Galveston Bay Estuary Program

Federal Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) Project Proposal

**Please complete the proposal form and submit to** **gbep@tceq.texas.gov** **by September 16, 2022. No late submittals will be considered for funding.**

**SECTION ONE: GENERAL INFORMATION**

**Project Name**:

 [Please input.]

Project Previously Funded by GBEP? Yes [ ]  No [ ]

**Lead Implementer**:

[If Lead Implementer is a nonprofit, please identify an interlocal or interagency partner.]

Has the interlocal/agency partner agreed to pass-through?

Yes [ ]  No [ ]  N/A [ ]

**[Attach Commitment as an Appendix if Applicable]**

**Contact Information**:

[Project Representative Name, Phone, Email]

**Amount Requested (minimum budgeted cost of $150,000)**:

[$]

Is the project scalable? [ ]

**Amount Requested per year (if applicable)**:

[Please break down funding requested per fiscal year of project.]

**Total Project Cost**:

[Please also indicate whether total project cost is an estimate.]

**Leveraging (in-kind and/or cash)**:

[Please indicate source, amount, and status (secured, potential, etc.)]

**Project Duration (beginning no earlier than September 1, 2023 - four-year maximum project length)**:

[months or years, as applicable.]

**SECTION TWO: *GALVESTON BAY PLAN, 2ND EDITION* IMPLEMENTATION**

*Galveston Bay Plan, 2nd Edition References*

<https://gbep.texas.gov/ensure-safe-human-and-aquatic-life-use/>

<https://gbep.texas.gov/protect-and-sustain-living-resources/>

<https://gbep.texas.gov/engage-communities/>

<https://gbep.texas.gov/inform-science-based-decision-making/>

[**Galveston Bay Plan**](https://gbep.texas.gov/galveston-bay-plan/) **Priority Area Actions Addressed:**

Plan Priority 1: Ensure Safe Human and Aquatic Life Use

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| NPS-1 [ ]  | NPS-2 [ ]  | NPS-3 [ ]  | NPS-4 [ ]  |  |
| PS-1 [ ]  | PS-2 [ ]  | PS-3 [ ]  |  |  |
| PHA-1 [ ]  | PHA-2 [ ]  | PHA-3 [ ]  | PHA-4 [ ]  | PHA-5 [ ]  |

Plan Priority 2: Protect and Sustain Living Resources

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| HC-1 ☐  | HC-2 ☐  | HC-3 ☐  |  |
| SC-1 ☐ | SC-2 ☐ |  |  |
| FWI-1 ☐ | FWI-2 ☐ | FWI-3 ☐ |  |

Plan Priority 3: Engage Communities

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| SPO-1 [ ]  | SPO-2 [ ]  | SPO-3 [ ]  | SPO-4 [ ]  |
| PEA-1 [ ]  | PEA-2 [ ]  | PEA-3 [ ]  |  |

Plan Priority 4: Inform Science-based Decision Making

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| RES-1 [ ]  | RES-2 [ ]  | RES-3 [ ]  | RES-4 [ ]  |
| RES-5 [ ]  | RES-6 [ ]  | RES-7 [ ]  | RES-8 [ ]  |
| ACS-1 [ ]  | ACS-2 [ ]  | ACS-3 [ ]  |  |

**Priority Area Actions Detail:**

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| [Please state the action(s) and output(s) addressed and how the project contributes to implementing the output.] |

**SECTION THREE: BIL PRIORITIES**

**Stakeholder Identified Priorities**:

Plan Priority 1: Ensure Safe Human and Aquatic Life Use

[ ]  Projects in support of: marine debris reduction, green infrastructure, watershed health, water reuse and conservation.

[ ]  Planning and implementation of management measures and watershed-based plans.

[ ]  Climate resilience; environmental monitoring (PP4). \*

Plan Priority 2: Protect and Sustain Living Resources

[ ]  Habitat Conservation: benefit to native species must be addressed.

[ ]  Habitat Restoration and Enhancement: benefit to native species must be addressed.

[ ]  Habitat Restoration Assessments and Mapping Gaps; products must also include action item (list of restoration sites, etc.) (PP4). \*

Plan Priority 3: Engage Communities

[ ]  Building new or existing programs with underrepresented communities.

[ ]  Continued identification and needs of underrepresented communities related to the *Galveston Bay Plan, 2nd Edition*.

[ ]  Implementing programs / partnerships with underrepresented communities.

