



Former cornfield, Bear Creek Wetland Mitigation Bank, LaGrange, North Carolina

Environmental Mitigation Banking
& Stream and Wetland Restoration



Restoring the past to improve the future

How can we continue to meet the needs of our growing communities while still improving the environment? Can environmentally beneficial solutions make real economic sense? Yes, and it's all about balance...

Protecting our waterways and minimizing the impact of developments is of course important. But it doesn't address the current imbalance following centuries of manmade damage. Nor does it meet the social and economic need for new developments.

Think about it... the only way to a real net gain for the environment is to restore the vitality of ecosystems once thought lost. That's true sustainability.



Restoration Systems LLC (RS)

RS is a leader in the mitigation banking industry specializing in the restoration, enhancement, and preservation of previously degraded areas.

Headquartered in Raleigh, North Carolina, RS was founded in 1998 to raise the bar in environmental restoration.

We manage and finance more than 50 mitigation sites and banks throughout the United States totaling over 115,000 acres of wetlands, bayous, and prairies and over 60 miles of creeks, streams, and rivers.

Careful acquisition of the right land, conscientious construction, and frequent monitoring ensure we deliver both environmental and economic benefits.

And, by acquiring permanent conservation easements, we ensure that our restoration projects are protected for perpetuity.





What We Do...

Wetland restoration

RS is one of the nation's original companies to bank wetlands.

Restoring the ecosystem of degraded wetlands mitigates loss elsewhere in the watershed due to development.

This is achieved by filling ditches/canals to restore drained areas, and by breaching levees to allow natural flooding of the land.

More than a decade of RS mitigation projects has restored, enhanced, and preserved thousands of acres of wetlands.

These mitigation banks are permanently protected from development and intensively monitored for ecological changes for at least five years.

From farm to forest - we build mitigation banks in the right locations to serve the right functions.

Stream restoration

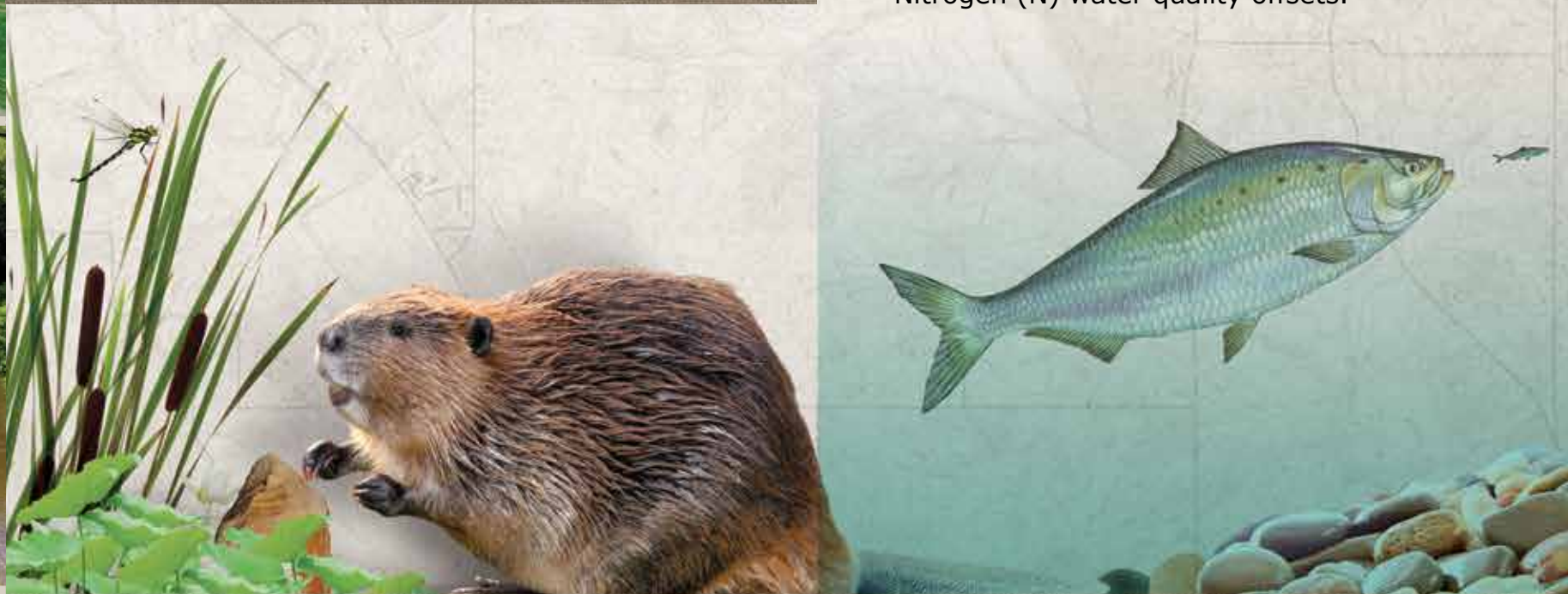
Our experienced team has successfully restored over 60 miles of streams and rivers. Each restoration is designed to create natural habitats that fit the landscape. For instance, on pasture, we integrate permanent crossings for cattle, fencing, and watering stations.

RS has planted and permanently protected nearly two million conservation trees of 77 species.

Water quality banks

RS is the nation's first and largest retailer of water quality credits. This approach isn't just great for the environment, it also reduces storm water compliance costs for clients ranging from retail and commercial, and housing to government infrastructure.

