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# GULF COUNTY RESTORE ACT PROJECT PRE-PROPOSAL FORM

## Sign Management System

Project Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Gulf County GIS Department

Submitting Entity: \_\_\_\_\_

**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.).**

This project is intended to come into compliance with federal mandates. According to the Federal Highway Associations (FHWA) website [http://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/roadway\\_dept/night\\_visib/retrotoolkit/](http://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/roadway_dept/night_visib/retrotoolkit/) counties and municipalities are to have a street sign inventory setup by January 2012 addressing the minimum retro reflectivity requirements.

By this January 2015, all agencies must comply with the new retro reflectivity requirements for most of their traffic signs they have installed, including all red and white or white and black "regulatory" signs (such as STOP signs and Speed Limit signs), yellow and black "warning" signs, and ground-mounted green and white "guide" signs (except street name signs). Then by January 2018 all agencies must comply with the new retro reflectivity requirements for overhead guide signs and all street name signs.

The intent of the project is to collect all signs maintained by the county and to manage them in a Geographic Information System (GIS) based database that is efficient and cost effective way. This system will be built in a way that will be easy for anyone with a non-GIS background could maintain and update.

**Sign cost(75 dollars cost for sign/pole) plus installation**

- 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 estimated cost for this project is \$80,000. \$5000 for the software, \$10,000 for the GPS enabled retro reflectivity measurement device, and the remaining for initial collection costs.

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

The project includes purchasing, hiring, collection and review and would start in the spring time. The purchasing phase can commence within 14 days, and the hiring would take place around April so that the collection could be done May, June and July. This would leave the month of August for review of the data and to correct any errors.

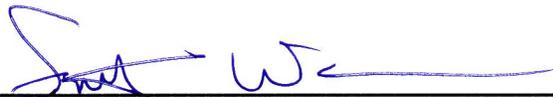
- V. Please provide the qualifications of the Submitting Entity, the financial feasibility/sustainability and the economic feasibility and sustainability of the project (probability of success, etc.).**

The Gulf County Board of County Commissioners GIS Department will be the submitting entity. The GIS Department is familiar with GIS and GPS data collection. The GIS Department currently maintains and updates hundreds of county-wide GIS datasets with a couple of them containing almost 15,000 points and another with over 17,000 polygons.

**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 anticipated result of the project would be to have an easy maintenance system in which a non-GIS user could update and maintain all while giving the flexibility of the GIS department to run analysis and reports on the data after collection. Of course it would then comply with the federal mandates of having our sign database management system and then as time goes forward coming into compliance with the retro-reflectivity portion of the mandate. It's is believed that Gulf County may have as many as 15,000-20,000 signs from street signs, stop signs, TDC signs including beach signs and miscellaneous signs in the County. A typical street sign costs approximately costs \$80.00 which includes the sign, pole, hardware and concrete. Some signs will cost much more but if you were take \$80.00 X 10,000 signs = \$800,000 sign inventory.

**Submitted By:**



**Signature**

2/28/13

**Date**

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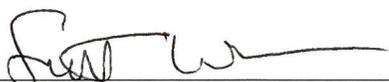
**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA  
RESTORE ACT COMMITTEE (R.A.C.)**

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**PUBLIC RECORDS POLICY AND PUBLIC ACCESS ACKNOWLEDGMENT FOR  
GULF COUNTY RESTORE ACT APPLICANTS**

I, Scott Warner the undersigned authority and/or representative of the entity Gulf County Bocc /GIS Dept and or the individual who has submitted the Gulf County RESTORE Act Proposal/Pre-Proposal titled Sign Management System 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.

  
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Signature of RESTORE Act Applicant

Date: 2/28/13

Scott Warner  
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Printed Name