

Northeast Florida Regional Council Hybrid Meeting Virtual & In-Person



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MEMORANDUM

DATE: OCTOBER 5, 2023	
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TO: NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

FROM: ELIZABETH PAYNE, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

RE: NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next Board of Directors meeting **will be held on November 2, 2023 at 10:00 a.m**. This will be a hybrid meeting, virtual and in-person, at the Northeast Florida Regional Council, 100 Festival Park Ave., Jacksonville, FL 32202.



Northeast Florida Regional Council

BOARD of DIRECTORS

AGENDA

Zoom Link: <u>https://nefrc-org.zoom.us/j/87499770491</u> Zoom Dial In #: 1-786-635-1003 (or) 1-470-250-9358 Meeting ID: 816 0095 0326

> THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2023 10:00 a.m.

(ADDED OR MODIFIED ITEMS IN BOLD) (*Denotes Action Required)

TAB

- 2. Welcome / Roll Call President Whitehurst
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation President Whitehurst
- 4. Welcome to St. Johns County Ms. Joy Andrews, Interim St. Johns County Administrator
- 5. FY 23/24 Committee Appointments President Whitehurst_____1
- 6. FY 23/24 Meeting Schedule & Member Roster Ms. Payne 2
- 7. Invitation to Speak President Whitehurst

Members of the public are welcome and encouraged to speak on any item brought before the Council. The public will be recognized during public comments. At that time, virtual attendees who would like to speak will be asked to raise their (electronic) hand and they will be recognized in the order of response.

* 8.	Consent Agenda – President Whitehurst	
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• St. Johns County Adopted Amendment 23-2ESR

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- 10. Public Comment LIMITED TO 3 MINUTES PER SPEAKER
- 11. Local & Regional Issues Discussion President Whitehurst
- 12. Ex-Officio Members' Reports:
 - Florida Department of Commerce Mr. Register
 - Florida Department of Transportation Mr. Dixon
 - Florida Department of Environmental Protection Ms. Craver
 - St. Johns River Water Management District Mr. Conkey

13. Chief Executive Officer's Report - Ms. Payne

- Introduce New Hire: Mr. Joseph Cearley, Sr. Regional Resiliency Planner
- 2024 RLA Nominations Open
- 2023 Regional Awards Nominations

14. Upcoming Events:

- Nov. 2, 2023 NEFRC Board & Committee Meetings
- Nov. 2, 2034 Duval County Transportation Disadvantaged LCB Meeting
- Nov. 8, 2023 Flagler County Transportation Disadvantaged LCB Meeting
- Nov. 14, 2023 St. Johns County Transportation Disadvantaged LCB Meeting
- Nov. 15, 2023 Local Emergency Planning Committee Meeting
- Nov. 16, 2023 Baker County Transportation Disadvantaged LCB Meeting
- Nov. 16, 2023 Nassau County Transportation Disadvantaged LCB Meeting
- Nov. 20, 2023 Clay County Transportation Disadvantaged LCB Meeting
- Nov. 20, 2023 Putnam County Transportation Disadvantaged LCB Meeting
- Nov. 30, 2023 End of Hurricane Season
- Dec. 7, 2023 Executive Committee Meeting
- Jan. 4, 2024 Board Meeting & Regional Awards Luncheon

15. Next Board Meeting:

NOVEMBER 2, 2023

Northeast Florida Regional Council 100 Festival Park Avenue Jacksonville, FL 32202

16. Adjournment

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: SEPTEMBER 27, 2023

TO: NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCIL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

FROM: ELIZABETH PAYNE, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

RE: FY 2023 - 2024 COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Committee Appointments for the 2023-2024 Fiscal Year are attached. These are effective for the November 2, 2023 Board of Directors meeting.

Assignments are being made to the following Committees:

Executive Committee Personnel, Budget and Finance Committee Affordable Housing Committee Legislative Policy Committee (already formed due to January 2024 Legislative Session)





NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCIL

2023/2024 COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP ASSIGNMENT

President: Christian Whitehurst (Serves as a Voting Ex-Officio of all Committees) 1st Vice President: Jim Renninger 2nd Vice President: TBD Secretary/Treasurer: Darryl Register

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

(Quorum: 3)

<u>Responsibilities</u>: To act on behalf of the Board, in the months when there is no regular Board meeting; make selections, after input and recommendations by staff, for the yearly Regional Leadership Awards; and when called by the President.

Chair: Christian Whitehurst (St. Johns) **Vice Chair:** Jim Renninger (Clay) Darryl Register (Baker) Larry Harvey (Putnam) **TBD** (Duval) David Sullivan (Flagler) John Martin (Nassau)

PERSONNEL, BUDGET, AND FINANCE POLICY COMMITTEE (Quorum: 4)

<u>Responsibilities</u>: Provide policy direction, input and recommendations to the Board of Directors on annual agency budget and revisions, investment and finance policies, personnel policies, purchasing policies, annual audit review and reconciliation, annual executive director employment contract, and any other matter appropriately coming before the Committee.

Chair: Darryl Register (Baker) **Vice Chair:** John Martin (Nassau) James Bennett (Baker) Betsy Condon (Clay) Mike Gay (Duval) David Sturges (Nassau) David Sullivan (Flagler) Larry Harvey (Putnam) Christian Whitehurst (St. Johns)

LEGISLATIVE POLICY COMMITTEE (Quorum 4)

<u>Responsibilities</u>: Provide policy direction, input and recommendations to the Board of Directors on external legislative initiatives and proposals as well as develop legislative positions appropriate for the Region and the Council and any other issue appropriately coming before the Committee.

Chair: Larry Harvey (Putnam) Darryl Register (Baker) Jimmy Anderson (Baker) Steve Kennedy (Clay) Jim Renninger (Clay) **TBD** (Duval) Sean Lynch (Duval) David Alfin (Flagler) John Drew (Nassau) John Martin (Nassau) Sara Arnold (St. Johns) Roxanne Horvath (St. Johns)

AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMITTEE: (Quorum 3)

<u>Responsibilities</u>: Examine the Local Housing Assistance Plans for each county in the Region and provide recommendations, based on the Strategic Regional Policy Plan, to the Board of Directors.

Chair: Jim Renninger (Clay) Jimmy Anderson (Baker) Michael Griffis (Baker) Michael Bourre (Clay) Mayor Lynch (Duval) Curtis Hart (Duval) Mayor Robinson (Flagler) Roxanne Horvath (St. Johns)

FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCILS ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATIVES

David Alfin (Flagler) Darryl Register (Baker) Christian Whitehurst (St. Johns)

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TO: NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCIL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

FROM: ELIZABETH PAYNE, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

RE: FY 2023 - 2024 MEETING SCHEDULE AND MEMBER ROSTER

For your reference, the NEFRC Meeting Schedule for the 2023-2024 Fiscal Year is attached, as is the most current list of Board Members.





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FY 23/24 MEETING SCHEDULE

Meetings are held at NEFRC Office: 100 Festival Park Ave., Jacksonville, FL 32202 unless otherwise stated.

PBF COMMITTEE & BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Meet at 9am and 10am respectively.

October 5, 2023 (St. Johns County Health & Human Services, 200 San Sebastian View, Ste. 2300, St. Augustine, FL 32084)

November 2, 2023

January 4, 2024

February 1, 2024

March 7, 2024

May 2, 2024

June 6, 2024

July 4, 2023 (May be Cancelled)

September 5, 2024

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Meets Quarterly at 10am

December 7, 2023 April 4, 2024 August 1, 2024

AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMITTEE

Meets (as needed) at 12pm following Board & Executive Committee meetings

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Meets as needed





NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCIL

2022/2024 POLICY BODY MEMBERS

BAKER COUNTY

Hon. Jimmy Anderson (C) (03/11) Baker County Board of County Commissioners 55 North 3rd Street Macclenny, FL 32063 (B) 904-259-3613 anny@bakercountyfl.org

Hon. James Bennett (C) (12/14) Baker County Board of County Commissioners 55 North 3rd Street Macclenny, FL 32063 (B) 904-259-3613 (C) 904-568-2648 james.bennett@bakercountyfl.org

Mr. Michael Griffis (M) (11/14) PO Box 545 Glen St Mary FL 32040 (C) 904 613-9255 citymanager@cityofmacclenny.com

Mr. Darryl Register (G) (12/06) Secretary/Treasurer 20 E. Macclenny Avenue Macclenny, FL 32063 (B) 904-259-6433 (C) 904-226-4780 dregister@bakerchamberfl.com

CLAY COUNTY

Hon. Betsy Condon (C) (10/21) Clay County Board of County Commissioners P.O. Box 1366 Green Cove Springs, FL 32043 (B) 904-269-6352 Betsy.Condon@claycountygov.com

Hon. Jim Renninger (C) (10/21) 1st Vice President – 7/1/23 Clay County Board of County Commissioners P.O. Box 1366 Green Cove Springs, FL 32043 (B) 904-269-6352 Jim.Renninger@claycountygov.com

Mr. Steve Kennedy (M) (5/22) 321 Walnut Street City Hall – 2nd Floor Green Cove Spring, FL 32043 skennedy@greencovesprings.com

Mr. Michael Bourre (G) (01/16) Bourre Construction Group, LLC 3168 Hwy 17 South, Ste B Fleming Island, FL 32003 (B) 904-602-5220 (C) 904-504-1342 mbourre@bourreconstructiongroup.com

(G) – Vacant

DUVAL COUNTY

Hon. Ken Amaro (C) (07/23) City of Jacksonville City Council 117 West Duval Street, Ste 425 Jacksonville, FL 32202 (B) 904-255-5201 kamaro@coj.net

