

Priority 2 (1-2):

Boat Ramp Rehabilitation – Highland View (2-1)

Boat Ramp Rehabilitation – Indian Pass (2-2)

POTENTIAL DEEPWATER HORIZON OIL SPILL RESTORATION PROJECTS:

PROVIDING INFORMATION TO ASSIST WITH PROJECT ASSESSMENT

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Project Name: *(Include project number from DEP's existing list of submitted projects, if applicable.)*

G8: Recreation Projects – Boat Ramp (Highland View) PRIORITY #2-1

Location for Project Implementation: *(For example, city and county, GIS coordinates if known.)*

Gulf County

Lat. 29.854334

Long. -85.339623

Brief Project Narrative: *(Describe what the project will do.)*

This project will provide for rehabilitation of the Highland View boat ramp utilized by B.P. contractors during the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill.

Estimated Project Costs: *(Describe the costs of the project, including any assumptions for contingency and ongoing operations and maintenance. Identify other available funding sources such as matching funds, in kind contributions or state or federal dollars. If possible, attach a schedule of anticipated costs, by year, over the anticipated project life.)*

The estimated cost of this project is \$150,000.00.

Anticipated Project Outcome with Respect to Screening Criteria

S1. Technically and administratively feasible: *(Briefly describe the critical technologies involved and any relevant past experience with similar projects.)*

The County will obtain the necessary permits to renovate the boat launch facility utilized by B.P.'s Vessels of Opportunity during the oil spill. Due to the large number of waterways in Gulf County, we have extensive experience with boat ramp renovation projects.

S2. Provides environmental benefits: *(Briefly describe the nature, magnitude, and timing of any environmental benefits attributable to the project and any potential environmental costs associated with implementing or maintaining the project, e.g., loss of a habitat or conversion of habitat from one type to another during implementation.)*

The largest benefit will be renovation of the boat launch facility utilized by B.P.'s Vessels of Opportunity in Highland View. The boat ramp is utilized by boaters to access the Intercoastal Waterway, St. Joseph Bay and the Gulf of Mexico. Rehabilitation of the boat ramp will repair the damages sustained during the oil spill and allow a variety of boats to utilize this facility. There will be no negative impacts to the environment, and the associated environmental costs will be permitting of the project.

S3. Does not conflict with any ongoing or planned response or remediation work: *(Briefly describe ongoing response activities in the project implementation area, if any, and why the project does or does not interfere with that work.)*

The Highland View boat ramp was utilized by B.P.'s Vessels of Opportunity, and is adjacent to the staging area in Gulf County. They utilized this boat ramp in Highland View (which is located on the intercoastal waterway, leading into St. Joseph Bay). This project will not conflict with any response or remediation work.

S4. Complies with applicable and relevant federal, state, local, and tribal laws and regulations: *(No information is needed for this screening criteria.)*

Anticipated Project Outcome with Respect to Evaluation Criteria

E1. Will restore, rehabilitate, or replace a natural resource or service¹ believed/demonstrated to have been injured as a result of the Deepwater Horizon oil spill or associated response activities: *(Briefly describe the nature of any relationship between the new/improved resources or services and those adversely impacted by the oil spill.)*

The Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill detrimentally affected tourism and the fishing industry in Gulf County. Not only tourists, but locals as well, were deterred from fishing and/or eating seafood. St. Joseph Bay and the Gulf of Mexico are major County assets and are heavily utilized by tourists and locals for food and recreation. This project will repair and enhance the boat ramp utilized by B.P. to provide launching capabilities for a variety of vessels, and will assist in restoring the loss of human use in Gulf County.

E2. Is located in, or nearby, resources or services injured by the deepwater horizon spill: *(Briefly describe where the project would be implemented with respect to past/ongoing remediation work.)*

This project is located on the Intercoastal Waterway near where it intersects with St. Joseph Bay. It is adjacent to the property B.P. used as a staging area, and is the ramp utilized by the Vessels of Opportunity. All areas of St. Joseph Bay, Cape San Blas and Indian Pass were heavily monitored during the oil spill, and boom was placed across the mouth of the bay where it intersects with the Gulf of Mexico.

