

2020-2021 Cycle 23 Coastal Incentive Grant Program Themes
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The themes of the 2020-2021 Cycle 23 Coastal Incentive Grant Program as adopted by the Coastal Advisory Council are (*bulleted items are provided only as examples*):

Oceans and Wetlands

- Maintaining or improving the quality of wetlands
- Conservation and restoration of wetland habitats
- Improved understanding of ocean and wetland habitats and functions

Public Access and Land Conservation

- Add or enhance physical access for the public to coastal water resources (i.e. rivers, wetlands, beaches)
- Public access planning
- Conservation of riparian habitats through acquisition
- Land conservation, preservation and/or management, especially for sea level rise retreat
- Analysis of land conservation needs and opportunities for habitat protection

Sustainable Communities

- Strengthen local capacity to implement sustainable approaches in planning and development
- Identification and preservation of unique community qualities, historical and cultural features, including public education of the above
- Increase understanding of costs and benefits associated with sustainable approaches to coastal development

Disaster Resiliency and Coastal Hazards

- Improved understanding of coastal hazards and potential impacts
- Develop, implement or incorporate adaptation and mitigation strategies/plans or policies
- Strengthen local capacity to implement FEMA's Community Rating System

Non-Point Source Pollution

- Improvements to existing urban runoff control structures in coastal watersheds
 - Projects that address stormwater quantity and quality improvements utilizing BMPs recommended by the Georgia Coastal Stormwater Supplement
- *No construction projects are eligible under this theme