Hon. Mike Gay (C) (07/23) City of Jacksonville City Council 117 West Duval Street, Ste 425 Jacksonville, FL 32202 (B) 904-255-5202 mgay@coj.net

Hon. Sean Lynch (M) (12/17) Mayor, Town of Baldwin 10 U.S. 90 West Baldwin, FL 32234 (B) 904-266-5030 Mayor@baldwinfl.com

Hon. Elaine Brown (G) (03/09) Mayor, City of Neptune Beach 116 First Street Neptune Beach, FL 32266 (B) 904-318-5904 ebrown@neptune-beach.com

(G) – Vacant

FLAGLER COUNTY

Hon. David Alfin (C) (10/22) Mayor, City of Palm Coast 160 Lake Avenue Palm Coast, FL 32164 (B) 386-986-3702 dalfin@palmcoastgov.com

Hon. David Sullivan (C) (05/17) Flagler County Board of County Commissioners 1769 E. Moody Blvd., Bldg. 2 Bunnell, FL 32110 (B) 386-313-4001 (C) 386-276-0384 dsullivan@flaglercounty.org

Hon. Catherine Robinson (M) (08/08) Mayor, City of Bunnell PO Box 756, Bunnell, FL 32110-0756 (B) 386-437-7500 crobinson@bunnellcity.us

(G) - Vacant

NASSAU COUNTY

Hon. John Drew (C) (12/20) 86130 License Road, Ste 7 Fernandina Beach, FL 32034 (B) 904-491-7413 jdrew@nassautaxes.com

Hon. John Martin (C) (05/18) Nassau County Board of County Commissioners 96135 Nassau Place, Sute 1 Yulee, FL 32097 (C) 904-570-2594 jmartin@nassaucountyfl.com

Hon. David Sturges (M) (03/23) Vice-Mayor, City of Fernandina Beach 204 Ash Street Fernandina Beach, FL 32034 (904) 624-4596 dsturges@fbfl.org

(G) - Vacant

PUTNAM COUNTY

Hon. Larry Harvey (C) (10/20) Putnam County Board of County Commissioners P.O. Box 758 Palatka, FL 32177 (B) 386-329-0213 Larry.harvey@putnam-fl.com

Hon. Paul Adamczyk (C) (02/23) Putnam County Board of County Commissioners P.O. Box 758 Palatka, FL 32177 (B) 386-329-0214 Paul.adamczyk@putnam-fl.com

(M) – Vacant (G) – Vacant

ST. JOHNS COUNTY

Hon. Sara Arnold (C) (11/22) St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners 500 San Sebastian View St. Augustine, FL 32084 (B) 209-0303 Bcc2sarnold@sjcfl.us

Hon. Christian Whitehurst (C) (05/21) President - 6/1/23 St. Johns County Board of County Commissioner 500 San Sebastian View St. Augustine, FL 32085 (B) 904-209-0301 (C) 904-584-5348 Bcc1cwhitehurst@sjcfl.us

Hon. Roxanne Horvath (M) (02/13) St. Augustine City Commission P.O. Box 210 St. Augustine, FL 32085 (B) 904-825-1266 duoarch@comcast.net

(G) - Vacant

EX-OFFICIO **NON-VOTING MEMBERS**

Mr. Curtis Hart (G) (01/16) Representing FL DEO 8051 Tara Lane Jacksonville, FL 32216 (C) 904-993-5008 curtishart1972@att.net

Mr. Derek Dixon (09/23) FDOT District Two Bike/Ped and ADA Coord. 2198 Edison Avenue Jacksonville, FL 32204 (B) 904-360-5653 Derek.Dixon@dot.state.fl.us

Mr. Douglas Conkey (01/22) Intergovernmental Coordinator Governmental Affairs Program St. Johns River Water Management Dist. 7775 Baymeadows Way, Ste 102 Jacksonville, FL 32256 (B) 904-730-6287 dconkey@sjrwmd.com

Mr. Gregory Strong (12/05) Ms. Kathryn Craver (Alternate) FDEP Director of Dist. Mgmt. 8800 Baymeadows Way, Suite 100 Jacksonville, FL 32256 (B) 904-256-1700 greg.strong@dep.state.fl.us (B) 904-256-1549 Kathryn.Craver@FloridaDEP.gov

C = County Appointee G = Gubernatorial Appointee M = Municipal Appointee Date appointed in (bold)

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MEETING WORKSHOP

The Northeast Florida Regional Council Board of Directors, pursuant to Chapter 120.525, F.S., held a hybrid meeting both in-person, at 100 Festival Park Avenue, Jacksonville, FL, and virtually via Zoom, on Thursday, September 7, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.

President Whitehurst welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order with the following members present and in person unless otherwise noted:

BAKER:	Commissioner Anderson Mr. Register
CLAY:	Commissioner Condon Commissioner Renninger Mr. Kennedy
DUVAL:	Councilmember Amaro Councilmember Gay Mayor Lynch
FLAGLER:	Commissioner Sullivan Mayor Alfin Mayor Robinson (via zoom)
NASSAU:	Mr. Drew (via zoom) Vice-Mayor Sturges
PUTNAM:	Commissioner Harvey Commissioner Adamczyk (via zoom)
ST. JOHNS:	Commissioner Arnold Commissioner Horvath Commissioner Whitehurst
EX-OFFICIO:	Mr. Hart, DEO Mr. Conkey, SJRWMD , FDEP Mr. Dixon, FDOT (via zoom)
Excused:	Commissioner Bennett, Mr. Bourre, Mr. Griffis, Commissioner Martin, and Ms. Craver
Absent:	Mayor Brown
Presenters:	

Guests:

Staff: Eric Anderson, Sonya Abu-Sharar, Monica Dominguez, Fara Ilami, Robert Jordan, Tyler Nolen, Elizabeth Payne, Annie Sieger, Jack Shad, Donna Starling, Cassidy Taylor and Sheron Forde.

President Whitehurst welcomed two new Board Members, representing the City of Jacksonville: **Councilman Ken Amaro** and **Councilman Mike Gay**.

INVITATION TO SPEAK

President Whitehurst stated that members of the public are welcome to speak on any item before the Board and will be recognized during public comment.

*CONSENT AGENDA

President Whitehurst called for a motion on the consent agenda. Commissioner Harvey moved approval of the consent agenda; seconded by Commissioner Renninger. Motion carried.

OTHER REPORTS/ACTION ITEMS

Comprehensive Plan Amendment Policy Issue

Mr. Jordan provided the Members with information regarding Nassau County's comprehensive plan amendment that is intended to aid in the provision of affordable housing and encourage the redevelopment of non-conforming uses, nuisance properties and highlights areas through the establishment of a County Tiny Home Development program. Discussion followed.

Presentation: The Future is Now-Northeast Florida Regional Economic Development Strategy

Mr. Aundra Wallace, JaxUSA Partnership President, stated that the JAXUSA Partnership is the private, nonprofit division of JAX Chamber that is Jacksonville's regional economic development initiative overseeing the efforts of the seven counties of Northeast Florida. Mr. Wallace provided an overview of JaxUSA's Northeast Florida Regional Strategic Plan, which covered competitiveness, regionalism, economic mobility, innovation, and resilience. Discussion followed.

*CEO Contract Renewal

Mr. Register provided an overview of the CEO's evaluation survey responses, which resulted in an outstanding review for Ms. Payne. He added that the Executive Committee authorized the President to negotiate with Ms. Payne on her contract renewal. The Personnel, Policy & Finance Committee discussed and approved the recommendations of a 9% salary increase and health insurance coverage for the Board's consideration. Discussion followed.

Commission Condon moved approval to renew the CEO contract by 9% and add insurance coverage for the CEO; seconded by Commissioner Harvey. Further discussion followed with some dissent.

Commission Condon amended her motion to renew the CEO contract to \$140,800 without health insurance, with the deferred compensation amount remaining at \$8000.

Commissioner Harvey amended his second to the revised/amended motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Regional Leadership Academy: End of Year Recap

Mr. Nolen provided a program overview of the 2023 Regional Leadership Academy and highlighted each monthly session and topics covered. Unfortunately, due to Hurricane Idalia, the last class was cancelled. However, this year's class will be invited to attend the class in 2024. The 2023 class graduation is scheduled for September 25th. Nominations for the 2024 class is now open and a tentative schedule was provided. The Members will be provided, via email, nomination information shortly.

<u>Program Spotlight: CDBG Healthcare Grant</u> – This item was removed from the agenda.

Community Resiliency Update

Ms. Ilami provided an update on resiliency activities, highlighting the August meeting of the Collaborative, the launching of the Resilient First Coast website, the Regional Resilience Entity Grant, and update on local government assistance in Flagler and Baker counties, and the EPA Climate Pollution Reduction Grant in which the City of Jacksonville is the lead agency. She also provided information on grant applications in which the Council is partnering, and other ongoing resiliency tasks.

Save the Date

Ms. Payne directed the members attention to the Save the Date flyer for the upcoming Regional Awards Ceremony that will take place following the January 2024 meeting. A brief discussion followed.

Local and Regional Issues Discussion

Members shared information on events/activities occurring in their county/municipalities. **Commissioner Renninger** – highlighted his attendance at the Affordable Housing Conference. **Commissioner Anderson** – Baker County is considering a partnership with five other counties to form a regional utilities group, which would provide more weight when applying for grants. **Mr. Kennedy** – FLC's Legislative Committee is discussing the live local act and how they are looking to mitigate some of the perilous legislation that came out of the act.

