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MISSISSIPPI TIDELANDS TRUST FUND PROGRAM

Request for Funding FY2018

Public Access Managed Project

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Project Number: _____
Submittal Number: _____
Average Merit Score: _____

PROJECT SUMMARY

1. Title of Project: *red outlines indicate required fields*

Point Cadet Marina Expansion & Water's Edge Boardwalk

2. Location of Project:

City of Biloxi, Harrison County

3. Requesting Agency:

City of Biloxi

4. Requesting Agency Representative:

a. Name: Andrew "FoFo" Gilich, Mayor
b. Phone: 228-435-6254
c. Fax: 228-435-6219
d. Address: P.O. Box 429 Biloxi, MS 39533
e. Email: mayor@biloxi.ms.us

5. Project Manager:

a. Name: Gerald Blessey, City Attorney/Counsel for Economic Dev.
b. Phone: 228-435-6256
c. Fax: 228-435-6129
d. Address: P.O. Box 429 Biloxi, MS 39533
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6. Funding Requested:

\$ 2,500,000.00

7. Matching Funds:

\$ 2,500,000.00

8. Source of Matching Funds:

City of Biloxi

9. Total Project Funds:

\$ 5,000,000.00

EXHIBIT
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10. Provide Brief Project Description/Overview:

Through this Tidelands grant project, the City of Biloxi will expand the Point Cadet Marina to meet market demand for more slips to accommodate 75-foot and larger recreational and sports-fishing yachts owned by Mississippi Coast residents and Intercoastal Waterway visiting boaters. The project also involves expanding public access to the waterfront through provision of a water's edge boardwalk, which will include open-air pavilions, lighting, educational signage and a docking area to support the State's shuttle service to Deer Island.

The marina expansion and public access boardwalk project area will begin at the current western boundary of the Point Cadet Marina and extend to a point approximately 500 feet west of the new Margaritaville (formerly Casino Magic).

Design of this project will be consistent with the other public improvements that form Biloxi's chain of waterfront amenities, preserving authentic Biloxi styles, standards and materials. Ultimately, the waterfront boardwalk will extend west to DeBuys Road, connecting Point Cadet with the Schooner Pier Complex, Tricentennial Park, the Biloxi Small Craft Harbor, Lighthouse Park, West Biloxi Festival Boardwalk Area and the Sand Beach to the City Limits.

11. LIST Project Goals/Objectives:

The project goals are:

- to expand safe public access to the Point Cadet waterfront along the area directly north of Deer Island
- to diversify affordable, family-friendly recreational opportunities and activities along the Mississippi Gulf Coast

Objectives to achieve these goals are:

- to expand the existing marina to meet the demand for additional large boat slips;
- to provide an ADA-compliant boardwalk with public amenities that support festivals, regattas, land-side fishing and enjoying the view;
- to offer land-side improvements for the State's marine shuttle to Deer Island; and
- to enhance educational opportunities through signage and native plant landscaping.

12. LIST Project Benefits:

Project benefits include:

- providing safe public access to a tidally-influenced area due north of Deer Island;
- expanding recreational and educational opportunities for residents and millions of visitors;-
- improving boater safety;
- enhancing and conserving a tidelands affected area;
- providing parking, ADA-compliant access and other amenities to support the State's marine shuttle service to Deer Island;
- improving public understanding of the need for long-term stewardship of the Mississippi Gulf Coast's natural resources through low-profile educational signage located along the boardwalk;
- promoting efficient use of state and local resources through expansion of an existing public marina to reduce construction and operational costs and to maximize public use of limited waterfront.



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13. LIST Project Tasks:

- a) finalize project design; complete bid specifications & apply for applicable permits;
- b) bid & award contracts;
- c) reconfigure the west side of the Point Cadet Marina to accommodate expansion activities;
- d) construct marina addition, public access boardwalks and breakwater for expanded marina area; and
- e) install amenities including educational signage, lighting, open-air pavilions and landscaping.

14. Project Timetable/Milestones:

The City of Biloxi anticipates completion of this project within 18 months of permit approval following grant award, as detailed below:

- a) finalize project design, complete bid specifications & apply for applicable permits - not able to anticipate time required for permit application review
- b) bid & award contracts - 4 months
- c) reconfigure the west side of the Point Cadet Marina to accommodate expansion activities - 4 months
- d) construct marina addition, public access boardwalks and new breakwater for expanded marina - 10 months
- e) install amenities including educational signage, lighting, open-air pavilions and landscaping - 2 months (concurrent with activities in item d, above)

15. If this project has been funded previously through Tidelands Trust Fund indicate which fiscal years: *(type N/A if not applicable)*

N/A

16. Project Timing:



Short-term (3 years or less)



Deferred/long-term (3 – 5 years)



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17. Is this a Multi-Phase Project? Yes No

18. Is any part of this project located on private property? Yes No

19. Is there an existing lease between the requesting agency and property owner? Yes No

20. If required, are the plans approved by the DMR Permitting Office? Yes No

21. Will this project enhance an existing water-dependent activity? Yes No

Identify the activity:

Boating, fishing, observing marine and bird species, accessing Deer Island via State-owned shuttle, enjoying the viewshed

22. Does this project coordinate with other existing or planned projects? Yes No

Identify the project(s):

The project coordinates with the City's comprehensive plan to improve public property on Point Cadet for use by the public through recreational, educational, marine conservation and economic development activities.

