

LET THE OYSTERS DO THE WORK: A PROPOSAL FOR CREATING TRULY BIOGENIC STRUCTURES FOR RESILIENCE AND RESTORATION

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\$28 trillion worth of coastal assets at risk.

Over 1 billion people in low lying coastal areas by 2060. Local – Coastal Landscape Collapse

Breton

Sound

Lake

Borgne

Land Loss 1932- 2050

★ The Land Loss between 1932-2000 is historical. The Land Loss between 2000-2050 is projected based on historical trending if no further action is taken as documented in the "Hjstorical and Projected Coastal Louisiana Land Changes: 1978-2050" (www.Lacoast.gov/LandLoss/NewHistoricalland.pdf)

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Lake Pontchartrain

Lake Salvador

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Gulf of Mexico

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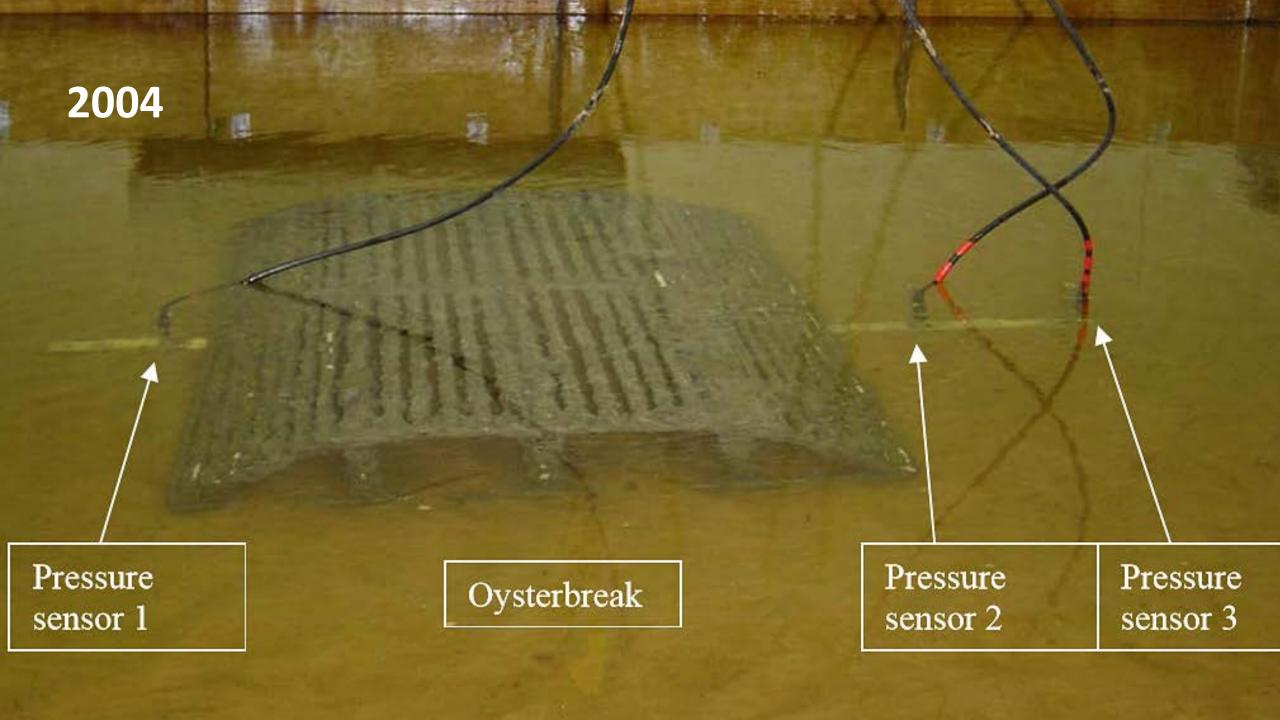