Commissioner Sullivan – Flagler County will be having an opening of their pedestrian bridge over State Road 100 on September 19th.

Public Comment – None.

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS' REPORTS

Florida Department of Economic Opportunity – Nothing further to add at this time.

<u>St. Johns Water Management District</u> – **Mr. Conkey** stated that cost shares are just around the corner so it's a good time to determine what projects you may have to apply.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

Ms. Payne introduced two new staff members; Ms. Sonya Abu-Sharar, Communications Specialist and Ms. Cassidy Taylor, Post Disaster Economic Recovery Coordinator. She stated that our

Resiliency Intern, Ms. Payton Jamieson's time is coming to a close and thanked her for her assistance to the Resiliency Program. She directed the Members attention to the Return on Investment handout for their county, and that she has been meeting with each County Commission Chair and Manager to share the value of the Regional Council. She also provided a copy of a new Regional Council flyer describing the work of the Council. Mr. Nolen will provide an Opioid presentation in St. Johns County on October 25th as a part of presentations across the Region. As the Chair of the Florida Regional Council Association's Executive Directors, Ms. Payne participated in a podcast with the Florida Association of Counties to help educate elected officials across the State on what Regional Councils do.

<u>Next Meeting Date</u>: The next meeting will be October 5, 2023 in St. Johns County.

Meeting Adjourned: 11:58 p.m.

Christian Whitehurst
President

Elizabeth Payne
Chief Executive Officer

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TO: NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

THRU: ELIZABETH PAYNE, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE

DS FROM: DONNA STARLING, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

RE: AUGUST 2023 FINANCIAL REPORT

The Northeast Florida Regional Council posted a Net Income of \$11,879 for the month of August and a Year-to-Date Net Income of \$98,379.



Income/Budget Comparison

Regional Council - Agencywide	Adopted Budget 22/23		August 2023		YTD	Represents 92% of Fiscal Year	Budget Variance
Revenues							
County Dues	\$	694,757		57,896	636,861	92%	0%
Local Government Technical Assistance	\$	243,200		16,269	219,321	90%	-2%
Transportation Disadvantaged (TD)	\$	176,015		7,741	157,540	90%	-2%
Economic Development Administration (EDA)	\$	78,000		4,525	73,360	94%	2%
Hazardous Analysis	\$	13,849		2,431	13,794	100%	8%
Local Emergency Preparedness Committee (LEPC)	\$	70,000		2,078	70,533	101%	9%
Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness (HMEP) Program	\$	75,878		17,850	67,509	89%	-3%
Division of Emergency Management Exercise Support	\$	63,000		891	61,530	98%	6%
Small Quantity Generator (SQG) Program	\$	5,000		-	4,999	100%	8%
Healthcare Coalition	\$	816,860	:	25,529	780,103	96%	4%
CDBG North Florida Resiliency Plan	\$	250,000		26,707	204,675	82%	-10%
CDBG Mitigation Assessment and Planning	\$	55,000		3,825	44,489	81%	-11%
Florida Hospital Association	\$	110,818		-	110,848	100%	8%
Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO)	\$	101,678		-	101,678	100%	8%
Florida Department of Enviromental Protection (FDEP)	\$	-		3,258	3,258	0%	0%
Disaster Recovery Coordinator	\$	16,000		7,415	12,956	81%	-11%
American Flood Coalition	\$	15,000		-	15,000	100%	8%
Regional Leadership Academy (RLA)	\$	4,200		490	3,360	80%	-12%
Other Revenue	\$	20,892		1,444	20,896	100%	8%
TOTAL REVENUES	\$	2,810,147	\$ 1 [°]	78,348	\$ 2,602,710	93%	
TRANSFER FROM GENERAL FUND	\$	(45,152)	\$ (11,879)	\$ (98,379)		
TOTAL REVENUE/GENERAL FUND	\$	2,764,995	\$ 10	66,469	\$ 2,504,331	91%	
Expenses			1	I			
Salaries and Fringe	\$	1,516,140	1:	22,256	1,349,104	89%	-3%
Contract/Grant Direct Expenses	\$	911,039	:	24,688	880,206	97%	5%
Indirect - Allocated Expenses*	\$	194,186		13,844	172,837	89%	-3%
General Fund Expense*	\$	143,630		5,681	102,183	71%	-21%
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$	2,764,995	\$ 10	66,469	\$ 2,504,331	91%	
Net Income (loss)	\$	45,152		11,879	\$ 98,379		

Northeast Florida Regional Council Balance Sheet August 2023

	FY 21/22 August 2022	FY 22/23 August 2023
ASSETS		
Cash	2,466,138	2,360,077
Accounts Receivable	370,224	472,984
Pension Liability-Deferred Outflows	334,226	439,576
WJCT Security Deposit	7,400	7,400
Total Current Assets	3,177,988	3,280,037
Property and Equipment:		
Office Furniture and Equipment	273,807	298,869
Less Accumulated Depreciation	166,736	202,290
Total Property and Equipment, net	107,071	96,579
Total i Toperty and Equipment, net		
Total Assets	3,285,060	3,376,616
LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable	881	3,023
Accrued Salaries and Leave	119,077	101,933
Deferred Revenue	334,946	259,308
Pension Liability	428,190	1,087,234
Pension Liability-Deferred Inflows	566,417	56,671
Total Liabilities	1,449,511	1,508,169
EQUITY Equity and Other Credits:		
Retained Earnings	1,835,548	1,868,447
Total Equity and Other Credits	1,835,548	1,868,447
Total Liabilities, Equity and		
Other Credits	3,285,060	3,376,616

YTD Comparison

		21/22	22/23		21/22		22/23	
	Net In	come (Loss)	Net Income (Loss)		Cash Balance		Cash Balance	
AGENCYWIDE								
October	\$	21,535	\$	3,147	\$	2,492,686	\$	2,480,421
November	\$	9,605	\$	10,292	\$	2,494,600	\$	2,548,733
December	\$	22,210	\$	21,445	\$	2,487,274	\$	2,427,805
January	\$	27,295	\$	29,526	\$	2,452,970	\$	2,516,530
February	\$	63,350	\$	44,710	\$	2,623,570	\$	2,488,934
March	\$	98,960	\$	65,477	\$	2,452,109	\$	2,237,393
April	\$	125,273	\$	82,390	\$	2,340,155	\$	2,354,111
Мау	\$	122,532	\$	60,665	\$	2,390,743	\$	2,200,457
June	\$	153,422	\$	75,043	\$	2,247,173	\$	1,807,496
July	\$	143,654	\$	86,500	\$	2,227,862	\$	2,227,862
August	\$	116,384	\$	98,379	\$	2,466,138	\$	2,360,077
September	\$	50,907			\$	2,425,296		



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MEMORANDUM

DATE: SEPTEMBER 27, 2023

TO: NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

THRU: ELIZABETH PAYNE, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

DS FROM: DONNA STARLING, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

RE: AUGUST 2023 INVESTMENT REPORT

Bank Account Interest				
	<u>FY 2</u>	1/22	FY	(22/23
August Interest	\$	9	\$	1,362
Year to Date Interest	\$	95	\$	10,118
Florida Local Government Investment Trus	t			
	FY 2	1/22	FY	(22/23

Current Balance	\$17,651	\$18,125



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MEMORANDUM

DATE:	SEPTEMBER 28, 2023
То:	NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS
THRU:	ELIZABETH PAYNE, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
FROM:	ROBERT JORDAN, REGIONAL PLANNER Robert C. Jordan
RE:	LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT REVIEWS

Pursuant to Section 163.3184, Florida Statutes, Council review of proposed and adopted amendments to local government comprehensive plans is limited to adverse effects on regional resources and facilities identified in the Strategic Regional Policy Plan. The review is also limited to extra-jurisdictional impacts inconsistent with the comprehensive plan of any local government within the Region. Pursuant to Section 163.3184, Florida Statutes, a written report with an impact evaluation should be provided to the local government and the State land planning agency (Florida Commerce) within 30 calendar days of receipt (of the amendment).

A regional map of the listed amendments is provided on the next page, and the site-specific maps are provided in the appendix herein. Upon approval of this report by the Northeast Florida Regional Council (NEFRC) Board of Directors for transmittal to the State land planning agency, a copy will be provided to the respective local government.

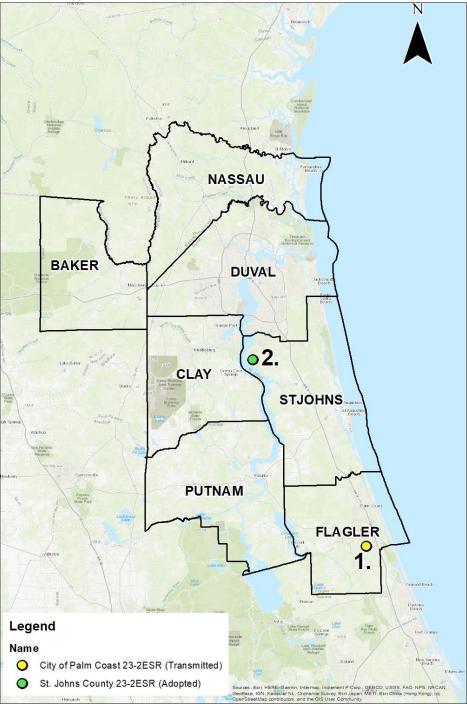
Recommendation

Staff respectfully recommends that the NEFRC Board of Directors approve the City of Palm Coast 23-2ESR proposed amendment. Staff also respectfully recommends that the NEFRC Board of Directors concur that the St. Johns County 23-2ESR adopted amendment is consistent with the Strategic Regional Policy Plan.



