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Geir Robinson
Director of Claims
Gulf Coast Restoration Organization

BP America, Inc.
P.O. Box 3092
Houston, Texas 77253-3092

January 18, 2011

To Government Entities,

You may have received the attached letter, dated, January 14, 2011, regarding the Announcement Regarding Consistency Approval Process for Activities in Support of MC252 Response, from the Gulf Coast Incident Management Team. As you are in our claims data base, we are forwarding this letter to ensure that you have seen it.

We look forward to closing out any claims you may have filed and working with you on questions or issues.

Sincerely,

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Health Insurance Experience Update January, 2011

The experience period Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Florida (BCBSF) will use to develop renewal rates closes 6 months in advance of the renewal, beginning with claims for April, 2010.

<u>Time Period</u>	<u>Paid Claims</u>	<u>Premium*</u>	<u>Loss Ratio</u>
<i>Rolling 12 months</i>			
1/1/10-12/31/10	\$ 959,714	\$ 1,039,168	92%
<i>Experience Period</i>			
4/1/10-12/31/10	\$ 737,275	\$ 776,092	95%
<i>Current Month</i>			
11/1/10-12/31/10	\$ 78,573	\$ 90,224	87%

Comments

December's claims brought some much needed relief with a loss ratio closer to target. The experience period and the rolling 12 month period both have claims well above target. This continues to be driven by one large and several medium sized claims.

For the reporting period, there are 3 claims over \$50,000, for a total of \$446,017. There are 8 claims totaling over \$25,000 and 15 over \$10,000.

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**Couch Ready Mix USA
Coastal**

Panama City Beach, Florida
Phone 850-236-9042 / Facsimile 850-236-9109

COMMISSIONERS
COUNTY

February 1, 2011

Dear Customer:

In the past year diesel fuel prices have risen significantly with little indication of where it will stop. In addition to the high fuel prices that we deal with every day, we are also impacted by price increases from rail, barges, ships, and truckers.

In an effort to offset these increases, we are implementing a fuel surcharge of \$15.00 per load beginning March 1, 2011. All new job quotations will reflect this increase immediately. We will, of course, honor all existing purchase orders and all jobs in progress. We regret having to take this action and know that you may find it necessary to pass these additional fees along to your customers as well.

Thank you in advance for your understanding and continued loyalty. We realize everyone is affected by higher oil prices and if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,


Phillip Creel
Vice President

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EMPLOYEES CLUB OF THE CITY OF WEWAHITCHKA

P.O. Box 966
Wewahitchka, FL 32465

850-639-2605
Chipper Wade, President

Dear Sponsor,

The Employees Club of the City of Wewahitchka along local search and rescue units will be hosting the 13th Annual Florida Catfish Classic on Sep 23 & 24, 2011 and the 7th Annual Gaskin Park Flathead Tournament on Jun 24 & 25, 2011. Your company can help us raise money for scholarships with a sponsorship so local students can reach their educational goals. We would like to provide you with some information on our previous tournaments.

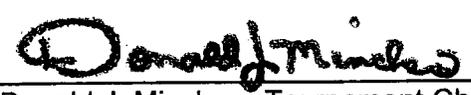
The first Florida Catfish Classic was held on the third Friday in August of 1999 and hosted by Wewahitchka Search & Rescue. The event hosted 169 participants in 80 boats. A year later 208 fisherman in 112 boats joined us for the second annual Catfish Classic. The third Catfish Classic boasted 277 fishermen in 169 boats.

For 2006, we started a second tournament: In August, the annual Gaskin Park Flathead Tournament with 71 fishermen in 43 boats and weighing in 902.52 pounds of flathead catfish. The annual Florida Catfish Classic, held in October, boasted 270 fisherpersons (217 men; 27 women; 26 kids including 3 girls) in 128 boats bringing in 691.18 pounds of flathead catfish and 205.22 pounds of channel catfish. Our tournaments continue to grow, and we've become the largest catfish tournament in the area. With your help, we anticipate this year's tournament to be the largest ever.

Through these tournaments, we have raised substantial funds to help our students take the next step to reaching their goals. We would like to again offer your company the opportunity to help us help them.

Please contact Don Minchew, Tournament Director, for any additional information at 850-639-2605, 850-814-3180, or citywewa@fairpoint.net. The official website for the tournament is www.FloridaCatfishClassic.com.

