Agenda Item: 3L-1

# PALM BEACH COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

	AGE	NDA ITEM	SUMMARY	
Meeting Date:	September 17	, 2024	(X) Consent ( ) Workshop	()Regular ()Public Hearing
Department:	<u>Environmental</u>	l Resources	Management	
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Recommended by:	\	ichael	Silly	8/22/24
Approved by:	Department t	Sirector		Date 8/30/24
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### II. FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS

A. Five Year Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Fiscal Years	•	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028
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### CONSULTANT SERVICES AUTHORIZATION

CSA #: <u>0019-03</u>	CONSULTANT: Aptim Environmental & Infrastructure, LLC						
ACCOUNT: 1229-380-3315-3401 Tasl	k: E177 SubTask: ILWL Ta	skOrder: 014 CONTRACT: R2023-0019					
[Fiscal approval of Budget Availability	: <u>Shirley B</u> Shirley King	13/24					
PROJECT MANAGER: Sabrina Fisch	er	PHONE: 561-681-3836					
CONTRACT MANAGER: Juan Cueto		PHONE: <u>561-233-2431</u>					
PROJECT NAME: Lake Worth Lagoor	n Seagrass Restoration						
LOCATION/DISTRICT #: Lake Worth	Lagoon / Districts 1, 2, 7						
restoration, and monitoring services, as	s described in the attached A A), and the Contract Histo	Consultant shall provide permitting, seagrass APTIM proposal dated July 29, 2024 (Exhibit ry (Exhibit C) are attached hereto and made 024 (Exhibit B).					
CSA TYPE: <u>FIXED PRICE</u>		DUE DATE: <u>5/31/2028</u>					
TOTAL AMOUNT: \$449,993.03							
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*certified as both an SBE and a State M TOTAL SBE-M/WBE PARTICIPATION							

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CSA #0019-03 (page 2 of 2)	
CONSULTANT REP:  Nicole Sharp, P.E., Coastal Market Lead/Program Manager	DATE: 8/7/2
APPROVED AS TO TERMS AND CONDITIONS:	
ERM DIRECTOR: Deborah Drum	date: <u>8-16-24</u>
APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY;	
ASSISTANT COUNTY ATTORNEY:  Yelizayeta B. Herman	DATE 29/29
ATTEST: JOSEPH ABRUZZO CLERK & COMPTROLLER:	DATE:
Deputy Clerk	

Maria Sachs, Mayor

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BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS: \_\_\_\_\_

### **OEBO SCHEDULE 1**

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CONTACT PERSON: Katy Brown, Lead Marine	Biologist		PHONE NO.:56	61-361-3181	E-MAII	. kathryn.bro	own@apti	m.com
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## Exhibit A p.2 of 4

### **OEBO LETTER OF INTENT - SCHEDULE 2**

A completed Schedule 2 is a binding document between the Prime Contractor/consultant and a Subcontractor/subconsultant (for any tier) and should be treated as such. The Schedule 2 shall contain bolded language indicating that by signing the Schedule 2, both parties recognize this Schedule as a binding document. All Subcontractors/subconsultants, including any tiered Subcontractors/subconsultants, must properly execute this document. Each properly executed Schedule 2 must be submitted with

the bid/proposal.

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Aptim Environmental & Infrastructure, LLC

6401 Congress Avenue, Suite 140



July 29, 2024

Sabrina Fischer
Project Manager
Palm Beach County
Department of Environmental Resources Management

Subject: Lake Worth Lagoon Seagrass Restoration Project

2300 North Jog Road, 4th Floor, West Palm Beach, FL 33411

### Dear Sabrina:

Aptim Environmental & Infrastructure, LLC (APTIM) is pleased to submit this proposal to Palm Beach County (County) in support of the Lake Worth Lagoon Seagrass Restoration Project. APTIM has retained Sea & Shoreline to provide permitting and seagrass restoration services as they have extensive experience in habitat creation and restoration throughout Florida. A scope of services is provided as Attachment 1.

The lump sum fee to the County for the proposed services is \$449,993.03 as detailed in Attachment 2, the Fee Schedule. These services proposed herein will be performed in accordance with this proposal and the Professional Services Agreement R2023-0019 (dated January 10, 2023) between Palm Beach County and Aptim Environmental & Infrastructure, LLC for Coastal and Marine Engineering Services. We will commence work upon receipt of a Consultant Services Authorization (CSA) from the County.

