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Subject: Call for Applications for the Beach Management Funding Assistance Program's FY 2025/2026 Local Government Funding Request

Dear Coastal Stakeholders,

The Beach Management Funding Assistance Program (Program) is developing the annual prioritized list of beach and inlet management projects for the Department's FY 2025/2026 Local Government Funding Request (LGFR). **We ask that applications are submitted at your earliest convenience, with a deadline to submit by July 31, 2024.**

Application: Funding applications are provided as Adobe Acrobat PDF-fillable forms. Please provide additional documents as attachments to the application. Separate Beach and Inlet Project application forms can be viewed and downloaded from the Program's website: <https://floridadep.gov/rcp/beaches-funding-program/content/beaches-funding-assistance-information>.

Survey data: The most recent physical monitoring survey data is necessary to complete coastal engineering assessments. Please provide the data (via the submission instructions below) at your earliest convenience and by the application deadline.

Submission instructions: Completed applications, attachments, and survey data can be submitted by email to Beaches_Funding@FloridaDEP.gov or by uploading the documents to the Program's secure FTP website. Follow the link below and enter the password "Beachfunding" to upload the documents to the respective County folder.

Secure FTP website:

<https://ftpportal.dep.state.fl.us/public/folder/sozk0fhr-UuIPs9G1ztsRw/LGFR%20FY2526>

Helpful Resources: See Guidance Document for more information.

- Strategic Beach Management Plan, Inlet Management Plans, Long Range Budget Plan and other Program documents:

<https://floridadep.gov/rcp/beaches-funding-program/content/beaches-funding-documents>

- Sales tax data from the Florida Department of Revenue website: <https://floridarevenue.com/DataPortal/Pages/TaxResearch.aspx>
- License information for eligibility and recreational benefits from the Department of Business and Professional Regulation website: <http://www.myfloridalicense.com/DBPR/>

FY 25/26 LGFR Schedule:

Entity	Task	Days	Rule	Due Date
DEP	Call for applications			6/1/2024
Sponsor	Application deadline	60	Yes	7/31/2024
DEP	Draft project assessments released	33	No	9/2/2024
Sponsor	Local sponsor comments due	21	Yes	9/23/2024
Sponsor	Signed Resolution due	21	No	9/23/2024
DEP	Final project assessments released	14	No	10/7/2024
DEP	Draft LGFR released for external review team	14	No	10/21/2024
DEP	External review team comments due	14	No	11/4/2024

For questions and assistance with the application process, Program staff can be contacted by email at Beaches_Funding@FloridaDEP.gov. For specific project inquiries, contact the project manager in your area:

- [Robert Johnson](#): Panhandle (Escambia through Taylor County), Northeast Atlantic coast (Nassau through Brevard County)
- [Eric Massa](#): Western Gulf coast (Dixie through Pinellas County) and Central Atlantic coast (Indian River through Martin County)
- [Devon Witczak](#): Palm Beach County, Broward County, Miami-Dade County, and Monroe County
- [Mitchell Latzman](#): Southwest Gulf coast (Manatee through Collier County),

Thank you,

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