

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ESCAMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA

MEETING DATE:7/10/2025

DEPARTMENT: Natural Resources
ITEM TYPE: Technical/Public Service

ITEM ID: 2025-1025 Consent

FROM: Chips Kirschenfeld, Department Director

SUBJECT: Recommendation Concerning Amendment 4 to the RESTORE Multi-Year

Implementation Plan – J. Taylor "Chips" Kirschenfeld, Natural Resources Management Department

<u>Director</u>

RECOMMENDATION/REQUIRED ACTION:

That the Board acknowledge and authorize staff to submit Amendment 4 of the RESTORE Act Direct Component (Pot 1) Multi-Year Implementation Plan (MYIP) to the U.S. Department of the Treasury for review and approval of the following projects:

New Projects:

- 1. \$2.5 Million for Palmetto Phase 2 & Palomar Water Quality and Drainage Improvements, Design and Construction:
- 2. \$2.3 Million for Ellyson Industrial Park Water Quality and Drainage Improvements, Design and Construction;
- 3. \$500,000 for Dive Garden Design and Construction;
- 4. \$2.5 Million for Bob White Lane and Ziglar Road Water Quality and Drainage Improvements, Design and Construction; and

Project Alteration:

1. South Navy Boulevard Improvements

MYIP Amendment 4 has projects in Commissioner Districts 1, 2, 4, and 5.

BACKGROUND SUMMARY:

Based on public input and Commissioner direction, staff has made the following three changes to the proposed Amendment #4 for the RESTORE MYIP:

- 1. Remove Galvez Landing Boat Ramp Design Update and Construction as a new project;
- 2. Retain Perdido Key Gulf of Mexico Public Access as an ongoing project; and
- 3. Retain Perdido Key Beach Public Access Property Acquisition and Construction as an ongoing project.

On July 18, 2023, the Board authorized staff to amend the RESTORE MYIP and initiate the 45-day public comment period and bring back the approved project list for final Board action to approve and transmit to the Treasury. The 45-day public comment period ran from May 13, 2025, until Friday, June 27, 2025. A total of 26 comments were received.

On February 16, 2024, the Second Amendment to the MYIP was approved by the U.S. Department of the Treasury, which proposed modifications to two projects and the addition of eight new projects.

On August 16, 2021, the Second Amendment to the MYIP was approved by the U.S. Department of the Treasury, which proposed additional funds for one existing project and the addition of one new project.

On June 16, 2020, the First Amendment to the MYIP was approved by the U.S. Department of the Treasury, which proposed modifications to three projects and the addition of eight new projects.

On October 17, 2017, the initial MYIP was approved by the U.S. Department of the Treasury, which proposed 10 projects.

FISCAL IMPACT:

N/A

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS/SIGN-OFF:

N/A

PERSONNEL

N/A

POLICY/REQUIREMENT FOR BOARD ACTION:

Board Policy II.A.

IMPLEMENTATION/COORDINATION:

Natural Resources Management Department staff will work with the U.S. Department of the Treasury to ensure Treasury MYIP acceptance.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1. 20250306 Regular BCC Meeting Minutes ada
- 2. Public Comment MYIP 4 Summary 20250630 ada