

## Attachment A - Pricing Proposal

\* All plants are sourced from Charlotte County, Florida

ZONE 1								
Common Name	Percentage	Scientific Name	Size	Est. Qty per Acre	No. Acres	Est. Qty per Acre x No. Acres	Installed Unit Price	Total cost
Sea oats	50.00%	<i>Uniola paniculata</i>	1-Inch	16,335	15.5	253192.50	\$1.20	\$303,831.00
Panicgrass	20.00%	<i>Panicum amarum</i>	1-Inch	6,534	15.5	101277.00	\$1.20	\$121,532.40
Railroad vine	15.00%	<i>Ipomoea per-caprae</i>	1-Inch	4,901	15.5	75957.75	\$1.20	\$91,149.30
Seashore dropseed	15.00%	<i>Sporobolus virginicus</i>	1-Inch	4,901	15.5	75957.75	\$1.20	\$91,149.30
SUBTOTAL PLANT COST								\$607,662.00
TOTAL COST PER ACRE								\$39,204.00

ZONE 2								
Common Name	Percentage	Scientific Name	Size	Est. Qty per Acre	No. Acres	Est. Qty per Acre x No. Acres	Installed Unit Price	Total cost
Sea oats	35.00%	<i>Uniola paniculata</i>	1-Inch	11,435	15.5	177234.75	\$1.20	\$212,681.70
Panicgrass	25.00%	<i>Panicum amarum</i>	1-Inch	8,168	15.5	126596.25	\$1.20	\$151,915.50
Diversity Species	40.00%	See scope	1-Inch	13,068	15.5	202554	\$1.20	\$243,064.80
SUBTOTAL COST								\$607,662.00
SUBTOTAL COST PER ACRE								\$39,204.00
SAND KEY TOTAL COST - ZONE 1 AND 2								\$1,215,324.00
UNSPECIFIED WORK PID 001516A IS 10% OF SANDKEY TOTAL COST - ZONE 1 AND 2								\$121,532.40

ZONE 1								
Common Name	Percentage	Scientific Name	Size	Est. Qty per Acre	No. Acres	Est. Qty per Acre x No. Acres	Installed Unit Price	Total cost
Sea oats	50.00%	<i>Uniola paniculata</i>	1-Inch	16,335	5.05	82491.75	\$1.20	\$98,990.10
Panicgrass	20.00%	<i>Panicum amarum</i>	1-Inch	6,534	5.05	32996.7	\$1.20	\$39,596.04
Railroad vine	15.00%	<i>Ipomoea per-caprae</i>	1-Inch	4,901	5.05	24747.525	\$1.20	\$29,697.03
Seashore dropseed	15.00%	<i>Sporobolus virginicus</i>	1-Inch	4,901	5.05	24747.525	\$1.20	\$29,697.03
SUBTOTAL PLANT COST								\$197,980.20
TOTAL COST PER ACRE								\$39,204.00
ZONE 2								
Common Name	Percentage	Scientific Name	Size	Est. Qty per Acre	No. Acres	Est. Qty per Acre x No. Acres	Installed Unit Price	Total cost
Sea oats	35.00%	<i>Uniola paniculata</i>	1-Inch	11,435	5.05	57744.225	\$1.20	\$69,293.07
Panicgrass	25.00%	<i>Panicum amarum</i>	1-Inch	8,168	5.05	41245.875	\$1.20	\$49,495.05
Diversity Species	40.00%	See scope	1-Inch	13,068	5.05	65993.4	\$1.20	\$79,192.08
SUBTOTAL COST								\$197,980.20
SUBTOTAL COST PER ACRE								\$39,204.00
TREASURE ISLAND TOTAL COST - ZONE 1 AND 2								\$395,960.40
UNSPECIFIED WORK PID 002574A IS 10% OF TREASURE ISLAND TOTAL COST - ZONE 1 AND 2								\$39,596.04