Thank you for this opportunity to serve Palm Beach County. As always, please do not hesitate to call if you have any questions.

Sincerely

Katy Brown, MS Lead Marine Biologist

Aptim Environmental & Infrastructure, LLC

cc:

Debra Neese, APTIM Nick Muzia, P.E., Sea & Shoreline Ryan Brushwood, Sea & Shoreline Authorized Corporate Signature

Nicole S. Sharp P.E.

Printed Name

<u>Coastal Restoration & Modeling Program Manager</u>
Title



# ATTACHMENT 1 LAKE WORTH LAGOON SEAGRASS RESTORATION PROJECT SCOPE OF SERVICES

### Introduction

Palm Beach County's Department of Environmental Resources Management received legislative funding to create and restore seagrass habitat within the Lake Worth Lagoon. As proposed, the project aims to plant 12-acres of nursery grown seagrass at six (6) different 2-acre sites: two (2) in the northern, two (2) in the central, and two (2) in southern lagoon. Restoration techniques, such as exclusion devices, will be applied to the seagrass plantings in an effort to gain a better understanding of how these techniques may benefit future restoration projects. The seagrass restoration sites shall be monitored for a period of 3 years post-planting to evaluate the success of the restoration efforts.

### Task 1: State and Federal Permitting

APTIM will assist Sea & Shoreline with state and federal permitting efforts, agency coordination, preparation and submittal of permit applications, related correspondence with the consulting regulatory agencies, and all required application fees. To expedite the permitting process, authorization from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) shall be requested under the Nationwide Permit 27 (Aquatic Habitat Restoration, Enhancement, and Establishment Activities). Draft documents and/or applications will be provided to the County for review prior to submittal to the agencies. All other permits required will be obtained by Sea & Shoreline.

### Task 2: Site Evaluation and Report

Site evaluations shall be conducted by Sea & Shoreline to determine the locations of the restoration sites. Site evaluations shall include a benthic survey to assess the current condition of each site, which includes documenting the presence/absence of submerged aquatic resources and evaluating the sediment quality. Up to 10 sediment grab samples shall be collected for sediment quality analysis. The benthic surveys shall be conducted during the growing season (federal or regional agency accepted timeframe) to meet agency permitting requirements and the results will be submitted as part of the application/verification package. Sea & Shoreline will also calculate an exposure rating for each site along with a likelihood of success as described in Sea & Shoreline's proposal, provided as Attachment 3. Sea & Shoreline will prepare a short report detailing the observations and analysis for the County to review. The restoration sites shall be selected based on the recommendations in the report and coordination with the County. In the event that the sites evaluated are determined not to be viable as successful restoration sites, APTIM and Sea & Shoreline shall evaluate additional sites as may be needed at no additional cost to the County; however, costs may be just adjusted under the other tasks. Control sites shall also be evaluated; however, this will be limited to visual inspection of each site. Control sites shall be selected based on the field observations and coordination with the County.

### **Task 3: Materials Production**

The materials production will be the responsibility of Sea & Shoreline and will include cultivating the seagrass planting units and fabricating the GrowSAV Herbivory Exclusion Devices. The seagrass planting units will be



cultivated in and harvested from Sea & Shoreline's FDACS certified aquaculture facility in Melbourne Beach, FL. Further details of the materials production are provided in Sea & Shoreline's proposal (Attachment 3).

Photo documentation and a brief update will be provided to the County at the midpoint of the materials production.

### Task 4: Installation

Installation of seagrass planting units and GrowSAV Herbivory Exclusion Devices will be conducted by Sea & Shoreline. Shoal grass (*Halodule wrightii*) planting units shall consist of either 4-inch (4"x4"x4") biodegradable peat pot planting units filled with a peat-sand mixture that contains 7-25 apical meristems with numerous shoots or of four-inch bag planting units, consisting of a biodegradable bag material filled with a peat-sand mixture that contain 7-25 apical meristems per unit with numerous shoots.

A total of 300 GrowSAV Exclusion Devices will be placed over the six (6) 2-acre restoration sites, with 50 exclusion devices at each restoration site. Exclusion devices will be spaced on average of 10 m centers, but exact locations may be adjusted based on site conditions. The cages will remain in place for a period of 22-months. Installation of plants and cages will be completed within one year following receipt of the County's CSA, barring no unforeseen inclement environmental conditions. Further details of the installation are provided in Sea & Shoreline's proposal (Attachment 3).

