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F. Hermann Rudenberg

Sierra Club Files, (1968-1994)

Creator: Rudenberg, Frank Hermann, 1927-1994
Title: Sierra Club Files
Date: 1968-1994.
Abstract: Associate Professor, Department of Physiology and Biophysics, School of Medicine and Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences, University of Texas Medical Branch, 1958-1994. These records comprise Rudenberg's activity in the Sierra Club, which includes correspondence, reports, legal records, publications, news clippings, press releases and Letters to the Editor, official Sierra Club records for the Galveston Regional Group and the Lone Star Chapter (Texas), Corps of Engineers Permit Applications, and a subject file about issues pertaining to the Texas Coast dating from his membership in the Galveston Group in 1971. By 1972, he assumed the role of Coastal Coordinator in the Executive Committee for the Lone Star Chapter and became very effective in monitoring the Corps of Engineers' Permit Application process. He regularly responded to these development plans described in the permits and effectively led campaigns against proposals he considered destructive to the environment. The most significant issues include: George Mitchells' development plans for Eckert Bayou (Pirates Cove) and the Oil Terminal on Pelican Island (superport); EPA's plans to Incinerate-at-Sea hazardous materials in the Gulf of Mexico; and the sludge pits containing hazardous materials illegally dumped by Maginnes Industrial Maintenance Corporation in Galveston's West Bay. Rudenberg and the Galveston Regional Group successfully sued the Corps of Engineers for a faulty environmental impact statement regarding the Oil Terminals on Pelican Island.

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BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

Frank Hermann Rudenberg was born in Germany in 1927. He received degrees from Harvard University and the University of Chicago. He worked as an Instructor and Assistant Professor in the Department of Physiology and Pharmacology, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan (1958-1958) before moving to the University of Texas Medical Branch (UTMB) in Galveston. At UTMB, he began as an Assistant Professor in the Department of Physiology and Biophysics (1958-1962). From 1967-1973, he worked as a Consultant for the Southwest Research Institute in San Antonio, Texas, for the Biomedical Application Team for NASA to promote technology utilization. In 1976 Rudenberg returned to the UTMB in Galveston as Associate Professor. He died in 1994.

Sometime around 1971, Hermann Rudenberg joined the Galveston Regional Group of the Sierra Club. He worked with the Galveston group founding President and UTMB colleague, M. Mason Guest, Ph.D., Department of Physiology. Very quickly, Rudenberg's talent was recognized and he began serving on the Executive Committee of the Lone Star Chapter, the Texas state Sierra Club organization, in the position of Coastal Coordinator from 1972-1987. He studied developers' permit applications submitted to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and other governmental agencies and wrote very detailed critical evaluations during the public assessment period. For almost fifteen years, Rudenberg gave astounding service and conservation leadership in the local and state Sierra Club evaluating and critiquing development plans pertaining to the Texas coast.

Dr. M. Mason Guest (1906-1991), was the chief founding member of the Galveston Regional Group of the Sierra Club in 1968. As the leader of the Galveston Group, he ran very effective anti-littering campaigns in Galveston and promoted the creation of city bike paths, among other projects. He was a Professor and Chairman of the Physiology Department of the University of Texas Medical Branch from 1951 -1973,

The national **Sierra Club** was founded in 1892 by naturalist John Muir to help people explore, enjoy, and protect parks, wilderness, waters, forests, and wildlife. The **Lone Star Chapter** of the Sierra Club was established in Texas in 1965.

Sources:

UTMB, Moody Medical Library. The inventory of the *F.Hermann Rudenberg, Ph.D., Biomedical Papers (1948- 1993)*. *Sierra Club* [Information Sheet]. Located in the Historical File (SERIES 1) of the Rudenberg Collection. Biographical/Historical File. Rudenberg Sierra Club Records. Obituaries and other records.

Scope and Contents Notes

This collection consists of 14 cubic feet of records pertaining to Dr. Rudenbergs activities in the Sierra Club, both at a local level in Galveston and at the state level, where he served on the Executive Committee in the role of Coastal Coordinator. The records consist of

correspondence; organizational files of the Galveston Regional Group of the Sierra Club; news clippings; reports, government documents including copies of the Corps of Engineers Permit Applications; and Texas Coastal subject files. The most significant part of the collection consists of correspondence, 1969 - 1994, pertaining primarily to the work Rudenberg accomplished as Coastal Coordinator on the Executive Committee of the Lone Star Chapter (Texas) of the Sierra Club. The correspondence also includes the presidencies of M. Mason Guest and Hermann Rosenberg for the Galveston Group.

