

May 16, 2023

Ms. Jackie McGonigal
Wind and Water Learning Center
City of Orange Beach
36233 Canal Road
Orange Beach, Alabama 36561

RE: Letter of Support for ADEM 319 Grant

Dear Ms. McGonigal:

I am writing on behalf of the Baldwin County Commission to express our support for your pursuit of an *ADEM 319 Grant for Implementing Nature Based Stormwater Solutions at the Orange Beach Wind and Water Learning Center*. The project involves the implementation of nonpoint source Best Management Practices that will be technically sound, environmentally protective, and economically sensible to protect and improve water quality using a watershed or ecosystem-based conservation and restoration approach. The project will mitigate CWA Section 319 (h) NPS program priority pollutants. This exciting work will involve the installation of permeable pavers, rain gardens, bioswales, etc. which will be beneficial for protecting and improving the water quality of Wolf Bay.

The County's Natural Resource Planner and Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC) will work with you to reach your project's objectives. The EAC has agreed to serve as the stakeholder and community outreach group for your project. During the monthly EAC meetings, the committee will review and make suggestions for the project.

Baldwin County looks forward to partnering on this project and continuing our role as wise stewards of Baldwin County's natural resources.

If you have any questions or need further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact Ashley Campbell, Natural Resource Planner, at (251) 423-3632.

Sincerely,

CHARLES F. GRUBER, Chairman
Baldwin County Commission

CG/jb Item

cc: Matthew Brown
Ashley Campbell