### Task 5: Maintenance

Monthly maintenance visits shall be conducted by Sea & Shoreline for a period of 22-months to remove biofouling and drift algae from the exclusion devices. Further details of the maintenance activities are provided in Sea & Shoreline's proposal (Attachment 3). Monthly status reports will be generated and submitted to APTIM and the County.

### Task 6: Monitoring

APTIM will conduct the pre-planting and post-planting monitoring events at the restoration sites and the control sites. Table 1 provides the proposed monitoring schedule, which includes a pre-planting monitoring event, baseline monitoring event (time-0), immediate post-planting (I-Post) monitoring event, and three (3) annual post-planting monitoring events. The post-planting monitoring events will occur at the start (March-May) of each seagrass growing season (except for the I-Post event, which will occur July-August) to align with the ongoing seagrass monitoring being conducted by the County. Three (3) control sites shall be selected during the site evaluations (Task 2) to compare the success of the restoration sites and to also document regional natural variability and/or disturbances. One (1) control site shall be selected for each region of the lagoon (north, central, and south) near the restoration sites. Control sites (i.e., degraded to a similar degree of the proposed restoration sites) were chosen versus reference sites (i.e., ideal target of restoration) due to the unlikelihood of identifying sufficient reference sites in each region of the lagoon.



Table 1. Proposed Planting and Monitoring Schedule.

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WONIA	2025	2026	2027	2028
March	Pre-Planting			
March/April	Installation			
March-May	Time-0	12-month	24-month	36-month
July/August	I-Post			

During each monitoring event, an in-situ assessment will be conducted to monitor the status of the restoration and control sites. The preliminary design includes six (6) 2-acre restoration sites and three (3) 1-acre control sites. Based on this approach, 1% of each restoration site (2 ac) and each control site (1 ac) will be evaluated utilizing a stratified random quadrat assessment. This would include 80 quadrats per restoration site and 40 quadrats per control site. However, these methods may be adjusted based on the final site selection.

The canopy height and cover-abundance of submerged aquatic resources (SAV) shall be visually assessed within 1-m² (1 m x 1 m) quadrats (and/or cages if the randomized survey point is located on a cage location). Coverabundance (percent cover) of SAV shall be visually assessed and reported. Any drift algae within the quadrat shall be recorded in the field notes as sparse, moderate, or abundant and then carefully removed prior to visually assessing rooted or anchored SAV taxa (seagrass and rhizophytic macroalgae, respectively). Once drift algae have been removed from the quadrat, the biologist shall assess the total cover-abundance of SAV, which is the total cover of all seagrass and rhizophytic macroalgae taxa. The total cover-abundance of all seagrass species and the total cover-abundance of all rhizophytic macroalgae genera shall also be reported. The biologist shall also report the cover-abundance of each seagrass species and each rhizophytic macroalgae genera present within the quadrat. The results of this assessment shall be used to calculate the frequency of occurrence (percentage of all quadrats that contained SAV), the density (average cover-abundance for all quadrats sampled) and the abundance (average cover-abundance for only those quadrats containing SAV). These metrics shall be calculated for 1) all SAV, 2) all seagrass, 3) all rhizophytic macroalgae, 4) each seagrass species and 5) each rhizophytic macroalgae genera.

Site conditions shall be visually assessed and indicators of function such as canopy height, epiphyte coverage, substrate type, water depth, water clarity and visibility shall be observed and noted. Representative photographs of each site shall be taken to document the conditions.

Water quality parameters will also be collected at each site using a YSI multiparameter meter or similar instrument. Parameters shall include dissolved oxygen, salinity, and turbidity. Two (2) measurements shall be taken at each site: one (1) at a maximum of 6 inches below the water surface and one (1) at a maximum 6 inches off the bottom. Calibration information shall be up to date and will be provided with each report. All possible measures shall be taken to ensure no artificial turbidity or mixing occurs due to monitoring activities.

Deliverables will include annual monitoring reports following the 12, 24, and 36-month monitoring events that document the data and results of each of the post-planting monitoring event occurring between annual reports. Raw data including field datasheets, Excel spreadsheets, water quality data files, and photographs shall also be provided to the County after each monitoring event. The annual monitoring reports shall compare the restoration sites to their corresponding control site and shall evaluate the effectiveness of the planting units and GrowSAV



Exclusion Devices at creating and maintaining seagrass habitat. Monitoring of the restoration and control sites will be completed with four years following receipt of the County's CSA, barring no unforeseen inclement environmental conditions.

