes to Unit: There have been no changes to the boundaries of Unit Q01P since its designation in 1990. Adjacent System Unit Q01A was modified via notice published in the Federal Register on February 24, 1997 (62 FR 8258). Unit Q01P is depicted on the same map as Unit Q01A, but was not modified at that time.

Public Comments: The Service held a 60-day public comment period from September 12 through November 14, 2011, on the draft map dated September 22, 2009. For a summary of the comments received and the Service's responses, see the document entitled *Summary of Public Comments Received on Draft Map for John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System Units Q01P, Q01A/*

Q01AP, and AL-05P and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Responses and Recommendations, which is available on the Service's website at: www.fws.gov/cbra.

Changes between Proposed and Final Recommended Boundaries: The 2008 base map imagery that was used for the September 22, 2009, draft map has been replaced with 2013 imagery. The update of the underlying base map did not result in any changes between the proposed boundaries of Unit Q01P depicted on the draft map dated September 22, 2009, and the final recommended boundaries of the unit depicted on the map dated April 10, 2015.

Final Recommended Changes to Unit: The final recommended map dated April 10, 2015, makes no significant changes to the boundaries of Unit Q01P. The northern boundary of the unit in Mobile Bay has been straightened for cartographic purposes. The eastern boundary of the unit has been modified slightly to be coincident with Baldwin County parcel data.

The Service's final recommended map dated April 10, 2015, depicts changes to the CBRS that will only become effective if the revised map is adopted through legislation enacted by Congress.

Mobile Point Unit Q01P, Alabama

Acreeage, Shoreline, and Structures:

	<i>Total Acres</i>	<i>Upland Acres*</i>	<i>Associated Aquatic Habitat Acres**</i>	<i>Shoreline (miles)</i>	<i>Structures***</i>
Existing Unit	1,915	433	1,482	2.0	
Added to the CBRS	14	0	14		0
Removed from the CBRS	0	0	0		0
Reclassified Area	0	0	0	0.0	
Final Recommended Unit	1,929	433	1,496	2.0	
Net Change	14	0	14	0	0

* Land above mean high tide.

** Associated aquatic habitat includes wetlands, marshes, estuaries, inlets, and open water landward of the coastal barrier, but does not include open water seaward of the shoreline. This information is derived from an interpretation of 2013 aerial imagery in consultation with National Wetlands Inventory data and other data sources as necessary.

*** Structure count derived from 2013 aerial imagery.

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