

RESTORE ACT Direct Component Multiyear Plan Matrix — Department of the Treasury				OMB Approval No. 1505-0250					
Applicant Name:		Bay County, FL, Board of County Commissioners							
1. MULTIYEAR PLAN VERSION (INITIAL OR AMENDMENT NUMBER):		Amendment 003		2a. DATE OF INITIAL MULTIYEAR PLAN ACCEPTANCE (mm/dd/yyyy):		5/5/2017			
3. CUMULATIVE DIRECT COMPONENT ALLOCATION AVAILABLE FOR DISTRIBUTION TO APPLICANT:		\$18,310,086.77		4. TOTAL ALLOCATIONS PLUS KNOWN FUNDS NOT YET DEPOSITED IN TRUST FUND FOR DIRECT COMPONENT:		\$42,225,440.32			
5. Primary Direct Component Eligible Activity Further Described in Application (Static Field)	6. Activity Title (Static Field)	7. Location (Static Field)	8. Estimated Total Funding Contributions For Proposed Activity(ies)(refer to instructions)				9. Proposed Start Date mm/dd/yyyy	10. Proposed End Date mm/dd/yyyy	11. Status (refer to instructions)
			8a. Direct Component Contribution	8b. Other RESTORE Act Contribution	8c. Other Third Party Contribution	8d. Total Contribution			
Infrastructure projects benefitting the economy or ecological resources, including port infrastructure	2014-026 Bay Technology Initiative	Bay County, FL	\$1,133,000		\$500,000	\$1,633,000	grant approval + 1 mo 09/15/2017	grant approval + 2 years 09/15/2019	Initial MYP Activity
Infrastructure projects benefitting the economy or ecological resources, including port infrastructure	2014-004 North Bay Wastewater Collection System Improvements	Bay County, FL	\$1,760,000		\$4,250,000	\$6,010,000	grant approval + 1 mo 09/15/2017	grant approval + 3 years 09/15/2020	Initial MYP Activity - Activity funded at \$1,500,000 Direct Component and \$6,000,000 of Other Third Party Contribution.
Promotion of tourism in the Gulf Coast Region, including recreational fishing	2014-001 Restoring Bay County's Recreational Fishing Industry through Artificial Reef Construction and Promotion	Bay County, FL and nearshore Bay County	\$441,976		\$150,740	\$592,716	grant approval + 1 mo 09/15/2017	grant approval + 1 year 09/15/2018	Initial MYP Activity - activity funded at \$441,976
Infrastructure projects benefitting the economy or ecological resources, including port infrastructure	2014-028 Porter Park Improvements 2014	Lynn Haven, FL in Bay County, FL	\$509,850		\$424,500	\$934,350	grant approval + 1 mo 09/15/2017	grant approval + 2 years 09/15/2019	Initial MYP Activity - Activity modified in Amendment 1. Funded at \$501,480.00 Direct Component.
Planning assistance	2014-022 Bay County East Pass Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and Inlet and Beach Mgmt Plan (IBMP)	Bay County, FL	\$1,210,000		\$0	\$1,210,000	grant approval + 1 mo 09/15/2017	grant approval + 5 years 09/15/2022	Initial MYP Activity - Activity funded at \$1,193,539.37 Direct Component
Infrastructure projects benefitting the economy or ecological resources, including port infrastructure	2014-041 Carl Gray Park Boat Ramp	Panama City, FL in Bay County, FL	\$566,500		\$302,010	\$868,510	grant approval + 1 mo 09/15/2017	grant approval + 24 years 09/30/2021	Initial MYP Activity - Activity funded at \$556,955.50
Planning assistance	2014-016 Bay County Master Plan and Capital Improvement Strategic Plan Update (Stormwater)	Bay County, FL	\$362,997		\$0	\$362,997	grant approval + 1 mo 09/15/2017	grant approval + 3 years 09/15/2020	Initial MYP Activity - Activity funded at \$362,997
Infrastructure projects benefitting the economy or ecological resources, including port infrastructure	2014-017 AMikids Panama City Marine Institute Dock Repair	Panama City, FL in Bay County, FL	\$279,697		\$0	\$279,697	grant approval + 1 mo 09/15/2017	grant approval + 1 year 09/15/2018	Initial MYP Activity - Activity funded at \$279,697
Infrastructure projects benefitting the economy or ecological resources, including port infrastructure	2014-011 City of Panama City Beach and Bay County Continuous Outfall Sediment Reduction Projects	Panama City Beach, FL in Bay County, FL and Bay County, FL	\$1,133,000		\$100,000	\$1,233,000	grant approval + 1 mo 09/15/2017	grant approval + 2 years 09/15/2019	Initial MYP Activity