REGIONAL MAP OF AMENDMENT LOCATION SITES

October 2023 Board Comprehensive Plan Amendments



Local Govt. & Plan Amendment	No. on Regional Map	Proposed	osed Adopted County Location		Due Date to be Mailed to Local and State Govt.	Local Govt. Item Number
City of Palm Coast 23- 02ESR	1	Х		Flagler	10-6-2023	OPC Application #5109

- **Type:** Future Land Use
- **Issue:** This Future Land Use Map (FLUM) amendment proposes to change approximately 330.8 acres from Flagler County designations of Residential Low Density/Rural Estate and Conservation to the City of Palm Coast designation of Residential and Conservation. The proposed application will also delineate the Cascades Planning Area (approximately 375 acres) to limit development within the Planning Area to 850 dwelling units. A companion rezoning amendment will change the zoning on the designated parcels to be consistent with the proposed FLUM designations of the subject property.
- **Background:** The application is for a Comprehensive Plan amendment for an approximately 375-acre area located approximately 3 miles south of State Road 100 on the west side of Seminole Woods Blvd. The amendment will delineate an approximately 375-acre Cascades Planning Area, which will have a maximum development in the planning area of 850 dwelling units. The proposed amendment will include amending the Future Land Use Map designation for four parcels totaling 330.8 acres from their current Flagler County land use designation of Residential Low Density/Rural Estate and Conservation to City of Palm Coast designation of Residential and Conservation. The four parcels were recently annexed into the City of Palm Coast. The remaining 44 acres were previously designated Residential in 2019. See Maps 1, 2, and 3 in the Appendix.
- **Impacts:** The development potentially could impact U.S. 1, a Transportation Resource of Regional Significance. The applicant submitted a Traffic Study which included the subject site. In addition to the potential traffic impacts from the project, the traffic study took into account the impacts of recently approved developments in the area. The traffic study concluded that the project will not significantly impact the roadway network (roads will maintain an acceptable Level of Service).
- **Recommended Intergovernmental Coordination: Intergovernmental coordination is recommended between** the City of Palm Coast and Flagler County.

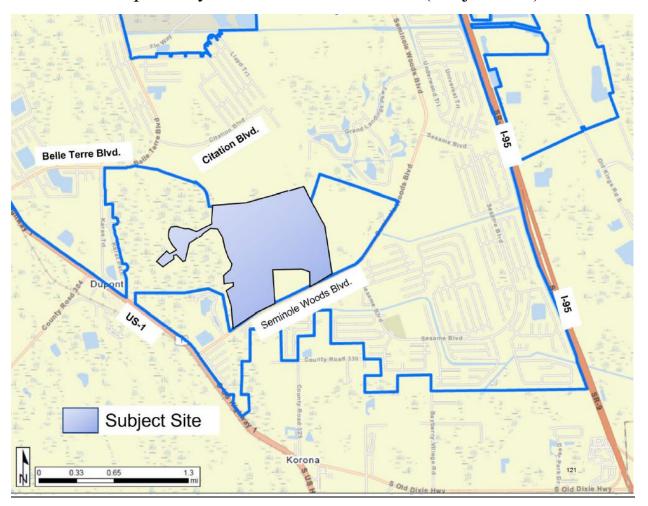
Local Govt. & Plan Amendment	No. on Regional Map	Proposed	Adopted	County Location	Due Date to be Mailed to Local and State Govt.	Local Govt. Item Number
St. Johns County 23- 02ESR	2		Х	St. Johns	10-6-2023	Ordinance 2023- 37

• **Type:** Future Land Use

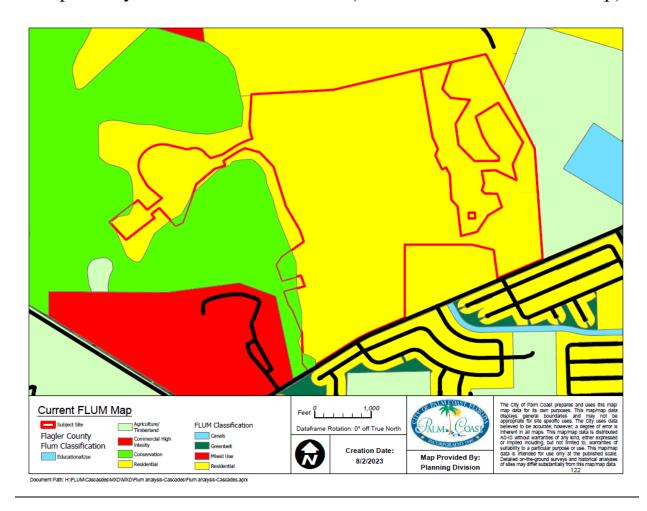
• **Issue:** This amendment to a Large-Scale Comprehensive Plan Amendment changed the Future Land Use Map designation of approximately 581 acres of land, located south of Greenbriar Road and west of Longleaf Pine Parkway, from Rural/Silviculture (R/S) to Residential-B (Res-B) with a site-specific text amendment. The changes state that no Development Edges will be required in locations where the subject property is contiguous to The Landings at the Greenbriar site.

- **Background:** The requested amendment proposed the development of an age-restricted residential community consisting of no more than 761 single-family residential units. The development is part of an overall master planned and interconnected residential community proposed in the general vicinity of the subject property. The owner, who also owns the adjoining property to the north, has filed separate applications for a proposed non-age-restricted residential community known as The Landings at Greenbriar. That project proposes a maximum of 588 single-family residential units with access to this adjoining, age-restricted community The Landings at St. Johns. The applicant included a text amendment with this request that states Development Edges will not be required in locations where the subject property is contiguous to the proposed Landings at the Greenbriar site. There have been no changes since transmittal. See maps 4, 5, and 6 in the Appendix.
- Impacts: The subject site is located near State Road (SR) 13, a Transportation Resource of Regional Significance. Based on a non-binding traffic impact assessment, the proposed residential development (761 senior adult detached housing) is estimated to generate 3,326 gross daily trips and 216 new, external PM peak hour trips. The directly accessed roadway segment, Link 64 (Greenbriar Road from SR 13 to Longleaf Pine Parkway), is currently operating at 54.4% of capacity based on existing traffic; and is currently classified as "critical" for concurrency review purposes at 90.76% of capacity based on total committed traffic, including pending projects in concurrency review, or recently approved. The actual proposal for the development is subject to concurrency review and compliance with Article XI of the County Land Development Code. A preliminary proportionate fair share analysis is provided for the proposed residential development consisting of 761 senior adult detached residential units proposed in the development. In addition, the companion development (Landings at Greenbriar PUD) is currently in concurrency review and has a proportionate share agreement pending. The two developments were reviewed together for transportation impacts based on shared access. The required proportionate fair share (PFS) for impacts to the adversely impacted segments for the two developments is \$11,493,483. A separate PFS Agreement with the proposed Landings at St. Johns will widen an additional 0.5mile segment of Greenbriar Road and make improvements to the intersection of Greenbriar Road and Longleaf Pine Parkway.
- **Recommended Intergovernmental Coordination:** The City of Jacksonville's Planning Department was included in the communication of the transmitted amendment, given the proximity of the City to the subject site.

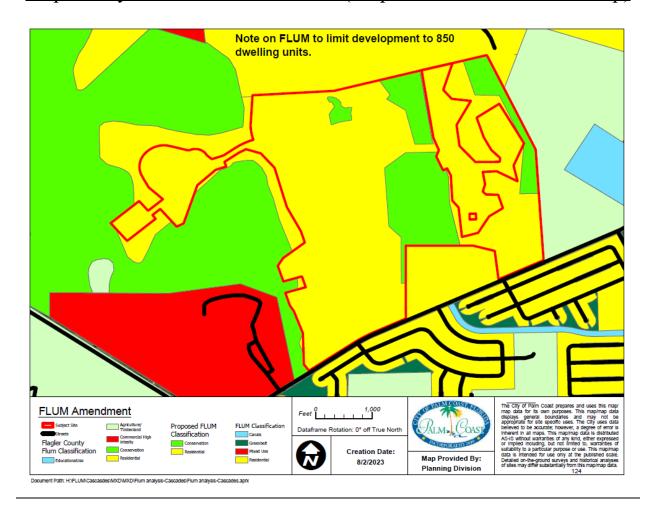
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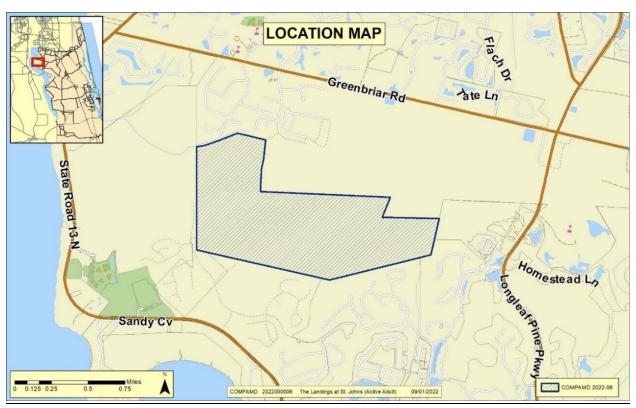
Map 1: City of Palm Coast 23-2ESR (Subject Site)



