

## **Chatham County Board of Commissioners**

124 Bull Street, Savannah, GA 31401

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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## **Ribbed Mussel Planting on Burnside Island**

Chatham County, GA (September 6, 2022) – Chatham County Department of Engineering and the UGA Marine Extension Shellfish Laboratory have been working on the Burnside Island Causeway Project to evaluate and address projected impacts of sea level rise to Burnside Island Causeway. A gray (manmade structures) to green (biological) approach will be used to protect current structures and determine areas in need of infrastructure improvements.

The green approach involves planting ribbed mussel seeds in the marsh along the Burnside Island Causeway. Once the mussels are established, they may help stabilize areas beginning to erode within the marsh. The ribbed mussel seeds will be planted on Friday, September 9, 2022, at 2: 40 PM during the afternoon low tide.

What: Ribbed Mussel Planting on Burnside Island Causeway

When: Friday, September 9, 2022 at 2:40 PM (afternoon low tide)

Where: Shipyard Road (Burnside Island Causeway) out to Burnside Island

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