Cordially,
EMPLOYEES CLUB OF THE CITY OF WEWAHITCHKA



Donald J. Minchew, Tournament Chairman

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2011 SCHEDULE

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WEBSITE: FloridaCatfishClassic.com



Apr 29 & 30: LIBERTY COUNTY SR CITIZENS FLATHEAD CATFISH TOURNAMENT

Contact: Rudy Sumner 850-566-0812

Pre-Registration: Before 4/22/11: \$50, Day of Tournament: \$55
Bristol Landing, Bristol, Florida

Jun 24 & 25: GASKIN PARK FLATHEAD CATFISH TOURNAMENT

Contact: Don Minchew 850-814-3180 or 850-639-2605

Pre-registration: Before 6/17/11: \$50, Day of Tournament: \$55
Gaskin Park Landing, Wewahitchka, Florida

Aug 26 & 27: GATOR CLASSIC FLATHEAD CATFISH TOURNAMENT

Benefits: Wewahitchka High School Project Graduation

Contact: Dennis Peak 850-340-1029

Pre-Registration: Before 8/19/11: \$50, Day of Tournament: \$55
Gaskin Park Landing, Wewahitchka, Florida

Sep 23 & 24: FLORIDA CATFISH CLASSIC (Flathead & Channel Cats)

With a Kids & Ladies Division

Contact: Don Minchew 850-814-3180 or 850-639-2605

Pre-registration: Before 9/16/11: \$50, Day of Tournament: \$55

Kids Classic: \$20 Age 14 & Under (Channel Cats Only)

Kids fishing for flathead pay same as adults (\$50/\$55)

Gaskin Park Landing, Wewahitchka, Florida

EMPLOYEES CLUB OF THE CITY OF WEWAHITCHKA

HELP US PROVIDE EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

FLORIDA CATFISH CLASSIC TOURNAMENT
AND GASKIN PARK FLATHEAD CATFISH TOURNAMENT
LEVELS OF PARTICIPATION

_____ **Platinum for \$1,000:** This level includes use of your advertisements and mailings related to the tournament, including the sponsors' board. Should you choose to provide such, we will include a flyer or small item with information concerning your company in each participant's hospitality bag. This level includes **four free entries** in the tournament.

_____ **Gold for \$500:** This level includes listing your company and logo in all tournament related advertisements and mailings and on the sponsors' board. This level includes **two free entries**.

_____ **Silver for \$250:** This level includes listing of your company and logo in tournament related advertisements and mailing and on our sponsors' board. This level includes **one free entry** in the tournament.

_____ **Bronze for \$100:** This level includes listing of your company in all tournament related advertisements and mailings.

Business Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Contact person _____

Email address: _____

Please return this form along with your check, payable to Florida Catfish Classic, PO Box 966, Wewahitchka, FL 32465. Thank you for helping us make a difference for students seeking hope and opportunity through education!

If you have questions, please contact Tournament Chairman:
Don Minchew 850-639-2605 or 850-814-3180 (citywewa@fairpoint.net)

Also check out our website: www.FloridaCatfishClassic.com

Your company will also be listed on our website. If you have a website, we will be glad to provide a link to it, if you will provide us with a URL.

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Florida Department of Environmental Protection

Marjory Stoneman Douglas Building
3900 Commonwealth Boulevard
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000

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Rick Scott
Governor

Jennifer Carroll
Lt. Governor

Herschel T. Vinyard, Jr.
Secretary

February 8, 2011

The Honorable Bill Williams
Commissioner
Gulf County
1000 Cecil G. Costin Sr. Boulevard
Port St. Joe, Florida 32456

Re: Natural Resource Damage Assessment (NRDA) Process

Dear Commissioner Williams:

As we continue through the Natural Resource Damage Assessment (NRDA) process, the State of Florida has been working cooperatively with other Gulf Coast states and federal agencies to assess the environmental damages caused by the Deepwater Horizon oil spill and develop restoration projects that will compensate for those damages.

As part of this process, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) is looking for suggestions for potential restoration projects that may qualify for funding. A list of potential restoration projects will be provided to the Natural Resource Trustee Council, of which Florida is a member, and will be evaluated based on NRDA guidelines for eventual submittal to the responsible parties for funding.

This is your opportunity to directly participate in the process of identifying potential projects that are related to natural resource injuries and service losses requiring restoration. A template is attached, along with guidelines for completion of project details for your information. Please send your list of potential restoration projects to Rebecca Wintering (Rebecca.Wintering@dep.state.fl.us) by March 4, 2011. Please provide as much detail as you can, including the project's location, injury being addressed and potential cost.

We are currently working with the various federal agencies involved in the NRDA process to set up several public meetings in March in the Panhandle to discuss this further and receive additional public input. We will provide the dates and locations once they are finalized.

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We recognize that counties are integral to this effort for Florida to seek and receive fair restoration for the Deepwater Horizon oil spill. In light of that, we will be sending occasional requests for information or suggestions. If there is a more appropriate individual that you would like us to send these messages to, please provide me with their contact information.

