**RESTORE ACT Direct Component Multiyear Plan Narrative**

**Department of the Treasury**

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**Directions:  Use this form for the Initial Multiyear Plan and any subsequent amendments to an accepted Multiyear Plan.  For amendments, include only new and/or materially modified activities.**

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| Multiyear Plan Version (Initial or Amendment Number): | Initial |
| Date of Initial Multiyear Plan Acceptance: | n/a |
| Date of Last Multiyear Plan Acceptance: | n/a |

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| Eligible Applicant Name: | Franklin County Florida, Board of County Commissioners |
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| NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION: |
| 1. A description of each activity, including the need, purpose, objective(s), milestones and location. Include map showing the location of each activity. |
| It is the intention of the Board of County Commissioners and staff of Franklin County, Florida to implement two (2) projects in the direct coastal areas of the Gulf of Mexico within the jurisdictional borders of Franklin County. These projects will provide benefits related to infrastructure, planning, and restoration and protection of natural resources. The projects will be performed beginning in November 2019 and running through October 2020. These two (2) projects which will impact all over Franklin County are described below.  **Project 1: County-Wide Dune Restoration**  Need: In Franklin County’s coastal communities, including St. George Island residential area, the Carrabelle Beach area, Alligator Point, and Bald Point, the beach and dune system are the first line of defense from storms and in many places need re-building. This area, which is approximately 16 miles, has been damaged by several recent hurricanes, so much so that most of the dune system has been leveled in certain areas. The beach dune community on Alligator Point is generally in poor condition and/or completely absent in certain areas of dune stabilizing sea oats. Continued erosion of the County’s beached and the anticipated construction of structures on Alligator Point would result in further loss of habitat and eventually loss of vegetated dune areas. The typical shoreline habitat on Alligator Point has completely been compromised of a relatively low elevation primary dune and a narrow berm. This area would not include Dog Island because it is within a CBRA Zone, and it would not include dune restoration of any State lands, which would be St. George Island State Park and St. Vincent Island, which is a national wildlife preserve.  Purpose: The purpose of this project is to identify the needs, research, survey, and suggest solutions with estimated costs for the rebuilding and stabilization of dunes throughout Franklin County, approximately 16 miles.  Milestones: 1. Prepare scope of services. 2. Prepare bid package meeting U.S. Treasury specifications and solicit bids. 3. Select contractor and award Contract Agreement. 4. Performance of countywide dune restoration construction contract. 5. File periodic project status reports to Grantor. 6. Complete project closeout and file report with Treasury.  Location: Approximately sixteen (16) miles of coastal area in the St. George Island residential area, the Carrabelle Beach area, Alligator Point, and Bald Point. This area does not include Dog Island because it is within a CBRA Zone, and it would not include dune restoration of any State lands, which would be St. George Island State Park and St. Vincent Island, which is a national wildlife preserve. Please see map for Project 1.  **Project 2: St. George Island Storm water Drainage Improvement**  Need: The commercial district on St. George Island, which runs from 3rd St. East to 3rd St. West, from Gorrie Drive to Bayshore Drive, has an existing storm water pond that provides treatment to approximately 25% of the area, however the facility is quickly approaching capacity. None of the streets in the commercial district have any Swales, therefore this plan will require a feasibility study considering all the businesses use the County right of way for parking, or if another means of treating storm water is necessary. All storm water ultimately flows to the bay; however, the area is near sea-level presenting the challenge of where to develop the treatment capacity. The appeal of the quaint commercial area has led to the increased desirability of the commercial area of St. George Island and there are several proposed developments underway that will increase the population, increase demand for commercial development, and therefore potentially increase storm water runoff as spaces that have previously been undeveloped become developed.  Purpose: The purpose of this project is to identify the needs, research, survey, and suggest solutions with estimated costs for the construction of additional storm water treatment facilities or treatment methods to be developed in the commercial district of St. George Island. This proposed project will create greater capacity for storm water treatment as current facilities are near capacity.  Milestones: 1. Prepare scope of services. 2. Prepare bid package meeting U.S. Treasury specifications and solicit bids. 3. Select contractor and award Contract Agreement. 4. Performance of countywide dune restoration construction contract. 5. File periodic project status reports to Grantor. 6. Complete project closeout and file report with Treasury.  Location: The commercial district on St. George Island, which runs from 3rd St. East to 3rd St. West, from Gorrie Drive to Bayshore Drive, and covers approximately 70 acres. Please see map for Project 2. |
| 2. How the applicant made the multiyear plan available for 45 days for public review and comment, in a manner calculated to obtain broad-based participation from individuals, businesses, Indian tribes, and non-profit organizations, such as through public meetings, presentations in languages other than English, and postings on the Internet. The applicant will need to submit documentation (e.g., a copy of public notices) to demonstrate that it made its multiyear plan available to the public for at least 45 days. In addition, describe how each activity in the multiyear plan was approved after consideration of all meaningful input from the public and submit documentation (e.g., a letter from the applicant's leadership approving submission of the multiyear plan to Treasury or a resolution approving the applicant's multiyear plan). |
