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Gulf County, Florida

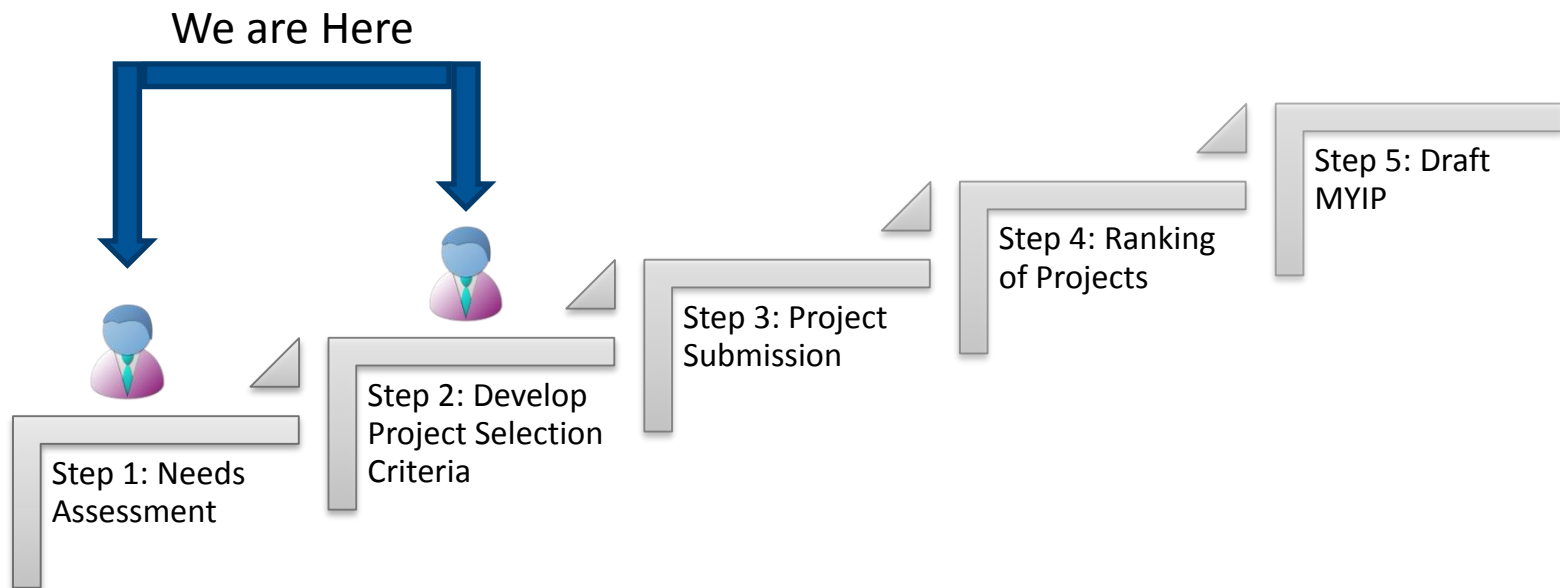
RESTORE Act Local Advisory
Committee (RAC)

September 15th, 2015

Today's Agenda

- Introductions
- Consideration of Final Draft Needs Assessment
- Consideration of Draft Selection Criteria with Scoring
- Other Business
- Next Steps

RESTORE Act Multiyear Implementation Plan (MYIP)



Draft Needs Assessment

	Identified Need
Economy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Increase number of permanent full time residents ➤ Increase number of local jobs ➤ Port development ➤ Provide economic diversification including promotion of clean industry, light manufacturing growth, marine commerce, watersports, and seafood processing ➤ Provide workforce development and training including industry focused training ➤ Increase tourism opportunities and destinations including ecotourism, cultural and historic tourism, year round tourism, and sports tourism ➤ Update and unify branding initiatives ➤ Align wayfinding mediums with current initiatives ➤ Improve or add coastal parks including dog parks, memorial parks, nature parks, and sports complexes ➤ Increase overnight stays ➤ Enhance local property values

Draft Needs Assessment

	Identified Need
Economy	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Increase average trip spending value➤ Increase traffic flow in shops and restaurants➤ Promote rural development incentives➤ Update and market existing assets including the lighthouse, coastal parks, event venues, historic buildings, bikeways and walking trails, port, local businesses, arts and cultural venues, and recreational facilities➤ Promote projects in the Apalachee Region Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy

Draft Needs Assessment

	Identified Need
Environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Improve surface water quality➤ Provide septic to sewer conversions➤ Reduce nonpoint source pollution / stormwater runoff➤ Restore seagrasses➤ Provide habitat monitoring programs➤ Enhance marine habitats and fisheries➤ Increase scallops, oysters, estuarine and reef fish populations➤ Install artificial reefs➤ Provide more vegetated riparian buffers and wetlands➤ Provide habitat protection➤ Provide dune walkovers➤ Prevent, reduce, or address shoreline erosion➤ Promote the use of agricultural, Silvicultural, and rural BMP's