### **Assumptions**

If conditions differ from those assumed within this scope of work that will affect the schedule and/or scope, APTIM shall advise the County in writing of the magnitude of the required adjustments, and changes in completion schedule or compensation to APTIM will be discussed with the County.



### **ATTACHMENT 2**

### PALM BEACH COUNTY

### LAKE WORTH LAGOON SEAGRASS RESTORATION PROJECT

### PREPARED BY: Aptim Environmental & Infrastructure, LLC (APTIM)

TACV	TASK DESCRIPTION		ABOR	EQUIPMENT AND DIRECT		SUBCONTRACTOR		TASK	
IASK			COSTS		COSTS	COSTS		COST	
1	State and Federal Permitting	\$	651.76	\$	<b>.</b>	\$	6,519.55	\$ 7,171.31	
2	Site Evaluation and Report	\$	446.53	\$		\$	8,509.25	\$ 8,955.78	
3	Materials Production	\$	•	\$	-	\$	313,680.75	\$ 313,680.75	
4	Installation	\$	-	\$	-	\$	8,140.60	\$ 8,140.60	
5	Maintenance	\$	-	\$	-	\$	38,895.10	\$ 38,895.10	
6	Monitoring	\$ 5	7,787.99	\$	15,361.50	\$	-	\$ 73,149.49	
	TOTAL COST	\$ 5	8,886.28	\$	15,361.50	\$	375,745.25	\$ 449,993.03	

TOTAL PROJECT COST =

\$ 449,993.03



## PALM BEACH COUNTY LAKE WORTH LAGOON SEAGRASS RESTORATION PROJECT

### PREPARED BY: Aptim, Environmental & Infrastructure, LLC (APTIM)

			LABOR					EQUIP	MENT			Direct	
TASK	Senior Marine Biologist	Marine Biologist I	Survey Technician	GIS Operator	Clerical	Turbidimeter	Survey Boat (24 ft Privateer)	Trimble Differential GPS	Underwater Camera	SCUBA tanks	Dive Equipment & Insurance	Sea & Shoreline	Task Subtotal
	Hours	Hours	Hours	Hours	Hours	Day	Day	Day	Day	Tank	Diver/Day	Total	
1 State and Federal Permitting 2 Site Evaluation and Report 3 Materials Production 4 Installation 5 Maintenance 6 Monitoring	4 4 208	4 1 376	168	3	3	10.5	10.5	10.5	10.5	21	21	\$ 6,455.00 \$ 8,425.00 \$310,575.00 \$ 8,060.00 \$ 38,510.00 \$ -	\$ 8,955.78 \$ 313,680.75 \$ 8,140.60
ТОТА	216	381	168	3	3	10.5	10.5	10.5	10.5	21	21	\$372,025.00	
RATI COS	\$ 94.53 \$ 20.418.48	\$ 68.41 \$26,064.21	\$ 70.51 \$11,845,68	\$107.50 \$322.50	\$ 78.47 \$235.41		-	•	•	\$ 19.00 \$399.00	•	1.01 \$375.745.25	\$ 449,993.03

Labor \$ 58,886.28
Equipment \$ 15,361.50
Subcontractor \$375,745.25
TOTAL COST \$449,993.03



### **ATTACHMENT 3**

## SEA & SHORELINE SCOPE OF SERVICES AND COST PROPOSAL



July 24, 2024

Katy Brown Lead Marine Biologist Aptim Environmental & Infrastructure, LLC. Mobile: (732) 599-6653

Email: kathryn.brown@aptim.com

Ms. Brown,

Thank you for allowing Sea & Shoreline the opportunity to provide a scope of work and cost estimate for the Lake Worth Lagoon Seagrass Restoration Project. The goal of this project is to restore seagrass communities to the Lagoon using nursery grown planting units. The data and results obtained from this project will be important in guiding future large-scale seagrass restoration efforts within the Lake Worth Lagoon.

If you have any questions regarding this proposal, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Sincerely,

Nicholas Muzia, P.E.

