

Charlotte County RESTORE Act Funding Application Instructions

Dear Applicant,

The RESTORE Act Funding Application is for submitting projects to be considered for inclusion in the Charlotte County multi-year implementation plan. The multi-year implementation plan will be submitted to the Department of Treasury for approval to potentially receive funding from RESTORE Act dollars allocated to the County.

Please complete one application per project. Submit the application as one pdf document to Kelly Shoemaker by the deadline 5:00 p.m. April 17, 2015. If you are unable to submit your application via email, please drop off or mail a hard copy to Charlotte County Administration, 18500 Murdock Circle, Suite 538, Port Charlotte, FL 33948. Submit email applications or direct any questions to Kelly Shoemaker at Kelly.Shoemaker@charlottecountyfl.gov or 941-743-1944.

Pre-Screening

Yes No

1. Does the project meet at least one of the RESTORE Act eligible activities?

(Listed on page 2 of the application.) (If no, project will not be considered).

2. Is project aligned with one of Charlotte County's focus area goals?

(Listed on page 3 of the application.) (If no, project will not be considered).

3. Was the project included in a claim for compensation?

(If yes, project will not be considered).

4. Is the application complete?

(If no, return to sponsor to request further information).

Application Checklist

In order for your application to be considered complete, please be sure the following are submitted:

- Application Form
- Budget Justification Form (use included form or modify to fit project)
- Project Narrative (concisely respond to each question where applicable)
- Additional information (including maps and other back-up materials)

Who May Apply:

Any Charlotte County citizen, organization, business, government agency, school, college or university requesting funding for Charlotte County eligible activities including: 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 in the Gulf Coast Region, including recreational fishing; and promotion of the consumption of seafood harvested from the Gulf Coast Region.

Review Process:

Applications received by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, April 17 will be reviewed by the RESTORE Act Advisory Board in early May. If additional information is needed, staff will contact the applicant. The funding priorities will be forwarded to the Board of County Commissioners.