

#### Gulf Consortium Agenda June 28, 2013 10:00 a.m.-12:00 (EDT)

Tampa Marriott Waterside Hotel 700 South Florida Ave Tampa, Fl 33602

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Consent Agenda
  - a. Minutes Approval
  - b. Updated List of Directors/Alternates
  - c. Financial Report
  - d. Copy of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Executive Office of the Governor
- 4. Concept Approval for Florida Association of Counties (FAC) Continued Involvement in Gulf

#### Consortium Management

- 5. Update Procurement Partnership with Leon County
- 6. Leon County Clerk of Court Fiscal Agent Proposal
- 7. Consortium Comments on Council Draft Initial Comprehensive Plan
- 8. Delegation of Approval for the Methodology Developed by the Committee of 15

#### **Nondisproportionately Impacted Counties**

- 9. Watersheds of the Forgotten Coast Educational Presentation by The Nature Conservancy
- 10. Future Meetings Information:
  - a. August 22, 2013 9:00 am Noon EST Clearwater Beach
  - b. September 18, 2013 10:00 am Noon EST Marriott West Palm Beach
  - c. November 13, 2013 9:00 am 11:00 am EST Daytona Hilton
- 11. Public Comment
- 12. Adjourn

## Gulf Consortium Board Meeting Agenda Item Cover Sheet June 28, 2013

#### Tampa, Florida

<u>Statement of Issue or Executive Summary:</u> The Gulf Consortium is a public entity under Chapter 119, Florida Statutes (F.S.) and as such, meetings are required to have minutes.

<u>Background:</u> The attached minutes summarize actions taken at the last Gulf Consortium Meeting held May 17, 2013, 9:00 am – 2:00 pm EDT at the Murray Nelson Government Center, 102050 Overseas Highway, Key Largo, FI 33037.

**Analysis:** The attached accurately reflects Consortium actions.

#### **Options:**

- 1) Approve a motion to accept minutes as presented.
- 2) Amend minutes.

Fiscal Impact: None.

#### **Recommendation:**

Approve a motion that approves minutes.

**<u>Division and Staff Person's Name:</u>** Doug Darling, Florida Association of Counties.

Moved	; Seconded		
Action: Approved	; Approved as amended	: Defeated	_

# Gulf Consortium Meeting May 17, 2013 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. (EDT) at Murray Nelson Government Center Monroe County

Directors / Alternates in Attendance: Commissioner Mike Thomas (Bay), Commissioner Tricia Duffey (Charlotte), Commissioner Tom Henning (Collier), Commissioner Grover Robinson (Escambia), Commissioner Cheryl Sanders (Franklin), Commissioner Warren Yeager (Gulf), Commissioner Wayne Dukes (Hernando), Commissioner Betsy Barfield (Jefferson), Commissioner Tammy Hall (Lee), Commissioner Ryan Bell (Levy), Director Charlie Hunsiker (Manatee), Commissioner George Neugent (Monroe), Commissioner Jack Mariano (Pasco), Commissioner Susan Latvala (Pinellas), Commissioner Nora Patterson (Sarasota), Commissioner Jim Moody (Taylor), Commissioner Sara Comander (Walton)

Also present but not voting was Mr. Brandon Wagner representing Hillsborough County.

#### Agenda Item #3 - Approval of the Consent agenda

A motion to approve Consent Agenda was made and seconded. The Consent Agenda contained minutes from the April 5, 2012 Gulf Consortium Board of Directors' (Board) Meeting in Leon County, an updated list of Directors/Alternates and the Financial Report

**ACTION: PASSED** 

#### Agenda Item #4 – Procurement Partnership with Leon County

Mr. Doug Darling, Interim Manager, and Ms. Sarah Bleakley, Interim General Counsel, briefed the Consortium on proposed procurement process concept using a partnership with Leon County. A motion to approve continued exploration with the Leon County to utilize the County's procurement process was made and seconded.