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Sea oats	50.00%	<i>Uniola paniculata</i>	1-Inch	16,335	4	65340	\$1.20	\$78,408.00
Panicgrass	20.00%	<i>Panicum amarum</i>	1-Inch	6,534	4	26136	\$1.20	\$31,363.20
Railroad vine	15.00%	<i>Ipomoea per-caprae</i>	1-Inch	4,901	4	19602	\$1.20	\$23,522.40
Seashore dropseed	15.00%	<i>Sporobolus virginicus</i>	1-Inch	4,901	4	19602	\$1.20	\$23,522.40
SUBTOTAL PLANT COST								\$156,816.00
SUBTOTAL COST PER ACRE								\$39,204.00
ZONE 2								
Common Name	Percentage	Scientific Name	Size	Est. Qty per Acre	No. Acres	Est. Qty per Acre x No. Acres	Installed Unit Price	Total cost
Sea oats	35.00%	<i>Uniola paniculata</i>	1-Inch	11,435	2.9	33160.05	\$1.20	\$39,792.06
Panicgrass	25.00%	<i>Panicum amarum</i>	1-Inch	8,168	2.9	23685.75	\$1.20	\$28,422.90
Diversity Species	40.00%	See scope	1-Inch	13,068	2.9	37897.2	\$1.20	\$45,476.64
SUBTOTAL COST								\$113,691.60
SUBTOTAL COST PER ACRE								\$39,204.00
PASS-A-GRILLE TOTAL COST - ZONE 1 AND 2								\$270,507.60
UNSPECIFIED WORK PID 002573A IS 10% OF PASS-A-GRILLE TOTAL COST - ZONE 1 AND 2								\$27,050.76
TOTAL COST OF SAND KEY, TREASURE ISLAND, AND PASS-A-GRILLE								\$2,069,971.20

**Request for Taxpayer  
Identification Number and Certification**

Go to [www.irs.gov/FormW9](http://www.irs.gov/FormW9) for instructions and the latest information.

Give form to the  
requester. Do not  
send to the IRS.

**Before you begin.** For guidance related to the purpose of Form W-9, see *Purpose of Form*, below.

Print or type. See Specific Instructions on page 3.	<b>1</b> Name of entity/individual. An entry is required. (For a sole proprietor or disregarded entity, enter the owner's name on line 1, and enter the business/disregarded entity's name on line 2.) <b>EarthBalance Corporation</b>	
	<b>2</b> Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above.	
	<b>3a</b> Check the appropriate box for federal tax classification of the entity/individual whose name is entered on line 1. Check only <b>one</b> of the following seven boxes. <input type="checkbox"/> Individual/sole proprietor <input type="checkbox"/> C corporation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> S corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Trust/estate <input type="checkbox"/> LLC. Enter the tax classification (C = C corporation, S = S corporation, P = Partnership) _____ <b>Note:</b> Check the "LLC" box above and, in the entry space, enter the appropriate code (C, S, or P) for the tax classification of the LLC, unless it is a disregarded entity. A disregarded entity should instead check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner. <input type="checkbox"/> Other (see instructions) _____	<b>4</b> Exemptions (codes apply only to certain entities, not individuals; see instructions on page 3): Exempt payee code (if any) _____ Exemption from Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA) reporting code (if any) _____ (Applies to accounts maintained outside the United States.)
	<b>3b</b> If on line 3a you checked "Partnership" or "Trust/estate," or checked "LLC" and entered "P" as its tax classification, and you are providing this form to a partnership, trust, or estate in which you have an ownership interest, check this box if you have any foreign partners, owners, or beneficiaries. See instructions . . . . . <input type="checkbox"/>	
	<b>5</b> Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.). See instructions. <b>2570 Commerce Parkway</b> <b>6</b> City, state, and ZIP code <b>North Port, FL 34289</b> <b>7</b> List account number(s) here (optional)	<b>Requester's name and address (optional)</b>

**Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)**

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on line 1 to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is generally your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the instructions for Part I, later. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN*, later.

**Note:** If the account is in more than one name, see the instructions for line 1. See also *What Name and Number To Give the Requester* for guidelines on whose number to enter.

<b>Social security number</b>								
			-					
<b>or</b>								
<b>Employer identification number</b>								
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**Part II Certification**

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and
2. I am not subject to backup withholding because (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and
3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and
4. The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

**Certification instructions.** You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and, generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions for Part II, later.