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**Principal Engineer** 

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### **Lake Worth Lagoon Seagrass Restoration Project**

### **Project Overview**

Seagrasses are among one of the most productive habitats in the world. Seagrass habitats promote essential nutrient cycling, sediment stabilization, climate regulation, and critical habitat for many species. Despite their importance, adverse anthropogenic activities are increasingly impacting seagrass ecosystems globally, leading to depletion and, in some cases, localized extinction.

Likewise, seagrasses in the Lake Worth Lagoon (LWL) have seen a reduction in density, cover, and extent over the last decade according to the 2021 Lake Worth Lagoon Management Plan (Palm Beach County, 2021). Once seagrass begins to decline in a system, natural recovery can be a challenge due to the sediment resuspension that can result from a reduction in rhizome matrixes and canopy cover, increasing turbidity and further limiting available light needed for seagrass growth.

This project aims to compliment the restoration efforts that Palm Beach County, local municipalities and local environmental groups have already begun in the LWL by utilizing nursery-grown seagrass and proven restoration methods to restore lost or degraded seagrass meadows that are experiencing functional loss. Seagrass restoration and enhancement will consist of growing native seagrasses in an upland aquaculture facility and planting them in areas that have historically seen denser seagrass beds and/or in areas that have data recording optimal conditions for seagrass growth. The seagrass planting units will be protected from grazing and maintained for a period of 22 months. The results of this project will be monitored and statistically evaluated against control seagrass meadows in the LWL and the data and observations collected from this project will help to guide future planting efforts.

### **Project Objectives**

The primary objective of this project is to plant nursery-grown seagrass in the Lake Worth Lagoon. Nursery-grown seagrass plantings will jumpstart colonization in areas where natural recovery has been slow or non-existent and supplement existing seagrasses within sparser areas. In addition, the increase in seagrass biomass will provide additional foraging opportunities for listed species, enhance fisheries productivity, stabilize sediment and thus improve water quality.

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### **Scope of Services**

- 1. Permitting
- 2. Site Evaluation & Report
- 3. Materials Production
  - a. Planting Unit Cultivation
  - b. GrowSAV Herbivory Exclusion Device Fabrication
- 4. Installation
- 5. Maintenance
- 6. Monitoring
- 7. Project Budget
- 8. Project Timeline
- 9. Appendices

### **Description of Services**

### 1. Permitting

Sea & Shoreline will work with APTIM Environmental & Infrastructure, LLC to create a permit application that will include all applicable data, exhibits, maps, and narrative. Sea & Shoreline will also pay for all required application fees. Any local, state, and federal permit, exemption, or authorization required to perform the proposed work will be obtained prior to work beginning.

### 2. Site Evaluation & Report

All sites will be evaluated based on the below criteria:

- a. Sediment Quality and Grain Size Analysis During the benthic survey (conducted during federal growing season or regional agency accepted timeframe) of the proposed sites up to 10 Sediment Quality Analyses will be performed including the below tests. At each test site, a minimum of 3kg of substrate will be collected for the analysis.
  - i. <u>ASTMC117 Testing of Materials finer than No. 200 sieve in mineral aggregates</u> by washing
  - ii. ASTMC136 Sieve analysis for fine and coarse material
  - iii. ASTM D2974 Organic material of soil
  - iv. EPA Method 351.2 TKN
  - v. EPA Method 353.2 Nitrate/Nitrite
  - vi. EPA Method 365.4 Total Phosphorus
  - vii. Moisture analysis

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- b. Exposure rating for proposed site will be generated and presented The exposure rating will be calculated and presented with a likely success criteria based on the Guidelines for the Conservation and Restoration of Seagrass in the United States and Adjacent Water (Fonseca, Kenworthy, and Thayer 1998).
- c. The results of the evaluation will be presented to Palm Beach County in the form of a short report. The report will include test results and the maximum and minimum range for project success based on the guidelines provided in Fonseca, Kenworthy, and Thayer 1998. The final site and plant distributions will be approved after this document is generated and accepted by Palm Beach County.