**ACTION: PASSED** 

#### Agenda Item #5 – Discussion of U.S. Treasury Rules

Mr. Doug Darling, Interim Manager, reported the discussions that he had with the US Treasury and Congressional Delegation. A motion by Commissioner Warren Yeager (Gulf) adopting the recommended Consortium positions specified in the staff paper was made and seconded by Commissioner Sara Comander (Walton). Discussion continued and the motion was amended by Commissioner Yeager to item 4 of the recommended positions to include Pot #1 in the description. The amended motion was seconded by Commissioner Comander. It was also requested that a memo be sent to the Counties to contact the Congressional Delegation stating these objectives.

**ACTION: PASSED** 

### Agenda Item #6 – Update of Legislative Actions and Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Executive Office of the Governor.

Mr. Doug Darling gave update on the MOU stating it is on the Governor's Desk to be signed. He also gave a recap on legislative actions. Ms. Sarah Bleakley also gave updates on several bills that passed and the audits that will be required.

#### Agenda Item #7- Update by Chair Robinson and Doug Darling on meeting with NFWF.

Chair Robinson provided the Board with an update of the meeting that he had with National Fish and Wildlife Foundation. Doug Darling also discussed the meeting and the Federal funds that will be available through NFWF.

### Agenda Item #8 – Presentation by Mr. Ben Scaggs, Director, Gulf of Mexico Program, US Environmental Protection Agency

Mr. Ben Scaggs, Director, Gulf of Mexico Program, US Environmental Protection Agency gave a brief overview of the level of issues and challenges they have in the Gulf.

http://www.fl-counties.com/docs/pdfs/gulf-overview-florida-scaggs.pdf?sfvrsn=0

#### Agenda Item #9 - Supervisor Connie Rockco, Harrison County Board of Supervisors

Supervisor Connie Rockco, Harrison County Board of Supervisors, State of Mississippi, briefed the commission on our common interest. She also discussed her trips to Washington and her desire to formalize a five state coalition. Mr. PJ Haan, Director, Coastal Zone Management, Plaquemines Parish, State of Louisiana, provided an update on Louisiana, their progress implementing the RESTORE Act and his desire for a Five State Collation.

#### Agenda Item #10 – Presentation by:

Dr. Billy Causey, Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary

http://www.fl-counties.com/docs/xls/causey-presentation.pdf?sfvrsn=0

Dr. Jerry Ault, Marine Ecosystem and Impact on Economy

http://www.fl-counties.com/docs/pdfs/ault.pdf?sfvrsn=0

Dr. James Byrne, TNC Florida Keys coral reef conservation/Florida Keys Issues

http://www.fl-counties.com/docs/pdfs/byrne.pdf?sfvrsn=0

Dr. Jerry Lorenz & Peter Frezza, Audubon Florida, Watershed Impairment

http://www.fl-counties.com/docs/pdfs/lorenz-1.pdf?sfvrsn=0

http://www.fl-counties.com/docs/pdfs/lorenz-2.pdf?sfvrsn=0

## Agenda Item #12 – Presentation by TJ Marshall, Ocean Conservancy/David White, National Wildlife Federation, Healthy Marine Fisheries

http://www.fl-counties.com/docs/pdfs/fl-oc-consortium-presentation-marshall.pdf?sfvrsn=0

Agenda Item #13 – Mr. Keith Wilkins, Escambia County, Watershed Multi County Coordination <a href="http://www.fl-counties.com/docs/pdfs/key-largo-wilkins.pdf?sfvrsn=0">http://www.fl-counties.com/docs/pdfs/key-largo-wilkins.pdf?sfvrsn=0</a>

Agenda Item #14 – Mr. Brett Boston, Wildlife Foundation of Florida, Mitigation Bank <a href="http://www.fl-counties.com/docs/xls/boston-restore-presentation.pdf?sfvrsn=0">http://www.fl-counties.com/docs/xls/boston-restore-presentation.pdf?sfvrsn=0</a>

### Agenda Item # 15 – Update/Questions Kevin Claridge, Director, Coastal & Aquatic Managed Areas, FDEP

Mr. Kevin Claridge, Director, CAMA, updated the board on FDEP progress and what is being done. They will continue to work with various State agencies as well as with the counties. Additional information can be found on their website.

http://www.dep.state.fl.us/deepwaterhorizon/default.htm

#### Agenda Item # 17 – New Business

Doug Darling reported on the information that he has received from the Treasury and that Committee of the 15 meet prior to the Tampa meeting in June. Motion made and seconded to establish a Committee of 15 Non-disproportionally Affected Counties to provide Treasury options on formula methodology.

