



# NOTICE TO RECEIVE SEALED BIDS

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## BID #1112-23

The Gulf County Board of County Commissioners will receive sealed bids from any person, company, or corporation interested in providing the following landscaping service:

### **Landscaping of the approaches to the White City Bridge**

The original and three (3) copies of the bid must be submitted to the Office of the Clerk of Circuit Court, Gulf County Courthouse, 1000 Cecil G. Costin, Sr., Blvd., Room 147, Port St. Joe, FL 32456 by the Response Deadline (July 27, 2012 at 4:30 P.M., E.T.). Indicate on the envelope that this is Sealed Bid #1112-23.

Completion date for this project will be 80 days from the date of the Notice to Proceed presented to the successful bidder. Liquidated damages for failure to complete the project on the specified date will be set at \$100.00 per day.

Plans/Drawings can be obtained from the Office of the Clerk of Circuit Court at 1000 Cecil G. Costin, Sr. Blvd., Port St. Joe, Florida 32456, (850) 229-6112, or online at [www.gulfcounty-fl.gov](http://www.gulfcounty-fl.gov).

Bids must be submitted to the Gulf County Clerk's Office at 1000 Cecil G. Costin, Sr. Blvd., Port St. Joe, Florida 32456, **by 4:30 p.m., E.T., on Friday, July 27, 2012**. Bids will be opened at this same location on Monday, July 30, 2012 at 10:00 a.m., E.T.

The Gulf County Board of County Commissioners has implemented a Local Bidders Preference Policy for all RFP/BIDS. Anyone interested in bidding as a local bidder must follow the requirements of Resolution 2009-02 which may be obtained from the Clerk's Office at the above address. The Gulf County Board of County Commissioners also reserves the right to reject any or all bids deemed in the best interest of the County.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA**

**/s/ William C. Williams, Chairman**

**ATTEST:**

**/s/ Rebecca Norris, Clerk**

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GULF COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS: 1112-24

**GULF COUNTY EMS AWNING/CANOPY**

The Gulf County Board of County Commissioners requests proposals from qualified firms or individuals for the purchase and installation of an:

**AWNING/CANOPY FOR THE GULF COUNTY AMBULANCE STATION**

There will be a mandatory pre-bid conference on Monday, July 16, 2012, at 10:00 a.m. at the Gulf County EMS station, located at 140 Library Drive at the Courthouse in Port St. Joe. Anyone interested in bidding must attend this meeting.

Specifications may be obtained at the Gulf County Clerk's Office, 1000 Cecil G. Costin Sr., Blvd., Port St. Joe, Florida 32456, or at the website at [www.gulfcounty-fl.gov](http://www.gulfcounty-fl.gov). Further information can be obtained by contacting Houston Whitfield, EMS Director, at (850) 227-5839.

Proposals will be accepted until 4:30 p.m., E.T., on Friday, July 20, 2012 at the Gulf County Clerk's Office, 1000 Cecil G. Costin Sr., Blvd., Port St. Joe, Florida 32456. The proposals will be opened at the same location on Monday, July 23, 2012 at 10: 00 a.m., E.T. The Gulf County Board of County Commissioners reserves the right to reject any or all proposals.

Gulf County is an Equal Opportunity Employer and a Drug-Free Workplace.

/s/ William C. Williams, III, Chairman

Attest: /s/ Rebecca L. Norris, Clerk

Publish: News Herald Legals: July 12, 2012  
Bill: Gulf County BOCC  
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## PUBLIC NOTICE

The Gulf County Enterprise Zone Development Agency will meet Thursday, July 19, 2012, at 12:00 noon, E.T., 1000 Cecil G. Costin Sr., Blvd., of the Robert M. Moore Administration Building, Gulf County Courthouse Complex in Room 307.

The public is welcome to attend.