We currently service the James River basin in Virginia with Phosphorus (P) and the Neuse and Cape Fear River basins in North Carolina with Nitrogen (N) water quality offsets.



Deep River Restoration
Carbonton, North Carolina





Everyone Benefits... Communities, Businesses, and The Environment Landowners

A landowner recognizes benefits by not only having a portion of their land restored but by also being financially compensated for giving up certain rights to that land.

Typically RS pays for a conservation easement or makes a fee simple purchase of the property needed for the restoration project but we are also willing to consider a Joint Venture with the landowner. Each site and situation is unique and we work hard to tailor the project to the landowners' current and long-term needs.

We are committed to ensuring our landowners see real economic benefit and are completely satisfied with project results.

Regulatory Agencies

RS welcomes close scrutiny of our proposals by agencies charged with regulating mitigation. We believe comprehensive, well-enforced compensatory environmental regulations are in our interest and the public interest. No business we know is more regulated than mitigation banking — and we like it that way.

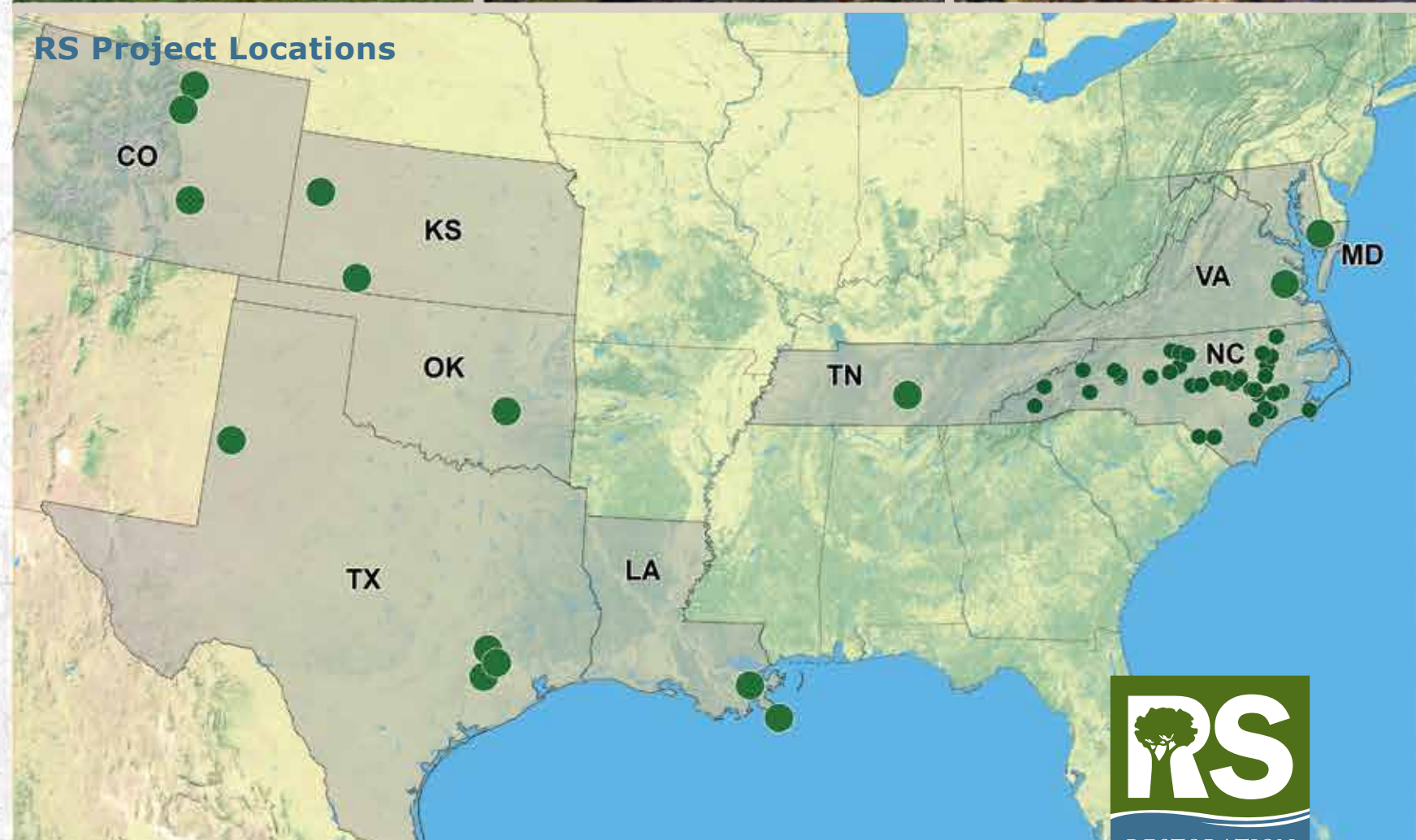
Developers and Those in Need of Mitigation Offsets

Our projects earn mitigation credits from state and federal regulatory agencies which can then be purchased by mitigation fee programs, public works projects, or commercial developers (including airports, reservoir authorities, mining operations, builders and pipelines) to meet mitigation obligations.

Whether you're looking to purchase credits or for a turnkey 'full-delivery' mitigation solution, RS delivers cost-effective results.



RS Project Locations



New Orleans, LA



The Katy Prairie Stream Mitigation Bank, Warren Ranch, Harris County, Texas

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