**ACTION: PASSED** 

#### Agenda Item # 18 – Public Comment

The Board heard public testimony.

#### Agenda Item #19 – Adjourn

There being no additional items for discussion, adjournment at 1:56 pm.

## **Gulf Consortium Directors and Alternates June 28, 2013**

County	Director and Alternate
Bay	Comm Mike Thomas Director; Comm George Gainer, Alternate
Charlotte	Comm Christopher Constance, Director; Comm Tricia Duffy, Alternate
Citrus	Comm Rebecca Bays, Director; Richard Wesch, County Attorney, Alternate
Collier	Comm Tom Henning, Director; Comm Donna Fiala, Alternate; Director Bill Lorenz, 2nd Alternate
Dixie	Tim Alexander, Director of Emergency Management; Administrator Mike Cassidy
Escambia	Comm Grover Robinson, Director; Comm Gene Valentino, Alternate
Franklin	Comm Cheryl Sanders, Director; County Administrator Alan Pierce
Gulf	Comm Warren Yeager, Director; Tan Smiley, Alternate
Hernando	Comm Wayne Dukes, Director; Comm David Russell, Alternate
Hillsborough	Comm Les Miller, Director; Comm Ken Hagan, Alternate
Jefferson	Comm Betsy Barfield, Director; County Coordinator Parrish Barwick, Alternate
Lee	Comm Tammy Hall , Director; Comm John Manning, Alternate
Levy	Comm Ryan Bell, Director; County Coordinator Fred Moody, Alternate
Manatee	Comm Carol Whitmore, Director; Charlie Hunsicker, Natural Resources Dept., Alternate
Monroe	Comm George Neugent, Director; Mayor David Rice, Alternate
Okaloosa	Comm Dave Parisot, Director; Comm Kelly Windes, Alternate
Pasco	Comm Jack Mariano, Director; Comm Henry Wilson, Alternate
Pinellas	Comm Susan Latvala, Director
Santa Rosa	Comm Lane Lynchard, Director; Comm Jim Melvin, Alternate
Sarasota	Comm Nora Patterson, Director; Laird Wreford, Natural Resources Manager, Alternate; Comm Christine Robinson 2nd Alternate
Taylor	Comm Jim Moody, Director; Jack Brown, County Administrator, Alternate
Wakulla	David Edwards, County Administrator, Director; Comm Ralph Thomas, Alternate
Walton	Comm Sara Comander, Director; Comm Cindy Meadows, Alternate

## Gulf Consortium Board Meeting Agenda Item Cover Sheet June 28, 2013 Consent Agenda Item # 3.c

<u>Statement of Issue or Executive Summary:</u> At previous Gulf Consortium meetings, a request was made, and approved by Directors, that financial status reports are provided at each Gulf Consortium meeting.

<u>Background:</u> Gulf Consortium member counties have contributed to the operation of the Consortium during this transition phase of establishment.

**Analysis:** The sheets below provide a recap of revenue and expenses to date compared to budget.

#### **Options:**

- 1) Approve a motion to accept the financial reports as presented.
- 2) Provide other direction.

Fiscal Impact: None.

