



RESTORE Treasury Rule Summary

Escambia County RESTORE Advisory Committee

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Terminology

Then

- Pot 1; Local Pot
- Pot 2; Council Pot; Federal
- Pot 3; State Pot; Consortium
- Pot 4; Monitoring pot
- Pot 5; Research pot

Now

- Direct Component
- Comprehensive Plan Component
- Spill Impact Component
- NOAA RESTORE Act Science Program
- Centers of Excellence Research Grants Program

Summary

- To be operated as a grant program
- Per project approval and distribution
- Not clear if advance or reimbursement funding
- Federal laws are applicable: NEPA, Accessibility, Davis – Bacon, Buy American
- Treasury will not determine which projects are best

Summary Continued...

- Processes, rules and memoranda applicable on TBD basis
- Other Federal Circulars are applicable
- Further analysis to applicability forthcoming
- Direct Component – Multi-Year Implementation Plan outlined
- Many Questions remain
- Comments to be drafted by October 4 FAC November 6 Treasury

Summary Continued...

- Seems to limit Admin costs to general not projects
- Planning seems to be limited to Plan preparation not specific projects
- Land Acquisition seems very limited if allowed at all

Direct Component

- Grant based
- Further policies may be developed
- Must state if you've applied for other funding sources under the Act for a project
- Reimbursement may go back to July 2012
- Unexpended funds must be returned to Treasury

Multi-Year Implementation Plan

- Authorizes Treasury to require additional audit requirements
- Must describe
 - Projects and Programs to be implemented
 - Budget
 - Milestones
 - Criteria for success
 - Published for public notice and comment
- Documents compliance with RESTORE and Federal laws



Informational Update

Florida Association of Counties and FDEP Interlocal
Coordination

Interlocal Coordination

- FDEP adopted Watershed Orientation
 - Large scale application
 - Habitat
 - Water Quality
 - Land Management
 - Non point source
- Other components
 - Marine Systems
 - Restoration/Remediation

Component Update

- Direct
 - Expected to be first funded
- Comprehensive Plan
 - Similar Projects Across the Gulf
 - Competitive Grant awards (12+ months out)
- Spill Impact
 - Governor must approve
 - States in disagreement on allocation formula
 - Requires State Plan

Funding

Now

- Direct \$56M
- Comprehensive \$240M
- Spill Impact \$45M
- NOAA Science \$20M
- CoE \$4M
- NFWF \$22M

Sequester

- 5% sequestered until 2021
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 - N/A

NRDA

- Round 2
 - Moex (\$10M)
 - Escribano Pt
 - Seven Creeks
 - Stormwater
- Round 3
 - Underway
- Round 4
 - 4 released by EOY
 - Moving eastward

