

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

M E M O R A N D U M

To: Kelli Hammer Levy, Director, Public Works

From: John Bishop, Coastal Management Coordinator, Public Works

SUBJECT: Beach Funding Assistance Program, Florida Department of Environmental Protection
004487A Long Key-Upham 9th Nourishment Cycle
Intent to Apply - Director Approval

DATE: June 4, 2026

The Public Works Department would like to apply for the Florida Department of Environmental Protection's (FDEP's) Beach Funding Assistance Program. The program provides grants to local governments to cover up to 50% of project costs for planning and implementing beach management projects on the Gulf of America to protect upland structures and infrastructure, provide critical habitat for threatened and endangered species, provide recreational opportunities, and support local economies through tourism. The Beach Funding Assistance Program is being sought to supplement funds previously awarded by FDEP for the Long Key-Upham Beach Nourishment Project.

Public Works is seeking grant funding for \$862,592.87 to be expended in the fiscal year 2027-2028. Funding is being sought to supplement the previously awarded funds of \$1,325,000.00 from FDEP for the project. The current request is being sought to offset additional County costs for this project.

The grant application deadline is Friday, July 31, 2026. The grant application is within the County Administrator's Delegated Authority. The proposed project will support the Long Key-Upham Beach Nourishment.

Kelli Hammer Levy

Jun 4, 2026

Approved

Director Memo Beach Funding Asst Long Key-Upham 2026

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