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E3. Is ready for implementation, e.g., design, permitting, and necessary impacts assessments have been completed: *(Briefly describe where in the permitting process the project stands along with an estimated date of when the project can be implemented if it is not currently ready.)*

The County will obtain the necessary permits, and renovation of the boat ramp will begin as soon as funding is received.

E4. Is cost effective: *(Briefly describe why you think the project is cost effective. Discuss whether this project is more cost effective than alternative projects which would provide similar resource or service benefits.)*

This project is cost effective in that it will provide an improved boat launching facility for Gulf County to utilize, and will assist in our efforts to draw tourists back to the coast. With the current economic conditions, many materials can be obtained at a lower cost, and County employees can assist in the construction process.

E5. Has a high potential for long-term success as demonstrated by incorporating established/reliable methods and technologies: *(Briefly describe if/how critical methods and technologies that will be used to implement the project could be considered reliable or proven.)*

St. Joseph Bay, the Intercoastal Waterway and the Gulf of Mexico will always be utilized by boaters and fishermen. Rehabilitation of the facility will ensure its continued use and modification of the ramp will allow use by a wider variety of vessels. The improved ramp will provide boats that are accessing the Canal and the Gulf of Mexico with a safe and easily accessible launching facility.

E6. Is likely to provide benefits rapidly following implementation: *(Briefly describe the anticipated change in benefits anticipated over time.)*

Benefits to the County will be realized immediately upon renovation of the boating facility. Once the permits are obtained, the County will renovate the boat ramp. Boats of all sizes would then be able to launch at the ramp that is located on the Intercoastal Waterway and provides the nearest access to the Gulf of Mexico from Port St. Joe.

E7. Has a high likelihood of public acceptance: *(Briefly describe evidence to support the given answer based on surveys or results and assessments from past projects. Known or likely opposition to a project should be recognized.)*

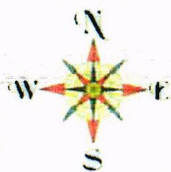
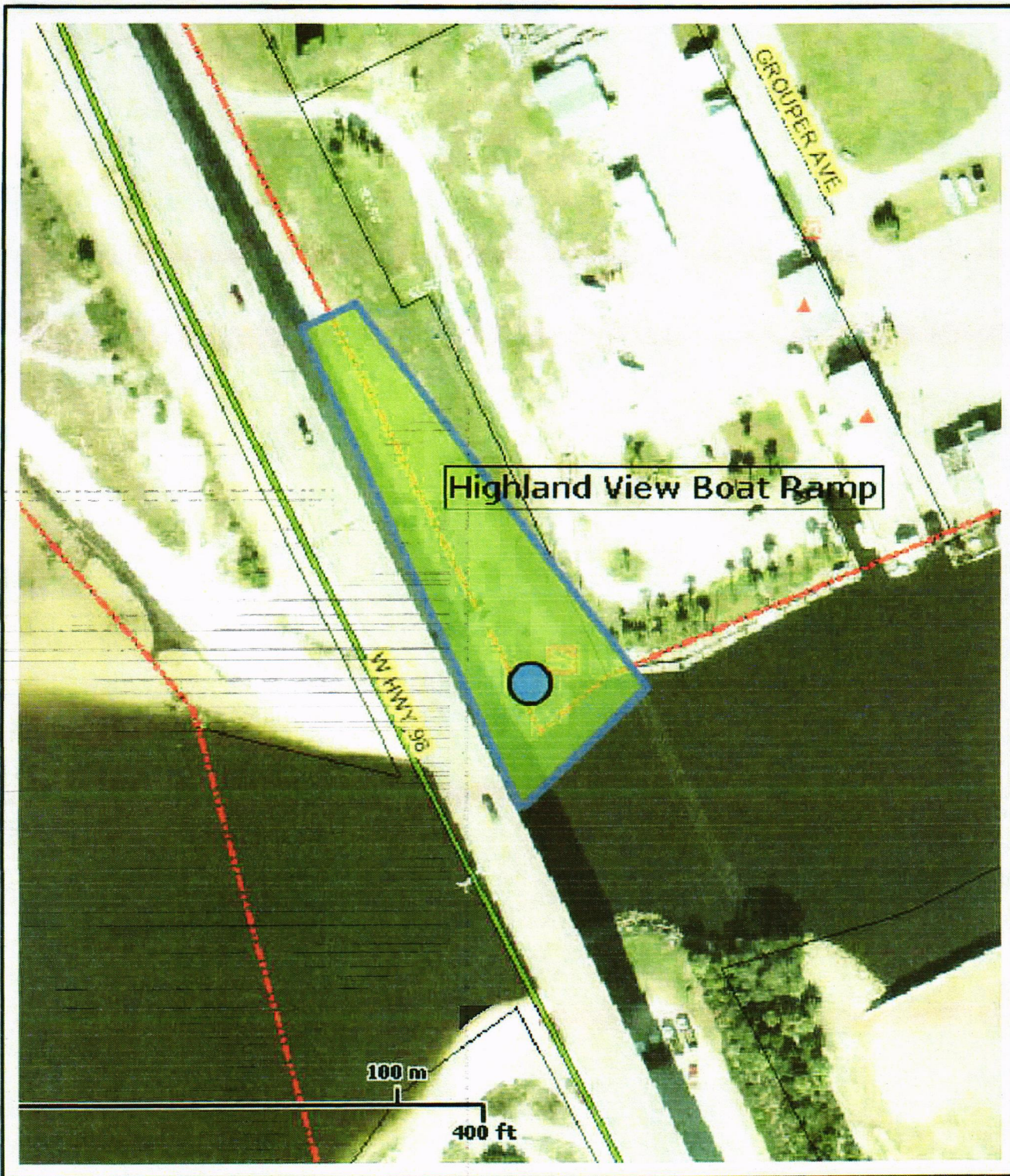
There are many residents and visitors to Gulf County who enjoy saltwater fishing. The existing ramp is used, but it is difficult to launch larger boats due to the swift current. The rehabilitation will repair damages incurred during the oil spill and provide better, safer launch conditions for all vessels. There is no known opposition to this project.