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BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
EXPENDITURE STATUS REPORT

June 2012

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FUND-120 LIBRARY  
DEPT TOTAL-0361 GULF COUNTY LIBRARY  
1ST SUBTOTAL-5100000 PERSONAL SERVICES

ACCOUNT	TITLE	BUDGET	PERIOD EXPENDITURES	ENCUMBRANCES OUTSTANDING	YEAR TO DATE EXP	AVAILABLE BALANCE	YTD/ BUD
5101200	SALARIES & WAGES-REGULAR	103,106.00	7,609.01	.00	77,115.41	25,990.59	74.79
5102100	FICA TAXES-MATCHING	7,888.00	571.34	.00	5,809.81	2,078.19	73.65
5102200	RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTIONS	5,189.00	373.61	.00	3,762.21	1,426.79	72.50
5102300	LIFE & HEALTH INSURANCE	3,782.00	325.75	.00	3,013.60	768.40	79.68
5102400	WORKERS COMP. PREMIUMS	412.00	103.00	.00	309.00	103.00	75.00
	TOTAL PERSONAL SERVICES	120,377.00	8,982.71	.00	90,010.03	30,366.97	74.77
1ST SUBTOTAL-5300000	OPERATING EXPENSES	50.00	.00	.00	44.50	5.50	89.00
5303110	PROF SRV-BACKGROUND CHEC	1,100.00	82.97	.00	779.80	320.20	70.89
5304101	COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES	130.00	.00	.00	.00	130.00	.00
5304125	POSTAGE/TRANSP/FREIGHT	22,000.00	1,345.13	.00	10,621.92	11,378.08	48.28
5304301	UTILITY SERVICES	1,079.00	270.00	.00	810.00	269.00	75.07
5304501	INSURANCE & BONDS	450.00	35.00	.00	280.00	170.00	62.22
5304605	REPAIR/MAINT-BLDG & GRND	450.00	39.39	.00	354.51	95.49	78.78
5304615	REPAIR/MAINT-EQUIPMENT	220.00	23.48	.00	143.48	76.52	65.22
5305101	OFFICE SUPPLIES	150.00	.00	.00	91.95	58.05	61.30
5305202	OPER SUPPLIES-JANITORIAL	5,155.00	823.37	.00	5,892.94	-737.94	114.32
5305401	BOOKS/RESOURCE MATR/SUBS	30,784.00	2,619.34	.00	19,019.10	11,764.90	61.78
	TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	50.00	.00	.00	44.50	5.50	89.00
1ST SUBTOTAL-5600000	CAPITAL OUTLAY	9,151.00	346.49	.00	2,100.99	7,050.01	22.96
5606620	BOOKS - STATE AID	12,369.00	1,687.45	.00	11,965.19	403.81	96.74
5606623	BOOKS - LOCAL	21,520.00	2,033.94	.00	14,066.18	7,453.82	65.36
	TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY	33,889.00	3,721.88	.00	26,031.37	11,867.81	77.74
1ST SUBTOTAL-5900000	NON-OPERATING EXPENSES	23,938.00	.00	.00	.00	23,938.00	.00
5909910	RESERVE FOR CONTINGENCIE	23,938.00	.00	.00	.00	23,938.00	.00
	TOTAL NON-OPERATING EXPENSES	23,938.00	.00	.00	.00	23,938.00	.00
	TOTAL GULF COUNTY LIBRARY	196,619.00	13,635.99	.00	123,095.31	73,523.69	62.61

45:11PM 5-JUN-2012



# City of Wewahitchka

Post Office Box 966—Wewahitchka, Florida 32465

June 25, 2012

Gulf County Board of Commissioners  
1000 Cecil Costin Sr. Blvd Room 302  
Port St. Joe, FL 32456

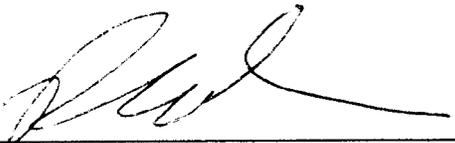
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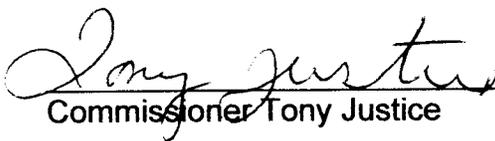
The Board of the City of Wewahitchka Commissioners strongly suggests that the Gulf County Board of Commission opt out of the state's septic tank regulations that are allowed by the state.