Controversial issues of particular interest include:

Incineration-at-Sea

McGinnes Industrial Maintenance Corp.

Eckerts Bayou/Pirate's Cove: a Mitchell Development project

Oil Terminal at Pelican Island (See Subject Files)

These include a number of records collected by Dr. Rudenberg, including his comments and presentations and comprise a very interesting history of Galveston area conservation issues.

Arrangement of the Records

- Series 1: Biographical and Historical File**
- Series 2: Correspondence Files**
- Series 3: Eckerts Bayou/Pirates Cove Files**
- Series 4: Incineration-at-Sea Files**
- Series 5: McGinnes Industrial Maintenance Corporation Sludge Disposal Pits**
- Series 6: Galveston Regional Group Files**
- Series 7: Lone Star Chapter/Coastal Coordinator Files**
- Series 8: Legal Cases**
- Series 9: Publications**
- Series 10: Permit Applications**
- Series 11: Texas Coastal Subject Files**
- Addendum: Persimmon Point, Carancahua Bay Canal dredging**
- Dickinson Bayou Watershed, 1982**
- Texas Copper Corporation Files**
- Flower Garden Banks/ NPDES Permit for Oil & Gas drilling**

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Series 1: Biographical and Historical Files

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- 1/1 Historical File: flyers and other miscellaneous documents about the history of the Sierra Club, the Lone Star Chapter (Texas) and the Galveston Regional Group.
- 1/2 Guest, M. Mason Guest: biographical information about Dr. Guest, including obituary, copies of letters with personal information and other items.

- 1/3 Rudenberg, F. Hermann: biographical information about Dr. Rudenberg, including his obituary and copies of letters with personal information and other items.

Series 2: Correspondence, 1968-1993

Primarily letters by M. Mason Guest and Hermann Rudenberg pertaining to their responses to permit applications and environmental impact statements issued by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the Environmental Protection Agency, the Texas Water Commission and other agencies. The Corps of Engineers is the federal agency that issues the permits for development along the Texas coastline.

This series of correspondence is organized chronologically, though letters do appear in other series in the collection, such as Series 3-5; Legal Records; Subject Files; and the Addendum. This series also includes more general correspondence, including letters from other conservation organizations, notices, memorandums, flyers and other types of communication.

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| 1/6-56 | Correspondence, 1967-1982 |
| 2/1-39 | Correspondence, 1983-1986 |
| 3/1-39 | Correspondence, 1987-1993 |

Series 3: Eckert's Bayou/Pirates Cove Files

Rudenberg gathered letters, clippings, and other items pertinent to the development of the West End of Galveston to lend to a researcher. Mitchell Energy and Development Corp. of the Southwest proposed to build a canal subdivision at Eckert's Bayou and marshland. Property owners in the area filed a suit in 1978 claiming that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers did not require an environmental impact statement prior to issuing the permit in 1976.

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| 3/40 | Correspondence, permit applications; news clippings, and photographs pertaining to the Pirates Cove development. |
| 3/41 | Review of the Eckert's Bayou Documentation, Oct. 6, 1990. |
| 3/42 | Description of area and resolution. |
| 3/43 | Rudenberg's notes and newspaper cartoon. |