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Highland View Boat Ramp



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Florida Department of Environmental Protection - DWH Restoration Projects

Project Title:

County, Municipality, or Agency:

DATE:

Cost Items	Cost Estimate
Planning	
Contracts	
Feasibility	
Engineering & Design ¹ & Permitting	15,000
Planning Administration ²	
[other]	
Planning Subtotal	15,000
Construction	
Contracts ³ Boat Ramp	125,000
Construction Administration	10,000
[other]	
Construction Subtotal	135,000
Monitoring	
Contracts	
Monitoring Administration	
[other]	
Monitoring Subtotal	
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G8: Recreation Projects – Boat Ramp (Indian Pass) PRIORITY #2-2

Location for Project Implementation: *(For example, city and county, GIS coordinates if known.)*

Gulf County

Lat. 29.682663

Long. -85.223537

Brief Project Narrative: *(Describe what the project will do.)*

This project will provide for rehabilitation of the Indian Pass boat ramp (utilized by B.P. contractors during the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill) that provides access directly into the Gulf of Mexico.

Estimated Project Costs: *(Describe the costs of the project, including any assumptions for contingency and ongoing operations and maintenance. Identify other available funding sources such as matching funds, in kind contributions or state or federal dollars. If possible, attach a schedule of anticipated costs, by year, over the anticipated project life.)*

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The Indian Pass boat ramp was utilized by B.P.'s Vessels of Opportunity during the oil spill. They utilized this boat ramp to access the Gulf of Mexico to monitor Cape San Blas, Indian Pass and St. Vincent Island. This project will not conflict with any response or remediation work.

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This project is located on the Gulf of Mexico near Indian Lagoon and St. Vincent Island. It was utilized by B.P.'s Vessels of Opportunity during the oil spill. All areas of St. Joseph Bay, Cape San Blas and Indian Pass were heavily monitored during the oil spill, and boom was placed across the mouth of the bay where it intersects with the Gulf of Mexico.