If you have any questions or need additional information related to submitting potential restoration projects, please contact Rebecca Wintering at the above email address or via telephone at (850) 245-2008.

Sincerely,



Mimi A. Drew
Special Advisor to the Secretary

Enclosure

cc: The Honorable Warren Yeager, Chair, Gulf County Board of Commissioners
Donald Butler, Administrator, Bay County

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Florida Department
of
Environmental
Protection

St. Joseph Bay State Buffer Preserve
3915 State Road 30A
Port St. Joe, FL 32456

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

Feb. 3, 2011

Dear Commissioner Yeager,

It has recently been brought to our attention that there is a sign moratorium in effect in Gulf County. At the St. Joseph Bay State Buffer Preserve we are in the process of completing a series of renovations around our buildings to encourage public access to the Preserve. We are planning to replace the signs that direct the public to our Preserve Center and we have taken down our old signs. Currently there are no signs directing the public to the Preserve Center.

We would like to request an exemption from the moratorium to replace our signs. It is very important that we have signs that allow the public to know where their Preserve is located.

We very much appreciate any help you or the Board of Commissioners could offer to help resolve our predicament.

Sincerely,

Jean Huffman
Manager, St. Joseph Bay State Buffer Preserve
850.229.1787

cc: Don Butler, County Administrator

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January 10, 2011

Chairman
Gulf County Board of
County Commissioners
1000 Cecil G. Costin, Sr. Boulevard
Port Saint Joe, Florida 32456

Dear Chairman:

On November 2, 2010, the Chief of the state Bureau of Emergency Medical Services (EMS) sent you a letter that explained a two payment process for your FY 2010-2011 county grant. You may now apply for the first of the two payments. The deadline is April 14, 2011, 5:00 PM, Eastern Daylight Saving Time.

The total for your budget must be \$1,053.00, which is 45 percent of the funds your county deposited between July 1, 2010 and December 31, 2010 into the state EMS Trust Fund under section 401.113(1), *Florida Statutes*.

We will send you the amount of the second payment in July 2011 so you may apply for this payment. It will be 45 percent of your deposits this year from January 1 through June 30, 2011.

All budgets must improve and expand EMS because replacement and continuation are not allowed for any county per section 401.113 (1), *Florida Statutes*. We are again using the same grant booklet and forms, but if you need a copy please obtain them at <http://www.fl-ems.com/Grants/Grants.html> or contact me.

The forms to submit are pages 3-5 in the grant booklet. Item 4 in the application describes and requires a current resolution from you. Complete and return to us the signed originals plus one copy of: (1) the application (DH Form 1684), (2) Grant Fund Distribution page (DH Form 1767P) and, (3) the resolution.

Send your forms plus one copy to: EMS COUNTY GRANT PROGRAM
Attn: Alan Van Lewen
DOH Emergency Medical Services
4052 Bald Cypress Way, Mail Bin C18
Tallahassee, FL 32399-1738

Thank you for your cooperation and support to improve and expand quality EMS in Florida. Please contact me via telephone at (850) 245-4440, extension *2734, or by other means if you have any questions.

Sincerely,
Alan Van Lewen
Alan Van Lewen
Health Services and Facilities Consultant

cc: Mr. J. Shane McGuffin

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Lynn Lanier

From: Green, Donna [Donna.Green@dot.state.fl.us] on behalf of FDOT District Three Public Information Office, Tommie Speights [D3PIO_MAIL@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Wednesday, February 02, 2011 2:36 PM
To: undisclosed-recipients:
Subject: Florida Department of Transportation Announces Crossing Guard Appreciation Day



Florida Department of Transportation

RICK SCOTT
GOVERNOR
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:
Wednesday, February 2, 2011

605 Suwannee Street
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0450

STEPHANIE C. KOPELOUSOS
SECRETARY

CONTACT:
Marianne Trussell

(850) 245-1504

Florida Department of Transportation Announces Crossing Guard Appreciation Day
~Recognizes exemplary service of crossing guards~

TALLAHASSEE—The Florida Department of Transportation’s (FDOT) Safety Office today announced Friday, February 4, 2011, as Crossing Guard Appreciation Day. The honorary day recognizes the hard work and dedication of individuals who brave weather conditions and busy streets to ensure Florida’s children have a safe journey to and from school.

“Every school day, morning and afternoon, crossing guards help our children move safely across Florida’s streets at key locations to and from school,” said FDOT Secretary Stephanie Kopelousos. “I am grateful for their honorable public service and leadership, which protects our children and helps them develop safe street-crossing skills.”