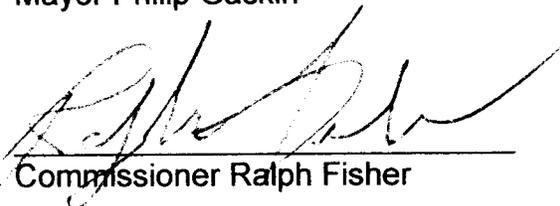
We feel the state septic tank rule will create a financial hardship on the North end of the County as well as the residents inside the City. Most of these people do not have a problem with their septic tank, and to require them to have it pumped on a reoccurring basis and not had septic tank failure is spending money most do not have and do not need to spend.

Sincerely,

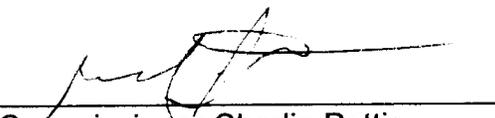
The Board of City of Wewahitchka Commissioners

  
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Early Learning  
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June 20, 2012

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[www.elcnwf.org](http://www.elcnwf.org)

CCR&R/Warmline:  
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**Family Success Offices**  
Regional Office One  
4636 Hwy. 90 East, Suite E  
Marianna, FL 32446

Regional Office Two  
17731 NE Pear Street  
Blountstown, FL 32424

Regional Office Three  
703 West 15<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite A  
Panama City, FL 32401

Gulf County Board of Commissioners  
1000 Cecil G. Costin, Sr. Blvd.  
Port St. Joe, FL 32456

Dear Commissioners:

The purpose of the Early Learning Coalition of Northwest Florida (Coalition) is to grow healthy children, parents, and the relationship between them. We believe the best way to have a positive impact on a child's life is by having a positive impact on their family. We also believe when organizations, community businesses, and parents work together – families are strengthened, communities grow, and children fulfill their purpose.

One way the Coalition provides a positive impact is through the School Readiness Program. This year in Gulf County 95 children received high quality early education; 68 parents were able to receive assistance with childcare tuition costs in order to continue employment, continue their education, or simply access a high quality early learning provider in cases of protective placement; and nearly \$206,000 was brought into the local economy through our state grant award.

However, to continue providing these much needed services for children and families in Gulf County, the Coalition needs your assistance to obtain local match funding. The Coalition is requesting \$2,500 for the 2012-2013 School Readiness Program. With your contribution, along with other local supporters, the Coalition will be able to draw down nearly \$16 for every \$1 received ensuring the program continues its positive impacts at current levels. We realize that funding is limited; however, please consider the substantial economic impact these dollars have as well as the positive impacts made in families' lives.

Thank you for the opportunity to share information about the Coalition and to present our funding request. If you have any questions or would like to learn more about our programs and services, please contact us at (850) 747-5400 or [lynne.eldridge@elcnwf.org](mailto:lynne.eldridge@elcnwf.org).

Sincerely,

*David Warriner*  
David Warriner  
Gulf County Representative  
Board of Directors

*Lynne Eldridge*  
Lynne Eldridge  
Executive Director

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Tallahassee, FL 32301  
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July 3, 2012

Mr. Warren Yeager  
Gulf County Board of County Commissioners  
1000 Cecil G. Costin, Sr. Blvd.  
Port Saint Joe, FL 32456

Dear Warren:

I wanted to take the time to thank you for going above and beyond in your commitment in the Florida Chamber Foundation's Six Pillars Caucus System™ and participating in an Action Plan Committee. Policy recommendations were received from the Caucus aligned to each of the Six Pillars™, with a total of 18 submissions comprised of approximately 100 authors. Recommendations covered the spectrum of early learning, energy, entrepreneurial ecosystem, intermodal transportation, healthcare, civic engagement and much more.