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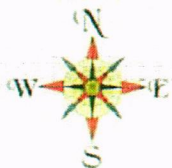
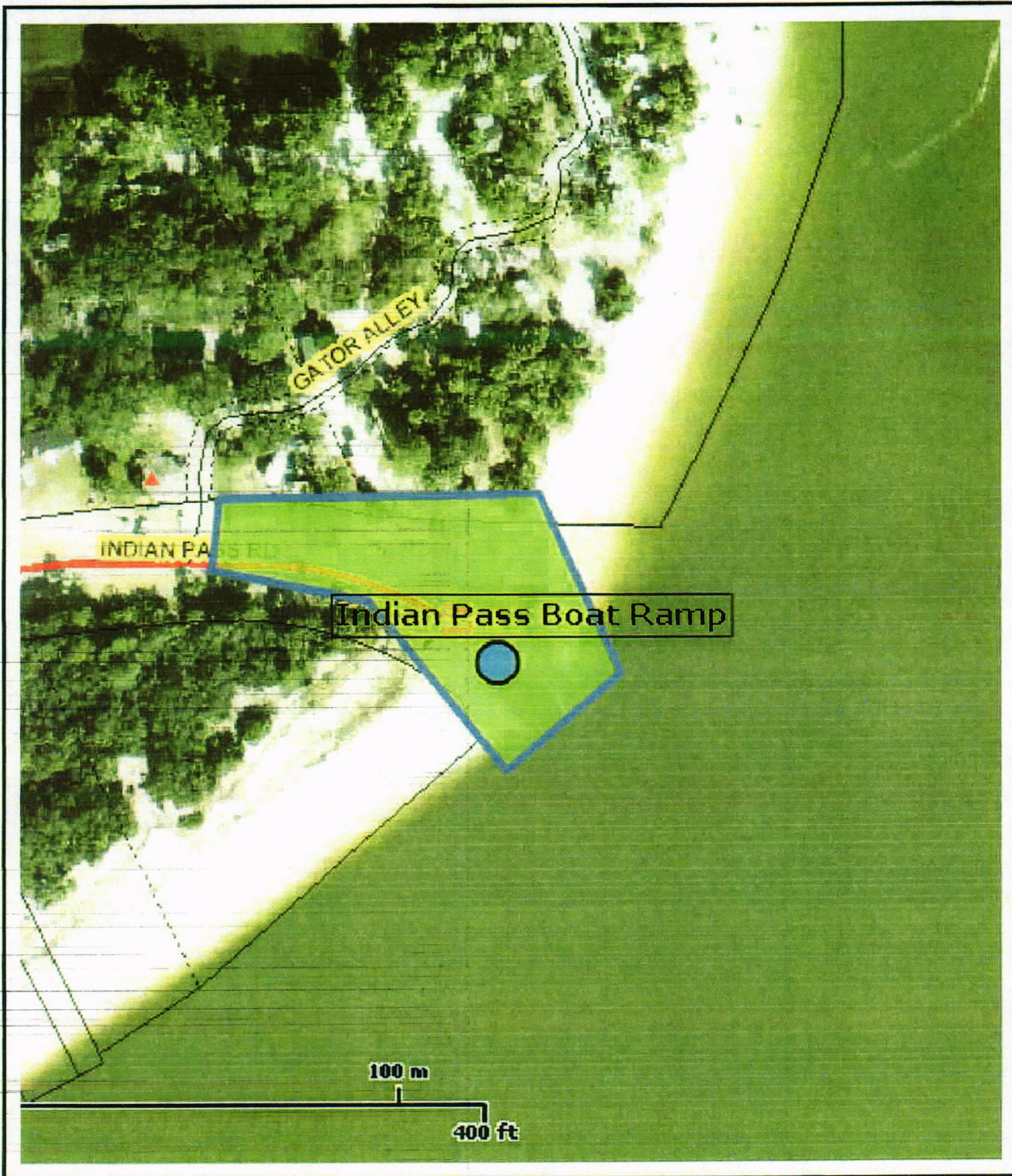
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Cost Items	Cost Estimate
Planning	
Contracts	
Feasibility	
Engineering & Design ¹ & Permitting	15,000
Planning Administration ²	
[other]	
Planning Subtotal	15,000
Construction	
Contracts ³ Boat Ramp	125,000
Construction Administration	10,000
[other]	
Construction Subtotal	135,000
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