What is the Permit Service Center (PSC)?

The PSC assists with the application process for obtaining the General Land Office (GLO) lease and US Corps of Engineers (USACE) Permit for your living shoreline project.

- Provide application forms
- Helpful information
- Respond to applicants’ questions

**PSC Offices**

**Upper Coast Office-Galveston**  
Texas A&M Galveston Campus  
Sea Aggie Center, Room 912  
Galveston, TX 77553  
(409) 741-4057  
Service Area: LA/TX Border to Live Oak Bayou (Matagorda County)

**Lower Coast Office- Corpus Christi**  
602 N. Staples Street, Suite 240  
Corpus Christi, TX 78401  
(361) 886-1630  
Service Area: Colorado River to TX/MX Border

Email: permitting.assistance@glo.texas.gov
Permitting a Living Shoreline on the Texas Coast

Application Needs:

- Application Forms (provided by PSC)
- Project Drawings
  - Plan View (Aerial) and Cross Section Drawings Required
  - Should include measurements and labels for all components of project
  - Include any existing features and label as existing
- Location Map
  - Google Earth aerial imagery maps are best
  - Provide close-up and zoomed out maps
  - Mark project location on maps
Contact the Permit Service Center for application forms and information.

Applicant consult with contractor/consultant (if needed) to design project.

Complete Application Forms, Drawings, etc. and submit to Permit Service Center. PSC reviews application and documents for completeness and forwards to USACE and/or GLO.

USACE and/or GLO processes application and issues authorizations.

Once approved by all required agencies, construction may begin.
Permitting FAQs

**Q:** How long will it take to obtain authorizations for a living shoreline?
**A:** The minimum processing time is 90 days from when the GLO/USACE obtain a complete application.

**Q:** What is the cost to obtain a lease/permit for a living shoreline?
**A:** The GLO charges a $50 application fee. There is no fee for the Corps permit for a residential permit.

**NOTE:** This does not include the cost of the coastal boundary survey or any annual fees charged by the GLO.

**Q:** What does the PSC charge for its services?
**A:** This is a FREE service for residential and local government projects.

**Q:** Can the PSC recommend consultants or contractors for a living shoreline project?
**A:** Unfortunately, since the PSC is part of the GLO we are not authorized to recommend private consultants/contractors.

**Q:** What authorizations are needed for my specific property to install a living shoreline?
**A:** Call or email the PSC for your area and provide specific project location information.