Policy briefs were shared with the Florida Chamber's Governmental Affairs team for consideration in their annual survey. The Florida Chamber will also share the briefs with the Policy Council for consideration in the annual Florida Business Agenda. We will know by mid-July which of the policy recommendations are adopted by the Policy Council.

Your expertise continues to bring great value to the collaborative process of the Six Pillars Caucus System. I recognize the amount of time and commitment it takes to collaborate and draft a policy recommendation. Please know that your efforts have not gone unnoticed and the Governmental Affairs team is taking the policy recommendations very seriously.

The next iteration of the Six Pillars 20-year Strategic Plan™ and those policy recommendations adopted by the Policy Council will be presented at the Future of Florida Forum in October. Although there will be no formal meeting of the Caucus during the Forum, I strongly encourage you to attend to be a part of the unveiling of your hard work. Caucus members receive a discounted registration rate so go online today at [www.FLChamber.com/2012Forum](http://www.FLChamber.com/2012Forum) to secure your spot.

I greatly appreciate your continued commitment to this visionary program and I look forward to working with you to secure Florida's future in the coming years.

Yours for the future of Florida,

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**FLORIDA DEPARTMENT *of* STATE**

**RICK SCOTT**  
Governor

**KEN DETZNER**  
Secretary of State

July 5, 2012

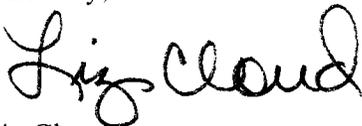
Ms. Rebecca Norris  
Clerk of the Circuit and County Courts  
Gulf County  
1000 Cecil G. Costin, Sr. Boulevard  
Port St. Joe, Florida 32456

Attention: Ms. Kim Summers, Deputy Clerk

Dear Ms. Norris:

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 125.66, Florida Statutes, this will acknowledge receipt of your letter dated June 27, 2012 and certified copy of Gulf County Ordinance No. 2012-04, which was filed in this office on July 2, 2012.

Sincerely,



Liz Cloud  
Program Administrator

LC/srd

**GULF COUNTY**

**2011**

**LEVELS OF SERVICE**

**ON STATE ROADS**

Prepared by:



Post Office Box 1008  
1265 Church Avenue  
Chipley, Florida 32428

For:

Florida Department of Transportation  
District Three  
Post Office Box 607  
1074 Highway 90  
Chipley, Florida 32428

Contact: Kelly Parker (850) 415-9533  
Kelly.parker@dot.myflorida.com

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), District 3 Planning Office contracted with Metric Engineering, Inc., to prepare this annual report of existing and projected level of service (LOS) on State roads and major County roads within Gulf County. This LOS analysis was prepared in accordance with the standards and measurement techniques for generalized planning presented in the latest version of the FDOT Quality/Level of Service Handbook and incorporates the most recent traffic count data available from FDOT's Transportation Statistics Office.

## 2. ANALYSIS

The 2011 LOS analysis for State and County roadways within Gulf County is presented in Appendix A. The State and County road segments included in this analysis are listed in column one. Other columns identify the road characteristics of each segment including number of lanes (NO. LANES), number of signals (#SIGNALS) and signals per mile (SIG/MI), facility type and median/turn lane type (FAC TYPE), length of section (LENGTH miles) and LOS area type (LOS AREA). These characteristics are used to determine the maximum traffic volume for each segment based on the appropriate tables contained in Appendix B. Roadway IDs as well as beginning and ending mileposts are shown under STATE ROAD SECTION column for each segment. Mileposts for signals are shown under the #SIGNALS column. Traffic signals are indicated by TS. Intersection control beacons are indicated by ICB.

