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ALABAMA COASTAL AREA MANAGEMENT PROGRAM
ANNUAL REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

NOTICE TO:

ALL ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY FOR:

COASTAL NONPOINT POLLUTION CONTROL PLANNING PROJECTS
COASTAL PLANNING PROJECTS
COASTAL EDUCATION AND OUTREACH PROJECTS
COASTAL PUBLIC ACCESS IMPROVEMENTS

The Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, State Lands Division, Coastal Section is accepting proposals for projects to be completed in the Alabama Coastal Area (defined as Mobile County and Baldwin County) for Fiscal Year 2023 (October 1, 2022 – September 30, 2023). This competitive funding opportunity is administered by the Alabama Coastal Area Management Program (ACAMP) utilizing federal funds provided by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) pursuant to the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972. ACAMP is accepting applications through this Request for Proposals for projects that protect, enhance, and improve the management of natural, cultural and historical coastal resources and that increase the sustainability, resiliency and preparedness of coastal communities.

Proposals for planning projects must address coastal management issues related to at least one of the following focus areas:

- ❖ Government Coordination and Local Government Planning
- ❖ Coastal Hazards and Resilient Communities
- ❖ Coastal Habitats, Wetland Protection and Coastal Resource Stewardship
- ❖ Coastal Nonpoint Source Pollution Control

Proposals for land acquisition and low-cost construction must be related to the following focus area:

- ❖ Public Access to Coastal Resources: Construction or Land Acquisition

Please note that priority consideration will be given to proposals addressing specific areas of the Alabama Coastal Nonpoint Pollution Control Program including planning, engineering and design, data collection/analysis, monitoring, mapping, modeling and education and outreach related to the following areas:

- ❖ **Storm water runoff from new development**
- ❖ **Comprehensive planning for development to protect sensitive ecological areas, minimize land disturbances and retain natural drainage and vegetation**

- ❖ **Watershed planning (must be done using EPA Section 319 elements and guidelines)**
- ❖ **Nutrient/pathogen loadings to surface water and groundwater from new and existing onsite disposal systems (OSDS, e.g., septic tanks)**
- ❖ **Hydromodification improvement to address existing nonpoint source pollution problems caused by dams, dredge and eroding streambanks and shorelines**
- ❖ **Wetland and riparian area protection and restoration**
- ❖ **Engineered vegetated treatment systems**

Funding is geographically limited to Mobile and Baldwin Counties, and requires a 1:1 ratio of non-federal matching funds. The preferred minimum funding amount is \$20,000 federal funds; the preferred maximum is \$50,000 federal funds. If selected, it is anticipated that funds will be available October 1, 2022, for a period not to exceed 12 months.

TO APPLY AND FOR DETAILS OF SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

Visit www.alabamacoastalprograms.com to view the Application Guidance and download the fillable Annual Funding Application form. You can also contact Coastal Section staff at 251-621-1216 for copies of these documents.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS:

- ❖ Coastal units of government including Mobile County, Baldwin County, and municipalities or tribal governments within Mobile and Baldwin counties
- ❖ Area-wide agencies, regional planning agencies, conservation districts, and port authorities
- ❖ Alabama state agencies whose activities affect or are affected by activities in the coastal area
- ❖ Alabama school districts, public colleges, universities and other institutions of higher learning

DEADLINE FOR PROPOSAL SUBMISSION: Friday March 18, 2022 - 5:00 p.m.

Proposals should be submitted by email, mail, or in person to the following address:

State Lands Division Coastal Section
c/o Will Underwood
31115 5 Rivers Blvd.
Spanish Fort, AL 36527

Electronic submissions should be e-mailed in Portable Document Format (.pdf) to DCNR.Coastal@dcnr.alabama.gov with ACAMP Funding Application in the subject line.

It shall be the sole responsibility of the submitting entity to ensure actual receipt by the State Lands Division, Coastal Section prior to this deadline.