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WALTON

2020 Pre-Season Beach Vendor Meeting

January 14, 2020 9:00 AM

&

January 16, 2020 4:00 PM



2020 Pre-Season Beach Vendor Meeting Agenda

January 14, 2020 & January 16, 2020

Welcome and Introduction – Danny Garner, Beach Code Enforcement Manager

- **BEACH CODE ENFORCEMENT**
 - Vendor Packet Overview
 - Updated Contacts (See pgs. 5-7)
 - FDEP Permits – Updated Instructions (See pgs.16-30)
 - Copy of Current Ordinance (See pgs. 32-60)
 - Code Revisions Overview (See pg. 31)
 - Code Section 22-54 (p)
 - Code Section 22-60 (b)(1)
 - Code Section 22-60 (d)(2)
 - Code Section 22-60 (d)(6)
 - Code Section 22-60 (e)(4)
 - Beach Vending Permitting Process
 - Updated Consent Form for Site Specific Permits (See pg. 61)
 - Application Submittal Date Begins January 2, 2019
 - Applicable fees - \$.15 per page
 - Copies
 - Blank permit applications
 - New Dune Allen Regional Beach Access
 - Updated Beach Access Selection Chart
 - Available to vendors upon request
 - Current Beach Vendor Zone Maps (See pgs. 62-88)
 - Beach Driving Permits – Only available with the following:
 - Site Specific Permit with direct access
 - With consent from all homeowners
 - Walton County beach access
 - Managed Vendor Program and Locations
 - Inlet Beach Regional Beach Access
 - Santa Clara Regional Beach Access
 - Van Ness Butler Regional Beach Access
 - Blue Mountain Beach Regional Beach Access
 - Gulfview Heights Regional Beach Access
 - Ed Walline Regional Beach Access



- Ft. Panic Regional Beach Access
- Dune Allen Regional Beach Access
- Grayton Dunes/Grayton Beach Neighborhood Beach Access

- Storage Box Permits for 2020
 - Lottery and Permitting Process
 - Vendor Storage Box Permit Affidavit (see pg. 88)
 - Locations
 - S Walton Lakeshore Dr. Neighborhood Beach Access
 - Wall Street Neighborhood Beach Access
 - Walton Dunes Neighborhood Beach Access
 - Eastern Lake Neighborhood Beach Access
 - One Seagrove Neighborhood Beach Access
 - Andalusia Avenue Neighborhood Beach Access
 - Greenwood Avenue Neighborhood Beach Access
 - Gardenia Street Neighborhood Beach Access
 - Hwy 395 Neighborhood Beach Access
 - Nightcap Street Neighborhood Beach Access
 - Hickory Street Neighborhood Beach Access
 - Spooky Lane Neighborhood Beach Access
 - Shell Seekers Cove Neighborhood Beach Access
 - Scenic Gulf Drive Regional Beach Access
 - Access will be under construction and no parking

TDC Beach Ambassadors – Laurie Reichenbach, Beach Ambassador Lead

- Transition
- Introductions
- 2020 Objectives

Grayton Beach State Park – Matthew Allen

- Vendor operation on state park

South Walton Turtle Watch – Matt Magera/Lacie Wegner

- Turtle monitoring texting program – Updated (See pgs. 8-9)
- What to do if you encounter a live/dead turtle
- What to do if you encounter an unmarked nest



Walton County Sheriff's Dept. Beach Bureau – Lt. Cosson & Lt. Jordan

- SAFETY
- SPRING BREAK POSTS
- ASSISTANCE
 - Do not call deputies directly, call dispatch at 892-8111 or 911 if an emergency.

South Walton Fire District –

- LIFEGUARD PROGRAM - **David Vaughn**
 - Mission
 - Season
 - Towers/Roving guard locations

- EMERGENCY RESPONSE
 - Water and Medical
 - What to expect
 - Notification and locations

- **FIREWORKS/BONFIRES – Sammy Sanchez**
 - State regulations
 - Permits (See pgs. 10-11)

Walton County TDC Beach Maintenance – Josh Ervin

- Beach operations responsibilities
- Vendor trash removal responsibilities
- Storm preparation

Question/Answer Open Forum Discussion

Adjourn



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BEACH CODE ENFORCEMENT RESOURCE LIST

Department	Phone Number	Email	Website
Sheriff's Office	892-8111		
Lt. Jordan	401-4147		
Florida DEP	245-7555		
Florida DEP Permitting/Paige Plier	850-595-0621	Paige.Plier@dep.state.fl.us	To Submit DEP Permit Applications: http://www.fldepportal.com/go/
FDEP Bureau of Beaches/Coastal	850-488-7708		www.dep.state.fl.us/beaches
SWFD	267-1298		
David Vaughn SWFD Lifeguard Contact	803-2601		
Sammy Sanchez (SWFD Bonfire)	267-1298		
Julie Clarke & Lori Brown (Bonfire Permits)	267-1307	info@swfd.org	beachbonfire@swfd.org
County Street Code Enforcement	622-0000		
Florida Fish & Wildlife Alert Hotline	888-404-3922		
Sharon Maxwell (SWTW)	897-5228		
Matt Magera (SWTW)	706-442-8998		
Grayton Beach State Park Office	267-8300		
Matthew Allen, Park Mgr. (Grayton Bch St Park)	850-258-9724		
Patrick Hartfield (Grayton Beach State Park)	850-496-1521		
Slade Ward (Grayton Beach State Park)	850-630-6394		
Topsail State Park Office	850-267-8330		
Walton County Parks & Recreation	850-951-7010		
Walton County BCC Meeting Portal			https://walton.civicweb.net/Portal/
Special Event Application/Information Website			https://www.co.walton.fl.us/649/35126/Beach-Outdoor-Event-Permits
Walton County Municode Website			https://library.municode.com/fl/walton_county/codes/code_of_ordinances

SOUTH WALTON TURTLE WATCH ALERTS

Messaging System Overview

We have found a messaging system to text SWTW alerts to any text-capable phone you link to the system. The phone does not have to be a smartphone, but it must be capable of sending and receiving text messages in order to link to the system. The SWTW alerts, sent via this system, will notify vendors when various sections of South Walton beaches have been cleared by SWTW.

Vendors who signed up for the system the previous year does not need to sign up the following year unless the vendor withdrew from the system.

It is our desire to notify vendors as soon as possible when sections of the beach have been cleared. Walton County Waterways and Beach Activities Ordinance 2019-05, Section 22-60 (d) (4) states, "During the sea turtle nesting season, vendors shall be allowed access to the beach between 7:30 a.m., or after the morning sea turtle nesting survey has been completed, or whichever is earlier, and one hour after sunset." The SWTW alert we are describing here will serve as notification that the morning sea turtle nesting survey has been completed. Be aware that as we move through the season, sunrise hours will vary. Beginning in the fall, daylight will come later, and we will be forced to start our survey later.

Vendors will need to sign up for each section of beach for which they want to receive an alert. There are 18 different beach sections, designated by SWTW. Each section of the beach has a designation, such as SWTW01 for the first section, of the eastern most beach in the county, and SWTW02 for the second, or next, section of the beach. The descriptions of the various areas can be found on page two, along with the texting messages. The sections are listed east to west.

Texts that are sent by SWTW area coordinators or their designated person from the beach may not contain complete descriptions of those cleared beaches so you will need to know which designation refers to which section of beach. For example, what beach section does SWTWG10 refer? As shown on page two, the answer is Grayton Beach.

The system allows vendors to receive either text message alerts or an email alert. You should sign up for whichever method you prefer.

SWTW will clear beaches after they have been walked even if there is a nest on that beach. Any nests found will be marked with small flags until they have been completely investigated and documented by SWTW. **BE SURE TO STEER CLEAR OF ANY AREAS WITH THESE SMALL FLAGS** even if the beach has been cleared. Remember, when you see our flags, it means we are taking care of a nest or crawl. The beach may have been cleared but vendors are not authorized to set up in an area that is still being investigated.

It is our intention to clear every section of the beach as quickly as possible every day. Times that sections will be cleared will vary due to individual walkers, storms, lightning, or heavy rain. An area may be cleared later than usual because of nesting sea turtles, hatchlings or possibly a nest has been violated by an animal. Despite these potential influences, we still anticipate vendors will be cleared to get on the beach well before the time specified in the Walton County Municipal Code.

Once vendors have signed up for the alerts, as described on page 2, vendors will receive confirmation of being signed up for each section.

Messages sent out through the system cannot be edited or deleted so there is a permanent record of texts sent to vendors.

SWTW does not see the vendor's telephone numbers and the vice versa. The number you text, when subscribing to the alert system, is a messaging system phone number only.

SOUTH WALTON TURTLE WATCH ALERTS

Signing Up for Text Alerts

AREAS IN WALTON COUNTY (EAST TO WEST)

SWTW01 – Camp Helen to Main St. in Rosemary Beach walk up (Where clock is on the building)

SWTW02 – Main St. in Rosemary Beach to Charles St. in Alys Beach

SWTW03 – Charles St. in Alys Beach to 8870 Co Hwy 30A E

SWTW04 – 8870 Co Hwy 30A E to Ramsgate Condos in Seacrest

SWTW05 – Ramsgate Condos in Seacrest to Camp Creek outfall or flagpole (if outfall is closed)

SWTW06 - Camp Creek outfall or flagpole (if outfall is closed) to Lakewood Drive Beach Access

SWTW07 - Lakewood Drive Beach Access to One Seagrove Place beach access

SWTW08 - One Seagrove Place beach access to Gardenia St. Neighborhood Beach Access or Whiskey Bravo Restaurant

SWTW09 - Gardenia St. Neighborhood Beach Access or Whiskey Bravo Restaurant to the eastern boundary of Grayton State Park (West of Watercolor)

SWTW10 – Grayton Beach

SWTW11 – Gulf Trace

SWTW12 – Grayton State Park (Western Boundary) to Blue Mountain Regional Beach Access (Hwy 83)

SWTW13 - Blue Mountain Regional Beach Access (Hwy 83) to Ed Walline Regional Beach Access (Hwy 393)

SWTW14 - Ed Walline Regional Beach Access (Hwy 393) to Stallworth Lake Outfall (Boundary of Topsail Hill Preserve State Park)

SWTW15 - Topsail Hill Preserve State Park to Tang-O-Mar Road

SWTW16 - Tang-O-Mar Road to the walk up at Whale’s Tail

SWTW17 - Walk up at Whale’s Tail to the eastern most walkup at Pompano Joe’s (Miramar Regional Beach Access)

SWTW18 - Eastern most walkup at Pompano Joe’s (Miramar Regional Beach Access) to Captain Dave’s walk up

TO SIGN UP FOR TEXT AND/OR EMAIL ALERTS:

Text a message to 850-213-2516 or 81010. The message will be @SWTW or @SWTWG followed by the number which corresponds to your section of interest. For example: If you want to be alerted when section 10 has been cleared each day, text **@SWTWG10** to 850-213-2516 or **81010**. Once you have submitted the text message, you will receive a text confirmation for each section you sign up to receive an alert.

Or you can get an email alert by sending a blank email to SWTW18@mail.remind.101.com. Again, please be aware you will be required to sign up for each, and every, section to receive alerts for each section.



THE PERMIT:

The person obtaining the permit must be present during the hours of the bonfire. The approved bonfire permit must be presented upon request of a Fire Official or Law Enforcement Officer. The South Walton Fire District reserves the right to check for permit compliance at any time.

Bonfire permit applications are processed **Monday through Friday, 8am—4pm at:**

South Walton Fire District
911 N County Highway 393
Santa Rosa Beach, FL 32459
850-267-1298



AGE REQUIREMENTS:

Permits will only be issued to persons 18 years or older. Participants under the age of 18 must be chaperoned by an adult EIGHTEEN (18) years of age or older. **FOR SUCH GROUPS, THE PERMIT WILL ONLY BE ISSUED TO THE CHAPERONE.** Children should be accompanied by an adult at all times when near a recreational fire.



WEATHER:

Unsuitable wind or weather conditions must be taken into consideration prior to and during the actual bonfire; adverse conditions may cause the revocation of the permit. Permits are non-refundable

For the most current weather conditions visit:

www.swfd.org



Watch for Sea Turtles

Sea Turtles have long called South Walton's sandy white beaches their home. Females return every two years generally between May 1st until October 31st to nest and deserve our respect and consideration.

It is most important that beach bonfires shall be at least 200 feet away from any Sea Turtle nest.

By leaving the beach clear of debris such as chairs, tents, umbrellas, fences etc. and by clearing other potential obstructions such as holes or hills, we can ensure the turtle has a safe path to a nesting site.

In late summer and early fall when the hatchlings begin to emerge, turn off lights near the beach that may disorientate the turtles' crawl to the surf.

For more information visit:

www.southwaltonturtlewatch.com



Beach Bonfire Guidelines



South Walton Fire District

911 N County Highway 393
Santa Rosa Beach, FL 32459
www.swfd.org





LOCATION:

Bonfires are allowed at most public beach accesses which are identified by an access number located at the beginning of each boardwalk. Accesses not clearly marked are privately owned and will require written permission from the property owner before a permit is issued.



SET UP:

Servicing of the bonfire site will be accomplished by hand carrying the equipment and supplies to the site. Vehicles shall not service the bonfire site (unless you have a beach vehicle permit).



MATERIAL:

Flammable and/or combustible liquids must not be utilized for fueling the bonfires. Use paper and matches rather than lighter fluid/gasoline to ignite your fire.

Bonfire material must not consist of pressure treated lumber, tar paper, contents containing any rubber products, creosote treated lumber, glue impregnated material, plastic, foam, or household trash. All burn material shall be free of nails or other metals.

Never Leave a Fire Unattended



Bonfires must be at least a minimum of:

◆ **100 feet away from habitable structures**



◆ **200 feet away from Sea Turtle nests**



◆ **50 feet away from vehicles, public roads, other structures, plants and vegetation.**



CONTAINER:

Bonfire material must be placed in a metal container such as a galvanized tub, fire pit or burn barrel shall be no larger than four (4) feet in diameter. There must be a minimum of (3) feet clearance from the outer edge of the container at all times from any combustible material.

BONFIRE MATERIAL SHOULD BE STACKED TO ENSURE THE FLAME REACHES NO HIGHER THAN FOUR (4) FEET.



EXTINGUISHMENT:

Upon completion of the bonfire, all ashes and leftover material must be thoroughly wet down and removed from the beach. Material and/or hot ashes shall not be buried in the sand or disposed of in a trash dumpster.



KEEP A SOURCE OF WATER OR OTHER EXTINGUISHING DEVICE NEARBY.



CLEAN UP AND RESTORATION:

Cleanup and restoration of the site must be completed by the expiration date and time set forth by the permit. The person obtaining the permit is responsible for providing the trash bags, removing the trash and placing all the trash in the proper containers.





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SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT GUIDELINES

Welcome and thank you for choosing South Walton Beaches to hold your event! South Walton beaches are a beautiful place to hold a wedding or special event. In an effort to make your event more enjoyable, and preserve the natural splendor, we have summarized a few guidelines regarding your permit. These guidelines are in accordance to Walton County Municipal Code Chapter 22 - Waterways and Beach Activities.

