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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

Notice of Evaluation of CPI Grant Applications

The State of Florida Department of Environmental Protection (Department or DEP), Florida Coastal Management Program (FCMP), announces the results of the evaluation of eligible Coastal Partnership Initiative (CPI) applications. Twenty applications were received in response to the Request for Applications published in the Florida Administrative Register on Aug. 12, 2025, and were reviewed and evaluated per the process described in Rule 62S-4.007, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.). The applications have been ranked in the following order, beginning with the highest score.

#1	Satellite Beach Invasive Species Management & Habitat Restoration	City of Satellite Beach	\$ 14,000
#2	Dune Walkover Phase II	City of Mexico Beach	\$ 60,000
#3	Brasher Park ADA Accessible Kayak Launch	City of Port Richey	\$ 12,388
#4	Atlantic Beach 5th Street Dune Walkover	City of Atlantic Beach	\$ 60,000
#5	Mapping Current Oyster Populations for Future Living Shorelines	University of N. Florida/City of Jacksonville	\$ 30,000
#6	Virginia Key Dune Ecosystem Restoration Project	City of Miami	\$ 60,000
#7	Village of Islamorada Public Access & Recreation Signage	Islamorada, Village of Islands	\$ 29,424
#8	Walton County Coastal Dune Lake Habitat Restoration	Walton County BOCC	\$ 60,000
#9	Assessments of Artificial Reef Structures & Aquaculture Infrastructure for use in Coastal Wetland Management	St. Johns County / UF	\$ 60,000
#10	REEF Coastal Steward Building Resilience through Community & Conservation	Reef Environmental Education Foundation	\$ 30,000
#11	Sound Park Restoration Project	City of Fort Walton Beach	\$ 60,000
#12	Coconut Point Shoreline Stabilization & Living Shoreline Enhancement	Hubbs-Sea World Research Institute	\$ 30,000
#13	Josiah Cephas Weaver Park Living Shoreline	City of Dunedin	\$ 30,000
#14	Laura Ward Riverwalk Plaza Living Seawall	City of Ft. Lauderdale	\$ 14,000
#15	Village of Key Biscayne Beach Access Pathway	Village of Key Biscayne	\$ 30,000
#16	Jackson's Lakes Invasive Species Removal	Escambia County BOCC	\$ 16,500
#17	Blackwater River Streamgage Project	Santa Rosa County	\$ 19,800
#18	Canoe/Kayak Launch Installations Stevenson Creek & Cooper's Bayou	City of Clearwater	\$ 90,000
#19	The Harbor Island Resilient Demonstration Project	North Bay Village	\$ 30,000
#20	Sunset Beach Playground Fencing	City of Tarpon Springs	\$ 10,075

Funding of any application is subject to the amount of federal coastal zone management funds awarded to the FCMP and the amount allocated to the CPI by the Office of Resilience and Coastal Protection (ORCP). The final decision whether to fund these projects is expected to be made by FCMP and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration by summer of 2026. Should additional existing funds be identified prior to the Fiscal Year 2026-27 Request for CPI applications, ORCP may seek to fund the next highest ranked project(s). Any person whose substantial interests are affected by the Department's action may petition for an administrative proceeding (hearing) under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, Florida Statute (F.S.). Any petition for an administrative proceeding must meet the requirements of Rule 28-106.201, F.A.C., and be filed (received by the Clerk) in the Office of General Counsel of the Department at 3900 Commonwealth Blvd, MS35, Tallahassee, FL 32399 or Agency_Clerk@FloridaDEP.gov, within 21 days of publication of this notice. Failure to file a petition within the time period shall constitute a waiver of that person's right to request administrative determination, or to intervene in this proceeding and participate as a party to it. Questions regarding the CPI evaluation process should be directed to Amy Degraw at (850)245-8398 or by email Amy.Degraw@FloridaDEP.gov.