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GULF COUNTY RESTORE ACT PROJECT PRE-PROPOSAL FORM

Project Name: GULF COUNTY AFFORDABLE HOUSING

Submitting Entity: GULF COUNTY BOCC

I. Please select one or more eligible activity that the project is classified under:

- Restoration and protection of the natural resources, ecosystems, fisheries, marine and wildlife habitats, beaches, and coastal wetlands of the Gulf Coast region.
- Mitigation of damage to fish, wildlife and natural resources.
- Implementation of a federally approved marine, coastal or comprehensive conservation management plan, including fisheries monitoring.
- Workforce development and job creation.
- Improvements to or on State parks located in coastal areas affected by the Deepwater Horizon oil spill.
- Infrastructure projects benefitting the economy or ecological resources, including port infrastructure.
- Coastal flood protection and related infrastructure.
- Planning assistance.
- Promotion of tourism and seafood in the Gulf Coast region.

II. Please provide an executive summary of the project. Describe/quantify the economic (jobs, infrastructure, tourism, etc.) and environmental benefits (habitat, quality, knowledge, long-term sustainability, etc.).

The intent of the Gulf County Affordable Housing Project is to fill an existing void of affordable housing units whether it be with ownership or rental. Although there are houses for sale in the area, most are not in the affordable range. This project will occur in both ends of the county. Gulf County has ownership of 200 acres of land that is restricted to affordable housing that will facilitate meeting the demand, especially on the north end of Gulf County. Starter homes and larger affordable family size homes are needed to accommodate the lower end wage earner. Housing is an important factor in the County's future growth. Properly planned, affordable housing can be aesthetically pleasing and provide an important function to the sustainability of the County's workforce.

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III. Please provide a cost summary/budget. Detail any matching/cooperative funds available for use, and any cooperative support from governmental or other agencies.

The budget requested for the Gulf County Affordable Housing Project is \$500,000.00. These funds will be leveraged with State Housing funds as well as with Federal CDBG funds. The anticipated monetary budget total will be approximately \$2,000,000.00. The necessary amount of Gulf County land that is already restricted for affordable units will be leveraged.

IV. Please provide a timeline for project completion. Explain the technical and environmental feasibility (including any permitting considerations) of the project.

Upon receipt of housing funding, the design and permitting phase would begin and would take approximately 6 months to complete. The timeline for construction would last approximately 1 year. It is anticipated that affordable housing units could be available within 18 months of notice to proceed.

V. Please provide the qualifications of the Submitting Entity, the financial feasibility/sustainability and the economic feasibility and sustainability of the project (probability of success, etc.).

The Gulf County Board of County Commissioners will be the submitting entity. The BOCC has been in the affordable housing business since 1992 with the advent of the S.H.I.P. program. The project is viable with the leveraged funding because of the need for affordable units. There will always be a need for starter homes and home for the lower wage scale.

VI. Please provide the anticipated results of the project, and whether it is included in a City of Port St. Joe, City of Wewahitchka or Gulf County Comprehensive and Mitigation Plan?

The Gulf County Affordable Housing Project will provide housing for those needing starter homes and low wage owner affordable homes. There will be units provided in both ends of the county and the need for affordable housing is demonstrated in the county comprehensive plan (CIP).

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Signature

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GULF COUNTY RESTORE ACT APPLICANTS**

I, Donald Butler the undersigned authority and/or representative of the entity Gulf County BOCC and or the individual who has submitted the Gulf County RESTORE Act Proposal/Pre-Proposal titled Gulf County Affordable Housing hereby acknowledge, consent and accept the following representations that coincide with my/our submission for consideration, evaluation and possible recommendation and approval by the Gulf County Board of County Commissioners for funding from the RESTORE Act distribution that strictly complies with the guidelines and regulations set forth under the Restoration and Ecosystems Sustainability, Tourist Opportunities and Revived Economies of the Gulf Coast States Act of 2012:

1. I/We am the authorized representative of the application/pre-proposal referenced above.
2. I/We have thoroughly reviewed and familiarized myself and/or my entity on which I have submitted the application/pre-proposal on behalf of with the entirety of the Gulf County Public Records policy.
3. I/We have thoroughly reviewed and familiarized myself and/or my entity on which I have submitted the application/pre-proposal on behalf of with the entirety of the Florida Statute Chapter 119 which controls and permits public access to information.
4. I/We hereby acknowledge, consent and agree to the controlling policies and statutes above as well as the free and open exchange of any and all submissions provided hereunder this application/pre-proposal and all information exchanged hereafter including but not limited to further amendments to these proposals as well as surveys, studies, research, data production, books, drawings, property records, work papers, county owner lists, files, forms, reports, accounts, documents, manuals, handbooks, instructions, printouts relating in any manner for the production of the application. In addition, all papers, notes, data, reference material, documentation, programs, printouts, and all other media and forms of expression that in any way include, incorporate or reflect any confidential information of what ultimately shall become the Gulf County plans for use and application of the RESTORE Act funding.
5. I/We acknowledge, agree and fully consent to cooperate with the appointed Gulf County RESTORE ACT committee, county officials and staff as a continuing obligation and condition of final review for this RESTORE Act application/pre-proposal.
6. I/We have submitted this acknowledgment to Gulf County RESTORE Act Committee and the Gulf County Board of County Commissioners for the purpose and intent of receiving an evaluation, review and possible recommendations for anticipated funding from the Restoration and Ecosystems Sustainability, Tourist Opportunities and Revived Economies of the Gulf Coast States Act of 2012.

Donald Butler
Signature of RESTORE Act Applicant

Date: 8-28-13

DON BUTLER
Printed Name