Series 4: Incineration At Sea Files

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| 4/1-5 | Correspondence, 1982-1986 |
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- 4/6 Jackie Jacobson (Speech), 1983: "EPA Hearing on Ocean Incineration, Brownsville, Texas Nov. 21, 1983, including a letter and report.
- Environmental Protection Agency Reports
- 4/7 Technical Report Data, 1975: "Disposal of Organochlorine Wastes by Incineration at Sea by T.A. Wastler, Carolyn K. Offut, Charles K. Fitzsimmons, Paul Des Rosiers.
- 4/8 "Report of the Interagency AD HOC Work Group for the Chemical Waste Incinerator Ship Program." September 1980.
- 4/9 *Environmental News*, October 21, 1983.
- 4/10 "Summary of Report Entitled: Monitoring Results and Environmental Impact on the Gulf of Mexico Incineration Site from the Incineration of PCB's under Research Permit HQ 81-002," April 1983
- 4/11 "Background Document on the Tentative Determination to Issue Incineration-At-Sea Permits."
- 4/12 *Environmental News*, 6/1984: Jack E. Ravan announcement to use incineration-at-sea until research plan in place.
- 4/13 "Decision on Ocean Incineration Permits" May 1984.
- 4/14 "DRAFT Incineration-At-Sea Research Strategy," October 1984.
- 4/15 "Marine Protection, Research, and Sanctuaries Act Permit (Incineration-At-Sea) DRAFT". Permit Number: HQ 85-001.
- "Assessment of Incineration as a Treatment Method for Liquid Organic Hazardous Wastes." March 1985**
- 4/16 Background Report 1: Description of Incineration Technology.
- 4/17 Background Report 2: Assessment of Emerging Alternative Technologies
- 4/18 Background Report 3: Assessment of the Commercial Hazardous Waste Incineration Market
- 4/19 Background Report IV: Comparison of Risks from Land-Based and Ocean-Based Incineration
- 4/20 Background Report V: Comparison of Risks from Land-Based and Ocean-Based Incineration, Appendices.
- 4/21 Background Report V: Public Concerns Regarding Land-Based and Ocean-Based Incineration.
- 4/22 Summary and Conclusions
- 4/23 *Public Notice*, 1985: General NPDES Permit.

- 4/24 Federal Register, 1983, 1985.
- 4/25 "Incineration-At-Sea Research Strategy," February, 19, 1985.
- 4/26 "Report on the Incineration of Liquid Hazardous Wastes by the Environmental Effects, Transport and Fate Committee Science Advisory Board. April 1985."
- 4/27 Greenpeace U.S.A: Ocean Incineration Meeting, June 5, 1984.
- 4/28 Coast Alliance: Report from Coast Alliance Board, i.e. Oceanic Society, Greenpeace, December 20, 1985.'
- 4/29 Oceanic Society: Memorandum, December 19, 1985.
- 4/30 Oceanic Society: "Joint Comments of Environmental and Other Citizen Organizations in Response to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's DRAFT Regulations on Ocean Incineration, June 28, 1985.
- 4/31 Science Advisory Board: "Summary and Status of the Report by the Environmental Effects, Transport and Fate Committee Science Advisory Board on the Incineration of Liquid Hazardous Wastes," March 1985.
- 4/32 "Hearing Officer's Report on the Tentative Determination to Issue the Incineration-at-Sea Research Permit, HQ-85-001," Submitted by Patrick M. Tobin, May 1, 1986.
- 4/33 Office of Marine and Estuary Protection: "Assessment of the Impact of Incineration of Chemical Wastes in the Proposed North Atlantic Incineration Site on Endangered and Threatened Species, July 9, 1985.
- 4/34 Office of Water Regulations and Standards: "Summary of Public Comments on the Proposed Ocean Incineration Regulations, November 1985. NOTE: "I am 713" note on title page by Dr. Hermann Rudenberg indicates that his comments in the document are in parentheses as number 713.
- 4/35 JT&A, Inc: "Summary of Public Comments on the Proposed Research Permit for Incineration at Sea to U.S. EPA," April 24, 1986.
- 4/36 USAF School of Aerospace Medicine: "Aerial Measurements of Hydrogen Chloride over the Incinerator Ship Vulcanus," December 1975.
- 4/37 Unattributed Report: "massive hazardous materials disposal problem." No date.
- 4/38 Unattributed Report: "contingency plan", no date.
- 4/39 "Texas Burns," Spring 1984, *Texas Shores*.
- 4/40 Incineration at Sea. Clippings File-miscellaneous.
- 4/41 Photographs: Vulcanus II and configuration drawing.

- 4/42 Resolution: Sierra Club, Lone Star Chapter. "Resolution Concerning Incineration of Hazardous Substances at Sea", July 23, 1983.
4/43 Resolutions
4/44 Map: Incineration at Sea in the Gulf of Mexico

Series 5: McGinnes Industrial Maintenance Corporation Sludge Disposal Pits

The McGinnes Industrial Maintenance Corporation adjacent to West Galveston Bay had been disposing of sludge from Gulf Coast Waste Disposal Authority's Washburn Tunnel Plant since about 1969. The sludge, which is classified as a solid waste, was disposed of without a solid waste disposal permit. In addition, among other contaminants, the sludge contains dioxin, a toxic substance that is by-product of the paper bleaching process used at Simpson Paper Company. The sludge was disposed of in open lagoons near the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway and West Galveston Bay. These records are photocopies sent to the Hermann Rudenberg and the Galveston Sierra Club.