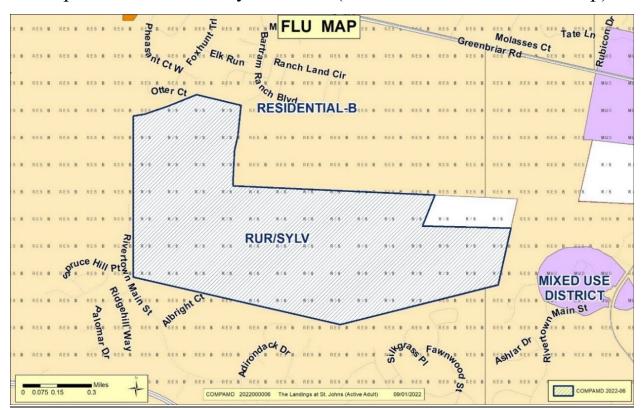
Map 2: City of Palm Coast 23-2ESR (Current Future Land Use Map)



Map 3: City of Palm Coast 23-2ESR (Proposed Future Land Use Map)

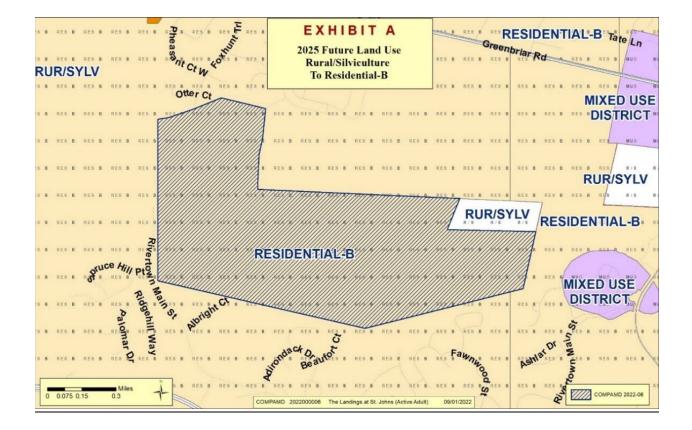


Map 4: St. Johns County 23-2ESR (Subject Sites)



Map 5: St. Johns County 23-2ESR (Current Future Land Use Map)

Map 6: St. Johns County 23-2ESR (Proposed Future Land Use Map)



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MEMORANDUM

DATE: SEPTEMBER 27, 2023

TO: NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

THRU: NEFRC LEGISLATIVE POLICY COMMITTEE

FROM: ELIZABETH PAYNE, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

RE: 2024 LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

The Chair of the Legislative Policy Committee, Commissioner Harvey, will provide an overview of the Committee's recommended 2024 Regional Legislative Priorities for approval by the Board of Directors.





LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES FY 2024

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2024 LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES





Transportation Infrastructure

Northeast Florida is a growing region requiring adequate transportation systems to support existing and future growth.

- Small counties rely on the SCRAP and SCOP grant programs; additional funding is critical.
- Investments in rail infrastructure is need providing alternative travel options, additional safety features and access.
- Increase funding to Transportation Disadvantaged program, which often provides the only transit option in many communities.



Resiliency

Resiliency initiatives allows local governments the ability to respond to and recover from disasters while reducing risk to people and property.

- Continued funding for flood mitigation projects, including infrastructure hardening.
- Funding for property acquisition, building relocation or elevation.
- Upgraded infrastructure funding to protect water quality from saltwater intrusion and pollution from wastewater discharges.



Affordable Housing

This statewide issue impacts Northeast Florida counties differently.

- Review aspects of the Live Local Act to ensure that provisions are relevant to both rural and urban counties and do not impede job creation efforts.
- Increase SHIP allocations to small and rural counties to serve more residents.



Conservation

In a growing region, conserving land protects ecosystems, promotes the history of communities and enhances the quality of life of residents.

- Increased conservation funding to protect unique assets of NE Florida
 - Heritage sites including historic sites and working farmland
 - Relic dunes, tree canopies, outstanding Florida waterways
 - Open Space to provide trail connections and recreational opportunities

Issues to Support

Broadband expansion and continued funding



State supported tourism efforts and programs

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MEMORANDUM

DATE:	September 27, 2023
То:	NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS
THRU:	ELIZABETH PAYNE, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
FROM:	Tyler Nolen, Special Projects Coordinator TM
RE:	ST. JOHNS COUNTY AFFORDABLE HOUSING INITIATIVES

Mr. Joseph Cone, Assistant Director of Health and Human Services in St. Johns County, will provide a presentation on various affordable housing issues and innovative initiatives that St. Johns County is taking to address the lack of affordable housing in the County.



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MEMORANDUM

DATE: SEPTEMBER 27, 2023

TO: NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

FROM: ELIZABETH PAYNE, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

RE: FY 2022-2023 ANNUAL REPORT

Each year the NEFRC provides an Annual Report for the Fiscal Year summarizing the work completed across various contracts, grants and projects. A copy of the 2022-2023 Annual Report will be provided at the October meeting.



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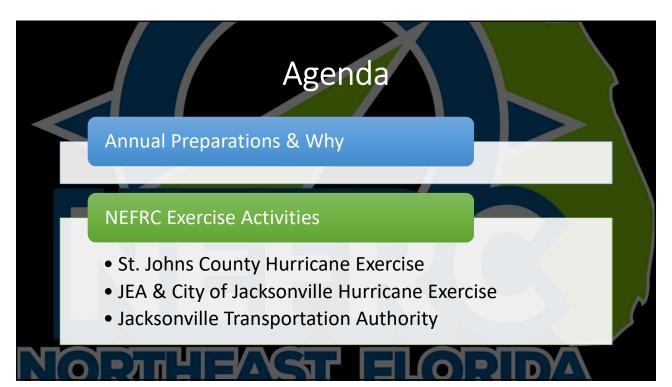
RE:	EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS UPDATE – EXERCISE UPDATE
FROM:	Eric Anderson, Deputy Chief Executive Director \mathscr{F}
THRU:	ELIZABETH PAYNE, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
То:	NORTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCIL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
DATE:	SEPTEMBER 27, 2023

A key function of NEFRC's Emergency Preparedness Program is working with local governments and partners in hurricane preparedness and planning. This year, NEFRC worked with St. Johns County, JEA and JTA on planning and implementing a hurricane exercise that tested various aspects of preparedness, response, and recovery to a disaster. An overview of this work will be provided.



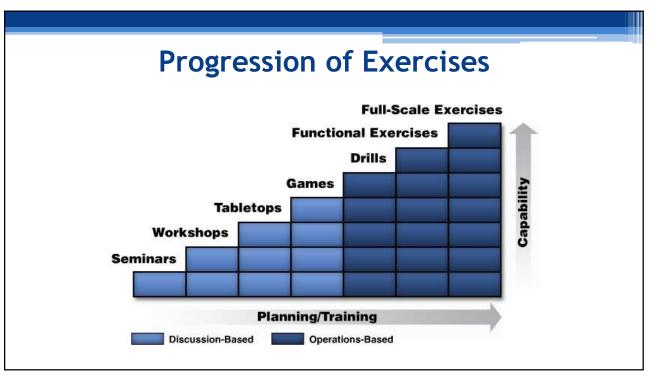








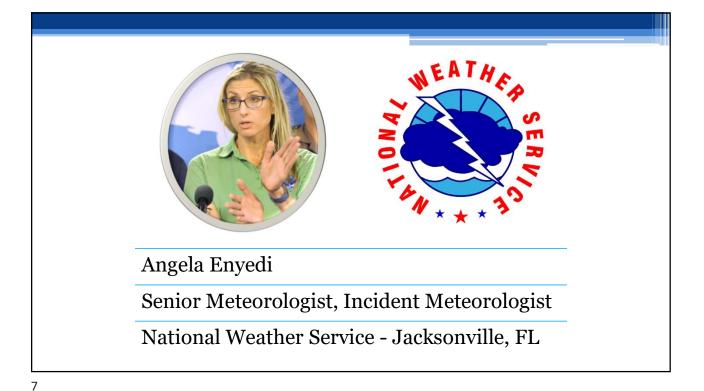




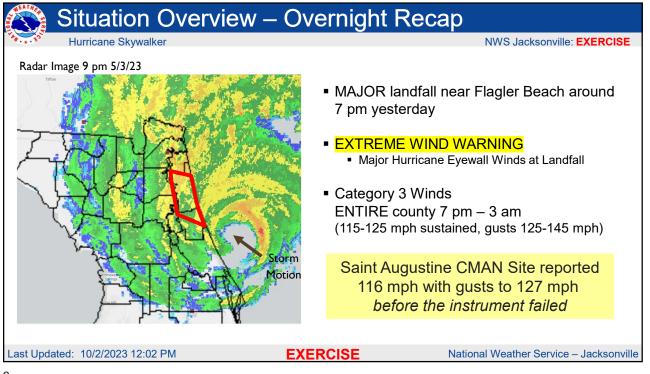
St. Johns County 2023 Hurricane Exercise Hurricane Skywalker

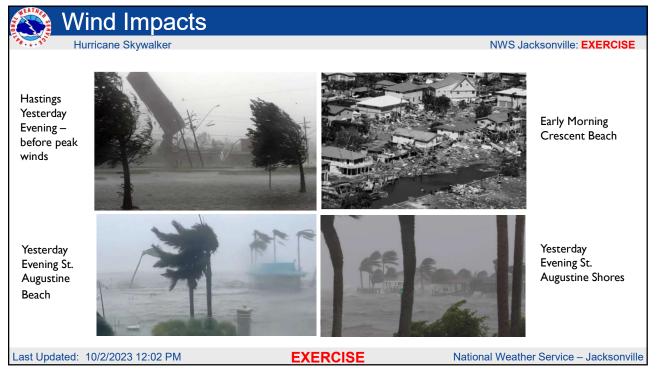


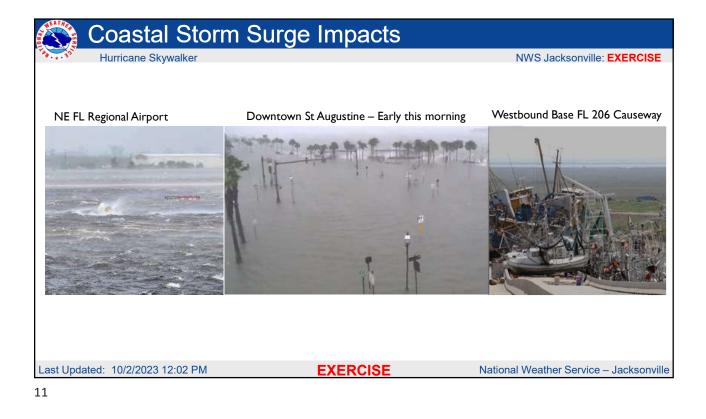
Exercise Objective	Core Capability	
1. Evaluate the development, monitoring, and close-out of WebEOC missions to ensure resource accountability and tracking.	Operational Communication	
2. Assess the Emergency Operation Center's physical and technological capabilities to ensure continuity of emergency operations support during a disaster.	Operational Coordination	
3. Demonstrate the ability to identify and prioritize critical needs and develop response plans to maintain or reestablish community lifelines following the impacts of a major hurricane.		