**Recommendation:** Approve a motion that approves financial reports.

#### **Gulf Consortium**

#### Transition Budget to Actual October 1, 2012 - May 31, 2013

	Revised Interim Budget*	Year To Date Actual
Revenues		
Interim County Funding	133,866.00	115,540.00
Total Revenues	133,866.00	115,540.00
Disbursements		
Consulting-Administration	60,000.00	35,000.00
Consulting-Legal & Expenses	65,000.00	25,578.79
Meeting and Travel Expense	8,000.00	3,993.14
Miscellaneous	866.00	522.63
Total Disbursements	133,866.00	65,094.56
Revenues Over (under) Disbursements	-	50,445.44

Statements Prepared on Cash Basis

\*Revised Interim Budget includes 3/27/13 invoicing of \$70,026

#### Gulf Consortium Expense Register Detail October 1, 2012 to May 31, 2013

			Total	Consult-	Consult-	Meeting &		
Check #	Payee	Date	Amount	Admin	Legal	Travel	Misc	Description
	Suntrust	1/17/2013	105.51				105.51	Printing Costs - Checks
1001	FAC (Darling-Oct, Nov, Dec, Jan)	2/27/2013	20,955.18	20,000.00		955.18		Admin Consulting Expenses and travel (Oct - Jan)
1002	FAC (Relmb Direct Expenses)	2/27/2013	1,820.68			1,633.18	187.50	
1003	FL Department of State	2/27/2013	32.68			32.68		Meeting notice 1/18/2013
1004	FL Department of State	2/27/2013	47.88			47.88		Meeting Notice 2/15/2013
1005	Nabors Giblin	2/27/2013	5,015.62		5,015.62			Oct 22-31 consulting (2550) plus expenses (2465.62)
1006	VOID	-						VOIDED CHECK
1007	Nabors Giblin	2/27/2013	5,086.14		5,086.14			Nov 2012 consulting (5000) plus expenses (86.14)
1008	FL Dept of State	3/14/2013	31.73			31.73		Meeting Notice 2/28/2013
1009	Nabors Giblin & Nickerson	3/14/2013	5,273.00		5,273.00			Feb 2013 Consulting (5000) plus expenses (273.00)
1010	Nabors Giblin & Nickerson	3/14/2013	5,145.50		5,145.50			Jan 2013 Consulting (5000) plus expenses (145.50)
1011	Nabors Giblin & Nickerson	3/14/2013	5,058.53		5,058.53			Dec 2012 Consulting (5000) plus expenses (58.53)
1012	City of Tallahassee	3/14/2013	111.35			111.35		Room Rental -Chambers 4/5/13
1013	EBLRTF	3/19/2013	75.00				75.00	Exec Branch Lobbyist Reg- Reepen, Delegal, Holley
1014	Florida Legislature	3/19/2013	60.00				60.00	Legisalture Lobbyist Reg - Reepen, Delegal, Holley
1015	FAC	3/28/2013	6,029.41	5,000.00		1,029.41		Feb 2013 Admin (5000) plus expenses (1029.41)
1016	FL Department of State	4/24/2013	43.51				43.51	Meeting Notice 4/5/2013
1017	FAC	5/13/2013	10,151.73	10,000.00		151.73		Mar 2013 Admin (5000); Apr 2013 Admin(5000); expense (151.73)
1018	FL Department of State	5/21/2013	51.11				51.11	Meeting notice 4/29/2013
	Total Expenses		\$ 65,094,56	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 25,578,79	\$ 3,993,14	\$ 522.63	-

## Gulf Consortium Board Meeting Agenda Item Cover Sheet June 28, 2013 Consent Agenda Item # 3.d

<u>Statement of Issue or Executive Summary:</u> At previous Gulf Consortium meetings, several requests have been made for a signed copy of the Memorandum of Understanding with the Florida Governor's Office.

**Background:** The Gulf Consortium directed staff to draft a document that formed a partnership with the Governor. Through this partnership, the Consortium's commitment to accountability, transparency, quality control and public participation is solidified. member counties have contributed to the operation of the Consortium during this transition phase of establishment.

**Analysis:** Attached is the fully executed MOU.

**Options:** For Information

Fiscal Impact: None.

Division and Staff Person's Name: Doug Darling, Florida Association of Counties.