Draft Needs Assessment

	Identified Need
Infrastructure	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Provide beach nourishment➤ Enhance emergency services➤ Protect water resources➤ Provide stormwater management and flooding controls➤ Provide WWTP / sanitary sewer expansion and upgrades➤ Provide dirt road paving and stabilization➤ Increase public access to waterfront through means such as additional boat ramps, fishing piers, and increased beach parking➤ Ensure an adequate and efficient transportation network including bikeways and trails➤ Promote the use of the AN railway from Port St. Joe to CSX trunk in Chattahoochee➤ Provide technology upgrades such as Wi-Fi and broadband infrastructure

Draft Needs Assessment

	Identified Need
Community	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Expand health care services for the elderly Enhance emergency services➤ Provide more affordable housing➤ Increase professional development opportunities➤ Increase availability of dependable child care➤ Enhance youth recreation opportunities

Selection Criteria V2.2

Programmatic	Total: 12
1. Project Feasibility	2
2. Public Interest	2
3. Project Timing	2
4. Partnerships and Leveraging	2
5. Monitoring Plan	2
6. Sustainability and Efficiency	2

Selection Criteria V2.2

Environment	Total: 26
1. Habitat Conservation and Preservation	5
2. Habitat Restoration	5
3. Water Quality	10
4. Natural Systems Resiliency	6

Selection Criteria V2.2

Economy	Total: 26
1. Tourism and Tourism Opportunities	5
2. Recreational Fishing and Local Seafood	5
3. Job Creation	6
4. Industry and Business Growth	5
5. Workforce Development	5

Selection Criteria V2.2

Infrastructure	Total: 26
1. Port Development	9
2. Transportation Network Improvements	6
3. Essential Services	7
4. Disaster Resiliency	4

Selection Criteria V2.2

Community Preferences	Total: 10
1. Cultural and Historic Resources	2
2. Community Health	2
3. Affordable Housing	2
4. Higher Education	2
5. Youth Opportunities and Child Care	2

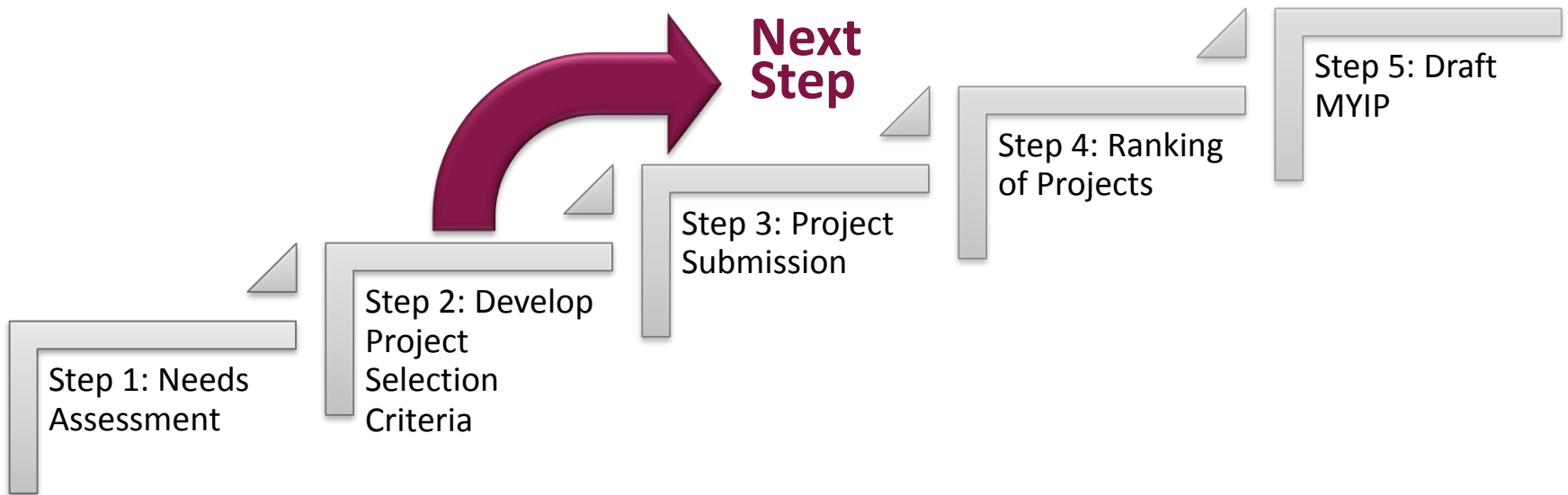


Discussion & Vote

- Needs Assessment
- Selection Criteria

Next Steps

- Gulf County BOCC meeting – September 22, 2015 4 p.m. EDT
 - ✓ Review and Approve Needs Assessment
 - ✓ Review and Approve Selection Criteria



Next Steps





Questions?