General Restrictions

- Glass, mirrors, ceramics and the like are not allowed on the beach.
- No release of helium balloons and/or Chinese lanterns.
- No fires/open flames without a bonfire permit. (Contact South Walton Fire Department for bonfire permits at 850-267-1298 or beachbonfire@swfd.org.)
- Leave only your footprints. Please clean up all items, including trash, before you leave.
- No motor vehicles permitted on the beach.
- Artificial petals are not permitted and are considered litter.
- Special Event permit holders are required to make provisions for trash removal at the end of the event.
- Special events over 100 people will require the special event sponsor/vendor to provide security and adequate parking plan. For security per Walton County Sheriff's Office, please contact the Walton County Sheriff's Office at specialevents@waltonso.org or 850-892-8186.

Start and End Times

- Set-up can only begin 1 hour before event time.
- Take down must be completed within 1 hour of the conclusion of the event.
- Permits will not be issued for events beginning prior to 8:00 AM CST.
- All items must be removed from the beach by midnight.
- Permits will not be issued more than twelve (12) months prior to the event requested.

Where to Set Up

- Events cannot be set-up within 100' of a marked turtle nest. (Bonfires cannot be set up within 200'.)
- Events cannot be set-up within the 15' emergency access corridor at the **water's edge seaward**.
- Events cannot be set-up within the 15' emergency access corridor at the **water's edge landward** (on public beach accesses).
- Events cannot be set up in front of the beach access boardwalk.

Special Permitted Items

- Bonfires, tiki torches, candles, or any open flames will need to be permitted through South Walton Fire District at 850-267-1298 or beachbonfire@swfd.org.
- Events being held on private, gulf front property, require *either* a Special Event Permit Authorization or a copy of a rental agreement (for rented properties).
- Lighting, dance floors, large tents and stages are not permitted without an FDEP (Florida Department of Environmental Protection) permit. Please contact Paige Plier at 850-595-0621.
- Tents are required to be noted on the Special Event Permit to be permissible.

Refunds

- Special Event Permits are non-refundable. Please call 850-622-7895 for any questions.



Walton County Municipal Code Chapter 22 Waterways and Beach Activities

Sec. 22-02. - Definitions.

Special events means:

- (1) Any use, activity, or event conducted or promoted on the beach that would constitute a violation of any provision of this article or any rule or regulation issued under the authority of this article;
- (2) Any activity or event that is organized and promoted to attract, and is likely to attract, a crowd of more than 30 persons to a certain place on the beach at a certain time under circumstances that are likely to create a need for additional police, lifesaving, or other services; or
- (3) Any activity or event on the beach that is promoted or sponsored by commercial interests and will advertise or promote private commercial interests.
- (4) Special events does not include private parties on private property, with no commercial gain or benefit, hosted and attended by the owner of the property.

Sec. 22-59. – Temporary use for special events.

- (a) *Policy and objective.* This article is intended to ensure broad beach usage by allowing temporary uses of the beach for purposes which otherwise would be prohibited. These special uses would be allowed by a permit that waives certain restrictions under specific conditions which still protect the public health, safety, and welfare. The permitting process is intended to provide a convenient procedure to be followed by beach users.
- (b) *Permit required.* No person shall organize, promote, or conduct a special event, except as provided in a special event permit issued pursuant to this section. It shall be unlawful for a vendor to organize, promote, or conduct a special event on behalf of a client without being listed on the permit application.
- (c) *Permits for special events.*
 - (1) A permit for special event, according to its terms, may constitute a temporary waiver of one or more provisions of this chapter.
 - (2) Permits are required for special events with 30 or more people expected. Permits are required for all weddings that are to be held on a public beach access, so as to not have more than one wedding taking place at the same time and place.
 - (3) The county shall create an application for the permit that details the items allowed and prohibited for use on the beach during special events. The permit shall require the applicant to provide, at a minimum, the following information:
 - a. Date and time of the special event;
 - b. Location of the special event;
 - c. Description of the special event;
 - d. Anticipated crowd size;



- e. Sponsor of the special event;
 - f. Written consent from the property owner;
 - g. Any other information required by the county;
 - h. The location of the walk-over or access to the beach that will be used for the event and permission from the owner if necessary;
 - i. Detailed equipment list and layout to include quantity of tables, chairs, lights, and other fixtures or equipment; and
 - j. Parking plan.
- (4) Special events over 100 people will require the special event sponsor to provide security and adequate parking.
- (5) Special event sponsors are required to clean the beach immediately after the event has been completed.
- (6) No special event shall be located within 100 feet of an active turtle nest.
- (7) Fee. The fee for special event permits shall be set by resolution of the board and changed as necessary. Each special event shall require a separate permit.

(Ord. No. 2019-05, 2-28-2019)

Resolution #2018-07. – Temporary use for special events.

(2) Establishment of Fees.

e. Beach Special Event -	\$50.00 – less than 10 people
	\$150.00 – 10 to 30 people
	\$250.00 – 31-50 people
	\$500.00 – 51-75 people
	\$1,000.00 - 76 + people



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Special Event Permit Authorization

Instructions:

Company Owned Property – This authorization must be signed by an officer of the company and notarized OR accompanied by a photo ID containing a signature. In addition, proof that the signer is an officer of the company must be attached, i.e. a copy of a corporation document or copy of Annual Corporation filing with the state of origin.

Individually Owned Property/Property Manager – This authorization must be signed by the owner/property manager and notarized OR accompanied by a copy of a photo ID containing a signature.

Property Owner(s) (Names as listed on deed) Name/Title (If Company/Property Mgr.)

Mailing Address State Zip

Contact Phone Number Email Address

Walton County Gulf Front Property Location (Physical Address or Parcel Identification)

As owner/manager of the property listed above, I am authorizing the following person(s) or beach services vendor(s) to conduct Special Events on said property within the guidelines set forth by Walton County Code of Ordinances Chapter 22 2019-26, Section 22-54 (g). Please contact Beach Code Enforcement to ensure proper permitting.

- Any Renter/Guest
- Any permitted South Walton Beach Service Vendor
- Specific person(s) or permitted Vendor(s) as listed below:

(Name of Authorized Individual)

The date of event being authorized:

(Date) (Location)

Property Owner/Manager/Company Officer Signature Printed Name of Property Owner/Mgr./Officer

Date

Please mail **originally signed and notarized** form to: 924 S Co Hwy 83, Santa Rosa Beach, FL 32459
OR email form with ID copy only to Melanie@visitsouthwalton.com. Thank you!



**DEP Permit Process for
Walton County Special Event Permit**

Step by Step ESSA Guidelines

Using ESSA

ESSA is short for DEP's "Enterprise Self-Service Authorizations", and it is accessed through [FDEP's Business Portal](#).

ESSA is more convenient and faster than requesting a CCCL field permit through a DEP District Office to construct certain minor structures and activities. Currently, there are three field permits available for self-certification.

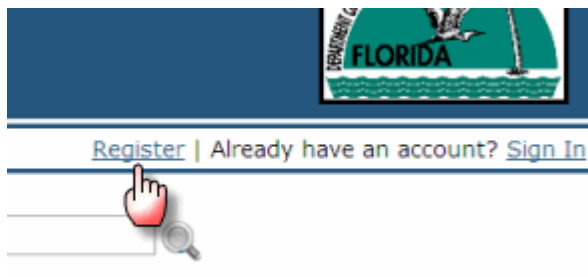
1. Field Permit: Special Events
2. Field Permit: Beach Cleaning
3. Field Permit: Minor Construction (associated with an existing single family dwelling)

There is no fee when using ESSA for the above three field permits.

How to Use FDEP's Business Portal / ESSA

Sign in to MyFDEP Business Portal

1. Go to <http://www.fldepportal.com/go/>. If you are using ESSA for the first time you will need to register.
2. Click "Register" in the top right corner of the page.



3. Fill out the registration information. After you submit your information, check your email for your user name and password.

Register

If you've already registered with the DEP, then [sign in](#).

* Fields marked with an asterisk are required.

Email Address*:

First Name*:

Middle Name:

Last Name*:

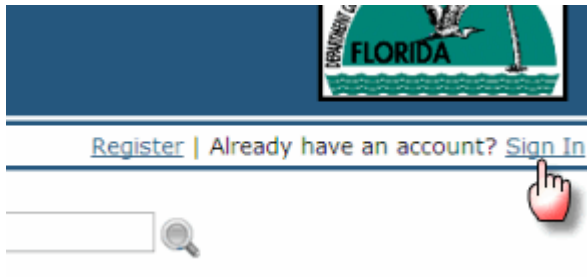
In the event you forget your password, enter a question and answer only known to you:

Security Question*:

Security Answer*:

If you are a registered user but have forgotten your password, then [reset your password](#).

4. Use the user name and password that was sent to your email address to sign in to the FDEP Business Portal.



Accessing and Using ESSA


1. After you have signed in to the MyFDEP Business Portal, you will come to a page with different activity choices. Click the box that says "Apply".


Welcome


to the


Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Business Portal. If you don't find what you're looking for please come back as we're continually adding to the site.


I would like to:


 **Apply**
To build, repair, operate, discharge, ... see more.

 **Pay**
For fees, invoices, parks reservations, ... see more.

 **Sign Up**
For subscriptions, newsletters, notifications, ... see more.

 **View**
Maps, data, reports, ... see more.

 **Submit**
Applications for grants and rebates, leave feedback, ... see more.

 **Continue**
A partially completed business transaction.

2. You are taken to a page with several activity options. Choose the option to Build (Example: to construct or replace a driveway to a single-family dwelling choose "Build".)

I would like to apply to:

Build

Discharge

Get Licensed

Operate

Qualify

Remove

Repair

3. For the purpose of these instructions, we will choose "Build". Other choices will work in a similar way. If you choose "Build", above, the choices shown below appear. Let's choose "Field Permit for Minor Structures and Activities Seaward of the CCCL".

I would like to apply to build:

[10-2 General Permit for Stormwater System in Uplands \(Self-Certification\)](#)

[Exempt Boat Lift at Existing Single Family Dock \(Self-Certification\)](#)

[Field Permit for Minor Structures and Activities Seaward of the CCCL](#)

[Hazardous Waste Facility](#)

[Individual or Conceptual Approval Environmental Resource Permit](#)

[Notice of Intent to Use a General Environmental Resource Permit](#)

[NPDES Notice of Intent](#)

[Request for Verification of ERP Exemption](#)

[Exempt Single Family Dock \(Self-Certification\)](#)

[Solid Waste Facility](#)

[Solid Waste Facility using a General Permit](#)

[Waste Recycling Facility](#)

4. You will be taken into the ESSA program, and asked to enter information about your project. You will also be asked to choose the exact location of your project on a map. Read the instructions carefully at each step.

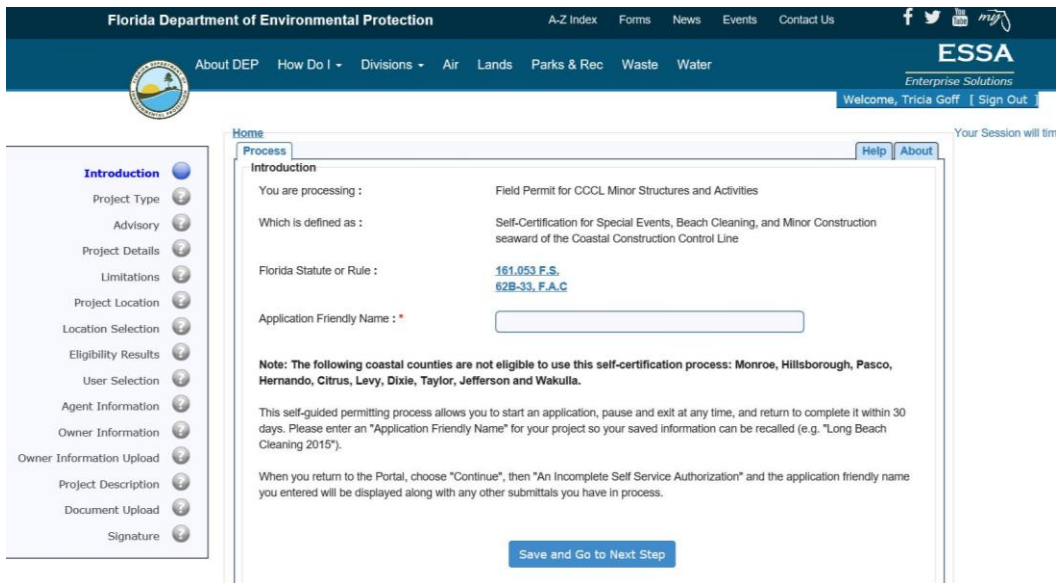
If your project does not qualify for the authorization, you will be given instructions on how to proceed. If your project qualifies for the authorization, you will receive the field permit via your email address with written guidance and contact information.

5. If your project does not qualify for the authorization, you may find the CCCL field inspector's contact information at the webpage for [Beaches and Coastal Systems - Coastal Construction Control Line - Florida DEP](#). Please also see the [FDEP CCCL Program](#) website for more information.

DEP Permit Project Information Step by Step Guidelines

Once the ESSA log in is finished, please use the following step by step guide to complete the project information section of the permit application. Screen shots are posted below each step in the process, with a sample permit.

Step 1. Introduction: As noted in the description, the ESSA process allows users to start an application, pause and exit at any time, and return to complete it within 30 days. This will allow you to recall saved information.

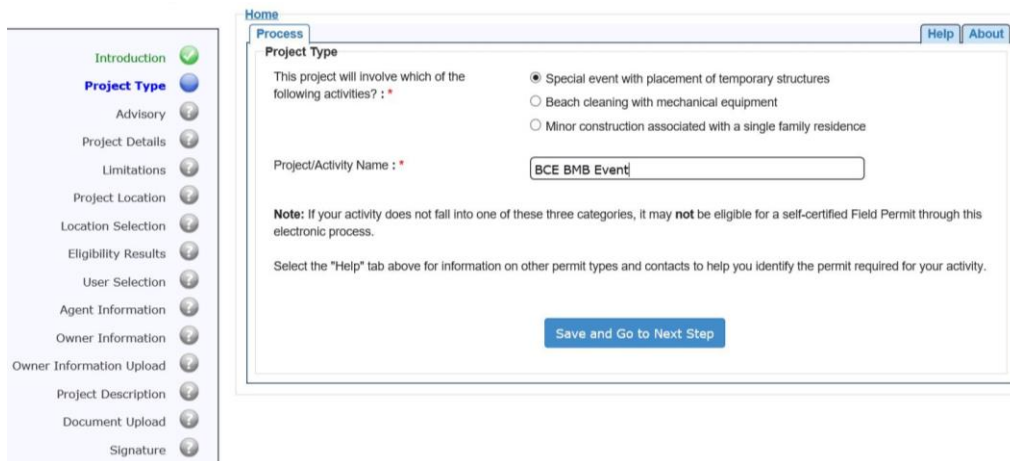


The screenshot shows the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) ESSA portal. The top navigation bar includes links for A-Z Index, Forms, News, Events, and Contact Us. The main header features the DEP logo and the ESSA Enterprise Solutions logo. A user is logged in as Tricia Goff. The left sidebar contains a navigation menu with the following items: Introduction (selected), Project Type, Advisory, Project Details, Limitations, Project Location, Location Selection, Eligibility Results, User Selection, Agent Information, Owner Information, Owner Information Upload, Project Description, Document Upload, and Signature. The main content area is titled "Introduction" and contains the following information:

- You are processing: Field Permit for COCL Minor Structures and Activities
- Which is defined as: Self-Certification for Special Events, Beach Cleaning, and Minor Construction seaward of the Coastal Construction Control Line
- Florida Statute or Rule: [161.053 F.S.](#) and [62B-33, F.A.C](#)
- Application Friendly Name: * (text input field)

A note states: "The following coastal counties are not eligible to use this self-certification process: Monroe, Hillsborough, Pasco, Hernando, Citrus, Levy, Dixie, Taylor, Jefferson and Wakulla." Below the note, a paragraph explains the self-guided permitting process and the 30-day completion window. At the bottom, there is a "Save and Go to Next Step" button.