Exposure to waves was calculated for each site using methods of the Shore Protection Manual (1977) and Keddy (1982) as reported by Murphey and Fonseca (1995):

Exposure = 
$$\sum_{i=1}^{8} (V_i \times P_i \times F_i)$$

where:

i = ith compass heading (1-8)

V = average monthly maximum wind speed in m s<sup>-1</sup>

P = percent frequency which wind occurred from the ith direction

F = effective fetch

Figure 1: Exposure to Wave Calculation provided (Fonseca, Kenworthy, and Thayer 1998)

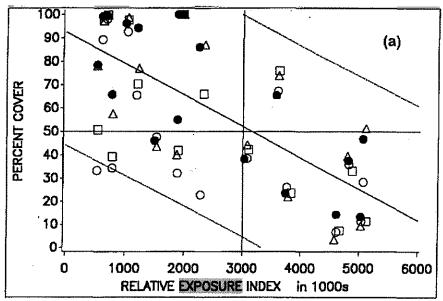


Figure 2: Relative Exposure index to determine range of success (Fonseca, Kenworthy, and Thayer 1998)

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### 3. Materials Production

### 3.a. Planting Unit Production

All seagrass planting units will be harvested from Sea & Shoreline's FDACS certified aquaculture facility located in Melbourne Beach, FL. Seagrass will be packaged into viable planting units and cultivated for 30-60 days or until they are firmly rooted in the substrate. Planting units will consist of only Shoal Grass (Halodule wrightii). Pot planting units or bag planting units may be constructed and used in the restoration site depending on location and site conditions. The four-inch pot planting units, consist of a 4"x4"x4" biodegradable peat pot filled with a peat-sand mixture that contains 7-25 apical meristems per unit with numerous shoots, and the four-inch bag units, consist of a biodegradable bag material filled with a peat-sand mixture that contain 7-25 apical meristems per unit with numerous shoots. A total of 61,500 planting units will be produced and grown out for this project.

### 3.b. GrowSAV Herbivory Exclusion Device fabrication

GrowSAV Herbivory Exclusion Devices are 18" tall and 36" in diameter, protecting an area of 7 ft². They consist of a metal frame covered by PVC coated wire mesh and anchoring legs that bury in the sediment allowing the device to sit flush on the bottom to ensure stability. The mesh keeps out medium and large sized herbivores, allowing planting units to become well established. A total of 300 GrowSAV Exclusion Devices will be placed over six 2-acre restoration sites, with 50 exclusion devices at each restoration site. Exclusion devices will be spaced on average of 10 m centers, but exact locations may be adjusted based on site conditions.

### 4. Installation

Planting units will be transported to the restoration sites using best management practices (Fonseca, Kenworthy, and Thayer 1998) and will be planted ubiquitously on four-foot centers throughout the restoration sites by a team of biologists using a mask and snorkel. Plantings will occur in water depth of at least 12" and no deeper than 3' (+/-6") MLW. GrowSAV Herbivory Exclusion Devices will be transported to the restoration sites and placed over a portion of the seagrass planting units to provide temporary protection for a period of 22 months. The cages will be maintained for a 22-month period. All GrowSAV cages will be permitted and marked with PVC pole anchored into the bottom with reflective tape above the waterline.

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### 5. Maintenance

Maintenance of seagrass exclusion devices will occur monthly for a period of 22 months. Biofouling and drift algae will be removed from the devices by a team of Sea & Shoreline staff to ensure ample flow and light availability. During these events, the health, success, and growth of all planting units will be documented through photographs and maintenance reports will be generated and submitted to regulatory agencies and project stakeholders to provide regular updates. After 22 months, Sea & Shoreline will remove the GrowSAV cages from the restoration sites, taking possession of the cages for storage purposes and determining if the cages can be re-used for future projects with Palm Beach County.

### 6. Monitoring

Monitoring will be performed by APTIM and detailed methods are provided in APTIM's scope of work.



### 7. Project Budget

The lump sum fee for the scope of work is \$372,025 as detailed in the table below.

Activity	Quantity	Unit	Unit Cost	Cost
1. Permitting	N/A		N/A	\$ 6,455
2. Site Evaluation & Analysis Report (10 sediment & Nutrient Analysis)	10		\$842.50	\$ 8,425
3.a Planting Unit Cultivation	61,500		\$3.25	\$ 199,875
3.b GrowSAV Herbivory Exclusion Devices Fabrication	300		\$369	\$ 110,700
4. Installation	N/A		\$8,060	\$ 8,060
5. Maintenance	22		\$1,750.45	\$ 38,510
6. Monitoring (APTIM)				
	Total			\$ 372,025

<sup>\*</sup>The pricing reflected here is to be considered a special or one-time pricing. This special pricing is offered on a one-time basis to support the project goals as a good faith effort by Sea & Shoreline LLC. to help develop successful seagrass restoration projects in the Lake Worth Lagoon.