The "LOS STD/MAX.VOL" column shows the FDOT and local government's adopted LOS standard (if different) for each road segment along with the applicable maximum volume (MAX VOL) from the generalized tables in Appendix B. The columns titled "FDOT STAT" shows the FDOT count station(s) used to determine traffic counts for each road segment. The "2011 COUNTS" column shows the FDOT annual average daily traffic (AADT) count and peak hour directional (PH/PD) count for each segment. If a segment contains multiple count stations an average is used in the analysis. In some cases, count stations located outside a listed segment may be used if they are representative of the vehicles on a significant portion of a segment.

Traffic counts were compared with maximum volume estimates from the generalized tables (Appendix B) to estimate current roadway LOS. The "AADT and PH/PD ANALYSIS" columns show past, present and projected counts and estimated LOS for each road segment. The five and ten year traffic projections are based on the Annual Rate unless the calculated rate is below one percent (1%) or above six percent (6%) then a 1% minimum or 6% maximum growth rate is used instead.

### 3. RECOMMENDATIONS

The analysis shows all state and county roads analyzed within Gulf County were operating within local government adopted standards and FDOT recommended standards in 2011. and are projected to remain at an acceptable LOS through the planning timeframe.

The traffic generated by proposed development should continue to be evaluated under the local government's concurrency management system and reasonable measures taken to mitigate adverse impacts (including improvements to the surrounding road network, installation of turn lanes as well as pedestrian and bicycle enhancements).



For Immediate Release –  
July 11, 2012

Donna M. Green, (850) 415-9661;  
[donna.green@dot.state.fl.us](mailto:donna.green@dot.state.fl.us)

### ***Resurfacing Work Begins on State Road (S.R.) 22***

**Chipley-** The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) recently awarded a \$2.3 million construction contract to Anderson Columbia Construction Company to resurface State Road (S.R.) 22 between the Wetappo Creek Bridge and S.R. 71 (Main Street) in Wewahitchka. Work begins Monday, July 16.

The project calls for resurfacing six miles of roadway, minor drainage improvements, signage and pavement markings. Minor sidewalk work is also included in this project. Drivers can expect intermittent day time lane closures.

For more Florida Department of Transportation District Three information follow us on twitter [@MyFDOT\\_NWFL](https://twitter.com/MyFDOT_NWFL).

[www.dot.state.fl.us](http://www.dot.state.fl.us)

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# Gulf Coast State College Foundation

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BOARD ATTORNEY

*Ms. Margie Mazur*  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

June 28, 2012

Gulf County Commission  
Executive Officer  
1000 Cecil G Costin Sr Blvd  
Port Saint Joe, FL 32456-1653

Dear Executive Officer:

The college is honoring Coach Rooney Scovel with a community tribute and presentation on Saturday, July 21, 2012, at 2:00 p.m. at the Billy Harrison Field House at GCSC. We are all so proud of Coach Rooney Scovel for her dedication, hard work, and love of her student athletes.

Please consider making a contribution to help raise funds for **The Coach Rooney Scovel Women's Basketball Endowed Scholarship**. We will need to raise \$15,000 by July 21, 2012, in order to present at this Tribute. Your support will help a female student achieve her academic goals and be able to play basketball for Gulf Coast State College. Your generosity will also be a perpetual scholarship that honors Coach Scovel, who led the GCSC Girls Basketball team three times to the National Championship.

For information please contact Margie Mazur, at 850-872-3812 or mmazur@gulfcoast.edu.

Please make your check to GCSC Foundation and in the memo line Coach Scovel Scholarship and send to the following:

GCSC Foundation  
Attention: Margie Mazur  
5230 West Highway 98  
Panama City, FL 32401  
Visa, MasterCard, and American Express are accepted. (You may call in your contribution)

We thank you for your continued support and consideration of this request. We have also attached a pledge sheet and a return envelope.