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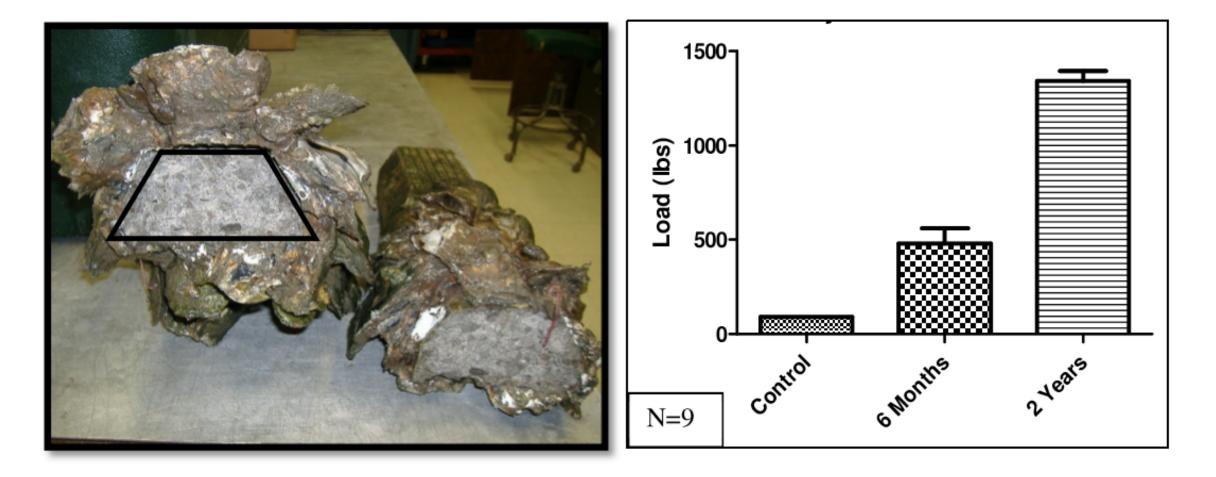


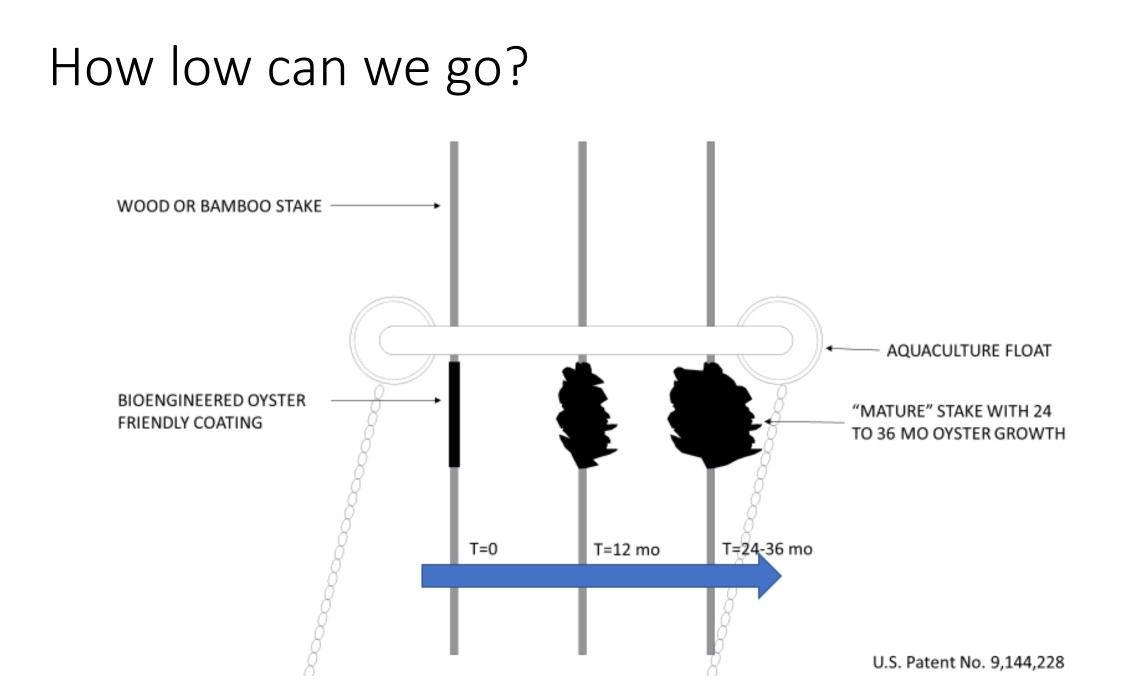
Figure 3.12 a, b: (a) Concrete with oyster growth (b) flexural strength variations over time.