Plan Priority 4: Inform Science-based Decision Making

[ ]  Adaptive Management - Support monitoring projects post-completion (successes, lessons learned) (PP2). \*

[ ]  Environmental Monitoring - Species, Contaminants, Novel Monitoring Approaches (PP1). \*

[ ]  Climate resilience; novel monitoring approaches.

*\*Indicates cross-plan priorities*

**Stakeholder Priority Detail:**

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| [Please explain in detail how project addresses priorities selected. Attachments may be submitted via email in conjunction with this application] |

**SECTION 4: BIL CONSIDERATIONS**

**Does the Project align with any EPA Areas of Special Interest?**

[ ]  Reduction in nutrient pollution

[ ]  Water reuse and conservation

[ ]  Marine litter reduction

[ ]  Green infrastructure and resiliency

[If yes, please summarize how the proposal addresses EPA Areas of Special Interest.]

**Infrastructure projects must comply with the Build America, Buy America Act (BABA). Is the proposal subject to BABA?**

[**EPA BABA Information**](https://www.epa.gov/cwsrf/build-america-buy-america-baba)

Yes [ ]  No [ ]

[If yes, please summarize how the proposal complies with BABA, as applicable.]

**Does the Project incorporate Federal Flood Risk Management Standards?**

[**FFRMS**](https://www.fema.gov/floodplain-management/intergovernmental/federal-flood-risk-management-standard) **–** [**EPA Green Infrastructure Managing Flood Risks**](https://www.epa.gov/green-infrastructure/manage-flood-risk)

Yes [ ]  No [ ]

[If yes, please summarize how the proposal incorporates federal flood risk management standards, if applicable.]

**Does the Project Address the Justice 40 Initiative**?

*NEP’s have a target of ensuring that at least 40% of the benefits of investments from the five years of BIL funding flow to disadvantaged communities*

Yes [ ]  No [ ]

[If yes, please summarize how the proposal addresses the Justice40 initiative.]

**Does the Project Address geographies above the 80th percentile as identified in** [**EJScreen**](https://ejscreen.epa.gov/mapper/) **in the following demographics?**

Yes [ ]  No [ ]

[ ]  % Low income

[ ]  % Linguistically isolated

[ ]  % Less than high school education

[ ]  % Unemployed

[ ]  % Low life expectancy

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| [If yes, please identify geographies and summarize how the proposal addresses the selected demographics.] |

**SECTION 5: PROPOSAL DETAILS**

**Project Summary**:

[In 1-2 sentences, please describe the objective of your proposal.]

**Full Project Description (1,000 words or less)**:

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| [In 1,000 words or less, please provide a summary of the scope of your proposal.] |

**Project Partners**:

[Please input all partners secured.]

**Latitude/Longitude (Optional)**:

[degrees, minutes, and seconds format]

**Location**:

[Description of area(s) of Galveston Bay watershed addressed by proposal]

**Other Plans Implemented**:

[Texas Coastal Management Plan, Texas Wetland Conservation Plan, GCJV Conservation Plans, etc.]

**Projects Map**

[Insert Map Here or Attach as an Appendix if Applicable]

**Supplemental Photos/Graphics (Optional):**

[Insert Here or Attach as an Appendix]

**SECTION SIX: BUDGET DETAILS**

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| BUDGET CATEGORIES: | Budget |
| a. | Personnel/Salary |  |
| b. | Fringe Benefits |  |
| c. | Travel |  |
| d. | Supplies |  |
| e. | Equipment |  |
| f. | Contractual |  |
| g. | Construction |  |
| h. | Other\* |  |
| i. | Total Direct Costs (Sum a - h) |  |
| j. | Indirect Costs |  |
| k. | Total (Sum of i & j) |  |

**\*Other**: If Budget Category “Other” is greater than $25,000 or more than 10% of budget total, identify the main constituents:

**Indirect Cost Agreement**

**Indirect Cost Reimbursable Rate**: The reimbursable rate for this Contract is % of (check one):

[ ]  **salary and fringe benefits**

[ ]  **modified total direct costs**

[ ]  **other direct costs base**

**If other direct cost base, identify:**

**This rate is less than or equal to (check one):**

[ ]   **Predetermined Rate—an audited rate that is not subject to adjustment.**

[ ]   **Negotiated Predetermined Rate—an experienced-based predetermined rate agreed to by Performing Party and TCEQ. This rate is not subject to adjustment.**

[ ]   **Default rate—**a standard rate of ten percent of salary/wages may be used in lieu of determining the actual indirect costs of the service.

[Insert Indirect Cost Agreement or Attach as an Appendix if Applicable]

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