The problem was first discovered on April 24, 1975. McGinnes Corp. was observed conducting unauthorized activity in a wetland area during an aerial reconnaissance by Wildlife Biologist LeRoy W. Carlson of the U.S. Department of the Interior Fish and Wildlife Service. The activity was reported to the Galveston District Corps of Engineers. McGinnes lacked the proper permit for solid waste.

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- 5/1 1975: McGinnes Barge Spill—Correspondence and reports.
5/2 1976: Correspondence (2 items)
5/3 1977: Correspondence
5/4 Permit Application – 12100
5/5 Laboratory Results, June, 1977
5/6 1978: Correspondence
5/7 Effluent Non-Compliance Report, 1978
5/8 Hearing and Notes, December 5, 1978
5/9 Texas Dept. of Water Resources, Annual Report, 1978
5/10 Texas Water Commission, Temporary Order, 1978
5/11 1979: Correspondence
5/12 Effluent Non-Compliance Report, 1979
5/13 1980: Correspondence
5/14 1981: Correspondence

5/15 1982: Correspondence
5/16 Telephone Conversation (Transcription), Nov. 21, 1982 (and other notes)

- 5/17 "Memorandum Supporting Party Status of Bayport Companies
Organization, by Attorneys for the Bayport Companies, Oct. 12, 1982,
before the Texas Water Commission in the Matter of Permit No. 01054.
- 5/18 Report No. 1: "Abatement of Toxic Pollution in West Galveston Bay b y
the Gulf Coast Waste Disposal Authority and McGinnes Industrial
Maintenance Corporation, Prepared by Robert M. Moore & Associates,
Dec. 15, 1982.
- 5/19 Questionnaires for Fishermen, no date. (2 items)
- 5/20 1983: Correspondence
- 5/21 1984: Correspondence
- 5/22 1991: Correspondence, MARCH, 1991
- 5/23 Final Permit Decision, JUNE, 1991
- 5/24 1991: Correspondence, JULY, 1991
- 5/25 News Release, JULY, 17, 1991
- 5/26 Correspondence, AUGUST, 1991
- 5/27 Correspondence, SEPT-OCT, 1991
- 5/28 Correspondence, NOV-DEC, 1991
- 5/29 1992: Correspondence, JAN-MAY, 1992
- 5/30 Correspondence, JUNE, 1992
- 5/31 Correspondence, JULY-DEC, 1992
- 5/32 Closing Arguments in the matter of McGinnes Industrial
Maintenance Corporation, Renewal of Permit No. 01221
- 5/33 Reply Brief of McGinnes Industrial Maintenance Corp., Nov. 1992
- 5/34 1993: Correspondence
- 5/35 Motion for Rehearing, July 1993
- 5/36 Contested PFD Executive Summary for Permit No. 01221
- 5/37 Renewal Permit 01221
- 5/38 Exhibits for McGinnes Renewal Permit
- 5/39 Clippings, 1978-2011
- 5/40 Photographs (3 items)
- Miscellaneous documents, permits, and maps, are grouped at the back of
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Series 6: Galveston Regional Group

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Administrative Records

- 6/1 By-Laws
- 6/2 Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting, 1971-1979 (missing records)
- 6/3 Executive Committee for 1983 (List of names)
- 6/4 Sierra Club Legal Defense Fund, 1981 – Galveston donors
- 6/5 Financial Records
- 6/6 Schedule of Monthly Meetings, 1975-1977

6/7 Events (Coast Week; Incineration at Sea; Off-shore Drilling)
6/8 Armand's Bayou Outing, Mar. 1973
6/9 Sammie Ray Presentation
6/9a Col. Don S. McCoy, Dist. Eng., Dept. of the Army- Remarks
6/10 Membership lists – Galveston Regional District
6/11 Oil Company Addresses
6/12 "Club Oil People" (Mailing List)
6/13 State of Texas mailing addresses
6/14 Friends mailing list
6/15 Letterhead (sample)

Elections

6/16-18 Election ballots and reports, 1971; 1972; 1980; 1991

Committees

6/19 Save Chocolate Bay, Inc.: Letter from Rudenberg with list of trustees
6/20 Executive Committee List, 1972?
6/21 Bikeway Committee, 1973
6/22 Litter Committee, 1971
6/23 Solid Waste Committee, 1971
6/24 Solid Waste Committee, 1972
6/25 Solid Waste Committee: Reports and ordinances, 1971
6/26 Solid Waste Committee: Brochures

Reports

6/27 "Recent Legal Successes" announcement, 1983, regarding Supertanker port in Galveston. The Fifth Court of Appeals held that the Environmental Impact Statement was inadequate. **MISSING**

6/28 Galveston Group Position Statement against establishment of Superport on Texas Coastline, 1975.