FDOT recognizes the following individuals and organizations for exemplary performance aiding in the protection of Florida’s youth against potentially dangerous traffic situations:

- Ann Buwa, Seminole County Sheriff’s Office - School Crossing Guard of the Year*
- Ophelia Saffold, Hillsborough County Sheriff’s Office - School Crossing Guard Trainer of the Year*
- Pinellas County Sheriff’s Office - School Crossing Guard Program of the Year*
- Louise Steward, Jacksonville Sheriff’s Office - School Crossing Guard Special Award for Dedicated Service*

Florida is a leader among states in its curriculum development and its dedication to providing a free Train-the-Trainer program to educate crossing guards on safe and effective techniques. For more information, please contact the Florida Department of Transportation’s Crossing Guard Train-the-Trainer Program Administrator at 850-245-1757.

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Donna M. Green, Public Information Specialist
District Three Public Information Office
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Chipley, Florida 32428
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STATE OF FLORIDA
DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

RICK SCOTT
Governor

DAVID HALSTEAD
Director

January 26, 2011

Mr. Marshall Nelson
Gulf County Local Mitigation Strategy Coordinator
1000 Cecil G. Coslin Sr. Blvd., Bldg 500
Port St. Joe, Florida 32619

Dear Mr. Nelson:

Congratulations! The enclosed letter constitutes the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) formal approval of the Gulf County Local Mitigation Strategy Plan (LMS) for Gulf County's unincorporated areas. The plan has been approved for a period of five years and will expire again on January 18, 2016.

The mitigation planning unit would like to thank you for all of your hard work. It has been a pleasure working with you and we look forward to serving you in the future.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Bill McCusker at 850-487-3211 or william.mccusker@em.myflorida.com.

Respectfully,

Miles E. Anderson
Bureau Chief, Mitigation
State Hazard Mitigation Officer

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Enclosed: FEMA letter of notification dated January 18, 2011

U.S. Department of Homeland Security
FEMA Region IV
3003 Chamblee Tucker Road
Atlanta, GA 30341



FEMA

January 18, 2011

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Mr. Miles E. Anderson
State Hazard Mitigation Officer
Division of Emergency Management
2555 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2100

Reference: Gulf County Multi-jurisdictional Local Mitigation Strategy

Dear Mr. Anderson:

We are pleased to inform you that the Gulf County Multi-jurisdictional Local Mitigation Strategy is in compliance with the federal hazard mitigation planning standards resulting from the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000, as contained in 44 CFR 201.6. The plan is approved for a period of five (5) years, to January 18, 2016.

This plan approval extends to the following participating jurisdictions that provided a copy of their resolution adopting the plan:

- Gulf County (unincorporated)
- City of Port St. Joe
- City of Wewahitchka

The approved participating jurisdictions are hereby eligible applicants through the State for the following mitigation grant programs administered by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA):

- Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)
- Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM)
- Severe Repetitive Loss (SRL)
- Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA)

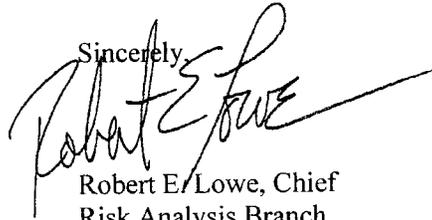
A fifth program, Repetitive Flood Claims (RFC), does not have a requirement for a local Hazard Mitigation Plan. National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) participation is required for some programs.

We commend the participants in the Gulf County plan for the development of a solid, workable plan that will guide hazard mitigation activities over the coming years. Please note that all requests for funding will be evaluated individually according to the specific eligibility and other requirements of the particular program under which the application is submitted.

For example, a specific mitigation activity or project identified in the plan may not meet the eligibility requirements for FEMA funding, and even eligible mitigation activities are not automatically approved for FEMA funding under any of the aforementioned programs. In addition, please be aware that if any of the approved jurisdictions participating in this plan are placed on probation or are suspended from the National Flood Insurance Program, they may be ineligible for certain types of federal funding.

We strongly encourage each Community to perform an annual review and assessment of the effectiveness of their hazard mitigation plan; however, a formal plan update is required at least every five (5) years. We also encourage each Community to conduct a plan update process within one (1) year of being included within a Presidential Disaster Declaration or of the adoption of major modifications to their local Comprehensive Land Use Plan or other plans that affect hazard mitigation or land use and development. When the plan is amended or revised, it must be resubmitted through the State as a "plan update" and is subject to a formal review and approval process by our office. If the plan is not updated prior to the required five (5) year update, please ensure that the draft update is submitted at least six (6) months prior to expiration of this plan.

