Resilient Planning Grants Eligibility Criteria

Resilience Planning Grants (RPGs) are available to Florida communities that are required to have a coastal management element in their comprehensive plan. The purpose of RPGs is to promote community resilience planning including compliance with the "Peril of Flood" statute (Sec. 163.3178(2)(f) F.S.), analysis of vulnerabilities and risks, and the development of plans and policies that allow communities to better weather changing coastal conditions and recover and move forward faster following disasters. Projects should be able to be completed in 10 months. Funding for the RPG program comes from the state budget; the total amount awarded will depend on funding made available by the Governor and Legislature. Individual awards will be up to \$75,000.

- 1. Eligible applicants are local governments of the 35 coastal counties and all municipalities within their boundaries required to include a coastal element in the local comprehensive plan. Counties or cities not required to have a coastal management element are not eligible to apply at this time. Florida regional planning councils, national estuary programs, colleges, community colleges, and state universities may partner with an eligible local government, however they may not apply as the grantee. Non-profit groups are not eligible to apply but can serve as a consultant to an eligible applicant.
- 2. One application per applicant/grantee may be submitted per state fiscal year cycle (i.e., one application per county, or city).
- 3. All proposed projects must fit into at least one of the four project types listed in the <u>Project Types & Annual Priorities</u>
- 4. All proposed projects must include a public outreach component.
- 5. Applicants may request up to \$75,000 in funding.
- 6. Funding is available only for project work initiated **on July 1, 2021**, or after the agreement fully executed date, whichever comes later, and **COMPLETED BY April 30, 2022**.
- 7. Applications will be scored by a panel of judges. Scores are advisory to the FRCP Program Administrator who makes the final ranking.
- 8. Proposed projects may address one or more of the Annual Priorities which may improve rankings.
- 9. Notices of awards will be emailed to the person listed as the Grant Manager in the grant application. The Grantee is responsible for relaying information to other parties, such as partners or subcontractors, as necessary.
- 10. APPLICATION DEADLINE is OCTOBER 9, 2020 by Noon (12:00 p.m. ET)

Tentative Timeline*

August 1, 2020 - Grant Applications Open for FY 2021-2022
October 9, 2020 - Applications closing at Noon (12:00 PM ET)

Early April 2021 - Notices via email to all applicants on anticipated award status
- Anticipated grant agreement to be sent out to selected
awarded grantees

*Please keep in mind that the timeline is subject to change without prior notice.