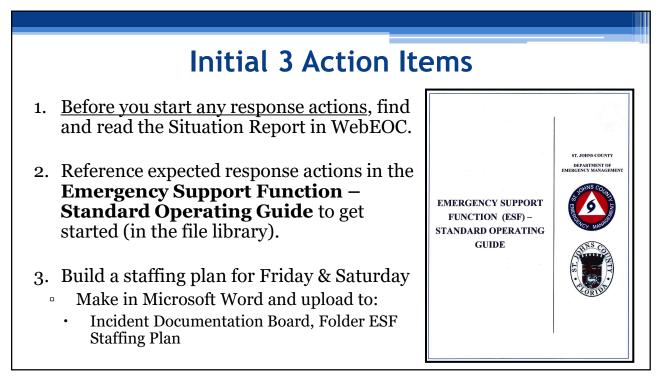




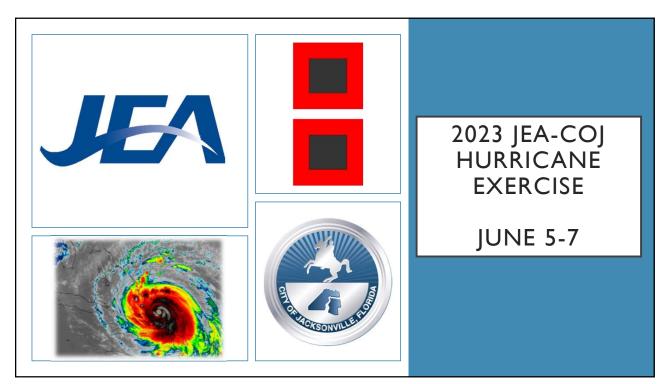
Storm Total Rainfall		
Hurricane Skywalker		NWS Jacksonville: EXERCISE
Storm Total Rainfall 7 am 5/4/23	within the last 36Additional Rainfa1-3 inches throu	all: gh midday ernoon in spotty showers
Last Updated: 10/2/2023 12:02 PM	EXERCISE	National Weather Service – Jacksonville

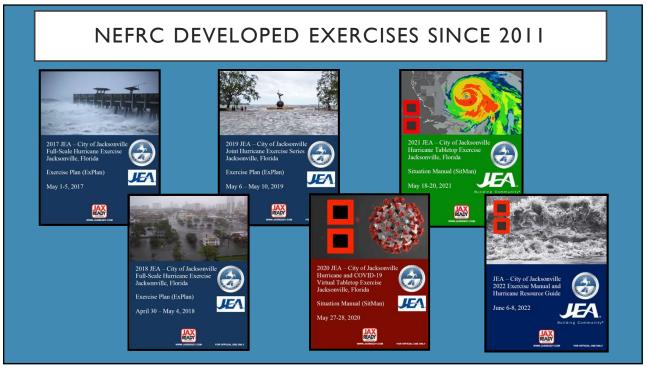
Exercise Expectations

- Operationalize your WebEOC Training
- Prioritize your response based on impacts on the community
- Respond to Exercise Injects <u>(*new information*)</u> and coordinate with partners to solve problems.
 - Don't fight the scenario and document your actions in WebEOC.
- 2 hours of open play, post-impact response



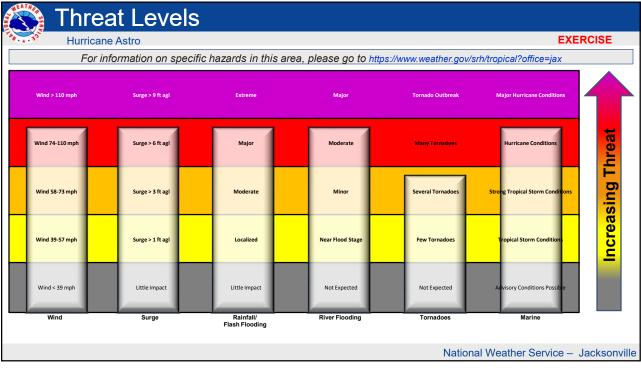


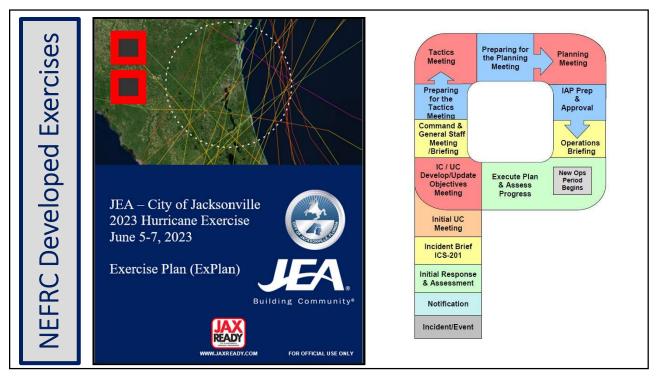


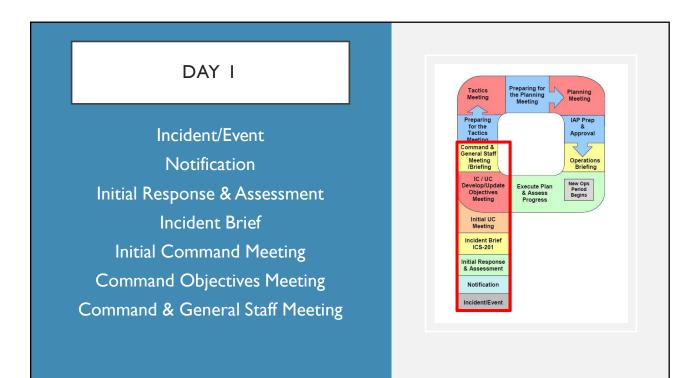


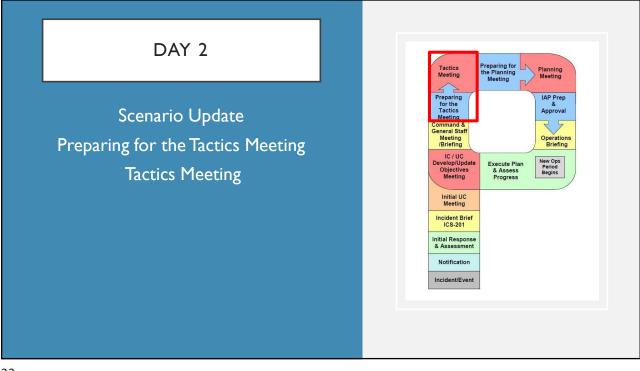


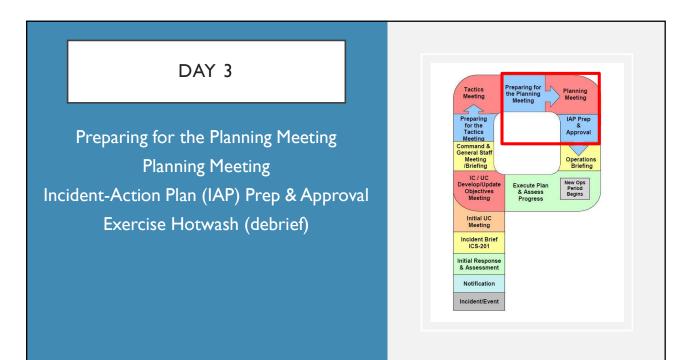
Exercise Objectives	Core Capability
I) Validate the appropriate designation and documentation of a JEA limited or system emergency in response to the timing and potential impact of a tropical cyclone.	Operational Coordination
2) Evaluate the functional activation of JEA's Incident Management Team (IMT) and appropriate coordination with the COJ/JFRD Emergency Preparedness Division.	Operational Coordination
3) Assess JEA's ability to document and communicate resource tracking for all JEA resources and potential mutual aid resources.	Operational Communications
4) Substantiate internal messaging between JEA business units and the Emergency Operations Center for situational awareness and resource accountability.	Situational Assessment