The State and the participants in the Gulf County plan should be commended for their close coordination and communications with our office in the review and subsequent approval of the plan. If you or Gulf County have any questions or need any additional information please do not hesitate to contact Gabriela Vigo, of the Hazard Mitigation Assistance Branch, at (229) 225-4546, or Linda L. Byers of my staff at (770)-220-5498.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Lowe, Chief
Risk Analysis Branch
Mitigation Division



Gulf Coast Incident Management Team
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New Orleans, LA 70113

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**Announcement Regarding Consistency Approval Process
For Activities in Support of MC252 Incident Response**

To: Political Subdivisions or Supporting Contractors of Political Subdivisions:

This letter sets forth the process to incur costs, make commitments or otherwise take action that results in a claim for, or other expectation of, funding or reimbursement by BP (and all affiliates) for expenses related to the April 20, 2010 blowout of the Macondo Well, the sinking of Transocean's Deepwater Horizon drilling rig, and the subsequent oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico (the "Incident").

For a political subdivision of a State or other government entity or any contractor of a political subdivision of a State or other government entity (referred to herein as "Government Claimants") to recover for response and removal costs arising out of the Incident, the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 ("OPA") requires Government Claimants to demonstrate that the costs incurred are reasonable, necessary and approved by the Federal On-Scene Coordinator or otherwise consistent with the National Contingency Plan. Through the course of the Incident response efforts, Unified Command often pre-approved many activities as "consistent with the National Contingency Plan" to ensure that costs incurred by Government Claimants were "reasonable and necessary" and thus reimbursable by BP.

Today, many of the activities across the Gulf Region related to the response and removal phase of the Incident have ceased, while some others continue. Largely, BP's efforts have shifted to a new remediation and restoration phase. These activities are different from the initial response phase, and are focused primarily on oil impacted areas. Given the changing nature of the response to the event, it is important that Government Claimants who wish to continue to seek reimbursement for ongoing response activities obtain current pre-approvals to ensure that their activities remain consistent with the National Contingency Plan during this next phase. To this end, effective February 1, 2011:

1. All pre-approvals issued to a Government Claimant for response and removal activities obtained prior to November 1, 2010 should be considered expired and no longer in effect, regardless of whether the pre-approval resulted in a Purchase Order number, a 213, a Master Service Agreement or Work Release being issued to the claimant. Any Government Claimant affected by this expiration of authority should communicate with Incident Command to obtain any further pre-approvals that may be requested for ongoing activities;
2. All pre-approvals issued to a Government Claimant for response and removal activities obtained after November 1, 2010, should be considered expired and no longer in effect 90 days after issuance, or on an earlier date if an earlier date is specified by Incident Command at the time of issuance or if the pre-approval is revoked prior to the expiration of the 90 day period.

Communications to Incident Command for the quarterly pre-approvals needed to continue response and removal activities should be directed to the Incident Command Branch in your area. Your submission should include the proposed activity, the costs expected to be incurred, the expected duration of the activity or expense, and the reasons why you believe the activity is reasonable and necessary. The contact information for each of the Incident Command branches is listed below:

Gulf Coast Incident Management Team

Tom Zimmer
1250 Poydras St., 14th Floor
New Orleans, LA 70113

Fourchon Branch

Director Richard Taylor
570 Dudley Bernard
Golden Meadow, LA 70357

Venice/Plaquemines Branch

Director George Carter
339 Coast Guard Rd.
Venice, LA 70091

Grand Isle/Lafitte/Jefferson Branch

Director Gary Bartlett
274 Walnut St.
Grand Isle, LA 70358

Mississippi Branch

Director Derwin Henley
13032 Hwy. 67 N.
Biloxi, MS 39532

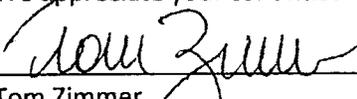
Alabama Branch

Director Joe Golden
3947 Gulf Shores Pkwy., Suite 240
Gulf Shores, AL 36542

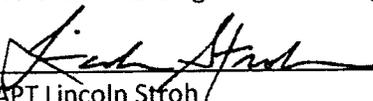
Florida Branch

Director Tom Mahan
700 Myrick St.
Pensacola, FL 32505

We appreciate your continued cooperation as we work toward our shared goal of restoring the Gulf.



Tom Zimmer
BP Incident Commander



CAPT Lincoln Stroh
USCG Federal on Scene Coordinator



February 1, 2011

Ms. Denise Manual
 County Manager's Office
 1000 Cecil G. Costin Sr. Blvd, Room 302
 Port St. Joe, FL 32456

Dear Ms. Manual:

As you know, Port St. Joe is a town of significant interest to the Jessie Ball duPont Fund. Mrs. duPont called Port St. Joe a periodic home, and made numerous charitable contributions to the community.