<b>Sign Here</b>	<b>Signature of U.S. person</b> <i>Cristine Browner</i>	<b>Date</b> <i>1-22-25</i>
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**General Instructions**

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

**Future developments.** For the latest information about developments related to Form W-9 and its instructions, such as legislation enacted after they were published, go to [www.irs.gov/FormW9](http://www.irs.gov/FormW9).

**What's New**

Line 3a has been modified to clarify how a disregarded entity completes this line. An LLC that is a disregarded entity should check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner. Otherwise, it should check the "LLC" box and enter its appropriate tax classification.

New line 3b has been added to this form. A flow-through entity is required to complete this line to indicate that it has direct or indirect foreign partners, owners, or beneficiaries when it provides the Form W-9 to another flow-through entity in which it has an ownership interest. This change is intended to provide a flow-through entity with information regarding the status of its indirect foreign partners, owners, or beneficiaries, so that it can satisfy any applicable reporting requirements. For example, a partnership that has any indirect foreign partners may be required to complete Schedules K-2 and K-3. See the Partnership Instructions for Schedules K-2 and K-3 (Form 1065).

**Purpose of Form**

An individual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an information return with the IRS is giving you this form because they

### **COMMON CARRIER ATTESTATION**

In accordance with section 908.111, Florida Statutes, the undersigned, on behalf of \_\_\_\_\_ (the "Contractor"), attests and agrees they are in conformity with Florida Statute § 92.525 and is not willfully providing and will not willfully provide any service during the contract term in furtherance of transporting a person into this state knowing that the person is an unauthorized alien, except to facilitate the detention, removal, or departure of the person from this state or the United States.

For purposes of this Attestation, the Contractor is a "Common carrier" if it is a person, firm, or corporation that undertakes for hire, as a regular business, to transport persons or commodities from place to place, offering his or her services to all such as may choose to employ the common carrier and pay his or her charges.

The undersigned must be an authorized representative of the Contractor who can execute this Attestation on the Contractor's behalf.

Under penalties of perjury, I \_\_\_\_\_, declare that I have read the foregoing Common Carrier Attestation and that the facts stated in it are true.

Signature: Cristine Borowski

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Federal Work Authorization User Identification No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Pinellas County Contract and Contract No.: \_\_\_\_\_

### **COMMON CARRIER TERMINATION**

The County reserves the right to terminate the associated agreement, for cause, if the Contractor is found in violation of its attestation above.

## HUMAN TRAFFICKING AFFIDAVIT

In accordance with section 787.06 (13), Florida Statutes, the undersigned, on behalf of EarthBalance Corporation (the "Contractor"), hereby attests that the Contractor does not use coercion for labor or services as defined in Section 787.06, Florida Statutes.

The undersigned must be an authorized representative of the Contractor who can execute this affidavit on the Contractor's behalf.

Under penalties of perjury, I Cristine Borowski, declare that I have read the foregoing affidavit and that the facts stated in it are true.

Signature: Cristine Borowski

Print Name: Cristine Borowski

Date: 11.5.2025

Federal Work Authorization User Identification No.: 59-2612208

Name of Pinellas County Contract and Contract No.: 25-0933-ITB

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF Sarasota

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of 1) physical presence ☐ or 2) online notarization ☒ this 11.5.2025 (date) by

Cristine Borowski, VP of Business Mgmt of EarthBalance Corporation, a  
Florida corporation, on behalf of the corporation.

He/she is personally known to me or has produced N/A as identification.

[Notary Seal]



BECKY ADAMS  
Notary Public  
State of Florida  
Comm# HH589377  
Expires 12/26/2028

Notary Public: Becky Adams

Name typed, printed, or stamped: Becky Adams

My Commission Expires: 12/26/2028



## VENDOR SUBMITTAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM

It is the policy of Pinellas County, Board of County Commissioners, to accept the lowest responsive and responsible or highest ranked submittal received meeting specifications. No changes requested by a vendor due to an error in pricing will be considered after the advertised solicitation opening date. By signing this Vendor Submittal Acknowledgment Form, vendors are attesting to their awareness and acceptance of this policy and agreeing to all solicitation of terms and conditions, including any insurance requirements.