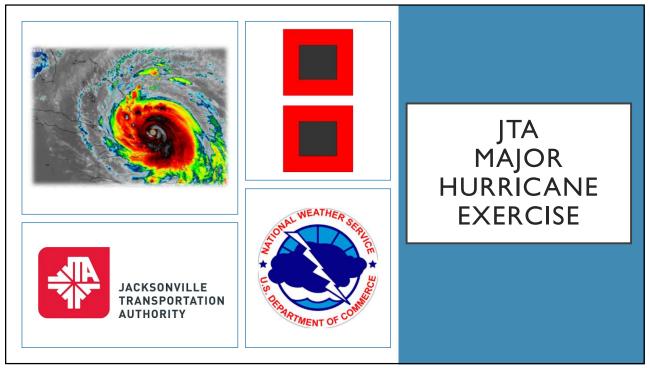






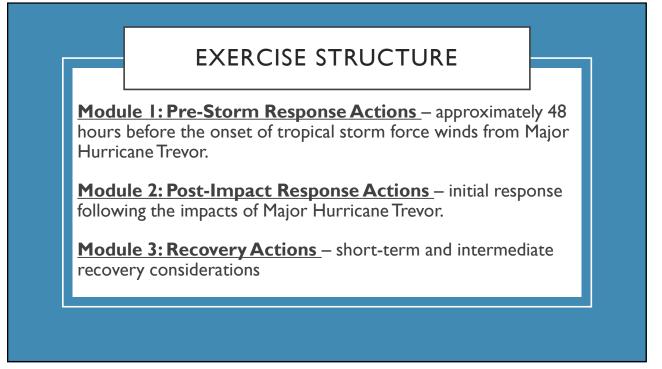


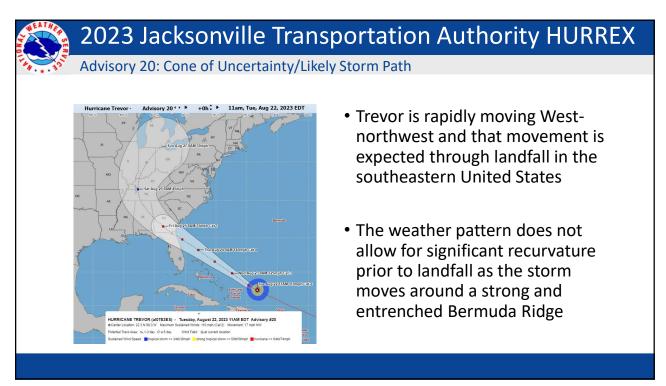


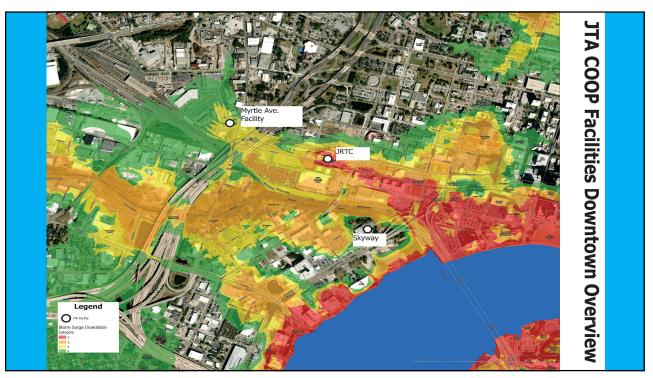


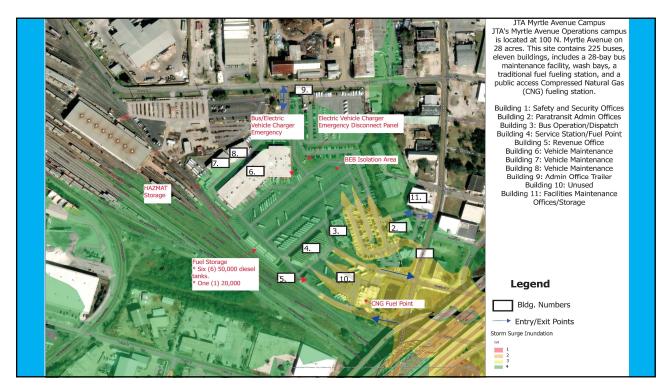
Exercise Objectives	Core Capability
I) Validate that the JTA All Hazards Preparedness Plan (AHPP) aligns with the agency's response planning for a major hurricane.	Critical Transportation
2) Determine if the JTA Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP) gives sufficient guidance to establish or maintain all essential functions during restoration and recovery activities for up to 30 days.	Critical Transportation
3) Analyze the JTA Hurricane Execution Matrix to verify that the recommended actions are consistent with agency processes during each phase of the disaster.	Critical Transportation

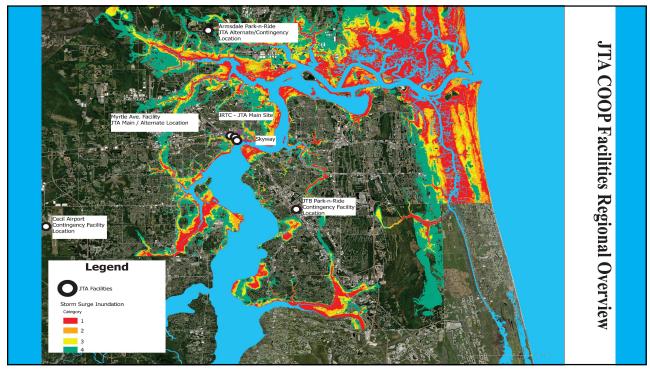
evacuation of people and animals, and the delivery of vital response personnel, equipment, and services into the affected areas.



















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MEMORANDUM

DATE:SEPTEMBER 27, 2023To:Northeast Florida Regional Council Board of DirectorsThru:Elizabeth Payne, Chief Executive OfficerFrom:Monica Dominguez, Economic Development Regional PlannerRe:CDBG: Healthcare Resiliency Grant

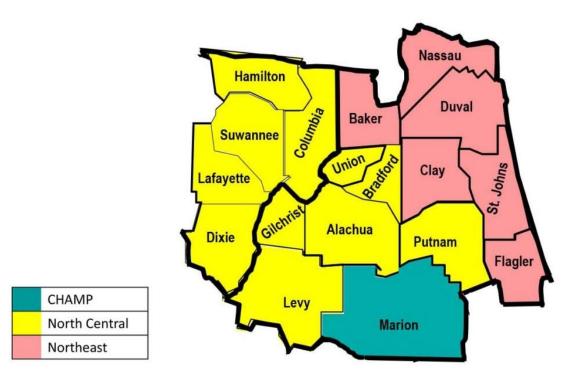
Staff will provide an update on the North Florida Resiliency Plan for the Health and Medical Lifeline. The update will include an overview of the methodology, map series, climate exposure analysis, and healthcare facility engagement.



NORTH FLORIDA RESILIENCY PLAN FOR THE HEALTH AND MEDICAL LIFELINE



North Florida Resiliency Plan for the Health and Medical Lifeline



18 counties in Region 3 Healthcare Coalition Alliance

Goal: Improve healthcare facilities' ability to function in the face of climate change and extreme weather events.





4-Year Project with 5 Elements

Element 1: Methodology for climate and facilities

Element 2: Healthcare facilities maps and Climate Exposure Analysis

Element 3: Assess healthcare infrastructure and resilience and develop mitigation strategies

Element 4: Assess essential service delivery and develop mitigation strategies

Element 5: Draft the North Florida Resiliency Plan for the Health and Medical Lifeline







Climate Exposure Analysis



The Climate Exposure Analysis examines the **inundation** caused by storm surge, flooding, and sea level rise scenarios and the impact on the county, its healthcare facilities, and its roads that provide access to these healthcare facilities.