### Memorandum of Understanding Between the State of Florida & Gulf Consortium

This Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") is entered into between the Governor of the State of Florida ("Governor") and the Gulf Consortium ("Consortium"), which is established pursuant to the Interlocal Agreement Relating to Establishment of the Gulf Consortium ("Interlocal Agreement"). The purpose of this MOU is to work together in the spirit of cooperation for the benefit of the Gulf of Mexico and the State of Florida. This MOU establishes the process of coordinating with the Governor's office on projects in a Oil Spill Restoration Impact Allocation plan ("State Expenditure Plan") for Florida, which will then be certified, if appropriate, by the Governor to the Gulf Coast Ecosystem Restoration Council ("Council") for its approval. Collectively, the Governor and the Consortium will be referred to as the "Parties."

#### Recitals

WHEREAS, in response to the explosion of, and resulting oil spill from, the Deepwater Horizon offshore drilling rig in the Gulf of Mexico, on April 20, 2010 ("Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill"), Congress, on June 29, 2012, passed and, on July 6, 2012, the President signed into law the United States Resources and Ecosystems Sustainability, Tourist Opportunities, and Revived Economies of the Gulf Coast States Act of 2012 ("RESTORE Act") (title I, subtitle F of Public Law 112-141) as part of the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act.

WHEREAS, the RESTORE Act, establishes a mechanism for providing funding to the Gulf Coast region to restore ecosystems and rebuild local economies damaged by the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill.

WHEREAS, the RESTORE Act establishes the Council, an independent entity consisting of certain federal officials, the Governor of Florida, and the governors of the other Gulf Coast States of Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, and Texas.

WHEREAS, the RESTORE Act charges the Council with developing a comprehensive plan for ecosystem restoration in the Gulf Coast region ("Council Comprehensive Plan") that identifies projects and programs aimed at restoring and protecting the natural resources and ecosystems of the Gulf Coast region, to be funded from a portion of the Gulf Coast Restoration Trust Fund ("Trust Fund").

WHEREAS, for Florida, the RESTORE Act, under 33 U.S.C. §1321(t)(3) (2012), requires a consortia of local political subdivisions to develop a State Expenditure Plan, for which the RESTORE Act provides for Trust Fund expenditures that would fund projects, programs, and activities that will improve the ecosystems or economy of the Gulf Coast region that meet criteria specified in the RESTORE Act.

WHEREAS, the Consortium is a public entity created on October 19, 2012, pursuant to section 163.01, Florida Statutes, by the Interlocal Agreement among the 23 Florida Gulf Coast affected counties, as defined in the RESTORE Act, and as specifically named in the Interlocal Agreement.

WHEREAS, a State Expenditure Plan must take into consideration the Council Comprehensive Plan and be consistent with the goals and objectives of the Council Comprehensive Plan.

WHEREAS, the RETORE Act directs that, in the State of Florida, a consortia of local political subdivisions, in this instance the Consortium, develop the State Expenditure Plan.

WHEREAS, the RESTORE ACT requires that the State of Florida submit a State Expenditure Plan to the Council to approve.

WHEREAS, the Florida Governor will certify, if appropriate, that a State Expenditure Plan satisfies all applicable requirements of the RESTORE Act, and that, when joined by the affirmative vote of the Federal Chairperson of the Council ("Council Chair"), shall be considered to satisfy the requirements for the Council's affirmative vote for approval.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing facts and circumstances and desires of the Parties as expressed herein, the Parties hereby mutually agree as follows:

#### Section 1. General.

- A. The Recitals set forth above are hereby incorporated by reference into this MOU and made a part hereof.
- Capitalized words and terms used in this MOU shall have the meaning provided herein.
- C. Words used in the singular shall include the plural forms as well.

Section 2. Governor Appointees to the Consortium. The Governor shall appoint six individuals (the "Appointees") to provide input and guidance to the Consortium on policies and criteria used to determine projects, activities, and programs for consideration for inclusion in a State Expenditure Plan. The Appointees shall not be Directors, as defined in the Interlocal Agreement, but shall be accorded full participation in Consortium affairs, although the Appointees may not vote or otherwise take actions which are authorized to a Director.

Section 3. Accountability and Transparency. The Consortium, at the direction of its Directors and with guidance from the Appointees, shall implement its activities with full

transparency and adhere to all legal requirements including, but not limited to, those relating to open meetings, public records, contracting, audits, and accountability.