Sincerely,

Mr. Clint Mayo  
Foundation President

Mr. Scott Clemo  
Board of Director

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**Gulf Coast  
State College**  
FOUNDATION

**The Coach Rooney Scovel Women’s Basketball  
Endowed Scholarship Fund**

**Donation Form**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

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**Please select your preferred payment method:**

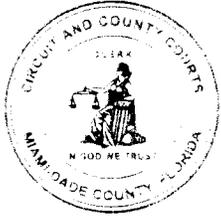
Amount of Contribution \$ \_\_\_\_\_

- My check enclosed (Please make check payable to GCSC Foundation.)
- Please send me an invoice
- Credit Card \_\_\_\_\_ Visa \_\_\_\_\_ MasterCard \_\_\_\_\_ American Express

**Address and Contact Information:**

Ms. Margie Mazur  
Executive Director  
Gulf Coast State College Foundation  
5230 West Highway 98  
Panama City, FL 32401  
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**Harvey Ruvin**  
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT AND COUNTY COURTS  
Miami-Dade County, Florida



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June 20, 2012

Honorable Warren Yeager, Jr., Chairman  
Gulf County  
Board of County Commissioners  
1000 Cecil G. Costin Sr. Blvd., Suite 302  
Port St. Joe, FL 32456

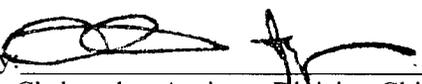
Dear Chairman Yeager:

A copy of Resolution No. R-495-12, adopted on June 5, 2012, is provided to you at the request of the Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact this office.

Respectfully yours,

HARVEY RUVIN, Clerk  
Circuit and County Courts

By:   
\_\_\_\_\_  
Christopher Agrippa, Division Chief  
Clerk of the Board Division

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MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A) (25)

**TO:** Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

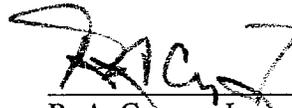
**DATE:** June 5, 2012

**FROM:** R. A. Cuevas, Jr.  
County Attorney

**SUBJECT:** Resolution urging the Federal Government, the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the U.S. Food & Drug Administration to ban the use of "pink slime" in meat products, or at the very least, require that meat products containing "pink slime" include labels that clearly indicate that the meat contains the filler

Resolution No. R-495-12

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Dennis C. Moss.

  
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R. A. Cuevas, Jr.  
County Attorney

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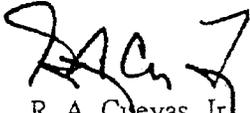


**MEMORANDUM**

(Revised)

**TO:** Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

**DATE:** June 5, 2012

**FROM:**   
R. A. Cuevas, Jr.  
County Attorney

**SUBJECT:** Agenda Item No. 11(A)(25)

Please note any items checked.

- "3-Day Rule" for committees applicable if raised
- 6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
- 4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
- Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
- Budget required
- Statement of fiscal impact required
- Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing
- No committee review
- Applicable legislation requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3's \_\_\_\_, 3/5's \_\_\_\_, unanimous \_\_\_\_) to approve
- Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required

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Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Mayor  
Veto \_\_\_\_\_  
Override \_\_\_\_\_

Agenda Item No. 11(A) (25)  
6-5-12

RESOLUTION NO. R-495-12

RESOLUTION URGING THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, AND THE UNITED STATES FOOD & DRUG ADMINISTRATION TO BAN THE USE OF "PINK SLIME" IN MEAT PRODUCTS, OR AT THE VERY LEAST, REQUIRE THAT MEAT PRODUCTS CONTAINING "PINK SLIME" INCLUDE LABELS THAT CLEARLY INDICATE THAT THE MEAT CONTAINS THE FILLER; URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO BAN THE USE OF MEAT PRODUCTS CONTAINING "PINK SLIME" IN FOOD THAT THE STATE OF FLORIDA PREPARES OR SERVES; URGING THE OTHER COUNTIES IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA TO BAN THE USE OF MEAT PRODUCTS CONTAINING "PINK SLIME" IN FOOD THAT THE COUNTY PREPARES OR SERVES

**WHEREAS**, the meat industry is adding low-grade beef trimmings, known in the industry as "lean finely textured beef" and now widely known as "pink slime," to most ground beef as an inexpensive filler; and

**WHEREAS**, the low-grade beef trimmings come from the parts of the cow most likely to harbor pathogens, often close to the hide, which is highly exposed to fecal matter; and