Step 2. Project Type: Please select the radio button for Special Events. You can name your project the same as in Step 1 or create a more detailed project name. (i.e. Smith Bonfire BMB 1-1-2020)

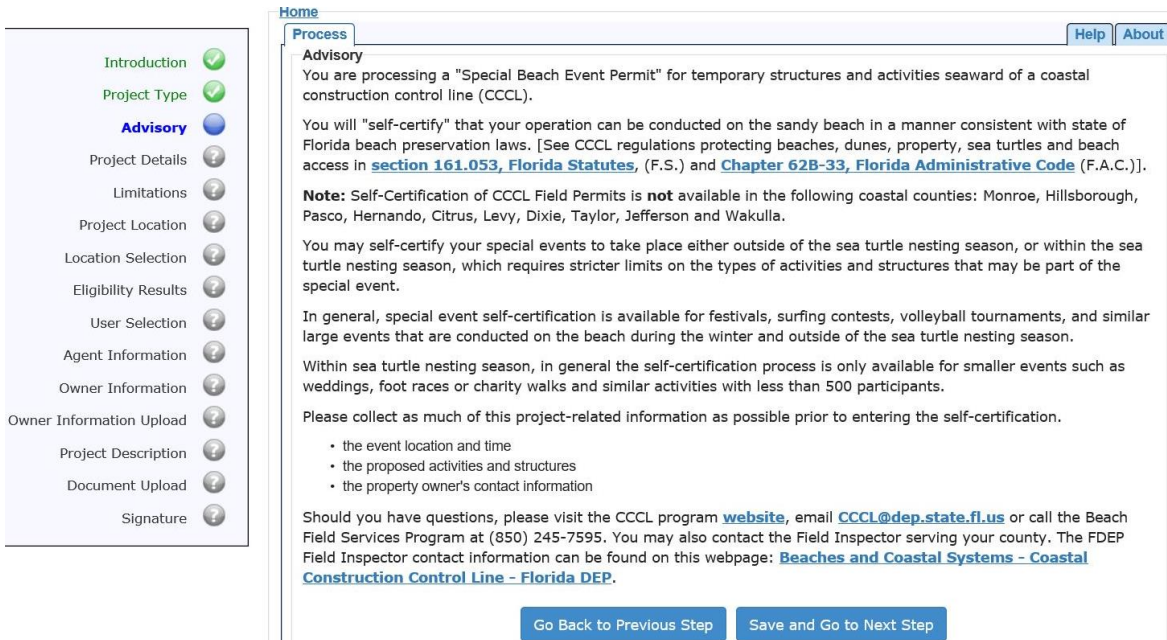


The screenshot shows the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) ESSA portal at the "Project Type" step. The left sidebar navigation menu is the same as in Step 1, but "Introduction" is now marked with a green checkmark and "Project Type" is selected. The main content area is titled "Project Type" and contains the following information:

- This project will involve which of the following activities? : *
 - Special event with placement of temporary structures
 - Beach cleaning with mechanical equipment
 - Minor construction associated with a single family residence
- Project/Activity Name : * (text input field containing "BCE BMB Event")

A note states: "If your activity does not fall into one of these three categories, it may not be eligible for a self-certified Field Permit through this electronic process." Below the note, a paragraph instructs the user to select the "Help" tab for more information. At the bottom, there is a "Save and Go to Next Step" button.

Step 3. Advisory: Please read through the self-certification portion. Should you need to acquire the required information, you can save, exit and return later. Otherwise, you can move on to the next step.



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You are processing a "Special Beach Event Permit" for temporary structures and activities seaward of a coastal construction control line (CCCL).

You will "self-certify" that your operation can be conducted on the sandy beach in a manner consistent with state of Florida beach preservation laws. [See CCCL regulations protecting beaches, dunes, property, sea turtles and beach access in [section 161.053, Florida Statutes](#), (F.S.) and [Chapter 62B-33, Florida Administrative Code](#) (F.A.C.)].

Note: Self-Certification of CCCL Field Permits is **not** available in the following coastal counties: Monroe, Hillsborough, Pasco, Hernando, Citrus, Levy, Dixie, Taylor, Jefferson and Wakulla.

You may self-certify your special events to take place either outside of the sea turtle nesting season, or within the sea turtle nesting season, which requires stricter limits on the types of activities and structures that may be part of the special event.

In general, special event self-certification is available for festivals, surfing contests, volleyball tournaments, and similar large events that are conducted on the beach during the winter and outside of the sea turtle nesting season.

Within sea turtle nesting season, in general the self-certification process is only available for smaller events such as weddings, foot races or charity walks and similar activities with less than 500 participants.

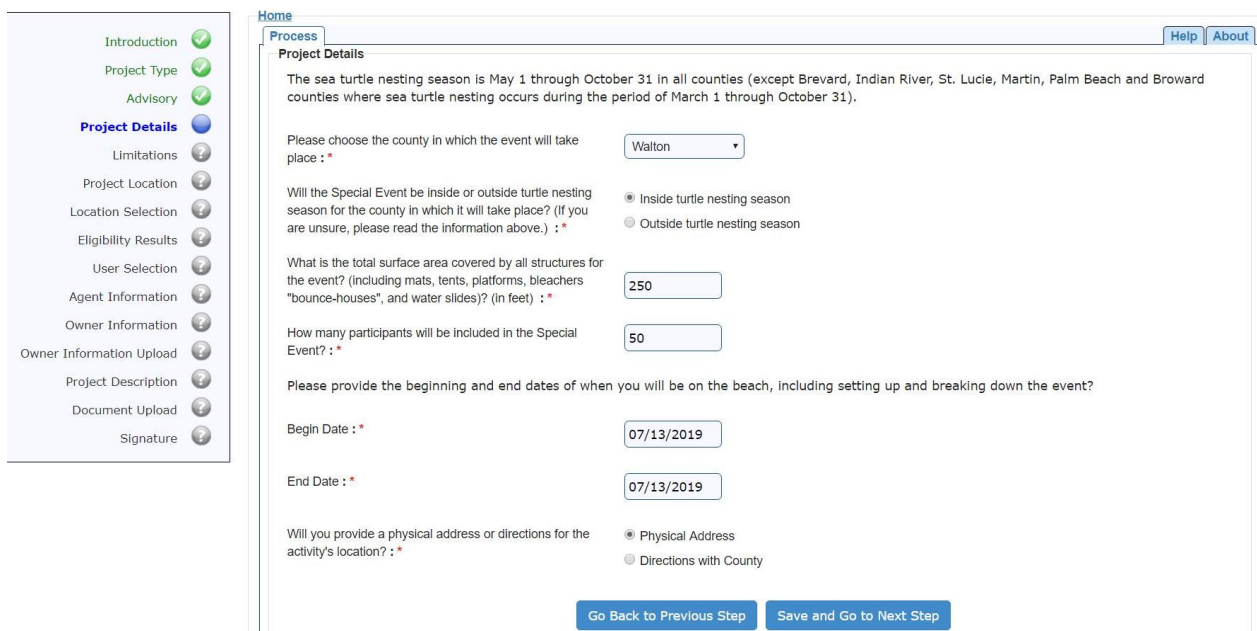
Please collect as much of this project-related information as possible prior to entering the self-certification.

- the event location and time
- the proposed activities and structures
- the property owner's contact information

Should you have questions, please visit the CCCL program [website](#), email CCCL@dep.state.fl.us or call the Beach Field Services Program at (850) 245-7595. You may also contact the Field Inspector serving your county. The FDEP Field Inspector contact information can be found on this webpage: [Beaches and Coastal Systems - Coastal Construction Control Line - Florida DEP](#).

At the bottom of the main content area, there are two buttons: "Go Back to Previous Step" and "Save and Go to Next Step".

Step 4. Project Details: Complete the required information. Please include the total area used during the event (in feet) and the number of all participants (including vendors). Begin and end dates should be the same date for each event. For example, if a DEP permit is required both a main event and a secondary permit is obtained for a reception or gathering the day prior, please submit a DEP permit for both.



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The sea turtle nesting season is May 1 through October 31 in all counties (except Brevard, Indian River, St. Lucie, Martin, Palm Beach and Broward counties where sea turtle nesting occurs during the period of March 1 through October 31).

Please choose the county in which the event will take place : *

Will the Special Event be inside or outside turtle nesting season for the county in which it will take place? (If you are unsure, please read the information above.) : * Inside turtle nesting season Outside turtle nesting season

What is the total surface area covered by all structures for the event? (including mats, tents, platforms, bleachers "bounce-houses", and water slides)? (in feet) : *

How many participants will be included in the Special Event? : *

Please provide the beginning and end dates of when you will be on the beach, including setting up and breaking down the event?

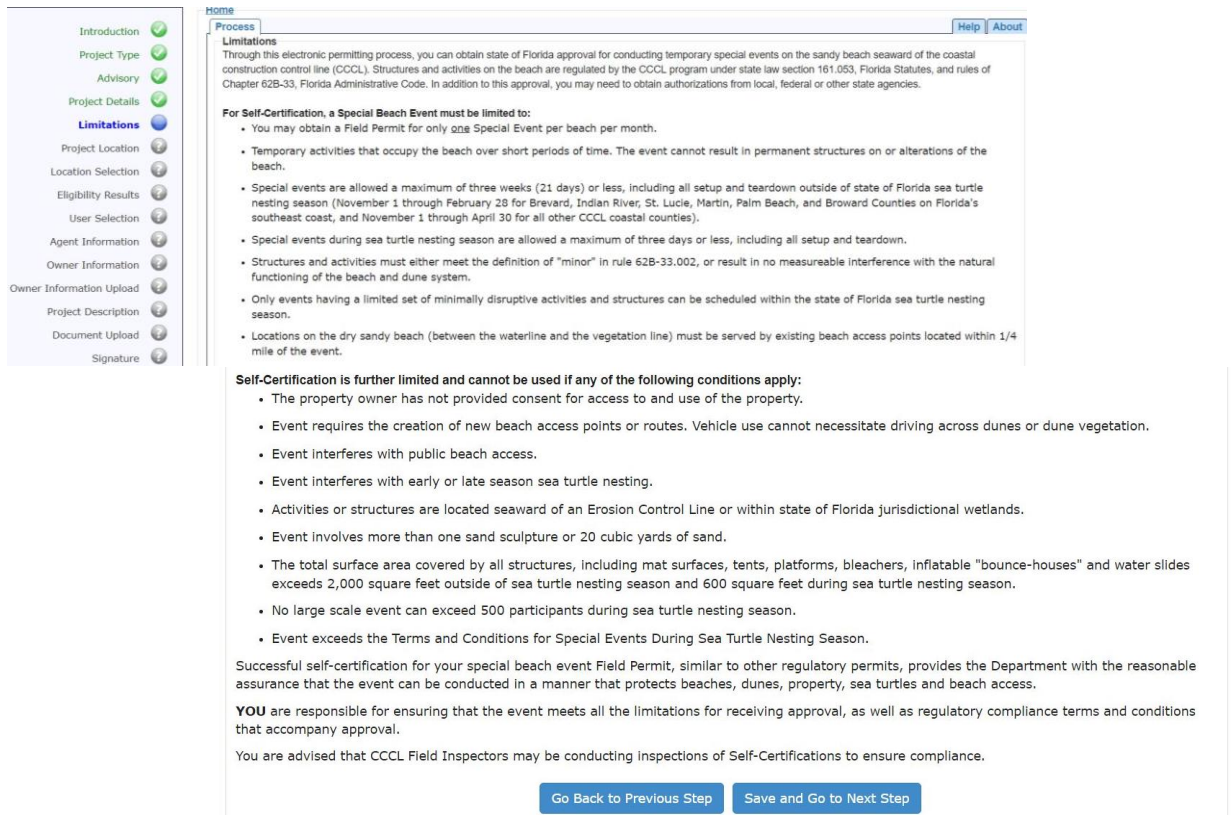
Begin Date : *

End Date : *

Will you provide a physical address or directions for the activity's location? : * Physical Address Directions with County

At the bottom of the main content area, there are two buttons: "Go Back to Previous Step" and "Save and Go to Next Step".

Step 5. Limitations: Please read through the limitations portion and confirm.



Limitations

Through this electronic permitting process, you can obtain state of Florida approval for conducting temporary special events on the sandy beach seaward of the coastal construction control line (CCCL). Structures and activities on the beach are regulated by the CCCL program under state law section 161.053, Florida Statutes, and rules of Chapter 62B-33, Florida Administrative Code. In addition to this approval, you may need to obtain authorizations from local, federal or other state agencies.

For Self-Certification, a Special Beach Event must be limited to:

- You may obtain a Field Permit for only one Special Event per beach per month.
- Temporary activities that occupy the beach over short periods of time. The event cannot result in permanent structures on or alterations of the beach.
- Special events are allowed a maximum of three weeks (21 days) or less, including all setup and teardown outside of state of Florida sea turtle nesting season (November 1 through February 28 for Brevard, Indian River, St. Lucie, Martin, Palm Beach, and Broward Counties on Florida's southeast coast, and November 1 through April 30 for all other CCCL coastal counties).
- Special events during sea turtle nesting season are allowed a maximum of three days or less, including all setup and teardown.
- Structures and activities must either meet the definition of "minor" in rule 62B-33.002, or result in no measureable interference with the natural functioning of the beach and dune system.
- Only events having a limited set of minimally disruptive activities and structures can be scheduled within the state of Florida sea turtle nesting season.
- Locations on the dry sandy beach (between the waterline and the vegetation line) must be served by existing beach access points located within 1/4 mile of the event.

Self-Certification is further limited and cannot be used if any of the following conditions apply:

- The property owner has not provided consent for access to and use of the property.
- Event requires the creation of new beach access points or routes. Vehicle use cannot necessitate driving across dunes or dune vegetation.
- Event interferes with public beach access.
- Event interferes with early or late season sea turtle nesting.
- Activities or structures are located seaward of an Erosion Control Line or within state of Florida jurisdictional wetlands.
- Event involves more than one sand sculpture or 20 cubic yards of sand.
- The total surface area covered by all structures, including mat surfaces, tents, platforms, bleachers, inflatable "bounce-houses" and water slides exceeds 2,000 square feet outside of sea turtle nesting season and 600 square feet during sea turtle nesting season.
- No large scale event can exceed 500 participants during sea turtle nesting season.
- Event exceeds the Terms and Conditions for Special Events During Sea Turtle Nesting Season.