#### Section 4. Consortium Project Submittal and Consideration Process.

- A. The Consortium, in consultation with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection ("FDEP"), shall develop a standardized format for submittal of projects, activities, and programs to the Consortium for consideration for inclusion in a State Expenditure Plan. With exceptions for the different types of projects, activities, and programs that may be eligible for funding under a State Expenditure Plan, the Consortium's standardized format shall be consistent with the project submittal format designated as the Florida Gulf of Mexico Project Submittal Form, published by the FDEP and available on its website.
- B. The Consortium shall utilize the following process for selecting projects, activities, and programs for inclusion in any tentative plan to be submitted to FDEP, as described in Section 5 of this MOU, for evaluation and comment. The Consortium's selection process shall include, at a minimum:
  - 1. A review for consistency with the applicable laws and rules;
  - 2. Prioritization based on criteria established by the Consortium;
  - Consideration of public comments; and
  - Approval by an affirmative vote of at least a majority of the Directors
    present at a duly noticed public meeting of the Consortium.

Once approved for inclusion in a tentative plan, the Consortium shall forward the project, activity, or program to FDEP to coordinate review and comment, as provided herein.

Section 5. FDEP Coordinated Review. FDEP and other appropriate state agencies will review and provide input during the development of a State Expenditure Plan. FDEP will coordinate the review and comment of a State Expenditure Plan with the other agencies, who may include, but are not limited to, the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, the Department of Economic Opportunity, the Department of Transportation, the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, and a Water Management District with regulatory jurisdiction over a project, activity, or program. Prior to final adoption by the Consortium, FDEP and other appropriate state agencies shall review and comment on drafts of a State Expenditure Plan.

Section 6. Consortium Plan Adoption. After review and comment by FDEP and other appropriate state agencies, the Consortium shall adopt a State Expenditure Plan for submittal by the Governor to the Council. The adoption process shall include:

- A. Opportunity for public comment; and
- B. Adoption of a State Expenditure Plan by a majority of the Directors at a duly noticed public meeting of the Consortium Directors called for that purpose.
- Section 7. Submittal of Consortium Plan to the Council. After the Consortium has adopted an appropriate State Expenditure Plan and 90 days prior to the State Expenditure Plan being submitted to the Council, the Consortium shall send the State Expenditure Plan to the Governor for review. Within 30 days, the Governor shall submit comments, if any, back to the Consortium. The Consortium shall have 30 days from the date of receipt of the Governor's comments to revise the State Expenditure Plan in accordance with the Governor's comments. The Consortium shall then transmit the State Expenditure Plan back to the Governor for submittal to the Council for approval.
- Section 8. Consultation and Cooperation. The Parties shall coordinate with one another to advance their common goals, eliminate duplication, and maximize consistency among their efforts regarding implementation of the RESTORE Act. The Parties agree to focus on maximizing Florida's attainment of expenditures from the Trust Fund from all sections of the RESTORE Act in order to restore the Gulf Coast resources and energize the economic recovery in the region for the best interest of Florida citizens and communities.
- Section 9. Revision of Memorandum of Understanding. This MOU is conditioned upon the implementing rules currently being developed by the United States Department of the Treasury, pursuant to the RESTORE Act. Accordingly, the Parties acknowledge that this MOU may need to be revised to address any inconsistencies herein with such rules. Any revision of this MOU shall be in writing and shall be executed by each of the Parties.
- **Section 10. Termination.** The Governor or the Consortium shall have the right to terminate this MOU, after consultation with each other and with 30 days written notice.
- Section 11. Authority. The Governor and the Consortium represent that they have the authority to execute this MOU.
- Section 12. Effective Date. This MOU shall take effect on the later date it is executed by the Governor or the Consortium.
- Section 13. Term of MOU. This MOU will expire once all the money allocated to the State of Florida under 33 U.S.C. §1321(t)(3) (2012) has been accounted for in a Council approved State Expenditure Plan and all the money has been distributed to implement a Council approved State Expenditure Plan.