Vendor Name (as shown on W-9):

Doing Business As (DBA) (if applicable):

Mailing Address (as shown on W-9):

City, State, Zip (as shown on W-9):

Vendor Email (primary company email):

Remit to address (as shown on vendor invoice):

Federal Tax ID (FEIN) #:

SAM.gov UEID No.:

Dun & Bradstreet D-U-N-S® UEID No. (if applicable):

Vendor Contact Information

Contact Name:

Phone Number:

Email Address:

**Payment Terms: Net 45 (per Florida Statute F.S. 218.73)                      %                      Days**

**Deposit (if required) has been paid in the amount of \$**

Proper Corporate Identity is needed for a firm registered with the Florida Division of Corporations. Please visit [dos.myflorida.com/sunbiz/](https://dos.myflorida.com/sunbiz/) for this information. It is essential to return a copy of your W-9 with your submittal.

**I hereby agree to abide by all terms and conditions of this solicitation, including all insurance requirements, and certify that I am authorized to sign this solicitation for the vendor.**

Authorized Signature:

*Cristine Borowski*

Print Name:

Title:

**THIS FORM MUST BE RETURNED WITH YOUR RESPONSE**

**From:** [Tanya Lukowiak](#)  
**To:** [Just, James](#)  
**Cc:** [Chrissy Hensel](#); [Royster, Thomas](#)  
**Subject:** RE: 2025 PINELLAS COUNTY DUNE PLANTING SERVICES - Clarification request - WITH ATTACHMENTS!  
**Date:** Friday, November 7, 2025 5:00:15 PM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)  
[image002.png](#)  
[Collier.pdf](#)  
[Dauphin Island.pdf](#)  
[Myrtle.pdf](#)  
[Tybee Island 2020.pdf](#)

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Jim – So sorry – trying to get this back to you before 5, I failed to add the attachments!

Have a great weekend.

Good afternoon, Jim,

Thank you for providing us the opportunity to provide this additional information. clarification. Please let us know if you have any questions.

1. Confirm that you can complete the project within 2 months of award (Est. Dec 16, 2025, award).

Confirmed – we can complete the project within 2 months of the award but it will take a significant effort on our part to do it. 3 months is preferred; however we can do it in 2 months if required.

2. Provide (preferably 2-3) relevant projects of similar size and scope that your subcontractor has completed in the past?
  - a. Please provide referenced contact (Name, phone, email)

The following projects are self-performed by Earthbalance Corporation:  
- Collier County Dune Restoration Planting, Collier County Government, Larry Humphries, (239) 252-4245, [Larry.Humphries@colliercountyfl.gov](mailto:Larry.Humphries@colliercountyfl.gov)  
- Dauphin Island East End Beach Restoration, Town of Dauphin Island, Ricky Audibert, (985) 237-9677, [rjaudibert@weeksmarine.com](mailto:rjaudibert@weeksmarine.com)  
- Myrtle Beach Sand Fencing and Planting, City of Myrtle Beach, JC

Blackhursts, (843) 918-2390, [jblackhurst@cityofmyrtlebeach.com](mailto:jblackhurst@cityofmyrtlebeach.com)  
- Dune Vegetation and Landscape, City of Tybee Island, Alan  
Robertson, (847) 525-5040, [arobertson@cityoftybee.org](mailto:arobertson@cityoftybee.org)

3. Where do you plan to source your dune vegetation?

All material has been sourced from our collection site on Palm Island in Charlotte County, FL. Most of this material is already growing in our greenhouses in Arcadia, FL.

4. Describe your methodologies and plan to deliver the plants to the site and plant them.

All plant units will be in conformance with the specifications. Plants will be delivered to the project site in their original trays to ensure good plant condition and prevent desiccation. The experienced EarthBalance® planting crew supervisor will verify the plant condition meets the specifications required for the project.

Planting units will be installed utilizing a rotary auger on a portable gasoline-powered drill. An approximately 2-inch diameter by 10-inch-deep hole will be drilled for each planting unit. EarthBalance® has found this installation method to be very efficient and results in much more uniform spacing than hand-digging techniques. In addition, the planting depth can be controlled utilizing a stop on the auger bit. This method results in very minimal sand fracture, which better preserves ambient soil moisture.

5. Do you or your subcontracts have previous experience planting dunes with the vegetation listed?

Yes – please see attached.