23. Will this project involve impacting, filling, or dredging coastal wetlands? Yes No

If yes, what acreage:

24. Identify the constituency or interest group(s) which this project will serve:

The general public will be served by this project, including residents and millions of annual visitors, through expanded opportunities and access to boating, fishing, birders and nature lovers.

25. Identify the service that this project will provide to the group(s) identified in 24:

The project will provide safe public access to a Tidelands area; will expand educational opportunities through signage located in the expanded marina and along the waterfront boardwalk; and will provide land-side amenities to support the State's marine shuttle to Deer Island.



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26. Project Category:

(more than one may apply)

- Conservation
- Reclamation
- Preservation
- Acquisition
- Education
- Public Access
- Public Improvement
- Other (Identify)

27. Current status of architectural/ engineering plans & specifications for this project (if applicable): (check one from each group)

- Group 1:
- Completed
 - In Progress
 - Ready to Bid
 - Other (identify)

- Group 2:
- Paid for
 - Funds budgeted
 - Funds not budgeted

28. Categorize the benefits from 12:

- Environmental
- Economic
- Safety
- Public
- Other (identify)

educational
cultural preservation

29. Have other State or Federal funding sources been identified for the project?

- Yes
- No

If yes, identify:

30. In what way does this project meet the goals and objectives of the Department of Marine Resources and the Secretary of State's Office, which include enhancing, protecting, conserving and providing public access to tidelands affected areas?

The project provides public access to a tidelands affected area through an ADA-compliant boardwalk and an expanded marina. Enhancement and conservation of tidelands affected areas will be promoted through educational signage and use of plants indigenous to tidelands affected areas in landscaping. Best management practices will be used throughout the project construction phase and during on-going marina operations to conserve the tidally affected areas.



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31. Summarize, in paragraph form, your Tidelands Application below. Give additional detail from TTF-1 Section 7 and include how the project will meet the requirements of the Public Trust Tidelands Act and the potential benefits that would be derived from receipt of Tidelands Trust Funds.

This project will expand public access to the Point Cadet waterfront area due north of Deer Island through expansion of the Point Cadet Marina and construction of an ADA-compliant boardwalk with amenities. The marina expansion will provide new slips to meet market demand to accommodate 75-foot and larger recreational and sports-fishing yachts owned by Mississippi Coast residents and Intercoastal Waterway visiting boaters. A public boardwalk, which will include open-air pavilions, lighting, educational signage, landscaping and a northern docking area to support the State's marine shuttle service to Deer Island, will be constructed to support public enjoyment of the waterfront and to expand family-oriented recreational activities.

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The primary benefit of project implementation will be expanded public access to the waterfront for residents of the Mississippi Gulf Coast and the millions of annual visitors to Biloxi. The project area is unique in that it affords unobstructed views of Deer Island, it offers direct access to the East and Lateral Channels for recreational boaters and it is conveniently accessed from Highway 90. Other project benefits include diversifying affordable, family-friendly activities in East Biloxi; providing land-side marine shuttle improvements for public access to Deer Island; and maximizing public enjoyment of Biloxi's waterfront through amenities that support fishing tournaments, concerts, festivals, natural resource education and viewing.

Development of final project design will be coordinated with the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources and the Mississippi Secretary of State's Office and to most effectively and efficiently provide safe public access to this Point Cadet waterfront area and to maximize public benefit through appropriate waterfront uses that support a broad range of affordable, family-oriented recreational and educational activities. Design of this project will be consistent with the other public improvements that form the chain of waterfront amenities, preserving authentic Biloxi styles, standards and materials.

The project complies with the requirements of the Public Trust Tidelands Act for tidelands management programs that conserve, reclaim or preserve public trust tidelands, enhance public access to public trust tidelands and provide public improvements as they relate to those lands.



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32. Estimated number of years to completion:

18 months, following permit approval

33. Estimated Completion Date:

Summer 2020

34. Prioritize if your agency has submitted multiple projects

This is the City of Biloxi's priority #3.

35. SIGNATURES

Project Manager:

Signature

Date

Requesting Agency Representative:

Signature

Date

36. Attach project schematics or drawings as appropriate



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BUDGET

Category	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Total
Salaries, wages, Fringe						\$ 0.00
Travel						\$ 0.00
Architecture & Engineering						\$ 0.00
Legal						\$ 0.00
Consulting						\$ 0.00
Construction						\$ 0.00
Site Work						\$ 0.00
Equipment						\$ 0.00
Land Acquisition						\$ 0.00
Indirects						\$ 0.00
Other	2500000	2500000				\$ 5,000,000.00
Total	\$ 2,500,000.00	\$ 2,500,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 5,000,000.00

Funding Sources	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Total
Tidelands Funding Reallocated (Project #: _____, Year _____)						\$ 0.00
Tidelands Funding Awarded	1250000	1250000				\$ 2,500,000.00
Federal Grants Funding						\$ 0.00
FEMA Funding						\$ 0.00
MEMA Funding						\$ 0.00
CDBG Funding						\$ 0.00
In-Kind Donations						\$ 0.00
Other	1250000	1250000				\$ 2,500,000.00
Total	\$ 2,500,000.00	\$ 2,500,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 5,000,000.00

Instructions:

1. If project will be completed in one year, complete only the "Year 1" budget column.
2. If project will be completed in two years, complete "Year 1" and "Year 2" columns.
3. Follow the same process as above for "Year 3", "Year 4", and "Year 5", if project will not be completed for 5 years.

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