



Baldwin County Commission

Legislation Text

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From: Zach Hood, EMA Director and Joey Nunnally, County Engineer

Submitted by: Danon Smith, EMA Planning & Grants Coordinator

ITEM TITLE

Fiscal Year 2021 Joint Funding Agreement between the Baldwin County Commission and the U.S. Geological Survey

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Take the following actions:

- 1) Approve the annual U.S. Department of the Interior U.S. Geological Survey Joint Funding Agreement for Water Resources Investigations between the Baldwin County Commission and the U.S. Department of the Interior U.S. Geological Survey in the amount of \$31,400.00 to be funded by the Baldwin County Commission. This funding provides for the continued operation of the continuous-record stage gauging stations at Magnolia River at U.S. Highway 98 near Foley, Styx River at County Road 64 near Loxley, Styx River at Seminole, and a continuous-record rain gauge at Fish River near Silverhill; and
- 2) Authorize the Chairman to sign the Joint Funding Agreement between the Baldwin County Commission and the U.S. Department of the Interior U.S. Geological Survey, and related documentation to cover the period from October 1, 2020 to September 30, 2021.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Previous Commission action/date: No

Background: The U.S. Geological Survey provides for the operation and maintenance of continuous-record stage gauging in Baldwin County (listed above). These monitoring stations are accessible via the Internet and are monitored daily by the National Weather Service. The stream gauges aid in the early warning of flooding in flood-prone areas, as well as aiding in the reduction of flood insurance by providing Community Rating System (CRS) points to Baldwin County. This is a recurring contract paid annually by the Baldwin County Commission.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Total cost of recommendation: \$31,400.00

Budget line item(s) to be used: 52300.5150.2 - please note, additional funding from some other line item is required. FY21 Budget in 52300.5150.2 is for \$22,100.

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

Yes - The FY20 Joint Funding Agreement for the continued operation of the continuous-record stage gauging stations at Magnolia River at U.S. Highway 98 near Foley, Styx River at County Road 64 near Loxley, Styx River at Seminole, and a continuous-record rain gauge at Fish River near Silverhill was for \$22,100. That same amount was budgeted for FY21. In order to fully fund this agreement, EMA staff will need to provide Budget staff with the account that they can take \$9,300 to fund said agreement.

LEGAL IMPACT

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

Yes - reviewed (annually) as part of Meeting Agenda Process

Reviewed/approved by: N/A

Additional comments: N/A

ADVERTISING REQUIREMENTS

Is advertising required for this recommendation? No

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: BCC Administration, BCEMA Staff BCC Budget staff

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

Prepare correspondence and obtain the Chairman's signature on one original agreements. Retain one original for BCC Administration records.

Send one copy of the agreement to:

My-Chae May
3535 S Sherwood Forest Blvd., Suite 120
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70816

Send one copy to EMA, attention Danon Smith and Zach Hood, and one copy to Joey Nunnally.
EMA and County Engineer Staff: Perform follow up and implementation.

Budget staff will handle the necessary transfer of funds within 52300, EMA, once EMA staff has determined the appropriate accounts for the transfer.

Additional instructions/notes: N/A