

Florida Department of Environmental Protection CITIZEN SUPPORT ORGANIZATION 2021 LEGISLATIVE REPORT

(pursuant to Section 20.058 Florida Statutes)

Citizen Support Organization (CSO) Name:

Mailing Address:

Telephone Number:

Website Address (required if applicable):

☑ Check to confirm your Code of Ethics is posted conspicuously on your website.

Statutory Authority:

Section 20.2551, F.S., Citizen support organizations; use of property; audit; public records; partnerships. In summary, the statute specifies the organizational requirements, operational parameters, duties of a CSO to support the Department of Environmental Protection (Department), or individual units of the Department, use of Department property, audit requirements, public records requirements, and authorizes public-private partnerships to enhance lands managed by the Department.

Section 20.058, F.S., Citizen support and direct-support organizations. In summary, the statute specifies the organizational requirements to submit an annual report each year for each designated CSO and to post that information on the Departments website.

YOUR MISSION AND LAST CALENDAR YEAR'S PROGRAM ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

CSO's Mission: Consistent with your Articles and Bylaws

To assist the Northwest District Aquatic Preserves Office with ecosystem restoration projects

Describe Last Calendar Year's Results Obtained: <u>Braq!</u> List or discuss the past calendar year's accomplishments and contributions. Cite specific support from last calendar year's Annual Program Plan.

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Describe the CSO's Plans for the Next Three Calendar Years:

Establish a new Board of Directors to reinvigorate the organization.

CSO's LAST CALENDAR YEAR STATISTICS:

Total Number of CSO General Membership: 0

Total Number of Board of Directors: 5

Total Volunteer Hours for the Board of Directors (Work with your ORCP volunteer manager): 0

ORCP & CSO RELATIONSHIP:

Keep the summary simple. Save time. Don't duplicate by describing accomplishments and contributions in the summary. Brag in the above Results Obtained. Describe the relationship here.

Site Manager's Comments on the CSO & ORCP Relationship and Support:

Provide your perspective on

- Changing developments of the managed area provided by the CSO.
- Effectiveness of the organization in fulfilling their purpose to support the managed area(s).
- Effectiveness of the Board of Directors in completing their Annual Program Plan.
- The relationship between ORCP and CSO What went well? Are there areas of improvement?

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CSO President's Comments on the CSO & ORCP Relationship and Support:

Provide your perspective on the relationship between ORCP and CSO. What went well? Are there areas of improvement?

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SUMMARIZE FINANCIAL ACTIVITY FOR LAST CALENDAR YEAR, SPECIFIC MANAGED AREA(S) SUPPORT:

Program Service Expenses are costs related to providing your organization's programs or services in accordance with your mission. For CSO's provide expenses that directly support the managed area(s). For established nonprofit organizations, program service expenses generally represent most of the overall expense of the organization. For the last calendar year provide totals \$ for each that apply.

- Building improvement, construction or renovations \$
- Cultural resources (e.g., historic structure restoration/ renovation) \$
 - Natural resources (e.g., native plants, natural lands restoration) \$
- Maintenance equipment (e.g., mowers, chippers, blowers, chainsaws) \$
 - Other facilities and landscape maintenance \$
 - Vehicles (e.g., trucks/cars, UTVs, golf carts, accessible devices, etc.) \$
- Amenities (e.g., water fountains, benches, picnic tables, recreational equipment, kiosks etc.) \$
- Managed area employees or volunteers support (e.g., interns, training, uniforms, awards, or \$
 - Big ticket visitor center exhibits or interpretation updates \$
 - Managed area exhibits, displays, signage \$
 - Managed area publications, brochures, maps, etc. \$
 - Programing/interpretation support material purchases \$
 - Other program services \$
 - **Total Program Service Expenses \$ 0**

Total Operating Expenses (Overhead including fees, memberships, postage, rent, utilities, etc.) \$ 0

Visitor Services Revenue

- Managed area gift shops, craft stores and concession sales \$
- Merchandise sales (e.g., plants, firewood, ice, t-shirts, hats, etc.) \$
- Programs and Special Events (e.g., fundraising workshops, seasonal events, concerts, etc.) \$
 - Vending (e.g., drink machines, penny press, laundry, Wifi, etc.)
 - Rentals (e.g., bikes, canoe, kayak, SUPs, etc.) \$
 - Donation boxes \$
 - Other visitor services revenue \$
 - Total Visitor Services Revenue \$ 0

Other Revenue

- Public Interest Funding \$0
 - Other Revenue \$0

Balance

- Beginning Net Assets \$ 0
 - Ending Net Assets \$ 0

CSO AUDIT:

Total of Last Calendar Year's Expenses (including grants) \$ 0

Section 215.981(2), Florida Statute requires an independent CPA audit using Government Audit Standards (<u>U.S. GAO Yellow Book</u>) when the CSOs annual expenses are \$300,000 including grants. The audit is **due by September 1** (or 9 months after the CSO's calendar year ends) to the Florida Auditor General and to the Department.

Title	Name	Signature	Date
CSO President	J. Taylor Kirschenfeld	& Kylon Kinchengel	6/4/2021
ORCP Site Manage	er		

CSO's Code of Ethics is attached

[☑] CSO has attached the most recent Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-N Receipt. All IRS Form 990's must be complete with Part III Program Service and all appropriate Schedules (A, O and others as appropriate). If filing an IRS extension, attach the IRS 8868 receipt and the most recent 990 and schedules.

