

COASTAL RESOURCES DIVISION

Coastal Incentive Grants

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Coastal Incentive Grants

Receives \$2 million annually from Congress through NOAA

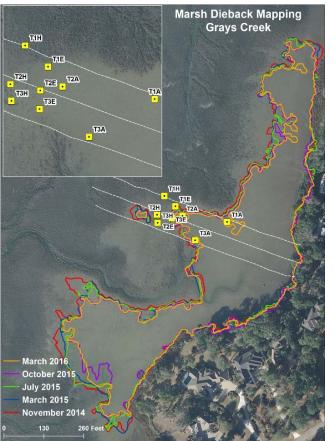
Annually, *Coastal Incentive Grant Program* passes through approximately \$800,000 to local governments in the 11 coastal county area, researchers, and state agencies (except DNR)

\$20 million in 20 years!

Grant recipients spent over \$36.5 million on jobs, goods and services

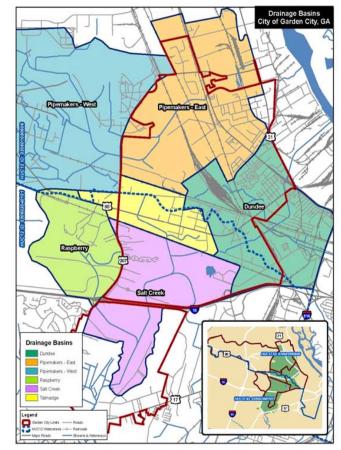


Previously funded projects



Marsh dieback development and recovery

Garden City Stormwater Master Plan



Previously funded projects



Pilot Oyster Hatchery at Skidaway





Direct response to needs identified by Georgia Shellfish Growers Association

***Oceans and Wetlands**

- Maintaining or improving the quality of wetlands
- Conservation and restoration of wetland habitats
- Improved understanding of ocean and wetland habitats and functions

***Public Access and Land Conservation**

- Add or enhance physical access for the public to coastal water resources (i.e. rivers, wetlands, beaches)
- Public access planning
- Conservation of riparian habitats through acquisition
- Land conservation, preservation, and/or management, especially for SLR retreat
- Analysis of land conservation needs and opportunities for habitat protection

***Sustainable Communities**

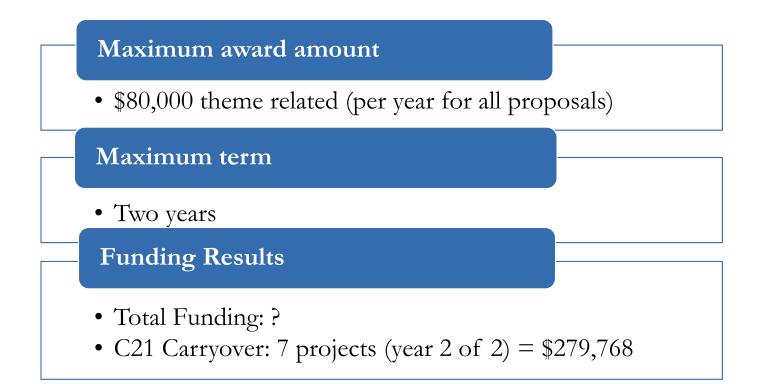
- Strengthen local capacity to implement sustainable approaches in planning and development
- Increase understanding of costs and benefits associated with sustainable approaches to coastal development
- Identification and preservation of unique community qualities, historical and cultural features, including public education of the above

*****Disaster Resiliency and Coastal Hazards

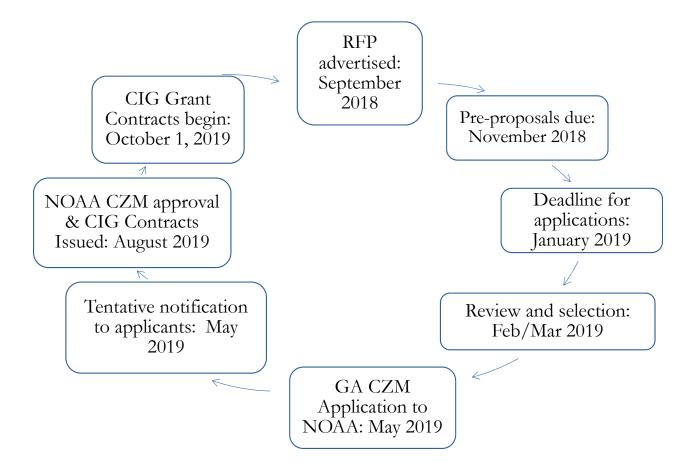
- Improve understanding of coastal hazards and potential impacts
- Develop, implement or incorporate adaptation and mitigation strategies/plans or policies
- Strengthen local capacity to implement FEMA's Community Rating System

***Non-Point Source Pollution**

- Improvements to existing urban runoff control structures in coastal watersheds
- Projects that address stormwater quantity and quality improvements utilizing BMPs recommended by the Georgia Coastal Stormwater Supplement



Coastal Incentive Grant timeline



https://coastalgadnr.org/CIGApplying

DNR Coastal Resources Division Coastal Management Research Needs (Not Prioritized) Updated July 2018

Coastal Hazards:

- Economic cost of action vs. inaction related to coastal hazards
- Effects of Ocean Acidification in Coastal Georgia Waters
- Local Model Ordinances to address Climate Change Impacts
- Reference tide stations to orthometric datum for enhanced accuracy of calculations in reference to land elevations

Coastal Habitats:

- Tidal marsh restoration (ecological lift versus economics, analysis of existing restoration, i.e. does it work/is it successful)
- Ecosystem services (value of saltmarshes)
- Economic value of salt marshes via wave attenuation during storm surge
- Innovative technologies /methodologies for dredge material disposal (thin layer placement in salt marshes, tracing sediment movement after disposal)

CIG past grants and deliverables

GCMP Grants Database

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		a GIS derived Suitability Index to Assess and Prioritize Sites		weuanus					
<u>324</u>	UGA MAREX	Adopt A Wetland	Bliss	Water Quality, Marsh and Wetlands, Education	2010	Chatham, Regional	13	\$55,667	CIG
371	University of Georgia	Comparison of ecological, recreational and commercial fish and crustacean species communities associated with artificial and natural intertidal eastern oyster reefs in Georgia	Thomas Bliss	Coastal Habitats, Cultural Resources	2012	Regional	15	\$84,257	CIG
402	University of Georgia	Increasing eastern oyster aquaculture production in Georgia through establishment of an in-state oyster hatchery (Year 1 of 2)	Thomas Bliss	Green Growth, Coastal Habitats	2014	Regional	17	\$151,572	CIG
<u>449</u>	University of Georgia	Evaluation of grow-out gear on eastern oysters	Thomas Bliss	Coastal Habitats	2017	Regional	20	\$118,216	Administrative