| The Franklin County Board of County Commissioners will review and would anticipate approval the Draft Multiyear Implementation Plan (MYP) at their regularly scheduled meeting June 18, 2019. Public comments are allowed and is common practice at all County Commission Meetings. At that point Franklin County will begin the solicitation process for public input and comments on the Draft Multiyear Implementation Plan. Any County Commissioner and/or citizen comments expressed at the BOCC meeting will be properly reflected in the MYP prior to beginning the public comment period.  The document will be made available to the public for review and comment no later than June 25, 2019 until August 9, 2019 (a 45-day period).  The Franklin County Board of County Commissioners published NOTICE that the Draft MYP was available for the Public’s review and comment during the 45-day period at the following locations:   * The Franklin County Courthouse, 33 Market Street, Apalachicola, Florida 32320 * The Franklin County Courthouse Annex, 912 N.W. Avenue A, Carrabelle, Florida, 32322 * Franklin County Website at <https://www.franklincountyflorida.com>   Comments can be emailed to Alan Pierce, Director of Administrative Services, at alanp@franklincountyflorida.com  Comments may also be mailed to:  Michael Moron, County Coordinator  34 Forbes St.  Apalachicola, FL 32320  Comments received during the 45-day period will be reviewed and addressed in the final MYP submitted to U.S. Treasury. |
| 3. How each activity included in the applicant's multiyear plan narrative meets all the requirements under the RESTORE Act, including a description of how each activity is eligible for funding based on the geographic location of each activity and how each activity qualifies for at least one of the eligible activities under the RESTORE Act. |
| **Project 1: County-wide Dune Restoration**  **Primary Eligible Activity:** Restoration and protection of the natural resources, ecosystems, fisheries, marine and wildlife habitats, beaches, and coastal wetlands of the Gulf Coast Region. Dune restoration will protect coastal areas against further erosion caused by hurricanes, storm surges, and other natural weather-related occurrences.  **Geographic Requirement:** Approximately sixteen (16) miles of coastal area in the St. George Island residential area, the Carrabelle Beach area, Alligator Point, and Bald Point. This area does not include Dog Island because it is within a CBRA Zone, and it would not include dune restoration of any State lands, which would be St. George Island State Park and St. Vincent Island, which is a national wildlife preserve. Please see map for Project 1.  **Project 2: St George Island Storm water Drainage Improvement**  **Primary Eligible Activity:** Infrastructure projects benefitting the economy or ecological resources, including port infrastructure. Expanding storm water drainage capacity is necessary as the current storm water drainage facility is near capacity. Similarly, the commercial area is near sea-level presenting the challenge of where to construct a storm water drainage facility. The commercial district of St. George Island is anticipated to see further development in the near future, necessitating additional storm water drainage capacity.  **Geographic Requirement: Location:** The commercial district on St. George Island, which runs from 3rd St. East to 3rd St. West, from Gorrie Drive to Bayshore Drive, and covers approximately 70 acres. Please see map for Project 2. |
| 4. Criteria the applicant will use to evaluate the success of the activities included in the multiyear plan narrative in helping to restore and protect the Gulf Coast Region impacted by the Deepwater Horizon oil spill. |
| **Project 1: County-wide Dune Restoration**  Project success will be measured by:   1. Procurement of a qualified consultant (an environmental engineering firm) to prepare the feasibility study and plan with preliminary cost estimates. 2. Deliverable of a plan which will study the area, feasibility of the project, and provide a high-level overview of solutions. 3. Completion of the study and production of the plan with preliminary cost estimates within twelve (12) months.   **Project 2: St. George Island Storm water Drainage Improvement**  Project success will be measured by:   1. Procurement of a qualified consultant (an environmental engineering firm) to prepare the feasibility study and plan with preliminary cost estimates. 2. Deliverable of a plan which will study the area, feasibility of the project, and provide a high-level overview of solutions. 3. Completion of the study and production of the plan with preliminary cost estimates within twelve (12) months. |
| 5. How the activities included in the multiyear plan narrative were prioritized and list the criteria used to establish the priorities. |
| The specific ranking in order of priority of the two (2) projects which are being proposed are based on historical data of need and utilization by all parts of the economy and citizens. The projected dates for implementation are based on project readiness and the availability of Direct Component Funds. In light of the devastating Hurricane Michael, which struck in October 2018, it has been determined the County-wide Dune Restoration project will take first priority in order to protect coastal areas against further erosion caused by hurricanes, storm surges, and other natural weather-related occurrences. The second priority is the Storm water Drainage Improvement project. The projected dates for implementation are based on readiness and the availability of Direct Component Funds.  Priority #1: Project 1, County-wide Dune Restoration  Priority #2: Project 2, St. George Island Storm water Drainage Improvement |
| 6. If applicable, describe the amount and current status of funding from other sources (e.g., other RESTORE Act contribution, other third party contribution) and provide a description of the specific portion of the project to be funded by the RESTORE Act Direct Component. |
| This initial Multiyear Implementation Plan necessitates planning grants for two (2) separate priority projects, which do not need any other funding sources or partners. It will be 100% funded by RESTORE Act Direct Component funding.  Project 1, County-wide Dune Restoration: Direct Component Contribution $110,000.00 which includes the cost of a planning consultant, grant writing services, and grant management activities.  Project 2, St. George Island Storm water Drainage Improvement: Direct Component Contribution $110,000.00 which includes the cost of a planning consultant, grant writing services, and grant management activities. |