

**TITLE 31 NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION
PART 2 TEXAS PARKS AND WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT
CHAPTER 57 FISHERIES
SUBCHAPTER K SCIENTIFIC AREAS**

§57.921 Redfish Bay State Scientific Area

(a) Purpose: The Redfish Bay State Scientific Area is established for the purpose of education, scientific research, and preservation of flora and fauna of scientific or educational value.

(b) Term: July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2010.

(c) Boundaries:

(1) 27 59.538N; 097 3.858W (Northern extremity of island forming northern boundary of Estes Cove);

(2) 27 59.232N; 097 4.434W (Intersection of Gulf Intracoastal Waterway (GIWW) and Mouth of Cove Harbor);

(3) 27 55.986N; 097 6.804W (GIWW at Rocky Ridge);

(4) 27 53.88N; 097 8.088W (intersection of GIWW and Aransas Pass Shrimp Boat Channel);

(5) 27 53.058N; 097 8.502W (Intersection of GIWW and Brown and Root Channel);

(6) 27 52.32N; 097 9.486W (Intersection of GIWW and mouth of Redfish Bay Terminal);

(7) 27 49.092N; 097 11.46W (Near the southern extremity of Dagger Island where the Corpus Christi Ship Channel and the GIWW intersect);

(8) 27 50.40 N; 097 3.32 W (Intersection of Lydia Ann Channel and Corpus Christi Ship Channel);

(9) 27 52.42 N; 097 2.47 W (A point in Lydia Ann Channel);

(10) 27 55.02 N; 097 03.46 W (East of the mouth of Corpus Christi Bayou).

(d) No person may move, remove, deface, alter, or destroy any sign, depth marker or other informational signage placed by the department within, or to delineate boundaries, of the Redfish Bay State Scientific Area.

(e) No person shall cause or allow any rooted seagrass plant to be uprooted or dug out from the bay bottom within the Redfish Bay State Scientific Area, except as may be permitted by a coastal lease issued by the Texas General Land Office or otherwise permitted under state law.

(f) In this section, "seagrass plant" means individuals from the following marine flowering plant species: Clover Grass (*Halophila engelmanni*), Manatee Grass (*Syringodium filiforme*), Shoalgrass (*Halodule wrightii*), Turtle Grass (*Thalassia testudinum*), and Widgeon Grass (*Ruppia maritima*).

(g) The penalty for violation of this section is prescribed by Parks and Wildlife Code, §13.112.