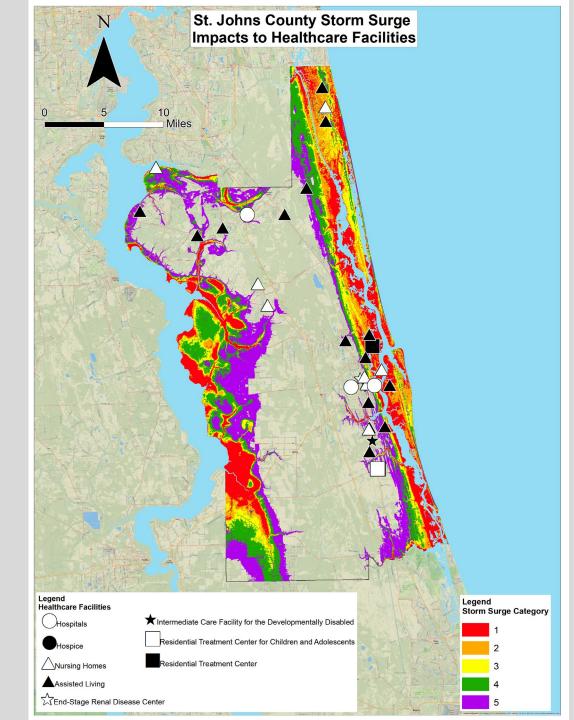


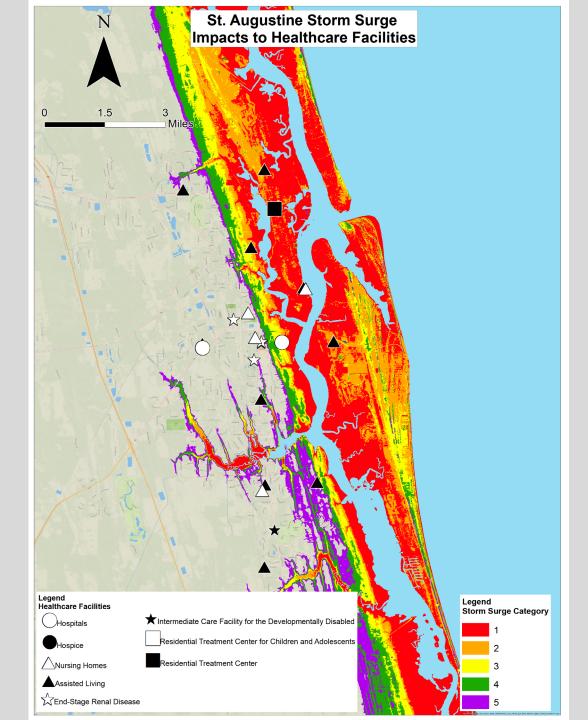
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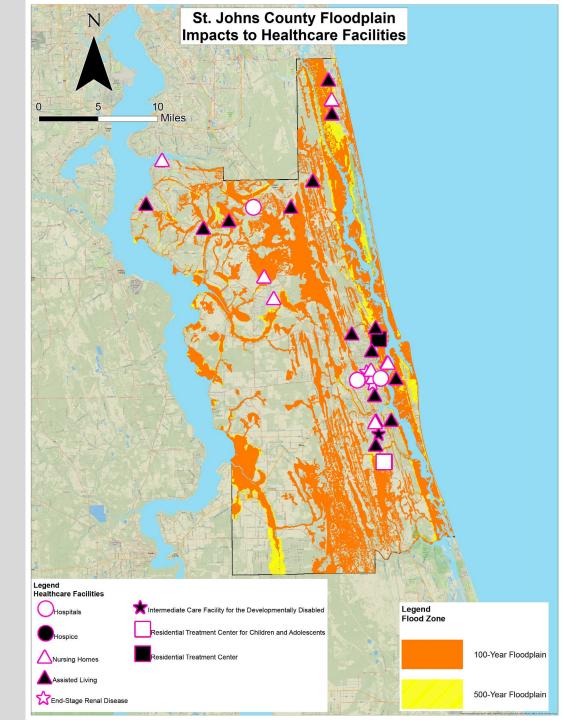
The following table provides a brief overview of St. Johns County's vulnerability to the predicted exposure elements of storm surge, flooding, and sea level rise.

Exposure Level Terminology	Percent Exposed	Color
Very high	90-100%	Purple
High	66-90%	Red
Moderate	33-66%	Orange
Low	10-33%	Yellow
Very low	0-10%	Green

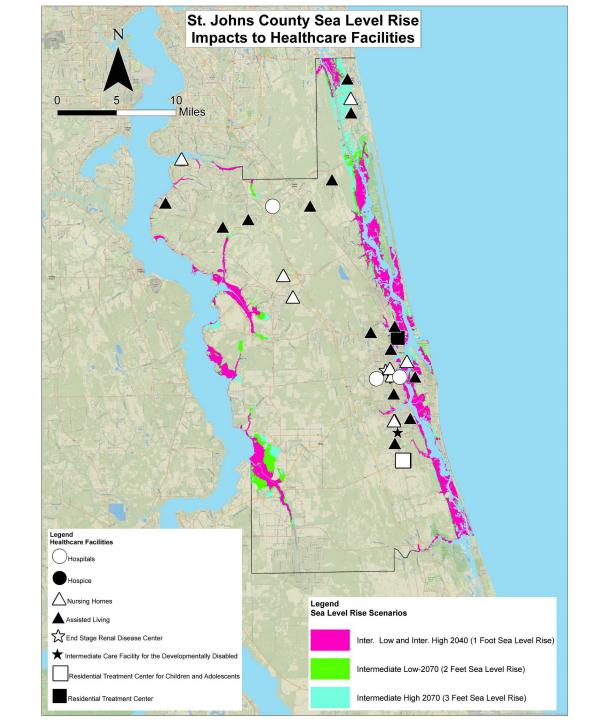
Exposure Ele me nt	Level	% of Developed Land in County Exposed (Total Acres: 68,420)	% of Healthcare Facilities Exposed (Total Facilities: 38)	% of Roads Exposed within 1 mile of hospitals
Storm Surge	Category 1	48.1%	28.9%	9.2%
Storm Surge	Category 2	58.8%	34.2%	34.7%
Storm Surge	Category 3	64.2%	34.2%	34.7%
Storm Surge	Category 4	71.7%	36.8%	66.1%
Storm Surge	Category 5	77.0%	44.7%	66.1%
Floodplain	100-year	73.4%	43.2%	62.3%
Floodplain	500-year	76.8%	43.2%	73.4%
Sea Level Rise	Intermediate Low and Intermediate High 2040 (1ft)	28.1%	13.2%	9.2%
Sea Level Rise	Intermediate Low 2070 (2ft)	29.3%	13.2%	9.2%
Sea Level Rise	Intermediate High 2070 (3ft)	36.1%	23.7%	9.2%













- Finalize mitigation strategies for healthcare infrastructure and essential clinical care delivery
- Write the Final Report
- Providing 2D and 3D flood hazard mapping for healthcare facilities
- Identify additional exposure elements and funding for phase II (Stay tuned)





Thank You

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MEMORANDUM

DATE:SEPTEMBER 27, 2023To:Northeast Florida Regional Council Board of DirectorsThru:Elizabeth Payne, Chief Executive Officer

FROM: FARA ILAMI, REGIONAL RESILIENCY MANAGER

RE: COMMUNITY RESILIENCE UPDATE

Staff will provide an update on community resilience efforts being facilitated across Northeast Florida. This update focuses on the progress of the Resilient First Coast Collaborative to develop a Regional Resiliency Action Plan. The update will also include information on the Regional Resilient Entity Grant from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Resilient Florida program and how the NEFRC is increasing capacity to complete this and other projects, including a vulnerability assessment for Baker County and a compound flooding analysis and adaptation plan for Flagler County. The update will also cover progress on the Climate Pollution Reduction Grant that the NEFRC is working on with the City of Jacksonville, grant applications now under consideration, and other ongoing resiliency work.







Community Resiliency Update

NORTHEAST FLORIDA 2022-2023 DEVELOPMENTS

Florida Resilience Conference



Highlights:

- "Business case for resilience"
- Regional collaboration on Climate Pollution Reduction Grant and other largescale projects
- Comparing Vulnerability Assessments: apples to apples
- Benefit-cost analysis for green and gray infrastructure with maintenance built-in

Resilient First Coast

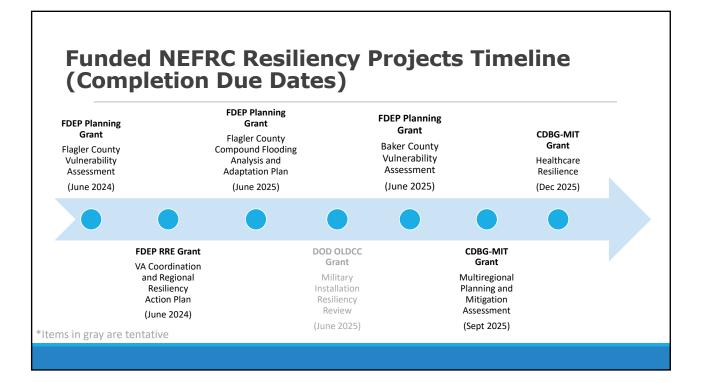


Meeting Highlights from Steering Committee (September 26):

Committee reports

• Input on Regional Resiliency Action Plan

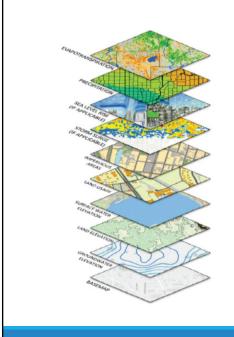
- Focus on resilience, but pave the way for sustainability
- Align with established plans/assessments in our region
- Due date for goals, objectives, and best practices from committees: March 31, 2024



Regional Resilience Entity Grant



- 1-year grant for the following components (due June 2024):
 - \$75,000 for Regional Resiliency Action Plan: Phase 1
 - \$200,000 for Coordination of Vulnerability Assessments: Phase 2
- Work to be done by NEFRC resiliency staff in conjunction with Resilient First Coast committees/working groups
- Finalizing contract with FDEP now



Local Government Assistance

- Flagler County
- Consultant working on exposure analysis
- Flagler County BOCC to review/approve contract on October 16 to complete additional work: compound flooding analysis, outreach, and adaptation plan
- Baker County
 - $\ensuremath{\,^\circ}$ Nearing completion of data collection task
 - Will be working with East Central Florida Regional Planning Council for guidance and potential consultant for GIS work

EPA Climate Pollution Reduction Grant



- City of Jacksonville serving as lead
- Working with Audubon Florida, ICLEI, and a special cohort of graduate students from local universities on the greenhouse gas (GHG) inventory
- Will soon be hiring a FUSE fellow for project management
- NEFRC will be facilitating coordination throughout the region via a new Resilient First Coast working group

Current Grant Applications



- National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF) National Coastal Resilience Fund
 - NEFRC partnered with South Atlantic Salt Marsh Initiative on \$1.5 million grant application
 - Additional information has been requested on this proposal (high chance of selection)
- National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Climate Resilience Regional Challenge
 - NEFRC partnered with East Central and Central Florida Regional Planning Councils on \$2 million grant application

Ongoing Resilience Tasks

- Staff is working with OLDCC to complete application for Military Installation Resilience Review (MIRR): target date October 2023
- Staff continues working on deliverables for CDBG Healthcare Resilience project.
- Staff has completed model runs and other tasks for CDBG Multiregional project
- Staff is working with City of Jacksonville on Environmental Symposium preparation

