



# PRIORITY & COMMITMENT TO PLAN EVALUATION

Bucket 2 – Council Selected Restoration Component

**PROPOSAL TITLE**

**PROPOSAL  
NUMBER**

**LOCATION**

**SPONSOR(S)**

**TYPE OF FUNDING REQUESTED (Planning, Technical Assistance, Implementation)**

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**REVIEWED BY:**

**DATE:**

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## A. Comprehensive Plan Goals

Of the goals addressed by the proposal, which is the single primary goal?

Proposals should discuss how the proposed activity is designed to address the primary goal.

**Check one:**

Restore and Conserve Habitat – Restore and conserve the health, diversity and resilience of key coastal, estuarine and marine habitats.

Restore Water Quality – Restore and protect water quality of the Gulf Coast region's fresh, estuarine and marine waters.

Replenish and Protect Living Coastal and Marine Resources – Restore and protect healthy, diverse and sustainable living coastal and marine resources.

Enhance Community Resilience – Build upon and sustain communities with capacity to adapt to short- and long-term changes.

Restore and Revitalize the Gulf Economy – Enhance the sustainability and resiliency of the Gulf economy.

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**B. Comprehensive Plan Objectives**

Proposals must clearly identify which objectives the proposal will address

1. Restore, Enhance, and Protect Habitats

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|-----|----|-----------------|-----|
| YES | NO | Not articulated | N/A |
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2. Restore, Improve, and Protect Water Resources

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| YES | NO | Not articulated | N/A |
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3. Protect and Restore Living Coastal and Marine Resources

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| YES | NO | Not articulated | N/A |
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4. Restore and Enhance Natural Processes and Shorelines

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| YES | NO | Not articulated | N/A |
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Notes:

8. Of these objectives which is the single primary objective the proposal addresses?

**Check one:**

Restore, Enhance, and Protect Habitats

Restore, Improve, and Protect Water Resources

Protect and Restore Living Coastal and Marine Resources

Restore and Enhance Natural Processes and Shorelines

Promote Community Resilience

Promote Natural Resource Stewardship and Environmental Education

Improve Science-Based Decision-Making Processes

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## C. RESTORE Act and Comprehensive Plan Priority Criteria

All proposals must explain if the proposal addresses one or more of the priority criteria as established by the RESTORE Act and Initial Comprehensive Plan and, if so, how.

1. This project is projected to make the greatest contribution to restoring and protecting the natural resources, ecosystems, fisheries, marine and wildlife habitats, beaches, and coastal wetlands of the Gulf Coast region, without regard to geographic location within the Gulf Coast region.

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|-----|----|-----------------|-----|
| YES | NO | Not articulated | N/A |
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2. This is a large-scale project/program that is projected to substantially contribute to restoring and protecting the natural resources, ecosystems, fisheries, marine and wildlife habitats, beaches, and coastal wetlands of the Gulf Coast ecosystem.

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| YES | NO | Not articulated | N/A |
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3. This project is contained in existing Gulf Coast State comprehensive plans for the restoration and protection of natural resources, ecosystems, fisheries, marine and wildlife habitats, beaches, and coastal wetlands of the Gulf Coast region.

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| YES | NO |
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4. This project will restore long-term resiliency of the natural resources, ecosystems, fisheries, marine and wildlife habitats, beaches, and coastal wetlands most impacted by the *Deepwater Horizon* oil spill.

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| YES | NO |
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5. Promote Community Resilience

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| YES | NO | Not articulated | N/A |
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6. Promote Natural Resource Stewardship and Environmental Education

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| YES | NO | Not articulated | N/A |
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## D. Comprehensive Plan Commitments

All proposals must demonstrate how the proposal will achieve any or all of the commitments in the Comprehensive Plan. The commitments in the Comprehensive Plan are as follows:

Does the proposal articulate how it will achieve the following commitments in the comprehensive plan?

### 1. Science-based Decision-Making

YES

NO

Not articulated

Notes:

### 2. Regional Ecosystem-based Approach to Restoration

YES

NO

Not articulated

Notes:

### 3. Engagement, Inclusion, and Transparency

YES

NO

Not articulated

Notes:

#### 4. Leveraging Resources and Partnerships

YES

NO

Not articulated

Notes:

#### 5. Delivering Results and Measuring Impacts

YES

NO

Notes:

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### E. Meeting Commitments and Tracking and Measuring Progress

1. Does the proposal articulate how it will meet and achieve its commitments?

YES

NO

Not articulated

2. Does the proposal have a plan for tracking and measuring progress?

YES

NO

Notes:

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## F. Proposal Emphasis Areas

Does the submission describe how the proposed project or program addresses the following four considerations:

1. Is the proposed activity **foundational** in the sense that the project or program forms an initial core step (or steps) in addressing a significant ecosystem issue, and can future activities be tiered to substantially increase the benefits?

YES

NO

Not articulated

Notes:

2. Will the proposed activity be **sustainable** over time?

YES

NO

Not articulated

Notes:

3. Is the proposed activity **likely to succeed**?

YES

NO

Not articulated

Notes:



4. Does the proposed activity **benefit** the human **community**?

(examples of benefits may include, but are not limited to: how a project will utilize local workers, how a project will benefit geographically or socially vulnerable communities, how a project will benefit the natural resources critical to natural-resource dependent industries such as fisheries, tourism, etc.)

YES

NO

Not articulated

Notes: