



Baldwin County Commission

Legislation Text

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From: Joey Nunnally P.E., County Engineer
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ITEM TITLE

Kelly Pit Mitigation Site - Submittal of Grant Request to Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources for GOMESA Funds

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Approve the Baldwin County Commission, through its' Highway Department, to submit a grant application to the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (ADCNR) for \$13,557,500.00 Gulf of Mexico Energy Security Act (GOMESA) funds allocated to Coastal Alabama.

The awarded funds would be used by the Baldwin County Commission to convert existing dirt pits into constructed wetlands and regional detention ponds to improve water quality and to mitigate flooding in the Magnolia River watershed.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Previous Commission action/date: N/A

Background: The Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (ADCNR), State Lands Division (SLD), is accepting project suggestions for activities and programs to be funded through the Alabama Gulf of Mexico Energy Security Act Program. The Gulf of Mexico Energy Security Act (GOMESA) was enacted by Congress in 2006 and significantly enhances Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) oil and gas leasing activities and revenue sharing in the Gulf of Mexico.

This project will seek to utilize constructed wetlands in conjunction with regional detention for mitigation of flooding and improving resilience against future flooding resulting from sea level rise in the Magnolia River sub-watershed.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Total cost of recommendation: \$13,557,500.00 of grant funds if approved by the Alabama Governor and ADCNR

Budget line item(s) to be used: TBD

If this is not a budgeted expenditure, does the recommendation create a need for funding?

TBD

LEGAL IMPACT

Is legal review necessary for this staff recommendation and related documents?

N/A

Reviewed/approved by: N/A

Additional comments: N/A

ADVERTISING REQUIREMENTS

Is advertising required for this recommendation? N/A

If the proof of publication affidavit is not attached, list the reason: N/A

FOLLOW UP IMPLEMENTATION

For time-sensitive follow up, select deadline date for follow up: N/A

Individual(s) responsible for follow up: Highway Department Staff, and Katrina Taylor

Action required (list contact persons/addresses if documents are to be mailed or emailed):

Highway Department Staff complete GOMESA Project Submittal Format. Katrina Taylor submit project grant request via online portal to:

gomesa@dcnr.alabama.gov
State Lands Division
c/o Jeremiah Kolb
31115 Five Rivers Blvd
Spanish Fort, Alabama 36527

Additional instructions/notes: N/A