Infrastructure projects benefiting the economy or ecological resources, including port infrastructure	Lynn Haven, FL in Bay County, FL 2014-028 Porter Park Improvements 2014 - Amended																		Amendment #1 Deleted - Initial MYP Activity deleted in Amendment 1 - Project was completed with third party funding shown here (\$424,500) and an additional \$165,650 in third party funding
Infrastructure projects benefiting the economy or ecological resources, including port infrastructure	Lynn Haven, FL in Bay County, FL 2014-028a Porter Park Improvements 2014 - Amended																		Amendment #1 - new project; activity funded at \$501,480
Restoration and protection of the natural resources, ecosystems, fisheries, marine and wildlife habitats, beaches, and coastal wetlands of the Gulf Coast Region	2020-01 St. Andrew/St. Joe Bays Estuary Program	St. Andrew/St. Joe bays watershed, primarily Bay and Gulf counties, also Washington, Calhoun, Walton and Jackson counties																	Amendment #2 Activity - Activity funded at \$720,000 Direct Component and \$622,363.00 of Other Third Party Contribution.
Restoration and protection of the natural resources, ecosystems, fisheries, marine and wildlife habitats, beaches, and coastal wetlands of the Gulf Coast Region	East Bay of St. Andrew Bay 2021-01 East Bay Living Shoreline and Seagrass Project																		Amendment #3 - new project
	<b>12. ESTIMATED TOTAL FUNDING CONTRIBUTIONS FOR ACTIVITY(IES) (refer to Instructions)</b>		\$8,608,650	\$0	\$6,302,594	\$14,911,244	<b>Please note: Grant awards may reflect non-material changes in proposed dates and estimated funding.</b>												
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# RESTORE ACT Direct Component Multiyear Plan Narrative

## Department of the Treasury

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**Directions: Use this form for the Initial Multiyear Plan and any subsequent amendments to an accepted Multiyear Plan. For amendments, include only new and/or materially modified activities.**

Multiyear Plan Version (Initial or Amendment Number):	Amendment 003
Date of Initial Multiyear Plan Acceptance:	May 5, 2017
Date of Last Multiyear Plan Acceptance:	September 15, 2020

Eligible Applicant Name:	Bay County, FL/Bay County Board of County Commissioners
Name and Contact Information of the Person to be contacted (POC) on matters concerning this Multiyear Implementation Plan:	
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### NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION:

1. A description of each activity, including the need, purpose, objective(s), milestones and location. Include map showing the location of each activity.

Amendment #3 adds one new activity, 2021-01 East Bay Living Shoreline and Seagrass Project.

#### **2021-01 East Bay Living Shoreline and Seagrass Project:**

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Bay County RESTORE Act Direct Component funds will fund marsh and seagrass enhancement on state-owned sovereign lands to restore and protect natural resources. RESTORE Act funds will restore approximately 10 acres of a larger 600-acre complex of marsh and seagrasses. Project includes planting of sea grass, marsh grass, and possibly the introduction of mangroves to improve sediment capture allowing natural systems to migrate and adapt to sea level rise over time. Funds will be passed through to The Nature Conservancy, which will manage the project. The County will enter into a subrecipient agreement with The Nature Conservancy to complete the scope of work.

(This is one of four nature-based solutions in Tyndall Air Force Base's multifaceted approach that will collectively create and augment multiple lines of defense against shoreline erosion, storm surge and other coastal hazards; protect the base and its mission; and provide ecological benefits such as improved water quality through restoration of ecological communities - oyster reefs, tidal marshes, and seagrasses. These benefits include habitat re-vegetation, improved infiltration to protect the freshwater lens, increased biodiversity, enhance fisheries production, climate mitigation via carbon sequestration, and reduced solar heating effects).

**NEED:** The project area on state sovereign lands is subject to erosion. The project will restore and protect natural resources, including coastal wetlands. The project will also provide coastal flood protect to the adjacent area of Tyndall AFB, which is at a low elevation and highly vulnerable to coastal flooding. Some erosion has been observed in this area from storm events, which is expected to worsen over time due to sea level rise increasing risk of coastal flooding to the munition's storage area and flight line, critical for base mission operations. This project protects adjacent mission elements including a munitions storage area and the Tyndall AFB flight line.

**PURPOSE:** This project restores and protects natural resources including coastal wetlands and wildlife habitats

through marsh and seagrass plantings. The project will also provide coastal flood protection for the Munitions Storage Area and the Tyndall AFB flight line by attenuating wave energy, mitigating erosion, and enhancing natural coastal habitats.