**WHEREAS**, "pink slime" was once only used in dog food and cooking oil; and

**WHEREAS**, "pink slime" is made by gathering waste trimmings, such as fatty beef byproducts and connective tissue, simmering them at low heat so the fat separates easily from the muscle, and spinning the trimmings using a centrifuge to complete the separation; and

**WHEREAS**, the beef trimmings mixture is then sent through pipes where it is sprayed with ammonia gas to kill bacteria; and

**WHEREAS**, the process is completed by packaging the filler into bricks, freezing the filler and shipping it to grocery stores and meat packers, where it is added to most ground beef; and

**WHEREAS**, several United States food manufacturers, including ConAgra Foods Inc., Sara Lee Corporation, and Kraft Foods Inc., publicly stated in early 2012 that they do not use “pink slime” in their meat products; and

**WHEREAS**, Costco Wholesale Corporation, Publix, Whole Foods Market, and H-E-B also announced in March 2012 that they do not sell meat products containing the low-grade ammonia treated filler; and

**WHEREAS**, in March 2012 Safeway, SUPERVALU, Kroger, and Food Lion announced that they will no longer carry meat products containing “pink slime” due to customer concerns; and

**WHEREAS**, McDonald's, Taco Bell, and Burger King announced in early 2012 that their meat products will no longer contain “pink slime;” and

**WHEREAS**, the United States Department of Agriculture announced in March 2012 that beginning in fall 2012, the United States National School Lunch Program will allow participating school districts to decide whether or not to purchase ground beef containing “pink slime;” and

**WHEREAS**, the Miami-Dade County Public Schools, one of the nation's largest school districts, stated that it will choose “pink-slime-free” beef; and

**WHEREAS**, the United States Department of Agriculture announced in April 2012 that it agreed to allow voluntary labeling of meat products containing “pink slime;” and

**WHEREAS**, the United States Department of Agriculture has never and currently does not require the labeling of meat products containing “pink slime;” and

WHEREAS, this Board would like to acknowledge the consumer concerns regarding the low-grade ammonia treated filler,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board:

**Section 1.** Urges the Federal government, the United States Department of Agriculture, and the United States Food & Drug Administration to ban the use of "pink slime" in meat products, or at the very least, require that meat products containing "pink slime" include labels that clearly indicate that the product contains the ammonia treated filler.

**Section 2.** Urges the Florida Legislature to ban the use of meat products containing "pink slime" in food that the State of Florida prepares or serves.

**Section 3.** Urges the other sixty-six (66) counties in the State of Florida to ban the use of meat products containing "pink slime" in food that the county prepares or serves.

**Section 4.** The Clerk of the Board is directed to transmit certified copies of the resolution to the Governor, Senate President, House Speaker, the Chair and members of the Miami-Dade State Legislative Delegation, Chair and members of the Boards of County Commissioners and the County Manager or other head county administrator for each of the other sixty-six (66) counties in the State of Florida, members of the Florida Congressional Delegation, the United States Secretary of Agriculture, and the Commissioner of the United States Food & Drug Administration.

**Section 5.** Directs the County's federal lobbyists to advocate for the issue identified in Section 1 above, and directs the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs to include this item in the 2012 and 2013 Federal Legislative Packages.

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**Section 6.** Directs the County's state lobbyists to advocate for the issue identified in Section 2 above, and authorizes and directs the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs to include this item in the 2013 State Legislative Package.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Dennis C. Moss. It was offered by Commissioner **Dennis C. Moss**, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Rebeca Sosa** and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

	Joe A. Martinez, Chairman	aye	
	Audrey M. Edmonson, Vice Chairwoman	absent	
Bruno A. Barreiro	aye	Lynda Bell	aye
Esteban L. Bovo, Jr.	aye	Jose "Pepe" Diaz	aye
Sally A. Heyman	absent	Barbara J. Jordan	aye
Jean Monestime	aye	Dennis C. Moss	aye
Rebeca Sosa	aye	Sen. Javier D. Souto	aye
Xavier L. Suarez	absent		

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 5<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2012. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA  
BY ITS BOARD OF  
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By: **Christopher Agrippa**  
Deputy Clerk



Approved by County Attorney as to form and legal sufficiency.