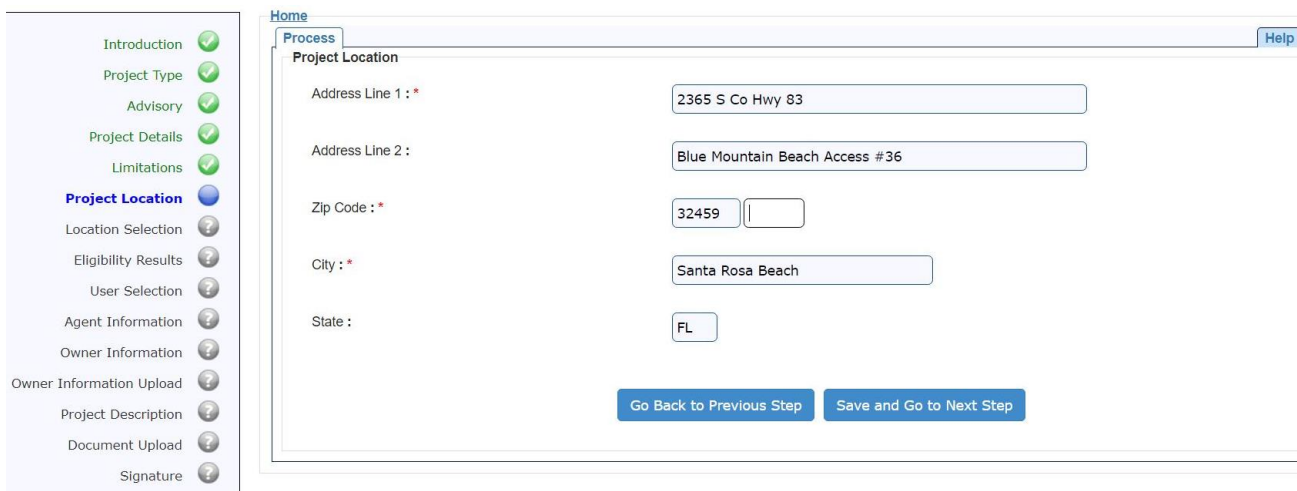
Successful self-certification for your special beach event Field Permit, similar to other regulatory permits, provides the Department with the reasonable assurance that the event can be conducted in a manner that protects beaches, dunes, property, sea turtles and beach access.

YOU are responsible for ensuring that the event meets all the limitations for receiving approval, as well as regulatory compliance terms and conditions that accompany approval.

You are advised that CCCL Field Inspectors may be conducting inspections of Self-Certifications to ensure compliance.

[Go Back to Previous Step](#) [Save and Go to Next Step](#)

Step 6. Project Location: Complete the project location information. If you have scheduled an event at a Walton County Public Beach Access, please use the Address Line 1 for the street address and Address Line 2 for the Beach Access name and number.



Project Location

Address Line 1 : *

Address Line 2 :

Zip Code : *

City : *

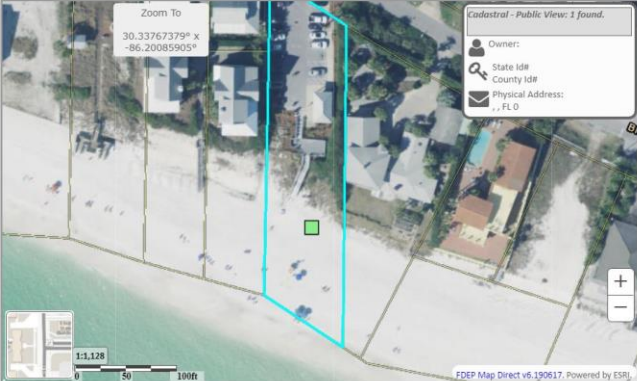
State :

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Step 7. Location Selection: Pinpoint your event location on the map. You will have the option to confirm or move the location in the next step.

- Project Type ✔
- Advisory ✔
- Project Details ✔
- Limitations ✔
- Project Location ✔
- Location Selection** ●
- Eligibility Results ?
- User Selection ?
- Agent Information ?
- Owner Information ?
- Owner Information Upload ?
- Project Description ?
- Document Upload ?
- Signature ?

Location Selection



Note: Applicants for Minor Construction or Special Events should choose a point that represents their activity's location. Applicants for Beach Cleaning should choose a point on the beach that represents their first beach access point used to bring cleaning equipment onto the beach.

If your activity type is a special event and you identified the county and directions for the event, the map above is focused on the center of the county. Please zoom out until you recognize the county location, and then pinpoint your event location.

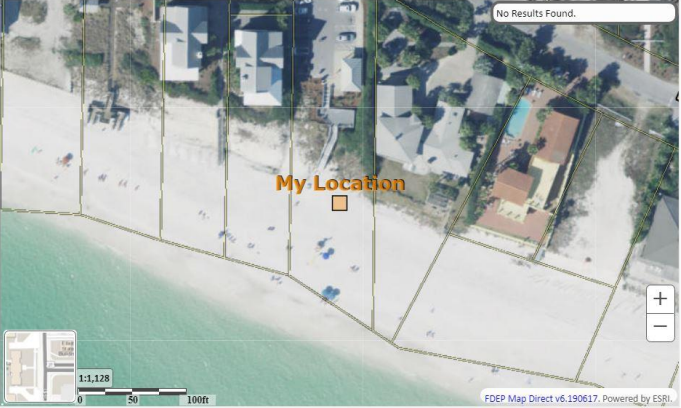
- Please identify and click on the point for your project location, then click **Continue**.
- You will have the option to confirm or move the location on the next screen.

Step 8. Location Confirmation: Confirm map location of event and either continue to confirm or start over to edit your map location.

- Introduction ✔
- Project Type ✔
- Advisory ✔
- Project Details ✔
- Limitations ✔
- Project Location ✔
- Location Selection** ●
- Eligibility Results ?
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Location Confirmation



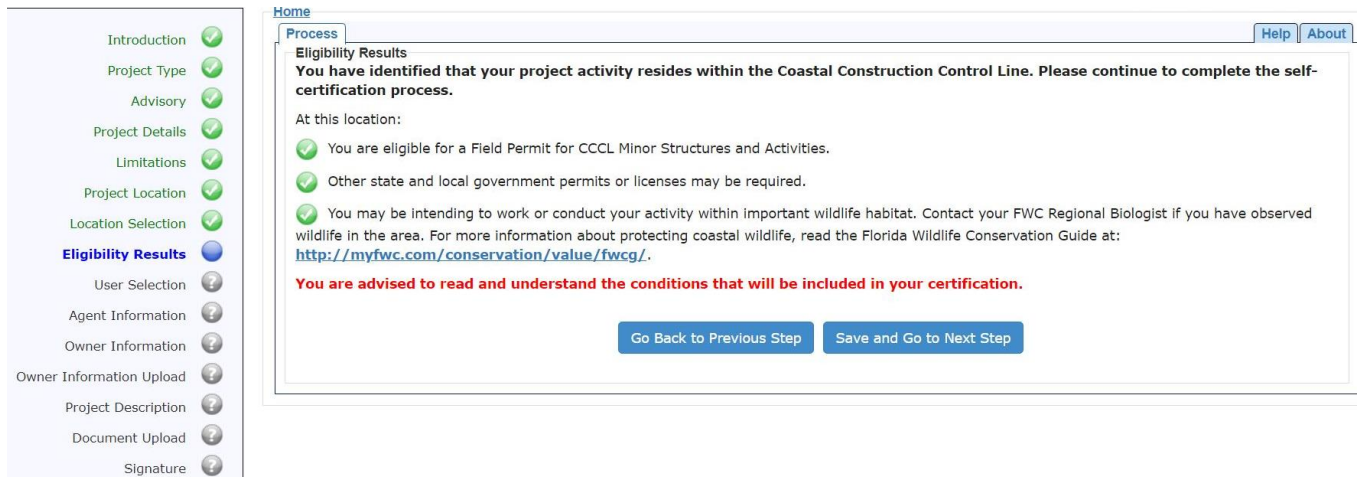
The location marker must reflect the exact point of the project location or beach access point.

'My Location' represents the current location or the beach access point of your project. If required, click **Start Over** to move the location point.

By selecting Continue, you affirm that this is the location or beach access point for your project. By selecting Start Over, you will be taken back to the original mapping screen.

Start Over
Continue

Step 9. Eligibility Results: Please read through the Eligibility Results portion and confirm.



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Eligibility Results

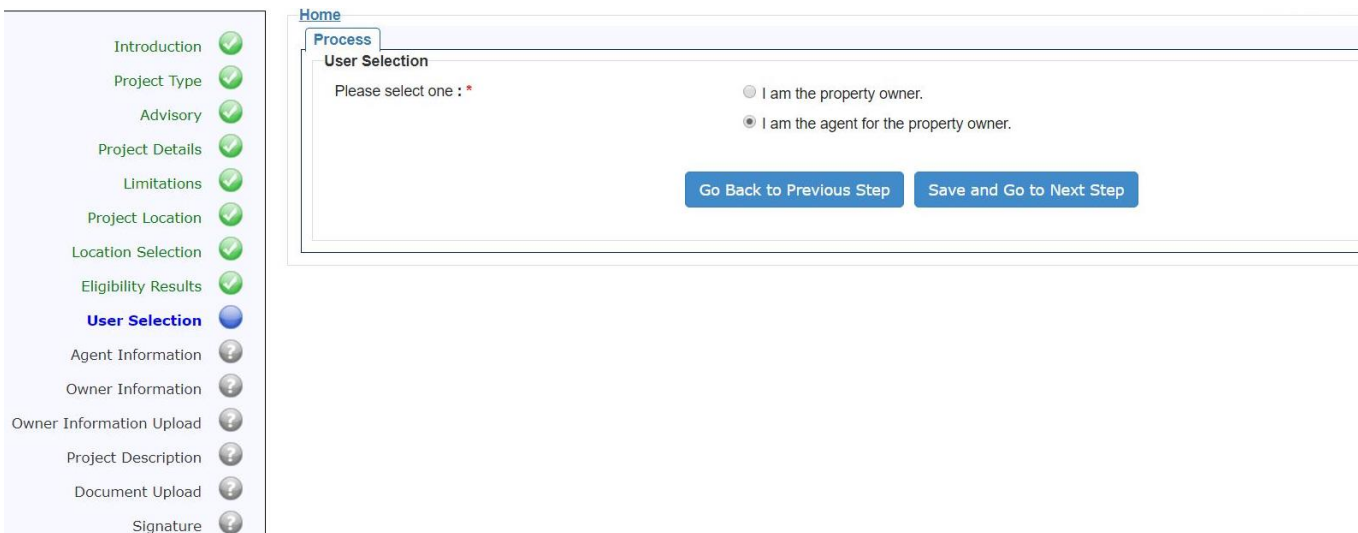
You have identified that your project activity resides within the Coastal Construction Control Line. Please continue to complete the self-certification process.

At this location:

- You are eligible for a Field Permit for CCCL Minor Structures and Activities.
- Other state and local government permits or licenses may be required.
- You may be intending to work or conduct your activity within important wildlife habitat. Contact your FWC Regional Biologist if you have observed wildlife in the area. For more information about protecting coastal wildlife, read the Florida Wildlife Conservation Guide at: <http://myfwc.com/conservation/value/fwcg/>.

You are advised to read and understand the conditions that will be included in your certification.

Step 10. User Selection: Please select an option. In most cases, for vendors, you will be the agent for the property owner as you should have received authorization to work on private property or have permission from Walton County to hold an event. If you are, in fact, the property owner, please select the first option.



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User Selection

Please select one : *

I am the property owner.

I am the agent for the property owner.



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Step 11. Agent Information: Enter agent information as complete as possible. As mentioned above, in most cases, the vendors will act as the agent of the owner. Please make sure to complete as much as possible. If the individual applying for the DEP permit is the property manager, resort manager, HOA president, please make sure to list your information as the Agent.

Project Type	✓
Advisory	✓
Project Details	✓
Limitations	✓
Project Location	✓
Location Selection	✓
Eligibility Results	✓
User Selection	✓
Agent Information	●
Owner Information	?
Owner Information Upload	?
Project Description	?
Document Upload	?
Signature	?

Agent Information	
Prefix :	<input type="text"/>
Company/Organization Name :	<input type="text" value="Walton County Beach Code Enforcement"/>
Position Title :	<input type="text" value="Admin. Assistant"/>
First Name : *	<input type="text" value="Tricia"/>
Last Name : *	<input type="text" value="Goff"/>
Phone : *	<input type="text" value="(850) 622-7895"/>
E-mail Address : *	<input type="text" value="Tricia@visitsouthwalton.com"/>
Address Line 1 : *	<input type="text" value="924 S Co Hwy 83"/>
Address Line 2 :	<input type="text"/>
Zip Code : *	<input type="text" value="32459"/> <input type="text"/>
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State : *	<input type="text" value="FL"/>



