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Baldwin County Commission Attn: Ron Cink 312 Courthouse Square, Suite 12 Bay Minette, AL 36507

Dear Mr. Cink,

We are excited to announce the hiring of our Baldwin County Watershed Management Coordinator, Casey Fulford. Her effective date of hire was June 4, 2018. Casey holds a Bachelor of Science in Biology from Florida State University. She is originally from Miami, FL. She will be working closely with the vast network of agencies to seek funding and implement projects throughout the Weeks Bay Watershed to improve water quality and build awareness for this ecosystem.

Previously, Fulford was a Project Coordinator for the Northern Gulf of Mexico Sentinel Site Cooperative stationed at the Dauphin Island Sea Lab. There her work focused on community resilience to sea-level rise and climate change. Most notably, Fulford coordinated projects that will synthesize information for living shoreline implementation and communicate successful approaches to community resilience through case study videos. She also supported efforts of the Cooperative through her GIS skills, acting as the GIS specialist for the Sentinel Site Program.

Casey has gained a variety of experiences through diverse internships in the northern Gulf. She has worked on oyster husbandry, sea-level rise observing infrastructure, meeting and facilitation, and marine debris identification. She is excited to bring her previous experiences and network with her as she begins to tackle priority projects identified in the Weeks Bay Watershed Management Plan.

Please accept this letter as a request for the **\$41,500.00** appropriated through fiscal year 2018 budget. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Rhonda Bryars, District Administrative Coordinator, (251) 937-3297, Ext 3.

Sincerely,

W.H. Penry

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