Form 990-N

Electronic Notice (e-Postcard)

OMB No. 1545-2085

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service for Tax-Exempt Organization not Required to File Form 990 or 990-EZ

2020

Open to Public Inspection

A For the 2020 Calendar year, or tax year beginning 2020-07-01 and ending 2021-06-30

B Check if available
Terminated for Business
Gross receipts are normally \$50,000 or less

C Name of Organization: ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION
SUPPORT ORGANIZATION
411 E Government St,
Pensacola, FL, US, 32502

E Website:
F Name of Principal Officer: Jeffrey Taylor Kirschenfeld
411 E Government St,

Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice: We ask for the information on this form to carry out the Internal Revenue laws of the United States. You are required to give us the information. We need it to ensure that you are complying with these laws.

Pensacola, FL, US, 32502

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The time needed to complete and file this form and related schedules will vary depending on the individual circumstances. The estimated average times is 15 minutes.

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Confirmation

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• Organization Name: ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION SUPPORT ORGANIZATION

EIN: 593613351Tax Year: 2020

Tax Year Start Date: 07-01-2020Tax Year End Date: 06-30-2021

• Submission ID: 10065520211834781026

• Filing Status Date: 07-02-2021

· Filing Status: Pending

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MANAGE FORM 990-N SUBMISSIONS

ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION SUPPORT ORGANIZATION, INC. CODE OF ETHICS

PREAMBLE

- (1) It is essential to the proper conduct and operation of the Ecosystem Restoration Support Organization, Inc. (herein "CSO") that its board members, officers, and employees be independent and impartial and that their position not be used for private gain. Therefore, the Florida Legislature in Section 112.3251, Florida Statute (Fla. Stat.), requires that the law protect against any conflict of interest and establish standards for the conduct of CSO board members, officers, and employees in situations where conflicts may exist.
- (2) It is hereby declared to be the policy of the state that no CSO board member, officer, or employee shall have any interest, financial or otherwise, direct or indirect, or incur any obligation of any nature which is in substantial conflict with the proper discharge of his or her duties for the CSO. To implement this policy and strengthen the faith and confidence of the people in Citizen Support Organizations, there is enacted a code of ethics setting forth standards of conduct required of the Ecosystem Restoration Support Organization, Inc. board members, officers, and employees in the performance of their official duties.

STANDARDS

The following standards of conduct are enumerated in Chapter 112, Fla. Stat., and are required by Section 112.3251, Fla. Stat., to be observed by CSO board members, officers, and employees.

1. Prohibition of Solicitation or Acceptance of Gifts

No CSO board member, officer, or employee shall solicit or accept anything of value to the recipient, including a gift, loan, reward, promise of future employment, favor, or service, based upon any understanding that the vote, official action, or judgment of the CSO board member, officer, or employee would be influenced thereby.

2. Prohibition of Accepting Compensation Given to Influence a Vote

No CSO board member, officer, or employee shall accept any compensation, payment, or thing of value when the person knows, or, with reasonable care, should know that it was given to influence a vote or other action in which the CSO board member, officer, or employee was expected to participate in his or her official capacity.

3. Salary and Expenses

No CSO board member or officer shall be prohibited from voting on a matter affecting his or her salary, expenses, or other compensation as a CSO board member or officer, as provided by law.

4. Prohibition of Misuse of Position

A CSO board member, officer, or employee shall not corruptly use or attempt to use one's official position or any property or resource which may be within one's trust, or perform official duties, to secure a special privilege, benefit, or exemption.

5. Prohibition of Misuse of Privileged Information

No CSO board member, officer, or employee shall disclose or use information not available to members of the general public and gained by reason of one's official position for one's own personal gain or benefit or for the personal gain or benefit of any other person or business entity.

6. Post-Office/Employment Restrictions

A person who has been elected to any CSO board or office or who is employed by a CSO may not personally represent another person or entity for compensation before the governing body of the CSO of which he or she was a board member, officer, or employee for a period of two years after he or she vacates that office or employment position.

7. Prohibition of Employees Holding Office

No person may be, at one time, both a CSO employee and a CSO board member at the same time.

8. Requirements to Abstain From Voting

A CSO board member or officer shall not vote in official capacity upon any measure which would affect his or her special private gain or loss, or which he or she knows would affect the special gain or any principal by whom the board member or officer is retained. When abstaining, the CSO board member or officer, prior to the vote being taken, shall make every reasonable effort to disclose the nature of his or her interest as a public record in a memorandum filed with the person responsible for recording the minutes of the meeting, who shall incorporate the memorandum in the minutes. If it is not possible for the CSO board member or officer to file a memorandum before the vote, the memorandum must be filed with the person responsible for recording the minutes of the meeting no later than 15 days after the vote.

9. Failure to Observe CSO Code of Ethics

Failure of a CSO board member, officer, or employee may result in the removal of that person from their position. Further, failure of the CSO to observe the Code of Ethics may result in the Florida Department of Environmental Protection terminating its Agreement with the CSO.