### 8. Project Timeline

Activity	Task	Estimated Start Date	Estimated End Date
1	Permitting	Sept 2024	December 2024
2	Site Evaluation and Analysis Report	Sept2024	December 2024
3	Materials Production	Sept 2024	April 2025
4	Installation	March 2025	April 2025
5	Maintenance	May 2025	Feb 2027
6	Monitoring	March 2025	May 2028



### 9. Appendix - Itemized Cost Breakdown

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	T	Labor				***************************************	Equipm	Sent .		Subcontract	····
Activity	Senior Biologist	Biologics	Survey & GIS	Admin	Consuma bles	Post	RTX	Grow SAV Cages	4" Planting Units (Seagrass)	Material Testing	activity total
1 - Permitting	30	0	15	i	0	1	1				\$ 6,455
2 - Site Evaluation		8	15	1	1	1	1			4415	5 6.425
Sa Planting Units									61.500		S 199,875
ib GrowSAV cages								300			S 110,700
- Installation	3.0	80	9.5	3		<u> </u>					S 8.060.0
5 - Maintenance (22 events)	60	160		5	22	22	5				\$ 38.510.00
Unit Cost	§ 90.00	5 75.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 70.00	5 15.00	5 795.00	\$ 490.00	5 369.00	\$3.25		
Cost	5 10,440,00									5 4,415.00	

Labor \$ 23,690 |
Equipment \$ 333,920 |
Testing - subcontract \$ 4,415 |
Total \$ 372,025 |

### 10. Appendix – Subcontractor Material Testing Proposals

ltem	Cost per unit	Quantity	Processing Fee	Total
Eurofins Solid Plant/ Dredge	\$185	10	\$5*	\$1,900
Material				
Terracon Material Testing	\$195	10	\$565	\$2,515
Services				
Total				\$4,415

Please see attached proposals for sediment and water analysis.

\*Sea & Shoreline will dry material prior to submitting for testing to avoid the \$85 'passive drying fee' quoted for each sample. Safe and Environmentally Responsible Waste Management Fee will still apply for each sample.

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### References

- Fonseca, Mark S., et al. 1998. Guidelines for the Conservation and Restoration of Seagrasses in the United States and Adjacent Waters. NOAA Coastal Ocean Program Decision Analysis Series No. 12. NOAA Coastal Ocean Office, Silver Spring, MD. 222 pp.
- b. Palm Beach County. 2021. Lake Worth Lagoon Management Plan 2021. http://discover.pbcgov.org/erm/Publications/LWLManagementPlan 2021.pdf.



### Environment Testing

Eurofins Orlando 481 Newburyport Avenue Altamonte Springs, FL 32701

Prepared by:

Erickson, Russell

2/28/2024

Expiration Date: 5/28/2024

Project: Solid Plant or Dredge Material

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Quote Number: 67004511 - 0

Water Samples (1)

TAT: 10\_Days (Business Days)

Matrix	Method	Test Description	Quantity	Unit Price	Extended Price
Water	Total Nitrogen	Total Nitrogen Calculation (NO2+NO3+TKN)	1	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Water	351.2	Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen	1	\$ 35.00	\$ 35.00
Water	353.2	Nitrate/Nitrite as NOx Combined	1	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
Water	365.1	Low Level Phosphorus	1	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
		Total Water Samples (1)		==	\$ 85.00

Solid Plant or Dredge Material (1)

TAT: 10\_Days (Business Days)

Matrix	Method	Test Description	Quantity	Unit Price	Extended Price
Solid	Total Nitrogen	Total Nitrogen Calcuation (NO2+NO3+TKN)	1	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Solid	351,2	Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen	1	\$ 40.00	\$ 40.00
Solid	353.2	Nitrate/Nitrite as NOx Combined	1	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
Solid	365.4	Total Phosphorus as P	1	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00
Solid	Moisture	Percent Moisture	1	\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00
		Total Solid Plant or Dredge Material (1)		-	\$ 100.00

### **Quote Other Charges**

Description	Quantity	Unit Price	Extended Price
"Passive Dry" Preparation & Homongenization Fee (see Footnote)	1	\$ 85.00	\$ 85.00
Minimum Transaction Charge	0	\$ 150.00	\$ 0.00
Safe and Environmentally Responsible Waste Management (per sample)	1	\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00
Total Other Charge			\$90.00

**Total Other Charges** \$ 90.00 **Total Analysis Charges** \$ 185.00 **Grand Total for Quote 67004511** \$ 275.00

Issued on: 2/28/2024

<sup>\*\*</sup>Quoted charges do not include sales tax. Applicable sales tax will be added to invoices where required by law.