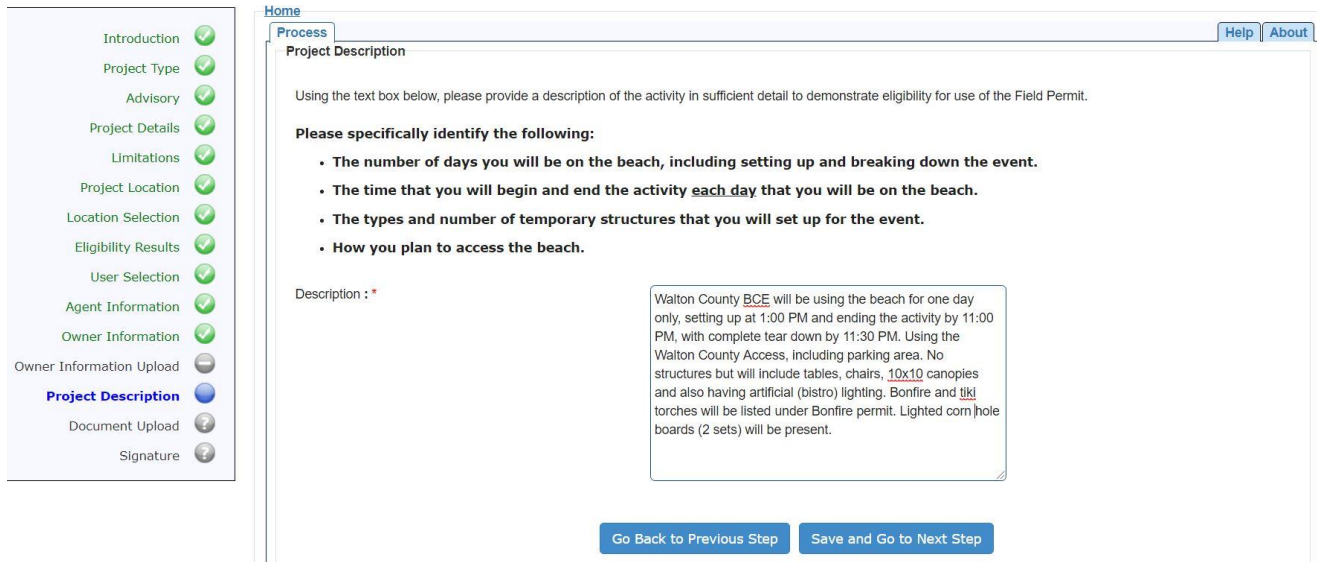
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Step 12. Owner Information: This is the step most vendors have a difficult determining who to list. If an event is to be held on Walton County property, please use the information shown below. Please make sure to list Walton County (First Name) Board of County Commissioners (Last Name). You can list the phone number, email and address as shown below. If an event is to be held on private property, resort, community or HOA, please make sure to list the information as complete as possible. This information should be available per the authorization form.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advisory <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Project Details <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Limitations <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Project Location <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Location Selection <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Eligibility Results <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> User Selection <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Agent Information <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Owner Information <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Owner Information Upload <input type="checkbox"/> Project Description <input type="checkbox"/> Document Upload <input type="checkbox"/> Signature <input type="checkbox"/> 	<p>Company /Organization Name : <input type="text" value="Walton County Beach Code Enforcem"/></p> <p>Position Title : <input type="text"/></p> <p>First Name : * <input type="text" value="Walton County"/></p> <p>Last Name : * <input type="text" value="Board of County Commissioner"/></p> <p>Phone : * <input type="text" value="(850) 622-7895"/></p> <p>E-mail Address : * <input type="text" value="tricia@visitsouthwalton.com"/></p> <p>Address Line 1 : * <input type="text" value="924 S Co Hwy 83"/></p> <p>Address Line 2 : <input type="text"/></p> <p>Zip Code : * <input type="text" value="32459"/> <input type="text"/></p> <p>City : * <input type="text" value="Santa Rosa Beach"/></p> <p>State : * <input type="text" value="FL"/></p> <p>Is there more than one property owner for your activity? : * <input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No</p>
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Step 13. Owner Information Upload: This section was skipped in the trial application, therefore, no screen shots were taken. However, if you are the owner of the property, the application will ask you to upload documents to confirm ownership. If you are submitting an application as “Agent” you may skip this step.

Step 14. Project Description: Please describe your event as complete as possible. Please make sure to include any structures, equipment, any artificial lighting, set-ups, bonfires, etc. that will pertain to this event. The more specific you can be, the less delays in processing the application.



Project Description

Using the text box below, please provide a description of the activity in sufficient detail to demonstrate eligibility for use of the Field Permit.

Please specifically identify the following:

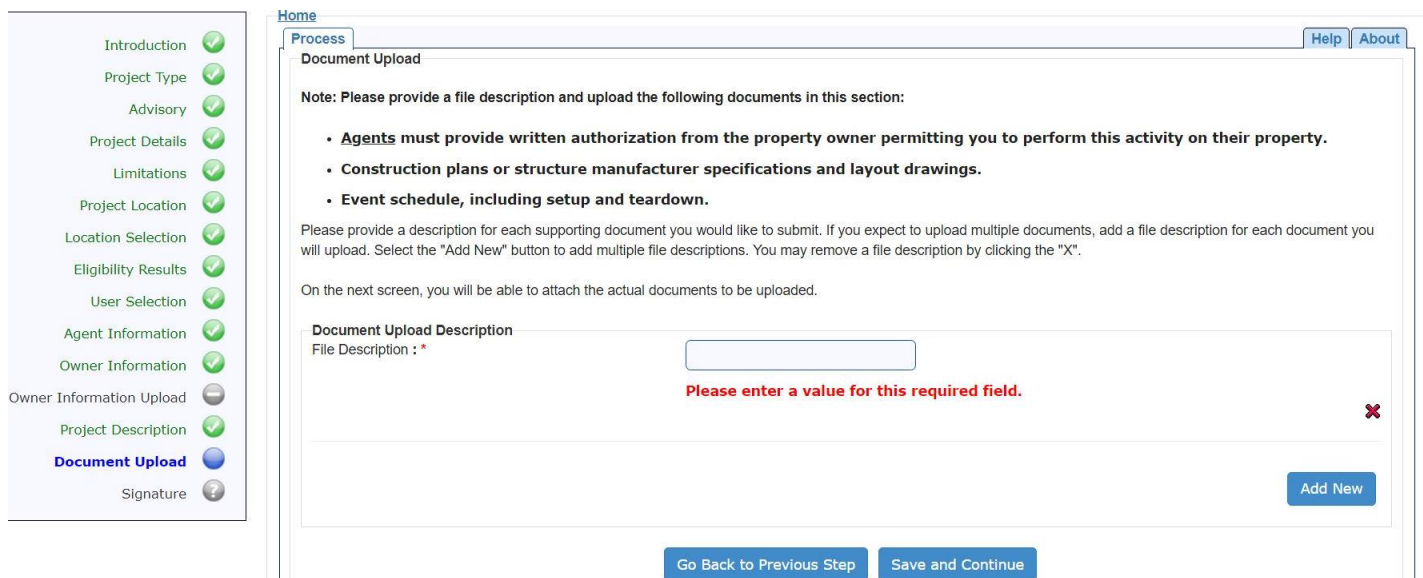
- The number of days you will be on the beach, including setting up and breaking down the event.
- The time that you will begin and end the activity each day that you will be on the beach.
- The types and number of temporary structures that you will set up for the event.
- How you plan to access the beach.

Description : *

Walton County BCE will be using the beach for one day only, setting up at 1:00 PM and ending the activity by 11:00 PM, with complete tear down by 11:30 PM. Using the Walton County Access, including parking area. No structures but will include tables, chairs, 10x10 canopies and also having artificial (bistro) lighting. Bonfire and tik torches will be listed under Bonfire permit. Lighted corn hole boards (2 sets) will be present.

[Go Back to Previous Step](#) [Save and Go to Next Step](#)

Step 15. Document Upload: Per the instructions of the ESSA application, please upload any documentation that is requested. Please name the file based on the document you are uploading. (i.e. Special Event Authorization.) If the event is being held on private property, please include the authorization form. If the event is being held on Walton County property, you can submit your Special Event Permit or Bonfire Permit. Applicants may include event schedules, itineraries, maps or any supporting documents related to the event.



Document Upload

Note: Please provide a file description and upload the following documents in this section:

- **Agents must provide written authorization from the property owner permitting you to perform this activity on their property.**
- **Construction plans or structure manufacturer specifications and layout drawings.**
- **Event schedule, including setup and teardown.**

Please provide a description for each supporting document you would like to submit. If you expect to upload multiple documents, add a file description for each document you will upload. Select the "Add New" button to add multiple file descriptions. You may remove a file description by clicking the "X".

On the next screen, you will be able to attach the actual documents to be uploaded.

Document Upload Description
















File Description : *

Please enter a value for this required field.

[Add New](#)

[Go Back to Previous Step](#) [Save and Continue](#)

Step 15 Continued. Document Upload: After you have named your file, please browse file location to upload document. Please note acceptable file types and size restrictions.

- Introduction 
- Project Type 
- Advisory 
- Project Details 
- Limitations 
- Project Location 
- Location Selection 
- Eligibility Results 
- User Selection 
- Agent Information 
- Owner Information 
- Owner Information Upload 
- Project Description 
- Document Upload** 
- Signature 

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Document Upload

Click the "Browse" button to browse your computer for the saved document which you would like to upload. Choose the document and select **Continue** below to upload the document.

Acceptable file types are: doc, docx, jpeg, gif, bmp, png, tiff, pdf, spdf, xls, and xlsx. Please note that all files have a size limitation of 15MB.

Document Uploads

File Name :	Authorization
Select file to upload : *	<input type="button" value="Choose File"/> No file chosen

- Introduction 
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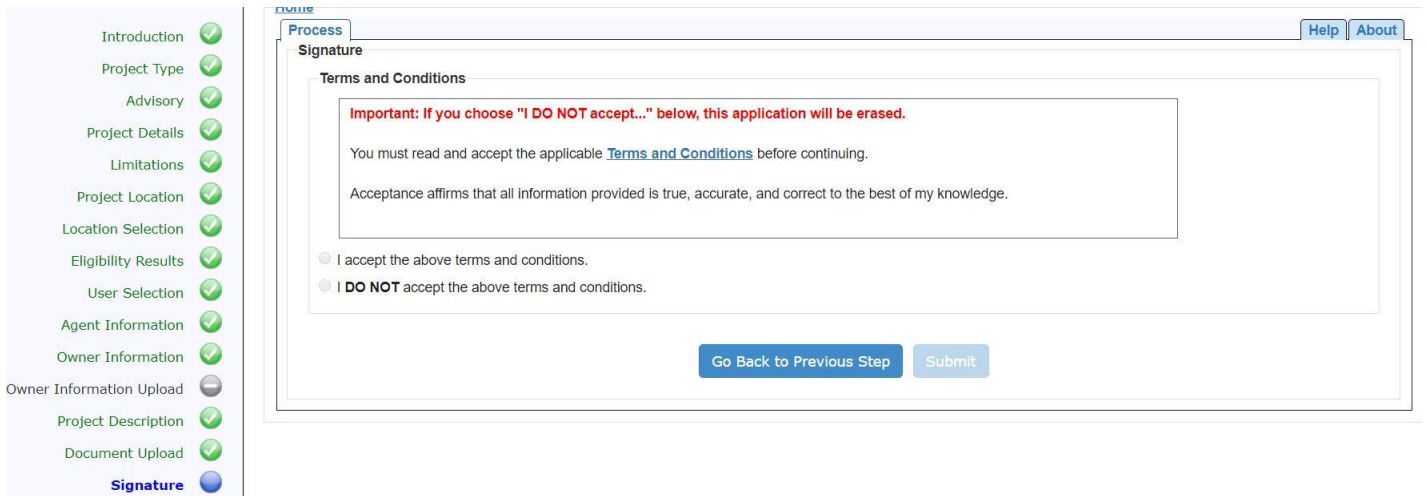
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Document Uploads

File Name :	Authorization
Select file to upload : *	GOFF_T_1_06-24-2019-15-00-22.pdf 

Step 16. Terms and Agreement: Applicant must read and accept the Terms and Conditions, otherwise, the application will be discarded automatically.



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Project Type ✓
Advisory ✓
Project Details ✓
Limitations ✓
Project Location ✓
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Terms and Conditions

Important: If you choose "I DO NOT accept..." below, this application will be erased.

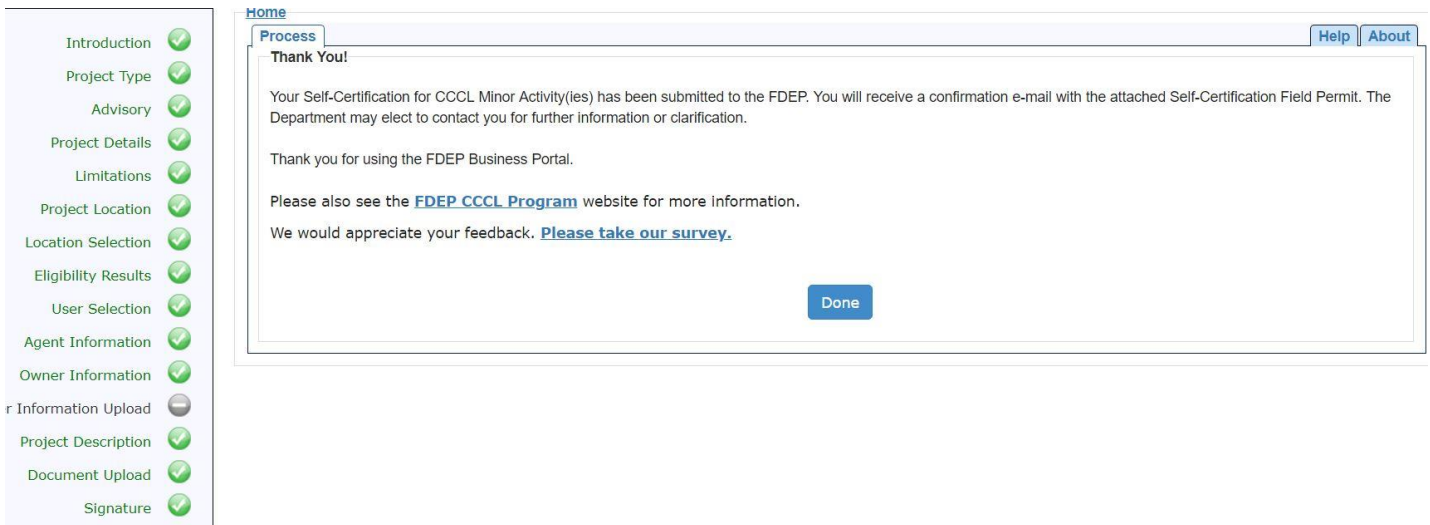
You must read and accept the applicable [Terms and Conditions](#) before continuing.

Acceptance affirms that all information provided is true, accurate, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

I accept the above terms and conditions.
 I **DO NOT** accept the above terms and conditions.

Go Back to Previous Step Submit

Step 17. Submittal: You will see a confirmation that your application has been submitted and receive an e-mail confirmation.



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Project Type ✓
Advisory ✓
Project Details ✓
Limitations ✓
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Thank You!

Your Self-Certification for CCCL Minor Activity(ies) has been submitted to the FDEP. You will receive a confirmation e-mail with the attached Self-Certification Field Permit. The Department may elect to contact you for further information or clarification.

Thank you for using the FDEP Business Portal.

Please also see the [FDEP CCCL Program](#) website for more information.

We would appreciate your feedback. [Please take our survey.](#)

Done



2019-2020 Code Revisions

Ordinance #2019-26

Adopted December 17, 2019

Code Section 22-54 (p) – Regulation of use and conduct on the beach and water bodies.

It shall be unlawful for any person, other than an employee of the County, the TDC, the Sheriff's Office, SWFD, or a specific place vendor or his or her agent, to use or possess a steel blade shovel or other metal tools made for digging/excavating sand on the beach.

Code Section 22-60(b)(1) – Beach vendors. Permit required.

Delivery vendors must either remove their goods from the beach and dune system each day or store their goods in temporary beach storage boxes that have received all necessary federal, state, and local permits.

Code Section 22-60(d)(2) – Beach vendors. Operations and maintenance generally. The vendor must have and maintain a telephone or marine radio at its land-based, watersports and parasail operations centers.

Code Section 22-60(d)(6) – Beach vendors. Operations and maintenance generally. Each vendor shall ensure that all equipment is removed from the beach and dune system or stored in a temporary storage box after business hours each day.

Code Section 22-60(e)(4) – Beach vendors. Operations and maintenance for water-based activity operations.