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STATE OF FLORIDA                    )  
                                                  ) SS:  
COUNTY OF MIAMI-DADE         )

I, HARVEY RUVIN, Clerk of the Circuit and County Courts, in and for Miami-Dade County, Florida, and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners of said County, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution R-495-12, which was adopted by the Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners at its meeting held on June 5, 2012, 2012, as appears of record.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal on this 19th day of June, A.D., 2012.

HARVEY RUVIN, Clerk  
Board of County Commissioners  
Miami-Dade County, Florida

SEAL

By:   
Deputy Clerk

Board of County Commissioners  
Miami-Dade County, Florida



# TROPICAL STORM DEBBY

State Emergency Response Team  
[www.FloridaDisaster.org](http://www.FloridaDisaster.org)



**Rick Scott**  
 Governor

**Bryan W. Koon**  
 State Coordinating Officer

**TROPICAL STORM DEBBY UPDATE:** Monday, July 9, 2012, 12:30 p.m.  
**CONTACT:** Public Information (ESF 14), (850) 921-0217  
[www.FloridaDisaster.org](http://www.FloridaDisaster.org)

## ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE APPROVED FOR FLORIDA COUNTIES IMPACTED BY TROPICAL STORM DEBBY

**TALLAHASSEE** – The federal government today approved Public Assistance for 20 requested counties to be included in the federal disaster declaration due to the impacts of Tropical Storm Debby across Florida. Three additional counties were approved for Individual Assistance, including Duval, Nassau and Union counties.

Public Assistance provides grant assistance for debris removal and emergency protective measures. Costs for repair, replacement, or restoration of disaster-damaged, publicly-owned facilities can also be covered under Public Assistance. The counties approved to receive Public Assistance include:

- Baker
- Charlotte
- Citrus
- Clay
- Columbia
- Dixie
- Franklin
- Gulf
- Hamilton
- Hernando
- Jefferson
- Lafayette
- Liberty
- Manatee
- Nassau
- Pasco
- Sarasota
- Suwannee
- Union
- Wakulla

Public Assistance from the federal declaration comes in conjunction with the earlier approval of Individual Assistance for eleven Florida counties. State, tribal, local governments and certain types of private non-profit organizations in the 20 designated counties should visit [www.FloridaPA.org](http://www.FloridaPA.org) to create an account within 30 days of a presidential declaration to apply for Public Assistance.

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 EMERGENCY SERVICES  
 PUBLIC INFORMATION

Federal Individual Assistance makes federal and state assistance available to individuals and families. Residents and business owners who sustained losses in the designated county can begin applying for individual assistance starting today by registering online at <http://www.disasterassistance.gov>, by web enabled mobile device at [m.fema.gov](http://m.fema.gov) or by calling 1-800-621-FEMA(3362) or 1-800-462-7585 (TTY) for the hearing and speech impaired. The toll-free telephone numbers will operate from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. (local time) seven days a week until further notice.

Tropical Storm Debby made landfall June 27 in Steinhatchee, FL. Impacts from the storm were felt statewide. The primary concern from Tropical Storm Debby was the prolific amount of rainfall and the resulting flooding impacts. Six rivers across Florida reached major flood stage, and two rivers, the Sopchoppy and the St. Marys, reached record breaking crests.

The Atlantic Hurricane Season runs from June 1 – November 30. To GET A PLAN! visit [www.FloridaDisaster.org](http://www.FloridaDisaster.org). For the latest information on the 2012 Hurricane Season, follow us on Twitter at [www.Twitter.com/flsert](http://www.Twitter.com/flsert) and on Facebook at [www.Facebook.com/FloridaSERT](http://www.Facebook.com/FloridaSERT).

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