6. Provide a list of their current commitments that might conflict with finishing the planting on time.

We currently do not have other beach planting projects under contract that would conflict with our ability to finish the planting on time.

7. Do you understand that the sea oats will need to be transported from drive on accesses up the beach and will not have access through the individual properties?

Yes – We typically use a UTV with a single-axle trailer to transport crew, equipment, and plants onto the beach. If the sand is too soft to support the UTV, we will utilize a tracked skid-steer instead of the UTV. Due to the size of this project and time constraints, multiple UTVs or skid-steer may be required to transport large quantities.



**Tanya Lukowiak**

Business Development Coordinator  
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**From:** Just, James <[jjjust@pinellas.gov](mailto:jjjust@pinellas.gov)>

**Sent:** Friday, November 7, 2025 4:13 PM

**To:** Tanya Lukowiak <[tlukowiak@earthbalance.com](mailto:tlukowiak@earthbalance.com)>

**Cc:** Chrissy Hensel <[chensel@earthbalance.com](mailto:chensel@earthbalance.com)>; Royster, Thomas <[TRoyster@pinellas.gov](mailto:TRoyster@pinellas.gov)>

**Subject:** 2025 PINELLAS COUNTY DUNE PLANTING SERVICES - Clarification request

Good afternoon Tanya,

Thank you for your bid submittal for the above referenced Invitation to Bid.

Please provide clarification to the following:

1. Confirm that you can complete the project within 2 months of award (Est. Dec 16, 2025, award).
2. Provide (preferably 2-3) relevant projects of similar size and scope that your subcontractor has completed in the past?
  - a. Please provide referenced contact (Name, phone, email)
3. Where do you plan to source your dune vegetation?



4. Describe your methodologies and plan to deliver the plants to the site and plant them.
5. Do you or your subcontracts have previous experience planting dunes with the vegetation listed?
6. Provide a list of their current commitments that might conflict with finishing the planting on time.
7. Do you understand that the sea oats will need to be transported from drive on accesses up the beach and will not have access through the individual properties?

Please provide a response by 10 AM, November 8, 2025.

**Jim Just, CPPB**

Manager of Purchasing Operations  
Department of Administrative Services  
Purchasing and Risk Management Division  
400 S. Ft. Harrison Ave 6<sup>th</sup> FL.  
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**Cc:** Chrissy Hensel <[chensel@earthbalance.com](mailto:chensel@earthbalance.com)>; Royster, Thomas <[TRoyster@pinellas.gov](mailto:TRoyster@pinellas.gov)>; Just, James <[jjjust@pinellas.gov](mailto:jjjust@pinellas.gov)>  
**Subject:** Re: Bid Tabs - 2025 PINELLAS COUNTY DUNE PLANTING SERVICES

Thank you!

Have a great weekend.



**Tanya Lukowiak**

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**Subject:** RE: Bid Tabs - 2025 PINELLAS COUNTY DUNE PLANTING SERVICES

This solicitation is in process and when the bid tabulation is completed it will be posted on OpenGov.

Thank you,

*Tom Royster*  
**Procurement Analyst Coordinator**  
Department of Administrative Services  
Purchasing and Risk Management Division

Pinellas County Government  
400 S. Ft. Harrison Ave.  
Clearwater, FL 33756  
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**Cc:** Chrissy Hensel <[chensel@earthbalance.com](mailto:chensel@earthbalance.com)>  
**Subject:** Bid Tabs - 2025 PINELLAS COUNTY DUNE PLANTING SERVICES

Good afternoon,

Are you able to provide the bid tabulations or abstract of submissions for the above referenced project?