Structural Stability

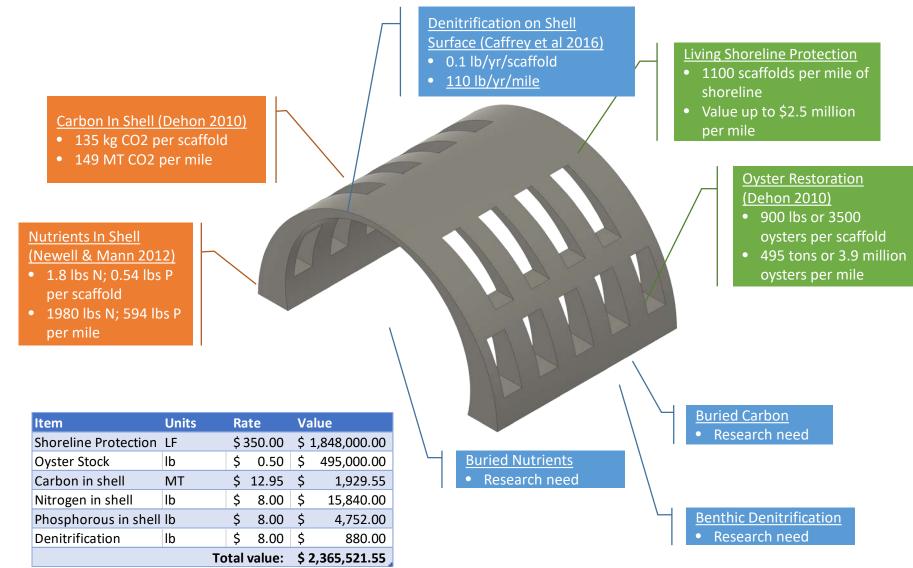


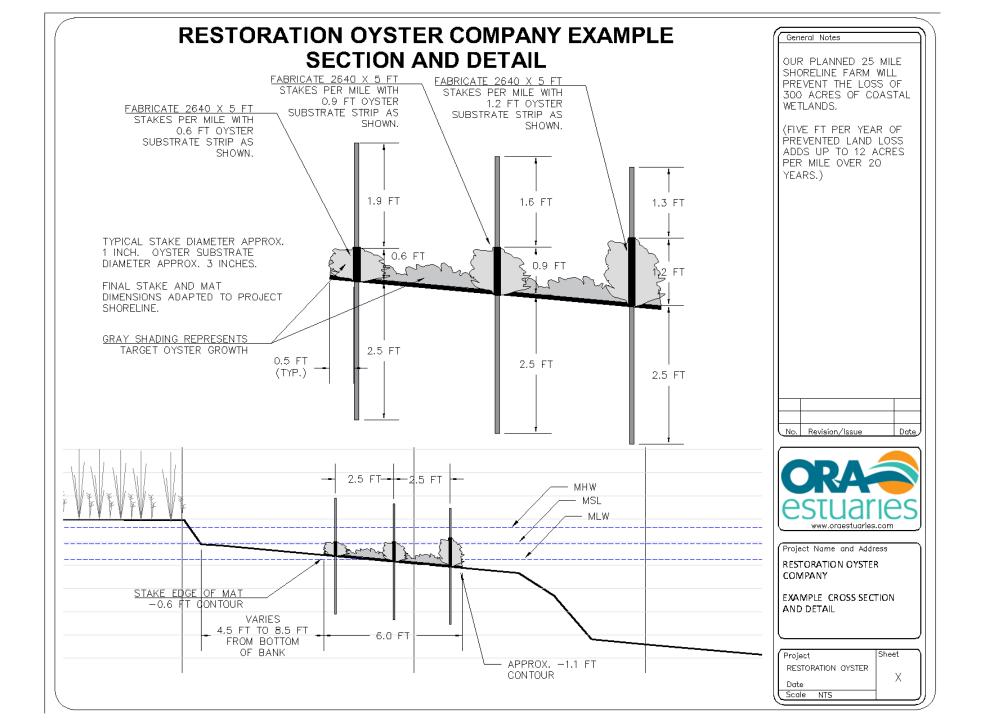
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