### Lake Worth Lagoon Project - Laboratory Testing Palm Beach County, Florida **MATERIALS TESTING ESTIMATE** Soil Testing Description Extended Cost Type Earthwork Technician Field Sampling & Testing Sample Pickup (1 trip @ 2 hrs/trip) Đ Hours \$75.00 \$0.00 - Drainage (XX trips @ XX hrs/trip) 2 0 Hours \$75.00 \$0.00 Sanitary Sewer (XX trips @ XX hrs/trip) 0 Hours \$75.00 \$0.00 Water Line (XX trips @ XX hrs/trip) 0 Hours \$75.00 \$0.00 Subgrade & Base (XX trips @ XX hrs/trip) Hours \$75.00 \$0.00 Building Pad (XX trips @ XX hrs/trip) 0 Hours \$75.00 \$0.00 Vehicle/Trip Charge ₽ Trip <del>\$75.00</del> = \$0.00 Laboratory Testing Proctor Tests (AASHTO D698 and D1557) Α Each \$140.00 = \$0.00 Grain Size Analysis (ASTM C136) 10 Each \$80.00 = \$800.00 Sieve Analysis -200 wash (ASTM C117) 10 Each \$55.001= \$550.00 Organic Content Test (ASTM D2974) 10 Each \$60.00 \$600.00 5 Limerock Bearing Ratio Test (FM 5-515) Đ Each \$320.00 \$0.00 Atterberg Limits Test (ASTM) Ð Each \$90.00 \$0.00 Sub-Total \$1,950.00 Concrete Testing Description Total Un Type Concrete Technician (XX trips @ 4 hrs/trip) Ф Hours \* \$75.00 = \$0.00 Vehicle/Trip Charge (Includes next day cylinder pickup) 2 0 Trip \$75.00 \$0.00 Concrete Compressive Strength Test (XX Sets of 5 cyls) 0 Each \$20.00 \$0.00 \$0.00 **Asphalt Testing** Description <del>Type</del> Asphalt Technician ۵ Hours \$85.00 = \$0.00 2 Vehicle/Trip Charge 0 Trip \$75.00 \$0.00 Extraction/Gradation Test 0 \$225.00 Each \$0.00 Sub Total \$0.00 Engineering & Reporting Services Description Extended Cost Type Principal Engineer Hour \$195.00 = \$195.00 Sr. Project Manager/Engineer Hour 2 2 \$150.00 \$300.00 3 Clerical/Adminstration 1 Hour \$70.00 \$70.00 Sub-Total \$565.00 **Material Testing Services** 1 Subtotal of Materials Testing Services Total \$2,515.00 \$0.00 Total \$0.00

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Total

\$2,515.00

### **CONTRACT HISTORY**

# Aptim Environmental & Infrastructure, LLC Continuing Contract for Coastal and Marine Engineering Services

Contract R2023-0019 dated January 10, 2023 for a period of two years, expires on January 9, 2025. SBE Goal 22.0% (20% SBE/Woman; 2% SBE/White Male)

Task Order summary:

Task Order suith				
CSA NUMBER	TOTAL/ SBE and/or MWBE AMOUNT	TASK DUE DATE	TASK DESCRIPTION	APPROVED BY/DATE
APTIM-01	217,838.91 210,574.19	12/31/2023	2023 Sea Turtle Monitoring - Singer Island & Ocean Ridge	BCC 2/7/2023
APTIM-01A	-111,820.16 -109,057.91	12/31/2023	2023 Sea Turtle Monitoring - Singer Island & Ocean Ridge	BCC 6/6/2023
0019-02	217,838.97 210,574.25	12/31/2024	2024 Sea Turtle Monitoring - Singer Island & Ocean Ridge	BCC 2/6/2024
0019-03	449,993.03 0.00	5/31/2028	Lake Worth Lagoon Seagrass Restoration	BCC

Total:

773,850.75 312,090.53

SBE-M/WBE: 312,096 SBE-M/WBE Participation:

40.3%

Report Date & Filename:

08/08/24

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