



INDIAN RIVER COUNTY, FLORIDA
AGENDA ITEM
Assistant County Administrator /
Department of General Services

Date: October 29, 2018

To: The Honorable Board of County Commissioners

Thru: Jason E. Brown, County Administrator

Thru: Michael C. Zito, Assistant County Administrator

From: Beth Powell, Conservation Lands Manager

Subject: Notice of Grant Award from the Indian River Lagoon Council -
Indian River Lagoon National Estuary Program – Contract #IRL
2018-13

DESCRIPTIONS AND CONDITIONS:

On January 23, 2018, staff presented an opportunity to apply for an Indian River Lagoon National Estuary Program grant for the 2018-19 grant cycle for a wetland restoration project at the Jones' Pier Conservation Area. Staff prepared a letter of intent to the Indian River Lagoon Council and proceeded to apply for funding. The Board authorized staff to proceed with an engineered conceptual design of the wetland with MBV Engineering, Inc., and then subsequently entered into a contract with Carter Associates, Inc. for the final design. The wetland project was selected for funding and staff received the grant contract on October 25, 2018.

THE PROJECT:

The grant agreement between the Indian River Lagoon Council and Indian River County provides funding through the Indian River Lagoon Council toward construction of an estuarine wetland and adjacent native uplands at the Jones' Pier Conservation Area. The term of the agreement ends September 30, 2019. Funding allocated through this grant is \$61,000 (approx. 28% of the estimated cost of the project). The County agrees to fund \$159,155 in the form of cash or in-kind services for the project.

FUNDING:

Jones' Pier Conservation Area wetland restoration is proposed for funding through Optional Sales Tax /Parks Jones Pier Improvements (Account #31521072-066540-18010) for the amount of \$119,100 and planting expenses funded through the Native Uplands/Parks/Jones Pier Improvements (Account #12721072-033490-18010) in the amount of \$23,355. The remaining \$16,700 will be funded by in-kind services.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff respectfully recommends that the Board accept the Indian River Lagoon Council Agency Cost-Share Agreement Contract #IRL2018-13 for the Jones' Pier Conservation Area Wetland Restoration Project and authorize the Chairman to execute the Project Agreement between Indian River Lagoon Council and Indian River County.

Attachments:

Indian River Lagoon Council Agency Cost-Share Agreement By and Between the IRL Council and Indian River County for the Jones' Pier Conservation Area Wetland Restoration Project – Contract #IRL2018-13

APPROVED AGENDA ITEM FOR NOVEMBER 6, 2018