All vendors involving water sports and their designated employees shall be required to obtain and maintain a current certification in BLS/CPR for rescue professionals a CPR certification or and water safety certification recognized by the American Red Cross or industry equivalent. Proof of certification must be provided with the license application and upon request.

ORDINANCE NO. 2019-26

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING WALTON CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 22, THE "WALTON COUNTY WATERWAYS AND BEACH ACTIVITIES ORDINANCE"; PROVIDING FOR AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 22-02, DEFINITIONS, REVISING DEFINITION OF IDLE SPEED; PROVIDING FOR AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 22-3, NO WAKE ZONES, REQUIRING IDLE SPEEDS AT CERTAIN BOAT LAUNCH LOCATIONS AND REMOVING REFERENCE TO CERTAIN NO WAKE ZONE LOCATIONS; PROVIDING FOR AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 22-54, REGULATION OF USE AND CONDUCT ON THE BEACH AND WATER BODIES, REQUIRING TELEPHONE NUMBER FOR FIRE PERMIT APPLICATIONS, REVISING DEFINITION OF UNPERMITTED DIGGING TOOLS; PROVIDING FOR AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 22-57, PERMITTED VEHICLES ON THE BEACH, REQUIRING PERMIT HOLDER OR FAMILY MEMBER TO REMAIN WITH VEHICLE WHILE ON THE BEACH; PROVIDING FOR AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 22-60, BEACH VENDORS, REQUIRING REMOVAL OF BEACH EQUIPMENT FROM DUNE SYSTEM, DEFINING AREAS FOR MANAGED VENDING, CLARIFYING VENDOR CONTACT AND CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS; ADDING SECTION 22-57(d)(4), PROVIDING FOR SCUBA CHARTER PERMITS; PROVIDING FOR LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Walton County Board of County Commissioners finds it necessary for the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of and visitors to Walton County to amend the Walton County Waterways and Beach Activities Ordinance;

NOW THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Walton County Board of County Commissioners that Chapter 22, the "Walton County Waterways and Beach Activities Ordinance," is hereby amended as follows (~~strickthrough~~ language deleted, underline language added):

Sec. 22-01. - Title and citation.

This Chapter shall be known and cited as the "Walton County Waterways and Beach Activities Ordinance."

Sec. 22-02. - Definitions.

The following words, terms, and phrases, when used in this Chapter, shall have the following meanings, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning. Words not defined shall be given their common and ordinary meaning.

Aircraft means any motor vehicle or contrivance now known or hereinafter invented, which is used or designed for navigation of or flight in the air, except a parachute or other contrivance designed for such navigation but used primarily as safety equipment. The term "aircraft" shall include ultra-light aircraft, seaplanes, and unmanned aerial systems (UAS) or drones not operated by authorized personnel.

Alcoholic beverage means distilled spirits and all beverages containing one-half of one percent or more alcohol by volume.

All-terrain vehicle means any motorized off-highway vehicle sixty-four (64) inches or less in width, having a dry weight of 2,000 pounds or less, designed to travel on three (3) or more nonhighway tires and not registered or licensed for highway use.

Bather means any person who is in the same water as a vessel, whether said person is swimming, wading or engaged in any other activity in the water.

Bathing area means any area of the beach and adjoining waters in which bathers are located or may be located, whether or not designated by signs or other form of notification.

Bay means Choctawhatchee Bay.

Beach means the soft sandy portion of land lying seaward of the seawall or the line of permanent dune vegetation.

Beach equipment means items generally used for swimming, sunbathing or beach recreation, including, but not limited to, beach chairs, umbrellas, tents, hammocks and volleyball nets.

Bloodbaiting means the use of blood or bloody fish parts to attract sharks.

Board means the Walton County Board of County Commissioners.

Boat. See vessel.

Camping means the erection of shelter or similar structures for the purpose of sleeping; or lying upon the beach on a bedroll, blanket, or other protective garb for the purpose of sleeping.

Chumming means the throwing of bait or fish parts into the water to attract fish.

Controlling interest in the property or that they are otherwise entitled means that the person applying for the permit owns more than fifty (50) percent ownership interest in the property or has a resolution, signed by the other owners of the property, which grants the person applying for the permit the authority to apply for the permit.

Designated limited access areas means the following described locations:

- (1) Grayton Beach. An area extending the distance of beach described in the lease between Walton County and State of Florida Internal Improvement Trust Fund/Bureau of State Lands, Number 3884, dated October 1986.
- (2) Inlet Beach. An area extending from the west boundary line of Lakeshore Drive eastward for a distance of sixty-six (66) feet.
- (3) Walton Park. An area extending from the west boundary line of Walton Park westward for a distance of one thousand six hundred (1,600) feet (temporarily closed).
- (4) Seagrove Beach. An area extending from the east boundary line of One Seagrove Place eastward for a distance of one thousand six hundred (1,600) feet (temporarily closed).

Gulf. The Gulf of Mexico.

~~Idle speed means the lowest speed at which a vessel or sailcraft can operate and maintain steering control. “Idle Speed No Wake Zone” and “Idle Speed” may be used interchangeably and mean that a vessel must proceed at a speed no greater than that which will maintain steerageway and headway. At no time is any vessel required to proceed so slowly that the operator is unable to maintain control over the vessel or any other vessel or object that is has under tow.~~

Jet ski. See personal watercraft.

Motor vehicle means any vehicle which is self-propelled, including golf carts and any rented concession vehicle, but not including bicycles. Operate or operation means to navigate or otherwise use any aircraft or vessel in or on the water.

Obstruction is an object that impedes, hinders, or prevents pedestrian and/or vehicular passage. Obstructions include, but are not limited to, ropes, chains, and fences. This definition shall not include a sign.

Permit means beach vendor's permit, vehicle permit, dog permit, special event permit issued by the County, and/or bonfire or fireworks permit issued by the South Walton Fire District.

Personal watercraft means a small A-1 or A-2 vessel which uses an outboard motor, or inboard motor powering a water jet pump, as its primary source of motive power and which is designed to be operated by a person sitting, standing, or kneeling on, or being towed behind the vessel, rather than in the conventional manner of sitting or standing inside the vessel; or a craft less than thirteen (13) feet in length designed to be operated by a person or persons sitting, standing, or kneeling on the craft rather than within the confines of a hull.

Rafts, floats, and flotation devices means any device, whether of canvas, vinyl, rubber, Styrofoam or other substance, intended or capable of assisting in the flotation of a person in or on the water in the Gulf of Mexico, and all other waters of the State of Florida.

Sailcraft means a wind-propelled vessel used or capable of being used as a means of transportation on or in the water, including sail boats, sailboards and wind surfboards.

Sand fence means a tool used in dune restoration projects for rebuilding sand dunes, which is usually two (2) to four (4) feet high with a maximum of ten (10) foot long spurs spaced at a minimum of seven (7) feet on an alignment diagonal to the Gulf.

Seaplane means any aircraft as defined herein that is capable of landing and/or lifting off from a water surface.

Sea turtle nesting season means May 1 to October 31 of any given year. Solicit or canvass means any act, delivery or exchange not initiated by the prospective customer or which directs attention to any business, mercantile or commercial establishments, or any other commercial activity, for the purpose of directly or indirectly promoting commercial interests through sales, rentals, or any exchange of value.

Sheriff's Office means the Walton County Sheriff's Office.

Sign means any writing, symbol, pictorial presentation, number, illustration, decoration, flag, banner, pennant, or other device, which is supported by one or more columns, upright poles, or braces extended from the ground, or that is erected on the ground, and which is used to announce, direct attention to, identify, advertise or otherwise make anything known.

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SWFD means the South Walton Fire District.

Special event means:

- (1) Any use, activity, or event conducted or promoted on the beach that would constitute a violation of any provision of this Chapter or any rule or regulation issued under the authority of this Chapter;
- (2) Any activity or event that is organized and promoted to attract, and is likely to attract, a crowd of more than thirty (30) persons to a certain place on the beach at a certain time under circumstances that are likely to create a need for additional police, lifesaving, or other services; or
- (3) Any activity or event on the beach that is promoted or sponsored by commercial interests, results in private commercial gain or benefit, or advertises or promotes private commercial interests.
- (4) Special events do not include private parties on private property, with no commercial gain or benefit, hosted and attended by the owner of the property.

Surfboard means a fiberglass, epoxy, closed-cell neoprene or Styrofoam instrument with one (1) or more fiberglass fins or skegs attached or inserted into the belly or bottom of the surfboard. This definition shall include windsurfboards and sailboards. This definition shall not include rubber rafts, floats, belly boards, or boogie boards, but does include stand-up paddle boards.

Surfing means the riding or paddling of a surfboard within the waters of the Gulf of Mexico abutting or adjacent to the beach.

TDC means the Walton County Tourist Development Council.

Tent means a portable shelter of skins, canvas, plastic, nylon, or the like, supported by one (1) or more poles or a frame and often secured by ropes fastened to pegs in the ground. The term tent includes, but is not limited to, camping tents, beach tents, and sun shelters.

Ultralight aircraft or ultralight means any heavier-than-air, motorized aircraft which meets the criteria for maximum weight, fuel capacity and airspeed established for such aircraft by the Federal Aviation Administration under Part 103 of the Federal Aviation Regulations.

Vehicle means any properly licensed, tagged, permitted device, in, upon, or by which any person or property is or may be transported or drawn upon a highway.

Vending means offering for sale or rent or as part of a contractual agreement any services, goods or materials to be consumed or placed on the beach, in the bay or in the gulf or their adjoining waters.

Vessel as defined in F.S. § 327.02(36), means a motor propelled or artificially propelled vessel and every other description of boat, watercraft, barge, and air boat other than a seaplane on the water, used or capable of being used as a means of transportation on or in the water, including jet skis.

Water-based activities means those vendor operations in which the customer will participate in an activity on or in the water. This includes, but is not limited to, ocean kayak rentals, water trampolines, climbing walls, inflatable boat rides, personal watercraft rentals, and parasail operations.

Water's edge means that portion of the shore at any given time of the day where the tide flows and reflows along a water body.

Wind surfboard means a surfboard equipped with a sail and designed to be propelled by the wind. The term "wind surfboard" shall be synonymous with the term "sailboard."

Sec. 22-1. - Use of public boat ramps.

- (a) Title. This Section shall be known as the public boat ramp ordinance of the County.
- (b) Findings. The docking of boats at public boat ramps may deny others the use of public boat ramps. The docking may also present a hazard to other boaters and the public wishing to use the public boat ramps.
- (c) Purpose and intent. The purpose and intent of this Section is to improve the access and use of public boat ramps located in the County.
- (d) Complaints. If any person wishing to use a public boat ramp in the County comes upon a boat docked or anchored which is hampering access or causing a hazard, she or he should call the code enforcement or Sheriff's Office. After a complaint is received, the appropriate agency will be notified.

Sec. 22-2. - Reserved.

Sec. 22-3. - No wake zones.

- (a) The Board reserves the right to declare restricted waterways within its boundaries.
- (b) The areas of enforcement shall be all waters, creeks and canals located within the boundaries described in this Section for the purpose necessary to protect the safety of the public as such restrictions are necessary based on boating accidents, visibility, hazardous currents or water levels, vessel traffic congestion, or other navigational hazards in compliance with F.S. § 327.46.
- (c) Implementation of the boating restricted areas is contingent upon receiving all applicable state and/or federal authorizations to insure compliance with Chapter 68D-23, Florida Administrative Code and to assist in navigation consistent with the United States Aids to Navigation System.
- (d) No person except a law enforcement officer, authorized emergency personnel, or other person actually engaged in a rescue attempt, shall operate any vessel or sailcraft in excess of idle speed, defined herein, in the following list of restricted waterways:
 - (1) ~~Within 500 feet perpendicular from the water's edge where bathers are present, except to go to and from the shore by the most direct means possible in a safe and reasonable manner.~~ Within 500 feet of the following public boat ramps: Cessna Landing Boat Ramp (-86° 13' 43.95"W, 30° 23' 55.06"N); Point Washington Boat Ramp (-86 6' 53.53"W, 30 22' 22.21"N) and Grady Brown Park Boat Ramp (-86° 9' 17.86"W, 30° 25' 58.14"N).

- (2) ~~Areas that have been clearly marked by buoys or some other distinguishing device for bathing, swimming, or which has been otherwise restricted by the County. Within 300 feet of the following public boat ramps: Black Creek Boat Ramp at County Road 3280 (-86° 4' 5.37"W, 30° 27' 3.09"N), Black Creek Boat Ramp at Black Creek Lodge (-86 6' 33.91"W, 30 26' 13.53"N), Portland Park Boat Ramp (-86° 11' 36.78"W, 30° 30' 26.0"N), Alaqua Creek Boat Ramp at Highway 20 (-86° 11' 11.52"W, 30° 30' 44.85"N).~~
- (3) ~~Within 500 feet offshore from all sandy beaches or shorefront bathing areas on the Gulf.~~
- (4) ~~In the areas designated by "No Wake Zone" signs in the following waterways:~~
- a. ~~Mack Bayou.~~
 - b. ~~Buck Bayou.~~
 - c. ~~Black Creek at McDaniels Fish Camp.~~
 - d. ~~Black Creek at Black Creek Lodge.~~
 - e. ~~Black Creek at bridge on County Road 3280.~~
 - f. ~~Lake Powell within Walton County.~~
 - g. ~~Basin Bayou.~~
 - h. ~~Sister River at Steel Field.~~
 - i. ~~Bunker Creek.~~
 - j. ~~Hewett Bayou.~~
 - k. ~~Hogtown Bayou.~~
 - l. ~~Alaqua Creek.~~
 - m. ~~Tucker Bayou.~~
 - n. ~~Mallet Bayou.~~
 - o. ~~Churchill Bayou.~~
 - p. ~~Musset Bayou.~~
- (5) ~~Within 350 feet of any shore or dock along the entire shoreline of Choctawhatchee Bay, Hogtown Bayou, Alaqua Bayou, LaGrange Bayou, Basin Bayou, and Mallet Bayou, except that this provision shall not apply to the water encompassed by the shipping channel in LaGrange Bayou and the water within the designated limits of the Intracoastal Waterway.~~

Secs. 22-4—22-11. - Reserved.

Sec. 22-12. - Vessel speed not to exceed reasonable speed under existing conditions.

Nothing contained in this Chapter shall be construed to authorize or approve the speed of any vessel or sailcraft in excess of that which is reasonable and proper under the existing conditions or circumstances including, but not limited to, the presence of water skiers, bathers, fishermen, natural hazards or other water traffic.

However, the provisions of this Chapter shall not be construed to restrict law enforcement or rescue vessels, or vessels when conducting official duties or operating under emergency conditions or to prohibit racing or exhibition of vessels or sailcraft during a publicly announced, properly authorized, supervised and adequately patrolled regatta, speed trial or exhibition.

Secs. 22-13—22-30. - Reserved.

Sec. 22-31. - Horses, dogs on beaches.