Since 1977, the Jessie Ball duPont Fund has supported a variety of efforts in the community including: after-school tutorial and athletic programs, a senior citizens' program, a feeding program for house-bound elders, and the development of two church collaborations - Washington Improvement Group/Community Advisory Committee and the Christian Community Development Fund. The Jessie Ball duPont Fund has also provided funding to help eligible churches care for the needs of the community's most vulnerable citizens through the People-in-Need grant program.

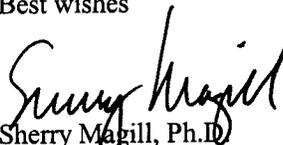
In 2008, the Jessie Ball duPont Fund established the *Port St. Joe Capacity Building Fund*, an advised fund at the Community Foundation in Jacksonville, to provide additional support to the community. To date, the *Port St. Joe Capacity Building Fund* has invested over \$1.1 million in programs to increase the academic performance and healthy development of children and youth, provide job skill training for adults and increase access to safe, decent, affordable housing for senior citizens.

In 2006 and again in 2008 we convened representatives from five communities in Florida, Virginia and Delaware, including Port St. Joe, to engage in a dialogue about how best to increase the financial assets of financially vulnerable populations. Many of the people from Port St. Joe that participated in these meetings have since moved to other communities, and we wish to reconvene a community group.

Therefore, we'd like you to join us on **Tuesday, February 22, 2011, from 10:00 AM – 12:00 Noon at Gulf Coast Community College, Building A, Room 113**. We'd like to continue to learn about the challenges and opportunities in the Port St. Joe community and talk to you about our priorities for the *Port St. Joe Capacity Building Fund*. **Please RSVP to Barbara Roole, Senior Policy Director at broole@dupontfund.org or (904) 353-0890 by Thursday, February 17th.**

Please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Roole if you have any questions. We hope you can join us and look forward to learning from and sharing with you.

Best wishes


 Sherry Magill, Ph.D.
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Paperwork Reduction Act Information

Natural Resource Damage Assessment Restoration Project Information Sheet

Responses to this collection are voluntary. Collection of restoration project information will be undertaken in order to provide information to Natural Resource Trustees to develop potential restoration alternatives for natural resource injuries and service losses requiring restoration during the restoration planning phase of the Natural Resource Damage Assessment (NRDA) process. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 20 minutes including the time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspects of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to the NOAA Fisheries Office of Habitat Conservation, Restoration Center, Louisiana State University, Sea Grant Building, Room 124C Baton Rouge, LA 70803.

Notwithstanding any other provision of the law, no person is required to respond to, nor shall any person be subject to penalty for failure to comply with, a collection of information subject to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act, unless that collection of information displays a currently valid OMB Control Number.

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Natural Resource Damage Assessment (NRDA)

Restoration Project Information Sheet

Guidelines for Completion

Please complete all of the information requested with the best information that you have available. Limited attachments are acceptable if they are necessary to adequately describe the project, however every effort should be made to have all pertinent information included on the Restoration Project Information Sheet. Below are specific guidelines for completion.

A. General Information

Organization: The name of the organization or agency submitting the information.
If you are applying as an individual indicate by filling this section with "N/A".

Contact Name: The first and last name of a person who can be contacted for additional information.

Title: The title (or position) of the above individual.

Address: The mailing address of the above individual.

Phone number/Email: The phone number and email of the above individual.

Organization Website: The web page of the above organization or agency.

B. Project Information

Project name: The common name of the project, usually a combination of location and restoration activity (e.g., Cross Bayou Mangrove Restoration).

Location: The location where the restoration activity will take place (e.g., East Timbalier Island).

State: Two-letter abbreviation of the state (s) where the project will take place.
If the project occurs across several states list all states separated by commas.

County/Parish: County or Parish where the project will be completed. If the project occurs across multiple counties or parishes list only the primary county or parish name.

Watershed/Basin: The watershed where the project will be completed. If the project occurs across multiple watersheds list only the primary watershed.

Latitude/Longitude: Provide a latitude/longitude of the central location of the project activity. If the activity occurs over a large area you may also attach a map of the area of the activity.

Project Size: The size of the area where project activities will occur; designated by linear miles, acres, or tonnage (e.g., area of plantings in a riparian buffer).

Affected Area: The area affected or influenced by the project activity; designated by acres (e.g., area of water quality improvement as a result of riparian buffer plantings).

C. Project Description

A description of the project objectives, activities to be completed and expected outcomes; including information on the benefits of this project to the public and environment. If applicable, use this section to provide additional refinement to habitat and/or resource benefit (e.g., cypress wetland, barrier island). In addition, feel free to attach other information, maps, or diagrams concerning your project. Maximum 2,750 characters.