Section 14. Execution in Counterparts. This MOU may be executed in multiple counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

### Signature Page to Memorandum of Understanding Between the State of Florida & Gulf Consortium

STATE OF FLORIDA

Dated: 6 2 3

Rick Scott, Governor

Attest:

### Signature Page to Memorandum of Understanding Between the State of Florida & Gulf Consortium

**GULF CONSORTIUM** 

Dated: 4/5/13.

Grover C. Robinson, IV

Chairman

Attest:

Warren Yeager,

Secretary-Treasurer

#### Gulf Consortium June 28, 2013

## Agenda Item # 4 Regarding Florida Association of Counties Continued Involvement in Gulf Consortium Management

**Executive Summary:** At the November 28, 2012 Gulf Consortium (GC) meeting, the Director's authorized the then Administrative Officer to execute a contract for Interim Manager with Florida Association of Counties (FAC). The contract term is October 19, 2012 through September 30, 2013.

<u>Background:</u> At the time the contract for Interim Manager was signed, it was anticipated US Treasury Rules would be in force beginning January 2013. Because of the delay in rule promulgation, several issues for governing the Consortium have been postponed.

On-going discussions with the Leon County BOCC and Leon County Clerk have resulted in potential services being provided to the GC are: (discussed in greater detail in later Agenda Items)

- Leon County BOCC has conceptually agreed to provide purchasing and procurement services for acquiring a consultant(s) for Comprehensive Plan Development.
- 2) Leon County Clerk has conceptually agreed to provide Fiscal Agent services to the Consortium in support of Plan Development.

With the above two support functions beginning to solidify, a remaining issue is the continued involvement of FAC providing certain administrative services. As the GC begins to become more sophisticated, additional support will be required.

FAC has been at the forefront since the oil spill. Members relied heavily on FAC to intercede with state officials on their behalf when this unprecedented disaster occurred. From coordination with the Emergency Operations Center, to initial lobbying efforts in Congress, to helping establish the Consortium framework and initial operations....FAC has acted as coordinator, facilitator, and now, interim manager. A valid discussion topic is whether it is desired for FAC to phase-out of Consortium operations, remain at the current level of support or increase the effort to support a more robust Consortium.

Analysis: This purpose of this agenda item is to have Director's discuss the merits of FAC remaining as the Interim Manager and due to delay in rules, possibly extending the current contract. If it is the desire of the GC for FAC to remain involved, several planning steps must take place. Step 1 would be for the General Counsel to evaluate process(s) required to transition to a Permanent Manger. Step 2, if the Consortium desires FAC to remain involved in Consortium operations, FAC will develop a budget for the desired level of support.

#### **Options:**

- 1) Approve a motion to direct General Counsel to evaluate the process(s) required to transition to a Permanent Manager and for FAC to prepare a budget for desired level of support for next fiscal year.
- 2) Provide other direction.

**Fiscal Impact:** None, at this time.

#### **Recommendation:**

1) Approve a motion to direct General Counsel to evaluate the process(s) required to transition to a Permanent Manager and for FAC to prepare a budget for desired level of support for next fiscal year.

**Prepared by:** Chris Holley and Doug Darling, Interim Manager(s)

Moved	; Seconded	·	
Action: Approved	; Approved as amended	; Defeated	

# Gulf Consortium June 28, 2013 Agenda Item # 6 Regarding Fiscal Agent Partnership with Leon County Clerk of Courts

**Executive Summary:** At the last Consortium meeting, the Director's approved staff to continue discussions that will formalize a partnership with Leon County for procurement services that the Gulf Consortium (GC) may desire. As a follow on, initial discussions with the Leon County Clerk of Court were conducted at the suggestion of Leon County.

**Background:** As the support structure for the GC begins to become more sophisticated, additional services will be required. The services of Fiscal Agent are required to ensure accountability, reporting and transparency are not compromised. These specialized skills are resident in Clerk of Court Offices acting as the Constitutional Chief Financial Officer for each county. It is a natural progression to discuss that the Leon County Clerk of Court would provide these services to the GC due to proximity and familiarity with Leon County BOCC operations.

