

Coordinator's Report - April 22, 2015

Allocation Update

The Treasury came out with the final allocation for each entity. This is only for the Transocean part of the settlement. Charlotte County's allocation is \$726,452.61.

Application Process

In order to draw down funds, the County must develop a Multi-year Implementation Plan for the initial Transocean allocation, or the \$726,452.61. The total amount requested during our application cycle was almost \$20M. The Treasury Department understands that this is an INITIAL MYIP and that a revised/updated MYIP will need to be developed to include the recommendations and rankings concerning the BP settlement.

The MYIP will include projects that the Advisory Board recommends and prioritizes. It will then need to be available for public comment for 45 days prior to approval by the BOCC and submittal to the Treasury Department.

In order to be transparent and "operating in the Sunshine", applications submitted for our RESTORE funds have been available for public review since posted on the website 4/22/2015. The MYIP, however, prioritizes the *selected* projects and receives the opportunity for public comment and recommendations. A section of the MYIP will need to address any comments received by the public.

Tentative Timeline

A tentative timeline has been established to identify when the MYIP might be available for public comment and when the MYIP would go before the BOCC for approval to submit to the Treasury Department.

Progress of Other Counties (and Parishes)

Pasco and **Hernando** Counties have completed their MYIP's and have published them for comment.

Pasco County included the allowable 3% for administrative costs as part of their allocation to recoup a portion of costs incurred to date for administration. I am still in the process of clarifying that this is a viable option.

Sarasota County does not have an Advisory Board at this time. They are doing an internal process for choosing projects for this initial allocation.

Hernando included the 3 highest ranking projects in their MYIP – totaling the exact allocation amount.

Lee County is waiting to see what is funded through the State legislative process before putting together their project list for the MYIP.

Bay County did a pre-proposal application, receiving 47 apps. of which 22 were chosen to submit full proposals. Bay has drafted their MYIP while waiting on final project selection.

Monroe County received input from their BOCC prior to putting the projects in the MYIP. They received 46 applications requesting \$71,346,191. They were allocated \$1,163,546. Three (3) projects were chosen for \$1,100,000. Applicants were asked what they could do with less than the amount they requested. Based on responses and scoring, the three were chosen.

Plaquemines Parish's MYIP was approved by the Treasury. The narrative section was only 15 pages long and included the following.

- general background and introduction,
- description, location and purpose/objectives of the project chosen
- best available science,
- measures of success and milestones,
- prioritization of activity,
- public outreach,
- specific information related to the project chosen,
- match and
- budget justification.

The remaining 256 pages of the document included preliminary design and construction documents for the project chosen and the required forms from the Treasury.