- (a) No person owning or having charge, care, custody or control of any horse shall cause, permit or allow the animal onto or upon any public beaches in the County.
- (b) All dogs shall be prohibited from public beaches of Walton County except:
 - (1) Dogs assisting those who are sight and hearing impaired or service animals; or
 - (2) Dogs owned by Walton County real property owners or permanent residents who have obtained a permit and who maintain the dog on a leash. Proof of real property ownership or County residency is required (such as deed, driver's license, tax receipt, utility bill, lease agreement, or voter's registration showing address). For property titled in the name of a business, a person must show proof that they own a controlling interest in the property to be considered eligible for a permit (copy of state or other document showing percentage of ownership or list of officers). The permit will allow leashed dogs on the beach between the hours of 3:30 p.m. and 8:30 a.m. of the following day. Any Walton County real property owner or permanent resident desiring a permit shall be required to pay a reasonable fee, which shall be set by resolution of the Board and amended as necessary. Permits are non-transferable. Should any permit holder transfer his or her permit to another individual, his or her permit shall be revoked for a period of one (1) year.
- (c) Owners of dogs shall be responsible for pick up of their dogs' waste.
- (d) Permits may be issued by the Board's designee upon receipt of a completed application. All permits issued shall be for a period of one (1) year and will expire on August 1 of each year with a grace period until August 15 of each year. Proof of rabies vaccination must be presented prior to obtaining a permit.
- (e) Nothing in this Section shall be interpreted to apply to a property owner of the sandy area next to the mean high tide which would interfere with the property owner's right to have their own dog or horse on their property.

Secs. 22-32—22-52. - Reserved.

Sec. 22-53. - Application.

This Chapter shall govern conduct on the beach and water bodies south of Highway 20.

Sec. 22-54. - Regulation of use and conduct on the beach and water bodies.

- (a) Overnight camping. It shall be unlawful to camp overnight on the beach.
- (b) Fires.
 - (1) It shall be unlawful for any person to ignite or maintain, or participate in the maintenance of, a bonfire, campfire, or other activity that results in an open flame on the beach of the

Gulf of Mexico, without a permit as provided herein. No fires will be allowed within 200 feet of a marked turtle nest or within 50 feet of vegetation line or within 100 feet of any habitable structure.

- (2) It shall be unlawful and a violation of the ordinance for a person to fail to clean up after the fire has been extinguished. Bonfire pits and any evidence of or remnants from fires shall be removed from the beach by one (1) a.m. Evidence of or remnants from fires shall not be deposited in TDC beach garbage collection stations.
- (3) All fires must be in containers approved by the SWFD and only combustible, non-toxic material, free of nails, glass, and other potentially dangerous items may be used in any fire.
- (4) It shall be unlawful and a violation of the ordinance for a person to use a charcoal grill on the beach. Propane gas grills may be permitted for use pursuant to this Section if less than two hundred and twenty five (225) square inches in size.
- (5) All persons desiring to obtain a permit for a fire on public or private land within the area described herein above shall apply for a fire permit from the coordinator of the SWFD. All applications for fire permits shall set forth in detail the following:
 - a. Full name and address of the applicant;
 - b. The date and time the fire is to be set;
 - c. The kind or type of fire to be set;
 - d. The materials to be burned;
 - e. The specific location of the fire;
 - f. Written consent of private property owners;
 - g. The safeguards to be taken to protect the public and other property from injury; and
 - h. Such other information as may be prescribed by the SWFD.
- (6) The fee for the issuance of the fire permit shall be set by resolution of the Board and amended as necessary.
- (7) Permits shall not be issued when the SWFD has good reason to believe that the proposed fire will endanger the public health, safety, welfare, or other people or property, or when the Florida Fire Service issues a no burn order.
- (8) Issuance of a permit by the SWFD shall not excuse or relieve the applicant from any liability or responsibility for damages which may result from carelessness or neglect in setting, starting, looking after, or guarding a fire.
- (9) Owners of property adjacent to the Gulf are exempt from the requirements to have all fires in a container approved by the SWFD; however, under no circumstances may fires be directly on the sandy beach so as to contaminate the white sand. Property owners shall register to be provided a single permit and shall be required to notify the SWFD when a fire will be burned. This permit issued to property owners may not be used by other persons, tenants, renters, or visitors, and is non-transferable.

(10) Fireworks displays south of the Bay shall require a permit from the SWFD, and may only be issued to a person or company maintaining a valid, current Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms Explosive (BATFE) license. At a minimum this shall be a low explosive license.

(c) Fishing. It shall be unlawful for any person:

- (1) To fish in the Gulf after having been warned by any law enforcement officer that the health and safety of bathers is being endangered; or
- (2) While on the beach or within 2,500 feet from shore to intentionally fish for sharks or to fish by those methods commonly known as "chumming" or "bloodbaiting."

Nothing in this Section shall be construed to create a duty on the part of any County employee to prevent fishing or to warn of the presence of sharks in the Gulf.

(d) Glass containers. It shall be unlawful for any person while on the beach to possess or utilize any glass or ceramic bottle or container.

(e) Soliciting and canvassing. It shall be unlawful for any person to solicit or canvass on the beach, except those operating with a beach vendor permit, and only within the conditions of their permit. No soliciting or canvassing shall be permitted at the public beach parking areas.

(f) Littering. It shall be unlawful for any person to discard or otherwise dispose of or abandon any trash, garbage, bottles, containers, cans, dead fish or parts thereof, charcoal briquettes or ashes, cigarette butts, or any other litter on the beach, except in designated containers for that purpose. It is further unlawful to dispose of any household garbage on the beach.

(g) Personal property on the beach between one hour after dusk and one hour after sunrise.

(1) It shall be unlawful for any person to leave an item of personal property on the beach between one (1) hour after dusk and one (1) hour after sunrise, unless a permit has been granted by Walton County. It shall be unlawful for any person to leave an item of personal property between one hour after dusk and one hour after sunrise on the dunes or at the toe of the dune at any regional or neighborhood beach access owned, leased, dedicated to, or maintained by the County or TDC.

(2) County Permit:

a. Any person that desires to leave an item of personal property on the beach between one (1) hour after dusk and one (1) hour after sunrise must apply for a permit from Walton County, and must obtain all necessary permits from state and federal agencies. No county permit shall be issued for any of the following items:

1. Items that will obstruct, hinder or otherwise impede emergency and maintenance vehicles from traversing the beach;
2. Items that may be easily removed from the beach, even though removal may be inconvenient for the owner or person in possession and control of the item;
3. Obstructions and signs;
4. Items prohibited by federal or state law or items prohibited by the Walton County Code of Ordinances; and

5. Items that may adversely impact federally protected species.
- b. There shall be no fee for obtaining the County permit mandated by Section 22-54(g)(2)a. Such permits shall include the following:
 1. Name and contact information of the owner or person in possession and control of the item;
 2. Description of the item;
 3. Location of the item;
 4. Duration of time the item will remain in such location; and
 5. Acknowledgement that owner or person in possession and control of the item will be liable for any impacts to federally protected species.
 - c. State of emergency. All items, whether permitted or not, shall be removed from the beach within twenty-four (24) hours of declaration of a state of emergency for the County due to hurricane, severe weather systems, or other emergencies that impact the beach. A public notice will be posted on the County website concerning allowing vendors on the beach to retrieve their equipment and the conditions for retrieval. Violations of those conditions can result in civil citations and/or loss of vendor permit.
 - d. Take provision. The County will not be liable for any impacts to federally protected species resulting from any permitting or leaving of items on the beach at the toe of the dune. Such liability will rest with the individual applicant.
- (3) Abandonment. Any item of personal property which remains on the beach between one (1) hour after dusk and one (1) hour after sunrise, unless a permit has been obtained from the county by the owner or person in possession and control of the item, shall be deemed abandoned and shall become the property of the county which may dispose of the item in accordance with Florida Statutes.
 - (4) Enforcement. It shall be the duty and responsibility of the Sheriff's Office and/or the County code enforcement department to enforce all provisions of this Section.
- (h) Swimming and surfing.
- (1) Authority to close or restrict use of beach and water bodies.
 - (2) The Board, the Director of Emergency Operations, SWFD, or the Sheriff's Office shall have the authority to declare that an emergency exists and temporarily close or restrict the use of the beach and adjacent waters for use by the public when conditions endangering the safety of the public are present.
 - (3) It shall be a violation of this Chapter for any person, having been given actual or constructive notice such as by the posting of signs or the making of public announcements, to violate any restriction or order given under the terms of this Section. Those persons surfing as defined herein with a surfboard are exempt from this Section, unless a mandatory evacuation order for the adjacent beach property has been issued.

- (i) Sound amplification. No audio device, such as loudspeakers, television, radio, compact disc, tape, record player, or musical instrument, except equipment used by law enforcement, rescue or beach safety personnel, shall be used on the beach and water bodies in any manner, that can be heard by a person using normal hearing faculties, at a distance of 100 feet or more from the source of the sound.
- (j) Removal of beach sand. No beach sand may be removed from the beach.
- (k) Removal of water. No water may be pumped from the Gulf except for permitted construction under guidelines established by the County. Additionally, pumping or conveying through channels or piping of water into the Gulf is prohibited without proper permits.
- (l) Animals. Animals on the beach shall be governed by section 22-31.
- (m) Use of rafts, floats, and other flotation devices. No person shall use any raft, float, body board, or other flotation device of any description, except for a vessel, sailcraft, stand up paddle board, or surfboard, more than 500 feet from the water's edge.
- (n) Breach of the peace; disorderly conduct. No person shall commit such acts as are of a nature to corrupt the public morals, or outrage the sense of public decency, or affect the peace and quiet of persons who may witness them, or engage in brawling or fighting, or engage in such conduct as to constitute a breach of the peace or disorderly conduct.
- (o) It shall be unlawful to use a generator on the beach unless it conforms to the following specifications:
 - (1) Noise output must be less than or equal to sixty (60) decibels;
 - (2) Power output must be less than or equal to one hundred twenty (120) volts, two thousand (2,000) watts (sixteen (16) amps);
 - (3) Engine displacement must be less than or equal to one hundred (100) cubic centimeters;
 - (4) Physical size must be less than or equal to twenty four inches by twelve inches by eighteen inches (24"x12"x18");
 - (5) Generators must have an integrated fuel tank;
 - (6) Generators must be contained in a sound reducing box of appropriate size while in use;
 - (7) Fuel shall not be stored on the beach or boardwalks;
 - (8) A fire extinguisher, ten (10) pounds, Class ABC, shall be required for use of generators on the beach.
- (p) It shall be unlawful for any person, other than an employee of the County, the TDC, the Sheriff's Office, SWFD, or a specific place vendor or his or her agent, to use or possess a steel blade shovel or other metal tools made for digging/excavating sand on the beach;
- (q) It shall be unlawful for any person to use, erect, or possess a tent greater than ten feet by ten feet (10'x10') on the beach at any regional or neighborhood beach access owned, leased, dedicated to, or maintained by the County or TDC. Tent use as provided in this section shall be limited to the upland one-third (1/3) of the beach, except at Grayton Beach. In no event shall this provision prohibit a private property owner, or his or her guest or agent, from using, erecting, or possessing a tent of any size on his or her real property between one hour after sunrise and one hour after dusk.

- (r) It shall be unlawful to place beach equipment on the beach within fifteen (15) feet of the water's edge or within fifteen (15) feet of the toe of the dune or line of permanent dune vegetation on any regional or neighborhood beach access.

Sec. 22-55. –Prohibition of obstructions and restrictions of signs on the beach.

- (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to place, construct, or maintain an obstruction on the beach.

Exemption. Sand fences which have received all necessary permits from state and federal agencies are exempt from the prohibition contained in this Section. Ropes, chains, and fences placed, constructed, or maintained by federal, state, or local governments, or their agents, for the protection of federally protected species are exempt from the prohibition contained in this Section.

- (b) It shall be unlawful for any person to place, construct, or maintain a sign on the beach unless it conforms to the following criteria:
 - (1) Signs shall not be allowed on the beach between one (1) hour after dusk and one (1) hour after sunrise;
 - (2) Signs shall not be permanently affixed or attached to the ground;
 - (3) Signs shall be limited in size to eighteen (18) inches by twenty- four (24) inches;
 - (4) Signs shall be placed at least two hundred fifty (250) feet apart, or at each corner of the property's boundaries if a property line is less than two hundred fifty (250) feet;
 - (5) Signs shall not be placed seaward of the mean high-water line or erosion control line;
 - (6) Signs and any associated supporting structure, column, upright pole, or brace, shall be white and shall be wood or PVC;
 - (7) The text or content of the signs shall be professionally printed and the color of the text or content of the signs shall be black or selected from the following list from the Munsell Book of Color: Hue 5B, Value 8, Chroma 4; Hue 2.5 PB, Value 4, Chroma 10.

Sec. 22-56. - Personal watercraft.

No person shall operate a personal watercraft in excess of idle speed:

- (a) Closer than 500 feet perpendicular from the water's edge except to go to and from the shore, except personal watercraft operated:
 - (1) In the channel of the intracoastal waterway east of the Choctawhatchee Bay; and
 - (2) On rivers.
- (b) In an unsafe, reckless, or careless manner endangering the life, limb, or property of any person.
- (c) Personal watercraft are prohibited from launching from county or state owned properties or parks located on the Gulf of Mexico.

- (d) Personal watercraft are prohibited in coastal dune lakes, including that portion of Lake Powell located within Walton County.
- (e) No commercial personal watercraft operations will be permitted from Topsail Hill to the Bay County Line.

Sec. 22-57. - Permitted vehicles on the beach.

- (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to drive, or cause to be driven, an unauthorized vehicle on the beach of the county unless permitted as provided herein. This section does not apply to the use of heavy equipment and other types of vehicles on the beach for local and/or state permitted coastal construction projects that will not result in the unauthorized take of federally listed species, as determined by the USFWS.
- (b) Before any vehicle shall be allowed in the designated limited access areas on the public beaches of the county, a permit must be obtained for the vehicle in the form of a decal, and permanently affixed in the back window of said vehicle, or the rear of the motor vehicle. Those who have a valid beach access permit as of the effective date of Ordinance No. 2011-57, and those who held a valid beach access permit with an expiration date of June 1, 2009 and who obtained a valid permit by August 31, 2015, may renew such permits beginning on May 15 of each year. Failure to renew said permit will result in loss of grandfathered status and such applicants shall apply for future permits under subsection (c). Revocation of grandfathered permits for violations of this chapter are permanent and may not be reinstated. Grandfathered permits are in the name of the individual permit holder and may not be transferred.
- (c) An additional 150 permits may be issued each year, which are only valid for one year and are nonrenewable. Vehicles and trailers issued a beach access permit under this paragraph must be registered in the State of Florida. County residents that meet the requirements of subsection (e)(1) may submit applications between April 1 and May 10 of each year. A lottery selection will be conducted by the county administration office on May 15 and all applicants will be notified of the results. Those selected in the lottery will have 30 calendar days to purchase permits from the county beginning June 1. Those who fail to purchase their permit within the 30 days will forfeit their chance to obtain the beach driving permit for that calendar year.
- (d) The permits shall be issued by the board's designee each year based on the requirements of this Code, including, but not limited to, the criteria set forth below.
 - (1) County resident real property owners and registered voters. County registered voters or real property owners, who are residents of the county, and immediate family members residing with them in the county may obtain a permit for the use of a properly registered and authorized vehicle along the designated limited access areas on the beaches of the county, if the following criteria are met, in addition to any other requirements contained in this Code:
 - a. Each parcel of property shall only be entitled to one vehicle permit each year.
 - b. The ad valorem taxes for the real property shall not be delinquent.
 - c. The vehicle being registered must be titled in the name of the permit holder.