Leon County Clerk has conceptually agreed to provide Fiscal Agent services to the Consortium in support of Plan Development. Yet to be determined:

- a. Scope of Services provided by Leon County Clerk
- b. Reimbursement for Services to Leon County Clerk

<u>Analysis:</u> This item seeks authorization from the GC for staff to work with Leon County Clerk of Court to begin to formalize an agreement for providing Fiscal Agent services.

#### Options:

- 1) Approve a motion to direct staff to continue discussions with Leon County Clerk of Court to provide Fiscal Agent services to the Gulf Consortium.
- 2) Provide other direction.

**Fiscal Impact:** None, at this time.

#### Recommendation:

Approve a motion to direct staff to continue discussions with Leon County Clerk of Court to provide Fiscal Agent services to the Gulf Consortium.

Prepared by: Doug Darling, Interim Manager						
Moved	; Seconded					
Action: Approved	; Approved as amended	; Defeated_				

#### Gulf Consortium June 28, 2013

## Agenda Item # 8 Delegation of Approval for Methodology Developed by the Committee of 15

**Executive Summary:** At the last Consortium meeting, the Gulf Consortium authorized a Committee of 15 Nondisproportionately Impacted Counties to be formed for the express purpose of recommending to the US Treasury a methodology for computing the State Allocation and Expenditures (Pot #1) to the 15 counties. The Committee will be meeting immediately after the Gulf Consortium meeting on June 28, 2013.

**Background:** The RESTORE Act includes a formula for computing allocations to the 15 Nondisproportionately Impacted Counties but does not specify the methodology or sources for computing. In conversations with the US Treasury, an opportunity to provide recommendations for both the methodology and sources was requested.

<u>Analysis:</u> If the Committee of 15 votes to approve the proposed methodology and sources, that information needs to reach the US Treasury prior to the next scheduled Consortium meeting on August 22, 2013. This agenda item requests the authority of the Director's to allow the Chair to forward the results of the Committee of 15 meeting. A report of actions will be provided at the next Gulf Consortium meeting.

#### Options:

- 1) Approve a motion delegating to the Chair the authority to forward the results of the Committee of 15 meeting.
- 2) Provide other direction.

Fiscal Impact: None, at this time.

#### Recommendation:

Approve a motion delegating to the Chair the authority to forward the results of the Committee of 15 meeting with the understanding that the Committee of 15 will report at the next Consortium meeting

Prepared by: Do	ug Darling, Interim Manager		
Moved	; Seconded		
Action: Approved	; Approved as amended	; Defeated	

#### Gulf Consortium June 28, 2013

#### Agenda Item # 5 Update - Procurement Partnership with Leon County

**Executive Summary:** At the last Consortium meeting, the Director's approved staff to continue discussions that will formalize a partnership with Leon County for procurement services that the Gulf Consortium (GC) may desire.

**Background:** The Interlocal Agreement authorizes the GC to hire "consultants or other specialized professionals as it deems appropriate." and to "take such action and employ such persons or entities as are necessary to prepare, develop and submit . . . the plan for the Oil Spill Restoration Impact Allocation contemplated in the RESTORE Act . . . . " Sections. 4.01(17) and (19), Art. IV. The Board may wish to hire consultants to provide assistance in developing such a plan and to provide other services to the Board in meeting its obligations under the RESTORE Act in a cost effective and efficient manner.

The GC's interim manager and interim general counsel have continued discussions with the county manager and county staff of Leon County regarding the availability of using the County's procurement process to obtain qualified consultants to assist the GC in meeting its obligations under the RESTORE Act. It is anticipated on July 9, 2013, the Leon County BOCC will authorize Leon County Staff to provide services detailed in a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) and additionally, authorize the Chairman of the BOCC to enter into that agreement.

#### **Analysis:**

All procurement packages developed in conjunction with Leon County would be presented to the GC Board for approval and then issued by Leon County on behalf of the GC.

**Options:** Provided for Information

**<u>Fiscal Impact:</u>** None, at this time.

Recommendation:

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