

## The Florida Senate

# Local Funding Initiative Request Fiscal Year 2019-2020

LFIR#: 2422

1. Title of Project: Mexico Beach Hurricane Michael Beach Recovery

Senate Sponsor: George Gainer
 Date of Submission: 03/13/2019

#### 4. Project/Program Description:

One-time only beach restoration of the entire 3 miles of Mexico Beach shoreline from the Mexico Beach Channel to the Gulf County line. The placement of 1.25 million cubic yards of beach quality sand will re-establish a significant dune as well as partial berm, providing critically-needed upland storm protection and economic storm-damage recovery benefits. Future planned maintenance events may be eligible for state cost-sharing under Florida's Local Government Funding Assistance Program, pursuant to sec.161.101. This emergency project, as proposed, is not intended to be funded as part of the traditional annual statewide beach management program. After further investigation and identification of a sand source/borro area, final construction costs can be further refined in consultation with the Department of Environmental Protection. Matching local (Restore), federal (FEMA) and private dollars to reduce the state exposure as part of this request will be sought aggressively.

**5. State Agency to receive requested funds :** Department of Environmental Protection State Agency Contacted? Yes

#### 6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2019-2020

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	
Fixed Capital Outlay	25,000,000
Total State Funds Requested	25,000,000

#### 7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percent
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	25,000,000	100.0%
Federal		0.0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)		0.0%
Local		0.0%
Other		0.0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2019-2020	25,000,000	100.0%

#### 8. Has this project previously received state funding? No

Fiscal Year	Amount		Specific	
(yyyy-yy)	Recurring	NonRecurring	Appropriation #	Vetoed

9. Is future-year funding likely to be requested? No



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#### 10. Details on how the requested state funds will be expended

Spending Category	Description	Amount			
Administrative Costs:					
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and					
Benefits					
Other Salary and Benefits					
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other					
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study					
Operational Costs:					
Salary and Benefits					
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other					
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study					
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:					
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning	Design, permitting, ECL, easements Sad Search Investigation	25,000,000			
Engineering	Mobilization				
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)					

#### 11. Program Performance:

a. What is the specific purpose or goal that will be achieved by the funds requested?

Full restoration of the severely impacted shoreline of Mexico Beach. It will provide physical and economic justification for the redevelopment and revitalization of the community, grow local and state revenues, help to restore property values, encourage tourism, and provide jobs. These immediate economic benefits are further supported by storm damage reduction.

- b. What are the activities and services that will be provided to meet the intended purpose of these funds?
  The target population is those individuals that have worked
- c. What are the direct services to be provided to citizens by the appropriations project?

Future storm damage protection in this critically-impacted area. The restored beach will be the focal point for community recovery in a relatively rural setting as well as an economic stimulus for the County and region. Adequate provision of future storm protection is a specific public safety issue that must be addressed for prudent redevelopment.

d. Who is the target population served by this project? How many individuals are expected to be served?

The target population is those individuals that have worked and lived in Mexico Beach prior to Hurricane Michael and want to maintain or reestablish their residency as well as the many individuals that travel to and vacation in the area throughout the year. The proposed major beach restoration project is a necessary catalyst to make this happen and a key consideration.

e. What is the expected benefit or outcome of this project? What is the methodology by which this outcome will be measured?

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Reestablish the economic benefits of a healthy beach to the community in terms of Tourist Development Tax and beach-related sales tax collections. Provide employment opportunities and provide substantial storm damage protection to upland development and infrastructure.

f. What are the suggested penalties that the contracting agency may consider in addition to its standard penalties for failing to meet deliverables or performance measures provided for in the contract?

Without percentage of contracted funding. Florida's coastal communities in cooperation with the State, and in many instances the Federal government, have over 229 miles of sandy beaches under managed erosion control projects and have a well-established contracting process and successful cooperative reporting and monitoring program. This includes Bay.

12. The owner(s) of the facility to receive, directly or indirectly, any fixed capital outlay funding. Include the relationship between the owner(s) of the facility and the entity.

The land created by this restoration project is publicly-owned, state sovereign land.

13. Requestor Contact Information:

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#### 14. Recipient Contact Information:

a. Organization: Bay County Board of County Commissioners

**b. County:** Bay

c. Organization Type:

O For Profit

O Non Profit 501(c) (3)

O Non Profit 501(c) (4)

Local Entity

O University or College

O Other (Please specify)

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