


*De-Go-La Resource Conservation  
and Development  
2004  
Annual Report*





Front cover:  
Matagorda Island Lighthouse  
Matagorda Island, Calhoun County

During the years of 1840-1850 steamships filled with passengers and cargo sailing from Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Pensacola and Mobile crowded the Texas Gulf Coast near Indianola and Matagorda Island. Parties concerned pressed the Texas Legislature for a lighthouse.

May 1852 the cast iron-prefabricated plates used to build the lighthouse arrived at Matagorda Island.

September 29, 1852 the lighthouse was completed.



December 31, 1852 was the first lighting of the Matagorda Lighthouse. It was the first ever to be lit on the Texas coast.

From civil war disputes to hurricanes, Matagorda Island has seen its' share of action but the lighthouse has managed to survive.

The Matagorda Lighthouse was entered into the National Register of Historic Places in 1974.

A restoration process of the lighthouse began in 1999 and in June 2004 the Matagorda Island Lighthouse was relit.

Photo courtesy of the Matagorda Island Lighthouse Foundation



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Lavaca-Navidad River Authority  
Victoria County Commissioners Court  
City of Port Lavaca

**2004 Projects:**

Crossroads Chapter	
American Red Cross	\$ 1,500.00
Goliad Volunteer Fire Dept.	4,000.00
Moulton Volunteer Fire Dept.	1,288.00
Lavaca County	2,600.00
Copano Bay SWCD	2,350.00
Thomaston Volunteer Fire Dept.	1,182.00
Nordheim Volunteer Fire Dept.	1,098.00
Westhoff Volunteer Fire Dept.	1,500.00
Yorktown Volunteer Fire Dept.	9,500.00
Ander-Wesser Volunteer Fire Dept.	1,700.00
Three Rivers EDC	2,000.00
City of Gregory	48,000.00
DeWitt County	10,000.00
Sinton Community Resource Team	60,000.00
Amour Adult Day & Health Care	5,000.00
Center for Regional and Economic Development	5,500,000.00
Muldoon Volunteer Fire Dept.	750.00
Grant Workshop	6,000.00
State Assoc. Meeting	55,000.00
Olivia Volunteer Fire Dept.	1,000.00

Adopted \$5,714,468.00

Completed \$73,628.00

2004-2005 Officers for De-Go-La RC&D

Returning Chairman, Marshall Holybee  
Newly elected Vice-Chairman, Charles Netardus  
Returning Secretary/Treasurer, Darrell Blaschke

Directors

Bee-Frank Montez  
Calhoun-Roger Galvan  
DeWitt-Wallace Beck  
Fayette-Lawrence Friedrich  
Goliad-vacant  
Gonzales-Bud Wuest  
Jackson-Larry Deyton  
Karnes-Darrell Blaschke  
Lavaca- Charles Netardus  
Live Oak-Richard Lee  
McMullen-Linda Henry  
Nueces-Edward Jungmann  
Refugio-John Reyna  
San Patricio- Fred Nardini  
Victoria-Chris Rivera  
At large-Rhonda Stastny  
At Large-Marshall Holybee

Coordinator-Jerry Pearce  
Executive Assistant-Joyce May  
Administrative Assistant-Mary L. Green



Marshall Holybee, Chairman and Wallace Beck, Director for DeWitt County. Mr. Beck received a service award for his ten years of dedicated participation with De-Go-La and his community.

De-Go-La RC&D's Annual Meeting of Sponsorship was held in Schulenburg at the Civic Center.



De-Go-La appreciates the attendance of all those that came to the meeting. Approximately 31 were in attendance.

Officers election and a review of 2004 accomplishments highlighted the meeting.



Special thanks to Lawrence Friedrich, Director for Fayette County for arranging the meal for the meeting.

Cary Bauer, operator for Imco Muffler factory in Schulenburg, took participants of the annual meeting on a technical tour of the building and operation process.



All parts for mufflers are made onsite and assembled at the 254,000 square foot facility.



Rolls of steel which are cut to be formed into mufflers weigh 22,000 pounds each.



Machine that cuts and folds the steel. Scrap from the process is sold to metal recyclers.

Each employee is responsible for quality control. Only 0.4 of one percent of finished products are returned for failure during warranty.



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St. Johns Lutheran Church at Lindenau was a recipient of SEP funds which were used to replace the septic system.

Participants in a grant writing Workshop held at the University of Houston-Victoria.



I.C.A.R.E. of Calhoun County with Frank Montez, Director for Bee County, received a donation of cots for volunteers while working on homes damaged by hurricane Claudette.

Olivia VFD representative with Chairman Marshall Holybee Received stacking chairs from the surplus property program.



Shrimp Experiment Station in Flour Bluff was part of the technical tour held at the annual meeting of the State Association in Corpus Christi last April.



## Financial Report Year Ending September 30, 2004

Revenues		
Dues	\$	2,800.00
Salary & operating grants		17,000.00
Rent, utilities, janitorial		2,100.00
Project grants		3,645.00
SEP		4,844.50
State meeting		22,576.00
National meeting travel refund		957.99
Misc. (CEU's)		150.00
Total revenue	\$	54,073.49
Expenditures		
Dues	\$	625.00
Consumable supplies		948.48
Postage		22.20
Director travel & meetings		1,302.99
Clerical/salary		10,007.52
Payroll taxes		639.42
Internet service & web site		606.85
Matching grant awards		5,000.00
Rent, utilities, janitorial		2,750.00
Professional fees		300.00
Projects (riparian habitat, dry hydrants)		8,298.19
State meeting		16,808.87
Transfer to SEP account		9,688.00
Misc. (CEU's)		150.00
Total expenditures	\$	57,147.51
Gain or (loss)	\$	(3,074.51)
Fund balance October 1, 2003	\$	26,527.33
Fund balance September 30, 2004	\$	23,453.31

Combined Balance Sheet Year ending September 30, 2004

Assets

Cash in Bank	\$23,453.31
Subtotal current assets	\$23,453.31
Office equipment/equipment	8,765.60
Rental equipment	0.00
Land & buildings	0.00
Accounts receivable	0.00
Subtotal fixed assets	8,765.00
Total assets	\$ 32,218.91

Liabilities

Accounts payable	\$ 0.00
Notes payable	0.00
Total liabilities	\$ 0.00

Fund equity

Investment in fixed assets	\$ 8,765.60
Unreserved fund balance	23,453.31
Total fund equity	\$ 32,218.91

Total liability and fund equity \$32,218.91

Supplemental Environmental Program  
Year ending September 30, 2004

**Dewitt County account**

Revenues

Texas Association of RC&D's	\$	9,688.00
Interest		29.65

Total revenue	\$	9,717.65
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Expenditures

Lee Backhoe Service	\$	4,179.00
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Total expenditures	\$	4,179.00
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Gain or (loss)	\$	5,538.65
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Fund balance October 1, 2003	\$	0.00
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Fund balance September 30, 2004	\$	5,538.65
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**San Patricio County account**

Revenues

Texas Association of RC&D's	\$	25,337.52
Interest		37.16

Total revenue	\$	25,374.68
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Expenditures	\$	0.00
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Total expenditures	\$	0.00
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Gain or (loss)	\$	25,374.68
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Fund balance October 1, 2003	\$	0.00
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Fund balance September 30, 2004	\$	25,374.68
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**De-Go-La RC&D Project, Inc.**

Year ending September 30, 2004

Accounts Receivable	\$	0.00
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Accounts Payable	\$	0.00
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*Our Vision*

*To make the Coastal Bend of Texas a better place  
to live and work through  
effective partnerships.*

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