Thanks for your time,



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# Collier County Dune Restoration Planting - 2024

**Project Location:** Collier County, Florida  
**Project Owner:** Collier County Government  
**Project Contact:** Larry Humphries, Project Manager II  
2685 South Horseshoe Dr., Suite 103  
Naples, FL 34104  
(239) 252-4245  
Larry.Humphries@colliercountyfl.gov  
**EarthBalance Position:** Prime  
**Project Manager:** James Barron  
**Contract Amount:** \$1,284,920.45  
**Contract Dates:** November, 2024 - July, 2025

## Project Description

EarthBalance® was contracted to supply, deliver, and install approximately 939,899 native dune plants, including sea oats (*Uniola paniculata*), panicgrass (*Panicum amarum*), sea purslane (*Sesuvium portulacastrum*), and a mix of other dune species, along with 544 "Keep Off Dunes" signs within two coastal zones in Collier County, Florida. The scope also included one-time removal and treatment of invasive species such as beach naupaka (*Scaevola taccada*), Australian pine (*Casuarina equisetifolia*), beach vitex (*Vitex rotundifolia*), and other exotics. Woody invasives were manually cut, removed from the site, and treated with herbicide on stumps, while herbaceous species were treated in place with herbicide in accordance with regulatory and ecological best practices.





# Dauphin Island East End Beach Restoration

**Project Location:** Mobile County, Alabama  
**Project Owner:** Town of Dauphin Island  
**Project Contact:** Ricky Audibert, Project Manager  
304 Gaille Drive  
Covington, LA 70433 US  
(985) 237-9677  
rjaudibert@weeksmarine.com  
**EarthBalance Position:** Sub-Contractor  
**Project Manager:** James Barron  
**Contract Amount:** \$923,034.05  
**Contract Dates:** March, 2024 - September, 2024

## Project Description

EarthBalance® supplied, delivered, and installed approximately 691,000 native dune plants and 12,400 linear feet of beach sand fencing along the East End Beach of Dauphin Island, located in Mobile County, Alabama. Installed species included sea oats (*Uniola paniculata*), panicgrass (*Panicum amarum*), saltmeadow cordgrass (*Spartina patens*), beach morning glory (*Ipomoea imperati/Ipomoea pes-caprae*), gulf bluestem (*Schizachyrium littorale*), and seashore butterfly weed (*Asclepias tuberosa*). Vegetation was installed in a checkerboard pattern at eighteen-inch (18") spacing and at a depth of 10–12 inches. Sand fencing was installed in two configurations: segmented fencing spaced at ten-foot (10') intervals oriented at a 45-degree azimuth from north, and continuous fencing installed side by side.





# Myrtle Beach Sand Fencing and Planting

**Project Location:** Horry County, South Carolina  
**Project Owner:** City of Myrtle Beach, SC  
**Project Contact:** JC Blackhursts, Parks Superintendent  
3231 10th Avenue Ext N.  
Myrtle Beach, SC 29577 US  
(843) 918-2390  
jblackhurst@cityofmyrtlebeach.com  
**EarthBalance Position:** Prime  
**Project Manager:** James Barron  
**Contract Amount:** \$703,221.92  
**Contract Dates:** April, 2023 - May, 2023

## Project Description

EarthBalance® provided all labor and materials necessary to install approximately 48,125 linear feet of sand fencing, comprising about 2,410 panels, along Myrtle Beach in Horry County, South Carolina. In addition, EarthBalance® installed native dune vegetation within the fenced areas, with plants spaced two feet apart and staggered with an eighteen-inch offset between rows. A total of 96,248 sea oats (*Uniola paniculata*) and 72,186 panicgrass (*Panicum amarum*), both in 98cc containers, were installed to support dune stabilization and restoration.



## Dune Vegetation and Landscaping

**Project Location:** Chatham County, Georgia  
**Project Owner:** City of Tybee Island  
**Project Contact:** Alan Robertson, Project Manager  
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Tybee island, GA 31328  
(847) 525-5040  
arobertson@cityoftybee.org

**EarthBalance Position:** Prime  
**Project Manager:** James Barron  
**Contract Amount:** \$135,893.85  
**Contract Dates:** January, 2020

### Project Description

EarthBalance® was contracted to supply, deliver, and install various native salt and drought tolerant grasses, plants, and sea oats for approximately 154,770 square feet of beach dunes for the City of Tybee Dune Vegetation and Landscaping project in Chatham County, Georgia. A total of 92,087 plants were installed on five specified dune sections, from the Pier at Tybrisa Street, south to the 19th Street vehicular beach access. Planted species were beach elder (*Iva imbricata*), beach morning glory (*Ipomea imperati*), muhly grass (*Muhlenbergia capallaris*), saltmeadow cordgrass (*Spartina patens*), sea oats (*Uniola paniculata*), panicgrass (*Panicum amarum*) and switch grass (*Panicum virgatum*). Plant sizes ranged from 2-Inch to 1-Gallon.

