Escambia County RESTORE Project Application Portal and Public Workshops

The Escambia County RESTORE Project Application Portal will open *tentatively* on July 1, 2015 and can be accessed at **www.myescambia.com/restore**. The portal will be open for 90 days and will close *tentatively* on September 30, 2015. Individuals, businesses, and organizations are invited to submit projects via the portal during that time period. No project proposals will be accepted after the portal's closing date.

Project guidelines

Submitted projects must:

- Meet at least one of the eligibility criteria outlined in the federal RESTORE Act (see www.treasury.gov/services/restore-act)
- Include a project budget
- Address the evaluation criteria which can be found at www.myescambia.com/restore

Public Meetings/Workshops

In an effort to make the project development and submittal process easier, six public meetings/workshops are set for various locations around the County (at least one in each BCC Commission District).

The public meetings will provide:

- An overview of the *selection criteria* and weighting
- Information on *how to submit* projects via the portal
- An opportunity for potential applicants/interested parties to ask questions and speak with Escambia County officials and/or personnel from Dewberry.

Public Meetings/Workshops will be held as follows:

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District 1	District 2
Date: <i>Tuesday, July 21, 2015</i>	Date: <i>Monday, June 22, 2015</i>
Place: Beulah Senior Center	Place: Lexington Terrace Community Center
Time: 5:30 p.m.	Time: 5:30 p.m.
District 3	District 4
Date: <i>Monday, July 13, 2015</i>	Date: <i>Tuesday, Aug 11, 2015</i>
Place: TBD	Place: Gull Pointe Community Center
Time: 5:30 p.m.	Time: 5:30 p.m.
District 5	City of Pensacola:
Date: <i>Monday, July 27, 2015</i>	Date: <i>Tuesday, June 16, 2015</i>
Place: Extension's Langley Bell 4-H Center	Place: Sanders Beach Community Center
Time: 5:30 p.m.	Time: 5:00 p.m.

Additional Information

Once the application portal closes, project proposals will be evaluated by the technical review team consisting of subject matter experts, the RESTORE Act Advisory Committee (RAC), and the Escambia County Board of County Commissioners (BCC).

During the review process, applicants may be contacted for more information. Once all projects have been ranked, a list of recommended projects will be posted on www.myescambia.com/restore. The public will have an opportunity to provide comments on the project list. The Board of County Commissioners has the final authority for approval of the project list before it is submitted to the U.S. Department of Treasury for federal level review.

NOTE: Once approved by the U.S. Department of Treasury, ALL projects must go through Escambia County's normal procurement process. Some of the projects may be implemented by the County itself, but others will go out to bid. As a result, the organization or individual who initially submits the project proposal will not necessarily be the same organization/individual that receives the federal funding to implement it.

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