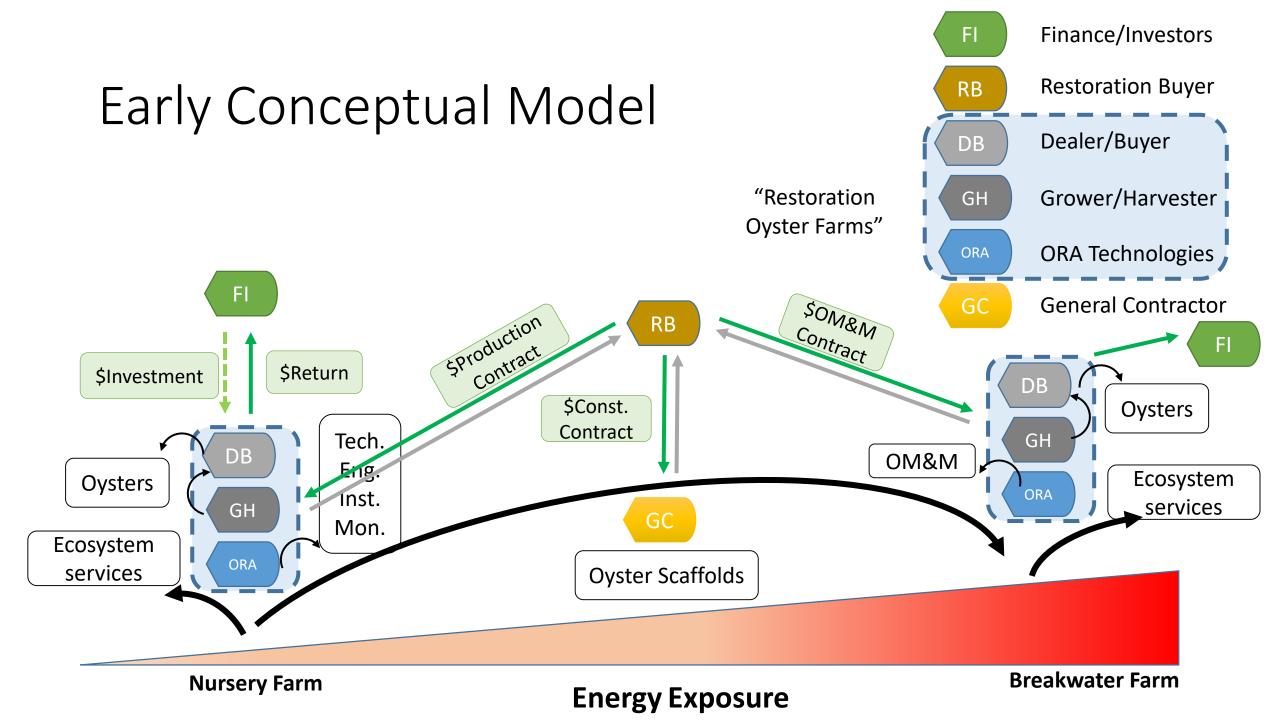
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Oyster Scaffold Quantified Benefits







Got Oysters?