



Georgia Coastal Management Program

Restoration Opportunities

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Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA)

Funding for habitat restoration pursuant to section 310 of CZMA

Priority will be given to:

- Projects that are ready to start at the time of application
- Projects that factor in anticipated climate change effects
- Diversity in geographic distribution of projects
- Variety of project types (restoration/acquisition/engineering and design)
- Projects that leverage additional funding sources
- Project that advance equity and inclusion

Infrastructure Competition Basics

Three types of eligible projects

- Habitat restoration
- Habitat restoration planning, engineering, and design
- Ecosystem Conservation (Acquisition)

Public Ownership/Benefit

- Publicly owned or leased land
- Allow for passive public access



Application process and evaluations

- Two rounds of competition:
 - Letter of Intent – due July 2022
 - Highly ranked projects will be invited to submit a full proposal – due October 2022
- Up to 3 letter of intent per program
- No match requirement, but leveraged match is a review consideration
- 3-year project period, plus 1 additional year for monitoring
- CZM and NERRs have separate competitions, but with similar criteria

Priority will be given to projects that:

- Reflect coastal habitat restoration priority areas identified in state or regional plans
- Restore important habitats and connected ecosystem functions/species
- Restore hydrologic connections between habitats that improve ecosystem function
- Enhance or restore important ecosystem services that support coastal communities, vulnerable populations or cultural resources (i.e. coastal flood protection, extreme weather resilience, water quality and quantity, food safety security, and chronic coastal erosion, etc.
- Include a long-term plan for monitoring specific criteria relevant to achieve project objectives
- Provide for engineering and design needs