



# United States Department of the Interior

U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY  
Lower Mississippi-Gulf Water Science Center  
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Nashville, TN 37211

July 21, 2025

Ms. Danon Smith  
Deputy Director  
Baldwin County Commission  
23100 McAuliffe Dr.  
Robertsdale, AL 36567

Dear Ms. Smith:

This is our standard joint-funding agreement between the U.S. Geological Survey Lower Mississippi-Gulf Water Science Center and Baldwin County Commission for the operation and maintenance of stream gages (see attachment), during the period October 1, 2025, through September 30, 2026, in the amount of \$89,670 from your agency. Please sign and return one fully executed original to My-Chae May at [gs-w-lmg\\_agreements@usgs.gov](mailto:gs-w-lmg_agreements@usgs.gov) or 3535 S. Sherwood Forest Blvd. Suite 120, Baton Rouge, LA 70816.

Federal law requires that we have a signed agreement before we start or continue work. Please return the signed agreement by **October 1, 2025**. If, for any reason, the agreement cannot be signed and returned, please contact Shannon Williams at (615) 837-4755 or email [swilliam@usgs.gov](mailto:swilliam@usgs.gov) to make alternative arrangements.

This is a fixed cost agreement to be billed quarterly via Down Payment Request (automated Form DI-1040). Please allow 30-days from the end of the billing period for issuance of the bill. If you experience any problems with your invoice(s), please contact My-Chae May at phone number (225) 298-5481 or [gs-w-lmg\\_budget\\_finance\\_team@usgs.gov](mailto:gs-w-lmg_budget_finance_team@usgs.gov).

The results of all work performed under this agreement will be available for publication by the U.S. Geological Survey. We look forward to continuing this and future cooperative efforts in these mutually beneficial water resources studies.

Sincerely,

Todd Baumann  
Acting Director, LMG Water Science Center

Enclosure  
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U.S. Department of the Interior  
U.S. Geological Survey  
Joint Funding Agreement  
FOR  
Water Resource Investigations

Customer #: [REDACTED]  
Agreement #: [REDACTED]  
Project #: [REDACTED]  
TIN #: [REDACTED]

Fixed Cost Agreement YES[ X ] NO[ ]

THIS AGREEMENT is entered into as of October 1, 2025, by the U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, Lower Mississippi-Gulf Water Science Center, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, party of the first part, and the Baldwin County Commission party of the second part.

1. The parties hereto agree that subject to the availability of appropriations and in accordance with their respective authorities there shall be maintained in cooperation for the operation and maintenance of stream gages (see attachment), herein called the program. The USGS legal authority is 43 USC 36C; 43 USC 50, and 43 USC 50b.

2. The following amounts shall be contributed to cover all of the cost of the necessary field and analytical work directly related to this program. 2(b) include In-Kind-Services in the amount of \$0.00

- (a) \$0 by the party of the first part during the period  
October 1, 2025, to September 30, 2026
- (b) \$89,670 by the party of the second part during the period  
October 1, 2025, to September 30, 2026
- (c) Contributions are provided by the party of the first part through other USGS regional or national programs, in the amount of: \$0

Description of the USGS regional/national program:

- (d) Additional or reduced amounts by each party during the above period or succeeding periods as may be determined by mutual agreement and set forth in an exchange of letters between the parties.
- (e) The performance period may be changed by mutual agreement and set forth in an exchange of letters between the parties.

3. The costs of this program may be paid by either party in conformity with the laws and regulations respectively governing each party.

4. The field and analytical work pertaining to this program shall be under the direction of or subject to periodic review by an authorized representative of the party of the first part.

5. The areas to be included in the program shall be determined by mutual agreement between the parties hereto or their authorized representatives. The methods employed in the field and office shall be those adopted by the party of the first part to insure the required standards of accuracy subject to modification by mutual agreement.

6. During the course of this program, all field and analytical work of either party pertaining to this program shall be open to the inspection of the other party, and if the work is not being carried on in a mutually satisfactory manner, either party may terminate this agreement upon 60 days written notice to the other party.

7. The original records resulting from this program will be deposited in the office of origin of those records. Upon request, copies of the original records will be provided to the office of the other party.

8. The maps, records or reports resulting from this program shall be made available to the public as promptly as possible. The maps, records or reports normally will be published by the party of the first part. However, the party of the second part reserves the right to publish the results of this program, and if already published by the party of the first part shall, upon request, be furnished by the party of the first part, at cost, impressions suitable for purposes of reproduction similar to that for which the original copy was prepared. The maps, records or reports published by either party shall contain a statement of the cooperative relations between the parties. The Parties acknowledge that scientific information and data developed as a result of the Scope of Work (SOW) are subject to applicable USGS review, approval, and release requirements, which are available on the USGS Fundamental Science Practices website (<https://www.usgs.gov/office-of-science-quality-and-integrity/fundamental-science-practices>).

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Water Resource Investigations

9. Billing for this agreement will be rendered quarterly. Invoices not paid within 60 days from the billing date will bear Interest, Penalties, and Administrative cost at the annual rate pursuant the Debt Collection Act of 1982, (codified at 31 U.S.C. § 3717) established by the U.S. Treasury.

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U.S. Geological Survey  
United States  
Department of Interior

Baldwin County Commission

Signature

By 

Date: 07/21/2025

Name: Todd Baumann

Title: Acting Director, LMG Water Science Center

Signatures

By \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name:

Title:

By \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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By \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Title:

Baldwin County Commission

Attachment for 26MLJFAALDA027\_Draft  
2025-10-01 to 2026-09-30

SURFACE WATER

SITE	Collection Description	FUNDS		
		USGS	COOP	TOTAL
02377560	STYX R NR LOXLEY, AT SMITHS SIDING, ALA Stage, Continuous		\$8,440	\$8,440
02377750	STYX RIVER AT SEMINOLE, ALA Stage, Continuous		\$8,440	\$8,440
02378185	INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY - GULF SHORES, AL. Full Range Streamflow - AVM		\$26,440	\$26,440
02378300	MAGNOLIA RIVER AT US 98 NEAR FOLEY, ALABAMA Full Range Streamflow Station		\$17,100	\$17,100
0237854520	FISH RIVER NEAR MARLOW, AL Discharge, Continuous, Full Range, ADVN		\$26,440	\$26,440
Total:			\$86,860	\$86,860

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CLIMATE

SITE	Collection Description	FUNDS		
		USGS	COOP	TOTAL
02378500 FISH RIVER NEAR SILVER HILL AL	Precipitation, Continuous		\$2,810	\$2,810
Total:			\$2,810	\$2,810
GRAND TOTAL:			\$89,670	\$89,670