D. Project Type(s)

The type of activity the project will complete to address the impacts to priority resources or habitats. Check all that apply.

Restoration: Activities conducted to create, enhance, or restore an injured resource or habitat.

Protection: Activities conducted to protect a resource or habitat by removing the threat to that resource or habitat (e.g., shoreline stabilization, buoys or markers, nest protection).

Debris Removal: Removal of debris to restore and protect a resource or habitat.

Land Acquisition: The acquisition and conservation of land in perpetuity to protect priority resources or habitats.

Maintenance/Management: Activities conducted to maintain or manage the quality of a resource or habitat (e.g., prescribed burns).

Education: Education of a targeted audience to restore or protect priority resources or habitats.

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Guidelines for Completion *(continued)*

E. Project Habitat(s)

The type of habitat that the project activities are located within or will benefit. Check all that apply.

<i>Upland:</i>	Regions located away from coastlines and the floodplains of rivers, streams, and other bodies of water.
<i>Riverine:</i>	Regions located within or adjacent to open freshwater areas that occur within a defined channel.
<i>Marine/Estuarine Wetlands:</i>	Regions that are inundated or saturated by saltwater on a consistent basis.
<i>Freshwater Wetlands:</i>	Regions that are inundated or saturated by freshwater (e.g., surface or groundwater) on a consistent basis to support saturation tolerant plant species.
<i>Beach/Dune:</i>	Regions along a sandy shoreline that include the area from the mean low tide through the dune system.
<i>Subtidal (nearshore/offshore):</i>	Coastal regions that are permanently inundated with salt water (e.g., ocean).

F. Resource Benefit(s)

Primary resources that would benefit from the project. Check all that apply.

<i>Marine Mammals:</i>	Whales (dolphin), Manatees, Otters, etc.
<i>Birds:</i>	All birds
<i>Reptiles/amphibians:</i>	Sea turtles, alligators, snakes, lizards, frogs, etc.
<i>Fish:</i>	Nearshore and offshore fish
<i>Shellfish:</i>	Oysters, shrimp, crabs, etc.
<i>Terrestrial Wildlife:</i>	All upland animals
<i>Corals:</i>	Shallow and deep water corals
<i>Vegetation:</i>	All plants (e.g., submergent, emergent, and terrestrial)
<i>Water column:</i>	Water quality and plankton
<i>Sediment / Benthos:</i>	Sediment permanently inundated with water, and organisms associated with the sediment (e.g., worms)
<i>Shoreline:</i>	Land area adjacent to water (e.g., beaches, marsh)
<i>Human Use:</i>	Improved recreation, infrastructure, community resilience, etc.
<i>Status Species:</i>	Will this project directly benefit State or Federally listed threatened and/or endangered species? If so, please list them. If not, please indicate N/A.

G. Project Status

Property/Resource Acquisition:	Acquisition of the property, resource, or landowner agreements (e.g., easements) in which the project activity will occur. Indicate the status by selecting NOT STARTED, IN PROGRESS, COMPLETED, or N/A.
Planning/Design:	Project planning and engineered design of the project activity. Indicate the status by selecting NOT STARTED, IN PROGRESS, COMPLETED, or N/A.
Permitting:	Acquisition of all local, state, and federal permits needed to implement the project activity (e.g., NEPA). Indicate the status by selecting NOT STARTED, IN PROGRESS, COMPLETED, or N/A.
Time to Implementation:	Number of months required to prepare for the start of project activity.
Time to Completion:	Following the start of the project, number of months required to complete the project activity.
Regional Planning:	Is this project included under a regional or statewide plan/initiative? (YES or NO) If yes, please list the plan/initiative in the space provided.

H. Project Cost

<i>Estimated Cost:</i>	The total cost of the project including any funds contributed by the applicant or other organizations (e.g., match funds).
<i>Funding available:</i>	Monies (from the applicant or partnering organizations/agencies) already committed for partial funding of the project activity. Indicate amount in the adjacent box.

H. Project Partners

Please provide the name, contact, and involvement (equipment, matching funds, design, etc.) of other organizations or agencies with the project activities.

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A General Information

Organization			
Contact Name (First Last)		Title	
Address		City	State ZIP
Phone Number	ext.	Email	
Organization Website			

B Project Information

Project Name			
Location (e.g. John Smith National Wildlife Refuge)			
State(s) (Use 2-letter abbreviations separated by commas)		County/Parish	Watershed/Basin
Latitude (decimal degrees)	Longitude (decimal degrees)	Project Size (Choose one)	Affected Area
		miles acres tons	acres

C Project Description

Please provide more information about the proposed project. (Limit 2,750 characters.)