6/29 Superport statements for Galveston Island.

6/30 Galveston Group: "Comments about the Possibility of and the Effects of Uncontrolled Expansion of Petrochemical Industries on the Texas Gulf Coast."

6/31 Superport: Club v. James M. Sigler. Deposition of Joseph J. Ackell, 1981

6/32 Superport: "Statement from Galveston Regional Group of Sierra Club at Hearing called by U.S. Corps of Engineers, Jan 13, 1972. Presented by M. Mason Guest.

6/33 Superport: STOP TERMINAL on PELICAN – Fact Sheet, n.d.

- 6/34 Superport: Resolution from Galveston Regional Group regarding the permit application of the Galveston Wharves and Pelican Island Terminal Corp. to dredge the harbor for a Superport, 2/22/1980.
- 6/35 Superport: Proposals, comments, and oral presentations made at various Hearings pertaining to issues about the Superport. Mason Guest made an oral presentation in 1979.
- 6/36 Coast Zone Management: Statement by Mason Guest, 1976.
- 6/37 "Central Cities Development Report: Andy Frost." A statement about Greens Bayou involving a compromise in the development plans suggested by Frost and Rudenberg.
- 6/38 "Summary of Somoe of Reasons Why Sierra Club Members and Other Concerned Citizens Oppose Drilling for Gas Within 3 Mile of Galveston Beaches" by Mason Guest.
- 6/39 Public Hearings: Various reports and newsclippings about Galveston issues.

Series 7: Lone Star Chapter/Coastal Coordinator Files

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General Files

- 6/40 Coordinator Reports: Rudenberg as Coastal Issues Coordinator, including the Includes the Superport/Oil Terminal issue report: "EIS: Use of inadequate models and erroneous interpretation of results. Inadequate description of physical setting. Inappropriate response to comments. Inadequate evaluation of alternatives." Dec. 15, 1980.
- 6/41 Executive Committee Meetings Minutes, 1970-1972
- 6/42 Coordinators Reports, 1979-1987 (missing reports)
- 6/43 Sierra Club-Lone Star Chapter Bylaws
- 6/44 Sierra Club: Coastal Committee (National committee)

Issue Reports and Resolutions

- 6/45 "Marine Conservation Programs: A Sierra Club Discussion Document to the Sierra Club Foundation" by Eugene V. Coan.
- 6/46 1975: "Schwartz's Superport Bills are Environmental Nightmares" by Robert M. Moore, April 18, 1975.
- 6/47 1979: Resolution: "Deep Draft Channel Dredging and Oil Terminal Construction, Galveston," May 23, 1979.
- 6/48 Resolution: "Regarding the Texas Coastal Management Program," May 20, 1979
- 6/49 1980: Comments regarding Dune Ordinances, by Rudenberg, August 26, 1980.
- 6/50 Resolution: "Pertaining to the East and West Banks of the Flower Gardens Coral Reefs and EPA Action Concerning Issuance of NPDES Discharge Permits for Oil & Gas Drilling Activities," July 19, 1980.