This project was awarded one of the American Shore and Beach Preservation Association Best Restored Beaches for 2020. They write "The Tybee Island Beach and Dune Restoration Project, Tybee Island, Georgia, increased their resiliency to flooding events while enhancing the natural habitat, including federally protected sea turtle nesting sites and endangered bird species, that is so vital to the environmental and economic health of the city. It is the first time the City built dunes as an integral resiliency feature augmenting a federal beach nourishment."





## Brevard Sea Oat and Dune Plant Installation

**Project Location:** Brevard County, Florida  
**Project Owner:** Brevard County Government  
**Project Contact:** Mike McGarry  
2725 Judge Fran Jamieson Way, Building C, Suite 303  
Viera, FL 32940  
(321) 537-1779  
Mike.McGarry@brevardfl.gov

**EarthBalance Position:** Prime  
**Project Manager:** Christina Hensel  
**Contract Amount:** \$1,125,040.00  
**Contract Dates:** January, 2025 - January, 2026

### Project Description

EarthBalance® provided the labor and materials necessary to supply, deliver and install 1,148,000 native dune plants on newly placed sand in the South Beaches and Mid Reach region of Brevard County, Florida. Plants were installed in the following proportions: 80% sea oats (*Uniola paniculata*), 10% panic grass (*Panicum amarum*) and 10% beach elder (*Iva inbricata*). In the South Beaches region, an approximately 12-24-foot-wide band was planted along approximately 13 miles of the South Beaches shoreline. The South Beaches included approximately 733,000 plants. In the Mid Reach region, an approximately 10-20-foot-wide band was planted along approximately 7.8 miles of the Mid Reach shoreline. Mid Reach included approximately 415,000 plants.





# Gulf Shores/Orange Beach/Gulf State Park Engineered Beach Renourishment Project

<b>Project Location:</b>	Various, Alabama
<b>Project Owner:</b>	City of Orange Beach, AL DCNR, and the City of Gulf Shores
<b>Project Contact:</b>	Rachael L Violassi, Quality Systems Engineer Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Company, LLC 9811 Katy Freeway, Suite 1200, Houston, TX 77024 (517) 449-6611 RLViolassi@gldd.com
<b>EarthBalance Position:</b>	Sub-Contractor
<b>Project Manager:</b>	Christina Hensel
<b>Contract Amount:</b>	\$1,130,305.00
<b>Contract Dates:</b>	February, 2024 - May, 2024

## Project Description

EarthBalance® was contracted to furnish labor, materials, and equipment necessary for the supply, delivery, and installation of native plant species across five (5) discontinuous shoreline segments, extending from Gulf Shores, Alabama, eastward to Perdido Key, Alabama. This work encompassed approximately 81,000 linear feet of Gulf-front shoreline within Baldwin County, Alabama. The dune vegetation installed consisted of a combination of one-inch (1") grasses and two-inch (2") containerized diversity species; sea oats (*Uniola paniculata*), panicgrass (*Panicum amarum*), beach elder (*Iva imbricata*), sea purslane (*Sesuvium portulacastrum*), dune sunflower (*Helianthus debilis*), beach morning glory (*Ipomoea imperati*), railroad vine (*Ipomoea pes-caprae*), blanket flower (*Gaillardia aristata*), and seaside goldenrod (*Solidago sempervirens*). A total of 958,800 plants were installed on 16-inch centers at a planting depth of eight inches (8") in a continuous progression, utilizing hand-operated rotary augers for soil penetration. A mixture of fertilizer and pre-hydrated water gel (Scott's Osmocote Classic 18-6-12 and Stockosorb Hydrogel) was used in each planting hole. Plant transport from the staging area to the planting sites was facilitated by utility task vehicles (UTVs). The source for all sea oat units delivered to the site was from seed collected from the Gulf Coast of Florida in Bay County at Tyndall Air Force Base. Plants were propagated at the EarthBalance® Native Nursery in DeSoto County, Florida. Additionally, EarthBalance® supplied, delivered, and installed 12,300 linear feet of sand fencing to support dune stabilization efforts.



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