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Restoration Project Information Sheet *(continued)*

D Project Type(s) *(Check all that apply)*

<input type="checkbox"/> Restoration	<input type="checkbox"/> Debris Removal	<input type="checkbox"/> Maintenance/Management
<input type="checkbox"/> Protection	<input type="checkbox"/> Land Acquisition	<input type="checkbox"/> Education

E Project Habitat(s) *(Check all that apply)*

<input type="checkbox"/> Upland	<input type="checkbox"/> Marine/Estuarine Wetlands	<input type="checkbox"/> Beach/Dune
<input type="checkbox"/> Riverine	<input type="checkbox"/> Freshwater Wetlands	<input type="checkbox"/> Subtidal (Nearshore/Offshore)

F Resource Benefit(s) *(Check all that apply)*

<input type="checkbox"/> Marine Mammals	<input type="checkbox"/> Shellfish	<input type="checkbox"/> Water Column
<input type="checkbox"/> Birds	<input type="checkbox"/> Terrestrial Wildlife	<input type="checkbox"/> Sediment/Benthos
<input type="checkbox"/> Reptiles/Amphibians	<input type="checkbox"/> Corals	<input type="checkbox"/> Shoreline
<input type="checkbox"/> Fish	<input type="checkbox"/> Vegetation	<input type="checkbox"/> Human Use (Recreational, Cultural)

Will the project directly benefit State- or Federally-listed species? If so, please list them. If not, please indicate N/A.

G Project Status

Property/Resource Acquisition	Time to Implementation
Project Planning/Design	Time to Project Completion
Project Permitting.	

*Is this project included under a regional or statewide plan?
If so, please list:*

H Project Costs

Estimated Cost	Funding Available
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I Project Partners

Partner 1 Organization	
Partner 1 Contact	Partner 1 Involvement
Partner 2 Organization	
Partner 2 Contact	Partner 2 Involvement
Partner 3 Organization	
Partner 3 Contact	Partner 3 Involvement

Disclaimer:

The submission of project information does not guarantee project funding. Projects will be evaluated using criteria identified in OPA, NEPA, implementing regulations, and related laws. Selection and funding determinations will be made by the Trustee Council.

Lynn Lanier

From: Polly Edmiston [pedmiston@gulf.k12.fl.us]
Sent: Friday, February 11, 2011 10:28 AM
To: 'bocc@gulfcounty-fl.gov'
Subject: Request for information from Port St. Joe Middle School
Attachments: Recycling ltr.docx

My 6th grade class has asked me to send this letter to you in their behalf.

Thanks,
Polly Edmiston
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To Whom It May Concern:

Our sixth grade class has decided to put forth our efforts in finding out if there is a recycling center in our county. So far we have found no traces of a recycling center, and we would like to know if there is one available in Gulf County. If we don't have a recycling center, we question why we don't have one.

There are many benefits of recycling. One main benefit of recycling is that it helps conserve fossil fuels, like coal, which are very helpful nonrenewable resources. Also, getting a recycling center would allow more people to recycle, and the more people that recycle, the cheaper it becomes. Well-run recycling programs cost less to operate than waste collection, land filling, and incineration, which is another reason we should develop a recycling center. Recycling just one glass bottle can save enough electricity to light a light bulb for up to four hours. Did you know that every ton of paper that is recycled could save about 17 trees?

We could go on and on about recycling, but we just wanted to ask if there is any way possible that we can get a recycling program? If so, we are proud to let you know that our 6th grade class at Port St. Joe Middle School would gladly help you, if there is any help needed. You may think this is some annoying student in the 6th grade, and the only reason we are writing this letter is so the class could get extra credit. Actually a few students in our class asked our teacher if we could do this and she gladly said yes. We aren't doing this to get a good grade; in fact, we aren't getting extra credit at all. We simply took time out of our day to help save the environment, and something as simple as this could help us for many years to come.

Sincerely,

Kristen Thursby

Steven Kerigan

Hayden Lee

Robert Jones

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COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

The Honorable Warren Yeager
Gulf County Board of County Commissioners
1000 Cecil G. Costin Senior Boulevard, Room 302
Port Saint Joe, Florida 32456

Dear Commissioner Yeager:

Thank you for contacting my office regarding your FEMA appeals review. I appreciate being made aware of your concerns and will be pleased to look into this matter.

Currently, I am in touch with the Federal Emergency Management Agency on your behalf. As soon as I have a response, I will share the results with you.

Again, thank you for contacting my office. I want you to know that as your U.S. Senator from Florida, I welcome the opportunity to serve you. If I can assist you with any other matter, please do not hesitate to let me know.

Sincerely,

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