- 6/51 Nomination: Babe Schwartz, Sierra Club Distinguished Service Award, Dec. 19, 1980.
- 6/52 1982: Environmental Indictment re: Flower Garden Banks Marine Sanctuary, et al, August 11, 1982.
- 6/53 1983: "Recent Legal Successes" March 23, 1983. Pertains to the Galveston supertanker port. The environmental impact statement was inadequate.
- 6/54 Coast Week: Resolution and Proclamations, October 1983
- 6/55 Incineration of Hazardous Substances at Sea: Resolution
- 6/56 Corps of Engineer 404 Permitting Process: Resolution
- 6/57 1984: The Latest Corps of Engineers Boondoggle, Jan. 5, 1984, by Hermann Rudenberg.
- 6/58 Matagorda Island: 5 year management plan, April 1984.
- 6/59 Solid Waste Management, by Ken Kramer. July 1984
- 6/60 MOTCO Superfund Site, La Marque, Texas: Comments related to the Nov. 27 Public Meeting, by Hermann Rudenberg.
- 6/61 Texas Coastal & Marine Council: Testimony to Texas Sunset Advisory Commission, Oct. 3, 1984, by Hermann Rudenberg.
- 6/62 1985: Compound 1080: Resolution, November 16, 1985.
- 6/63 1986: Multipurpose Deepwater Port and Crude Oil Distribution System at Galveston, Texas. Comments concerning DRAFT Supplement to Final Environmental Impact Statement, February 8, 1986, by Hermann Rudenberg to Colonel Gordon M. Clark, District Engineer, Corps of Engineers.
- 6/64 Galveston Bay Navigation Study, December 12, 1986. Letter from Rudenberg to Colonel Gordon M. Clarke, Corps of Engineers.
- 6/65 1987: Violation of NEPA by Corps of Engineers re: Galveston Bay Navigation Study: Resolution, May 4, 1987.
- 6/66 Coastal Barrier Resources Act Revision: Testimony at Public Hearing, Gilchrist, Texas, June 9, 1987.
- 6/67 Padre Island: Statement by Ken Kramer, re: Development of Permanent School Fund Lands on Padre Island (Packery Channel Area), Nov. 3, 1987.
- 6/68 1988: Criteria for Hazardous Waste Incinerators: comments by Ken Kramer before the Texas Water Commission, Feb. 12, 1988.
- 6/69 1989: Coastal Management Plan – Resolution, Feb. 9, 1989.
- 6/69a 1990: Texas Copper Corporation: Presentation by Rudenberg to U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, May 22, 1990
- 6/70 Grant Proposal: "Preliminary Brief Resume of a Grant Proposal to U.S. Navy", n.d.
- 6/71 Photographs: Aerial view of proposed Oil terminal on Pelican Island; snapshots of Laffite monument; wetlands aerial view near Holiday Beach property.

Lone Star Chapter – Other Regional Organizations

- 6/72 Houston Regional Group
- 6/73 Lower Rio Grande Valley Regional Group

Series 8: Legal Cases

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- 7/1 **Congregation of the Westminster Presbyterian Church, Galveston, 1971:**
"Resolution to Petition the Galveston City Council, the Zoning Commission, and the Planning Commission." They protest the zoning changes proposed for the Fort Crockett area from "Retail District" to "Planned Development District."
- 7/2 **Galveston Solid Waste Disposal System, 1971:** Recommendations from the Galveston City Council and a draft contract for disposal waste contractor.
- 7/3-5 **Galveston (City) Revisions in Drilling Ordinances (Proposal), 1977:**
Letter with proposal sent to Hermann Rudenberg for review by Joseph D. Nadon, Director of Planning and Traffic. Also includes comments and list of recommendations by the League of Women Voters, September 1971.
- 7/6-14 **Oil Terminal on Pelican Island, 1974-1982:** Sierra Club, et al. vs. James M. Sigler (Corps of Engineers), Pelican Terminal Company and Galveston Wharves. Proposed dredging and development of a super port oil terminal for the largest tankers to be located on Pelican Island, near Galveston.
- 7/15-29 **Galveston West Bay (Eckert's Bayou and Pirates Cove), 1978-1984:**
Eva Fritiofson, et al. v. Clifford Alexander, Jr., Secretary of the Army, et al. Case: Mitchell Development Corporation proposed a canal and housing development on the west end of Galveston in the Eckert's Bayou area. With the pro bono help of local attorney and Sierran, Bob Moore, the court ordered the Corps of Engineers to prepare a more cumulative Environmental Impact Statement. Includes handwritten notes (probably by Rudenberg) on the testimony of Dr. David Basco, 1978.
- 7/30 **Oil Terminal on Pelican Island, 1980:** Murphy Scurry, Sally Fish, and Mason Guest vs. Texas Air Control Bd. An appeal to the Texas Air Control Boards Order 79-15 issued permits to the Pelican Terminal Corporation to construct the oil terminal. The plaintiffs' appeal is based on the resulting air pollution problems.
- 7/31 **Houston Lighting and Power Company (Robinson Generating Station), 1983:**
re: application permit for waste discharge into Galveston Bay. The discharge is hot enough to kill shrimp, oysters and other small fish.