## OBJECTIVES

- Restore and protect natural coastal habitats by promoting sediment accretion and supporting marine species adaptation to sea level rise.
- Reduce coastal flooding by protecting shoreline from continued erosion and mitigating wave energy as first line of defense.
- Monitor system performance based on acreage of sea grass, marsh grass and stability of shoreline.

**MILESTONES** (*subject to change contingent on award date. Design to commence shortly after award of funds*).

- Design: 2022
- NEPA: 2022-23
- Permitting: 2023
- Construction: 2024

**Location** – St. Andrew Sound and East Bay of the St. Andrew Bay system, Bay County Florida

Please see attached maps.

2. How the applicant made the multiyear plan available for 45 days for public review and comment, in a manner calculated to obtain broad-based participation from individuals, businesses, Indian tribes, and non-profit organizations, such as through public meetings, presentations in languages other than English, and postings on the Internet. The applicant will need to submit documentation (e.g., a copy of public notices) to demonstrate that it made its multiyear plan available to the public for at least 45 days. In addition, describe how each activity in the multiyear plan was approved after consideration of all meaningful input from the public and submit documentation (e.g., a letter from the applicant's leadership approving submission of the multiyear plan to Treasury or a resolution approving the applicant's multiyear plan).

[At its September 8, 2021 meeting, the Bay County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) heard the proposed Multi-Year Implementation Plan amendment related to the East Bay Living Shoreline and Seagrass Project, conducted a public meeting, and opened a 45-day comment period, through October 23, 2021. A legal ad was published in the Panama City Herald, a local newspaper, about the amendment and comment period and an email was sent to the more than 200 entities on the Bay County RESTORE Act interested parties list. The proposed amendment was available as an exhibit in the September 8, 2021, and November 2 BoCC agendas. The materials were also available for download from the County's RESTORE Act web pages. No public comment was made at the September 8, 2021 public hearing, and no comments were received during the comment period. A legal ad was also published in the Panama City Herald about the amendment and the November 2, 2021, BoCC public hearing.

On November 2, 2021 the proposed amendment was again brought before the Bay County Board of County Commissioners in a public hearing setting. No public comment was made at the meeting. The Board made no revisions to the proposed plan amendment. In a 5-0 vote, the Board approved the amendment to Bay County's RESTORE Act Direct Component Plan and directed staff to submit the amendment to Treasury. Tyndall Air Force Base submitted a letter in support of the project on November 2, 2021.

3. How each activity included in the applicant's multiyear plan narrative meets all the requirements under the RESTORE Act, including a description of how each activity is eligible for funding based on the geographic location of each activity and how each activity qualifies for at least one of the eligible activities under the RESTORE Act.

This project meets the eligible activity of restoration and protection of the natural resources, ecosystems, fisheries, marine and wildlife habitats, beaches, and coastal wetlands of the Gulf Coast Region, because it will restore and protect natural resources including coastal wetlands and wildlife habitats through marsh and seagrass plantings in the project area. Additionally, the project will also provide coastal flood protection for the Munitions Storage Area and the Tyndall AFB flight line by attenuating wave energy, mitigating erosion, and enhancing natural coastal habitats.

The project is not included in any claim for compensation paid out by the Oil Spill Liability Trust Fund after the date of enactment of the RESTORE Act.

The project will be carried out in East Bay within the St. Andrew Bay system, in Bay County, FL, and will be within the Gulf Coast Region as defined in 31 CFR Part 34 -"Gulf Coast Region means: (1) In the Gulf Coast States, the coastal zones defined under section 304 of the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 that border the Gulf of Mexico; (2) Land within the coastal zones described in paragraph (1) of this definition that is held in trust by, or the use of which is by law subject solely to the discretion of, the Federal Government or officers or agents of the Federal Government; (3) Any adjacent land, water, and watersheds, that are within 25 miles of the coastal zone described in paragraphs (1) and (2) of this definition; and (4) All Federal waters in the Gulf of Mexico."

4. Criteria the applicant will use to evaluate the success of the activities included in the multiyear plan narrative in helping to restore and protect the Gulf Coast Region impacted by the Deepwater Horizon oil spill.

Success will be measured by:

- Number of acres of subaquatic vegetation restored
- Number of miles of living shoreline restored

5. How the activities included in the multiyear plan narrative were prioritized and list the criteria used to establish the priorities.

No change in priorities compared to the approved initial Multi-Year Improvement Plan. This is an additional project.

6. If applicable, describe the amount and current status of funding from other sources (e.g., other RESTORE Act contribution, other third party contribution) and provide a description of the specific portion of the project to be funded by the RESTORE Act Direct Component.

This project will be funded solely by Bay County RESTORE Act Direct Component funds.

# East Bay Living Shoreline and Seagrass Project, Bay County, FL