- 7/32 **The Open Beaches Act:** Effects of Hurricane Alicia on private property ownership on the front lines, 1983. A letter from attorney Robert Moore to homeowner. Includes copies of House bills pertaining to the open beaches.
- 7/33 **Hazardous Waste Disposal, ca. 1985:** House Bill 2358 proposes to amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act before the Texas Legislature.

Series 9: Publications

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Publications: Galveston Regional Group

- 8/1 Newsletter, Galveston Regional Group, March 1971-May 1978
- 8/2 Newsletter, Galveston Regional Group, October 1980-March 1983
- 8/3 [Newsletter], Galveston Regional Group, Oct-Nov. 1990-Jan. 1991

Galveston Regional Group: Press Releases & Letters to the Editor

- 8/4 Press Releases by Corps of Engineers, 1975, re: dredged material.
- 8/5 Press Releases, 1970s
- 8/6 Press Releases, 1980s
- 8/7 Press Releases, 1990s
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- 8/13 Chocolate Bayou Dredging
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- 8/15 Bicycles
- 8/16 Proposed Fish Meal Plant on Pelican Island, 1988
- 8/17 Galveston Beaches, etc.
- 8/18 Mason Guest "Opinion Column," Galveston Daily News
- 8/19 Mitchell George: (See also: Pirates Cove)
- 8/20 Oil
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8/27	Pirate's Cove: Indian burial site
8/28	Pollution
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Publications - Lone Star Chapter

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8/42	<i>Sierra Capitol Report</i> , Lone Star Chapter, Sept. 18, 1985
8/43	<i>The Austin Sierran</i> , March 1973
8/44	<i>Bayou Banner</i> (Nov. 1985)
8/45	<i>Range of Light</i> (July 1973), South Texas Group

Publications – Other Organizations

8/46	U.S. Army. Corps of Engineers (Galveston). <i>Hydrographic Bulletin</i>
8/47	<i>OILLETTER</i> , Jan. 1974, re: "Superport Bill."
8/48	U.S. Army. Corps of Engineers. Waterways Experiment Station. <i>Enviromental Effects of Dredging</i> , 1988-1990
	<i>WOTS/Water Operations Technical Support</i> , 1987-1989

Brochures

8/49	Galveston: various maps, brochures and a packet about Galveston Island.
8/50	"Port Pelican: A Commercial, Industrial, Residential, Recreational Development on Pelican Island," produced by Mitchell-Mitchell-Dobbins Land Company as a promotional piece.
8/51	Galveston Seawall: "Hurricanes Design Seawalls"; "Bullwark of Protection"; "The Galveston Seawall."
8/52	"Galveston Bay," NOAA produced, Executive Summary.

- 8/53 Floods: Brochures on floods pertaining to various locations: Buffalo Bayou; Cedar Bayou; Chocolate Bayou; Clear Creek; Dickinson Bayou; Greens & Halls Bayous; Texas City/La Marque/Hitchcock. Produced by Corps of Engineers.
- 8/54 Flyer: "Shore Erosion: Public Meetings To Discuss Gulf Beach and Bay Shoreline Erosion Problems in Galveston County and at Surfside Beach near Freport, Texas," Nov-Dec. 1976. Corps of Engineers, Galveston.
- 8/55 U.S. Army. Corps of Engineers:
 "The National Shoreline Study," Aug. 1973.
 "Map of Water Resources Development Projects, July 1971
 "Map of Water Resources Development Projects," Dec. 1973
 "The Galveston District: One of the nation's Oldest"
 "Flood Plain – Handle with Care!"
 "U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the Environment," Oct. 1976
 "Water Resources Development in Texas"
 "Gulf Intracoastal Waterway
- 8/56 "The Gulf Coast of Texas," published by the General Land Office of Texas.

Series 10: Permit Applications

The bulk of this series consists of permit applications issued by the U.S. Army. Corps of Engineers, arranged in numerical order by the number assigned to the application. There are also computer print outs of compilations of approved permits.

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- 9-10 ` Permit Applications: 2000 to 19900
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 Bicycle Wednesdays, 1979
 Big Thicket, 1971, 1973
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 Bikeways (2 Folders), 1973
 Bikeways (Revised Proposal), 1973
 Bill: Related to issuance of certain bonds by coastal cities
 Brazos River Basin

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- Canals, Waterfront
 Carbon Black (Carcinogens), Background & Research (4 folders)
 Cedar Bayou Electric Generating Station (Houston Light & Power)
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