- d. Proof of real property ownership (such as a deed or tax receipt) or a voter's registration card and proof of residency (such as voter's registration card, homestead exemption card, or driver's license) must be presented to the board's designee at the time of application to document the requirements of this section. For property titled in the name of a business or owned by multiple owners, the person applying for the permit shall show proof that they own a controlling interest in the property or that they are otherwise entitled to obtain a permit for the property. "Controlling interest in the property or that they are otherwise entitled" means that the person applying for the permits owns more than 50 percent ownership interest in the property or has a resolution signed by the other owners of the property grants the person applying for the permit the authority to apply for the permit.
- (2) County nonresident real property owners. County real property owners may obtain a permit for the use of a properly registered and authorized vehicle along the designated limited access areas on the beaches of the county, if the following criteria are met, in addition to any other requirements contained in this Code:
- a. The person applying for the permit must have had a permit as of the effective date of Ordinance No. 2011-57, or, the person applying for the permit must have had a permit with an expiration date of June 1, 2009 and had obtained a permit pursuant to subsection (d), and for the year preceding the date of application. Each parcel of property shall only be entitled to one vehicle permit each year.
 - b. The ad valorem taxes for the real property shall not be delinquent.
 - c. The vehicle being registered must be titled in the name of the permit holder.
 - d. Proof of real property ownership (such as a deed or tax receipt) must be presented to the board's designee at the time of application to document the requirements of this section. For property titled in the name of a business or owned by multiple owners, the person applying for the permit shall show proof that they own a controlling interest in the property or that they are otherwise entitled to obtain a permit for the property. "Controlling interest in the property or that they are otherwise entitled" means that the person applying for the permits owns more than 50 percent ownership interest in the property or has a resolution signed by the other owners of the property grants the person applying for the permit the authority to apply for the permit.
- (3) County charter fishing operations; 15 permits total. Under this subsection, (d)(3), there shall be a limit of 15 permits total to be issued which shall be issued first to the applicants renewing their permits from the previous year. If permit holders do not renew their permit by June 15 of each year, an additional number of permits (that would bring the total to 15) may be issued. County residents that meet the requirement of this paragraph may submit applications between May 1 and June 15 of each year. A lottery selection will be conducted by the county administration office on June 20 and all applicants will be notified of the results. Those selected by lottery will have 30 calendar days to purchase permits from the county beginning July 1. Those who fail to purchase their permit within the 30 days will forfeit their chance to obtain the charter fishing beach driving permit. To qualify under this paragraph, county residents that are also licensed charter boat captains and operate charter fishing businesses in the county ("charter operator") may obtain a permit for the use of a properly registered and authorized vehicle along the designated

limited access areas of the beaches of the county, if the following criteria are met, in addition to any other requirements contained in this Code:

- a. The vehicle and boat trailer being registered shall be owned by the charter operator and used for the charter operation.
 - b. Proof of residency (such as voter's registration card, homestead exemption card, or driver's license) must be presented to the board's designee at the time of application.
 - c. Proof of a current Coast Guard captain's license.
 - d. Proof of a current Florida charter fishing license.
 - e. Proof of liability insurance of not less than \$500,000.00 for general public liability per occurrence.
- (4) County Scuba Charter operations; 3 permits total. Under this subsection (d)(4), there shall be a limit of 3 permits total to be issued. Permits will be issued by lottery to eligible applicants. Applicants may submit applications between May 1 and June 15 of each year. A lottery selection will be conducted by County Administration on June 20 and all applicants will be notified of the results. Those selected by lottery will have 30 calendar days to purchase permit from the County beginning July 1. Those who fail to purchase their permit within the 30 days will forfeit their chance to obtain the scuba charter beach driving permit. Current permit holders will be given priority to renew permits each year and shall renew their permit between April 1 and April 30. If any permit holder does not renew their permit by April 30, an additional number of permits (that would bring the total to 3) may be issued using the lottery system set forth in this paragraph. To qualify under this paragraph, the following requirements apply:
- a. Applicant must be a Walton County resident OR a Scuba charter operator must be business owner in Walton County. Proof of residency must be presented to the board's designee at the time of application.
 - b. The vehicle and boat trailer being registered shall be owned by the Walton County resident or scuba charter operator and used for the scuba charter operation.
 - c. Applicant must provide proof of general liability insurance not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence. Walton County shall be named as certificate holder and additional insured prior to being receiving permit.
 - d. Proof of required licensure, certifications and insurance must be presented to the Board's designee at the time of application.
 - e. Applicant must hold a current OUPV Captain License and must be a certified dive guide or dive master (or equal) accredited by a scuba industry agency.
 - f. Must be certified by the American Red Cross in CPR / AED and as a first responder.
 - g. Additional requirements regarding beach/gulf operations, life safety vessel

requirements and dive operations are listed on the permit application. Failure to comply with any permit requirements may result in permit revocation.

- (e) A copy of the beach access permit receipt showing the name of the individual to whom it was issued must remain in the vehicle while being operated on the beach. Additionally, at all times while a properly permitted boat trailer is on the designated limited access area, the properly permitted boat trailer shall remain connected to the properly permitted vehicle.
- (f) The board's designee will issue the permits annually upon receipt of a completed application. If the board's designee is a constitutional officer, they shall retain a processing fee as set by the board by resolution. On or about April 1 of each year the board's designee shall submit to the board of county commissioners a written report of the number of permits that have been issued during the current year.
- (g) Only four-wheel drive vehicles that have a current motor vehicle registration to be driven on the highways shall be permitted.
- (h) The fees for the designated limited access area permit described above shall be set by resolution of the board. One decal (vehicle permit) shall be issued for each vehicle authorized to use the limited access area. Replacement permits, for newly purchased vehicles or lost permits, will be issued to the original permittee for the processing fee only. A detailed explanation, accompanied by proof, such as a law enforcement report, is required for lost or stolen permit decals. Nonresidents with mobility disabilities, upon proof of disability (disability parking placard, SSI disability letter, etc.), will be eligible to receive a no cost temporary permit from the code enforcement department. Residents with mobility disabilities, upon proof of such disability (Florida disability parking placard, SSI disability letter, etc.), may be issued an annual permit for the processing fee only, upon obtaining an annual eligibility letter from county administration.
- (i) In addition to the designated limited access area permit described in subsection (d), individuals launching boats shall be required to have a corresponding trailer decal for each trailer, for an additional fee as set by the board. The decal shall be placed on the tongue of the trailer.
- (j) The speed limit of authorized vehicles along the designated limited access on the public beaches of the county shall be five miles per hour.
- (k) Any reckless driving along the designated limited access of the public beaches shall constitute a violation of this article.
- (l) Conviction for violation of this article shall result in fines imposed and could result in revocation of the vehicle permit.
- (m) All permits issued shall be for a period of one year and will expire June 1 of each year.
- (n) Permitted vehicles are not allowed on the beach other than in the designated limited access areas.
- (o) All access areas will be appropriately marked and designated as such.
- (p) During turtle nesting season driving is prohibited from 10:00 p.m. until 8:00 a.m. or after the morning nesting survey has been completed (if completed earlier than 8:00 a.m.), with the exception of vehicles launching or recovering boats. When driving between dusk and 10:00 p.m., headlights must be on dim and used only when in motion. Headlights must have red

filters over the headlights. Light wavelength with red filters should be > 560 nm. All vehicles launching boats must be parked in designated parking areas so as to not obstruct other beach users.

- (q) All-terrain vehicles are not permitted on the public beach. All-terrain vehicles used by sheriff department officers, South Walton Fire District, and county employees for official business may be driven on the beach. Beach vendor permits issued by the county for water-based activities or exclusive vending areas in excess of 1,000 linear beach front, may include all-terrain vehicles that are restricted to morning set up and evening break down of vending sites only. Private security all-terrain vehicles may obtain a permit for a single vehicle to patrol properties they maintain which are in excess of 1,000 linear beach front, for a reduced fee as set by resolution of the board, which will allow them to access the beach within the limits specified in the permit. All ATVs used for official non-emergency, permitted vendor, or private security must have red filters over the headlights. Light wavelength with red filters should be > 560 nm. See section 22-60(d)(9) for restrictions on vendors driving on the beach.

Sec. 22-58. - Aircraft.

No person operating, directing, or responsible for any airplane, seaplane, helicopter, glider, balloon, dirigible, parachute, ultralight, or other aerial apparatus shall take off from or land on the beaches or water bodies, unless authorized or permitted by Walton County or the TDC.

Sec. 22-59. - Temporary use for special events.

- (a) Policy and objective. This article is intended to ensure broad beach usage by allowing temporary uses of the beach for purposes which otherwise would be prohibited. These special uses would be allowed by a permit that waives certain restrictions under specific conditions which still protect the public health, safety, and welfare. The permitting process is intended to provide a convenient procedure to be followed by beach users.
- (b) Permit required. No person shall organize, promote, or conduct a special event, except as provided in a special event permit issued pursuant to this section. It shall be unlawful for a vendor to organize, promote, or conduct a special event on behalf of a client without being listed on the permit application.
- (c) Permits for special events.
 - (1) A permit for special event, according to its terms, may constitute a temporary waiver of one or more provisions of this chapter.
 - (2) Permits are required for special events with thirty (30) or more people expected. Permits are required for all weddings that are to be held on a public beach access, so as to not have more than one wedding taking place at the same time and place.
 - (3) The county shall create an application for the permit that details the items allowed and prohibited for use on the beach during special events. The permit shall require the applicant to provide, at a minimum, the following information:
 - a. Date and time of the special event;
 - b. Location of the special event;
 - c. Description of the special event;

- d. Anticipated crowd size;
 - e. Sponsor of the special event;
 - f. Written consent from the property owner;
 - g. Any other information required by the county;
 - h. The location of the walk-over or access to the beach that will be used for the event and permission from the owner if necessary;
 - j. Detailed equipment list and layout to include quantity of tables, chairs, lights, and other fixtures or equipment; and
 - i. Parking plan.
- (4) Special events over one hundred (100) people will require the special event sponsor to provide security and adequate parking.
 - (5) Special event sponsors are required to clean the beach immediately after the event has been completed.
 - (6) No special event shall be located within one hundred (100) feet of an active turtle nest.
 - (7) Fee. The fee for special event permits shall be set by resolution of the board and changed as necessary. Each special event shall require a separate permit.

Sec. 22-60. - Beach vendors.

- (a) Policy. The county finds that the use and enjoyment of the beach by the public is enhanced by the provision of certain goods and services so long as individual peace and quiet is not unreasonably disturbed; that a comprehensive and effective program of beach management for the enjoyment of the beach by the public requires flexibility in the number, location, and type of beach vendors; and that as the trustee of the public interest in the beach, the county has the power to regulate the provision of goods and services by private vendors making use of the public interest on the beach. No beach vendor activities that require permanent installation of electricity or running water will be permitted as a vending operation by the county unless properly permitted with DEP and the building department.
- (b) Permit required.
 - (1) A vendor permit shall be required for the sale, rental, or solicitation of any merchandise, services, goods, or property of any kind or character on the beach. A specific place permit shall grant to the vendor the right to sell or rent specified goods or services on the specific beach from a fixed beach location. A vendor with multiple locations will need a permit for each specific location. Such permit shall provide the exclusive authority to sell or rent goods or services within a defined area or zone of operation on the specific beach. A vendor that is providing goods or services for use on the beach that does not have a defined area of the beach may only deliver the goods or services to the beach, but may not vend (solicit) from the beach. Delivery vendors must either remove their goods from the beach and dune system each day or store their goods in temporary beach storage boxes that have received all necessary federal, state, and local permits.
 - (2) A permit will be issued upon completion of required application and submission of required documents and payments. Applications shall be made to the county.

- (3) The Board may enter into an agreement with a vendor to provide managed vending services at any regional or neighborhood beach accesses owned, leased, dedicated to, or maintained by the County or TDC. In the event the Board enters into an agreement with a vendor to provide managed vending services at any regional or neighborhood beach access, the terms of the agreement shall govern vending at that particular regional or neighborhood beach access.
- (c) Fee. The fee for beach vendor permits shall be set by resolution of the board and changed as necessary. Each type of activity shall require a separate permit.
 - (d) Operations and maintenance generally.
 - (1) Each vendor shall continuously have on file with the county a statement fully disclosing those natural persons owning, leasing, or having an ownership or leasehold interest in the vending operation, and those natural persons who shall be principally responsible for its operation or who in any manner assist with the operation of the vending operation.
 - (2) The vendor must have and maintain a telephone or marine radio at its land-based, watersports and parasail operations centers.
 - (3) All equipment shall be maintained so as to promote an attractive appearance and to ensure safety of operation and quality of services. Beach chairs and umbrellas must be placed on the beach:
 - a. at regional and neighborhood beach accesses owned, leased, dedicated to, or maintained by the County or TDC, at a minimum of fifteen (15) feet from the water's edge;
 - b. at a minimum of fifteen (15) feet from the toe of the dune;
 - c. at regional and neighborhood beach accesses owned, leased, dedicated to, or maintained by the County or TDC, must allow for a ten (10) foot clear corridor from lifeguard towers to the water and from lifeguard towers to the toe of the dune;
 - d. at regional and neighborhood beach accesses owned, leased, dedicated to, or maintained by the County or TDC, must allow for private set up space; and
 - e. at regional and neighborhood beach accesses owned, leased, dedicated to, or maintained by the County or TDC, provide for one continuous access aisle through middle of vendor zone for access to the water.
 - (4) All activities related to the business operation of each vendor must be confined within its assigned and designated area. During the sea turtle nesting season, vendors shall be allowed access to the beach between 7:30 a.m., or after the morning sea turtle nesting survey has been completed, or whichever is earlier, and one hour after sunset.
 - (5) Each vendor shall have a trash receptacle on the site, and shall, at the end of each business day, be required to ensure that all trash resulting from operations within a distance of 100 feet measured in any direction is removed from the beach.
 - (6) Temporary beach storage boxes that have received all necessary federal, state, and local permits shall be allowed on the beach by permitted vendors, but must be placed as far landward as possible but seaward of the vegetation lines. Beach storage boxes must be able to be removed entirely from the beach in the event of a declared emergency (storm)

and can be no larger than four feet by four feet by eight feet (any exceptions must be contained in the vending permit). Multiple storage boxes at a vending location shall be placed at least twenty feet apart and positioned so they are perpendicular to the water's edge. Each vendor shall ensure that all equipment is removed from the beach and dune system or stored in a temporary storage box after business hours each day. Failure to do so may result in fines or the revocation of the permit. For vendors that vend on beach of 1,000 linear feet or greater, owned by the same owner or controlled by the same owner/association, are allowed up to one temporary beach hut per each 500 linear feet (i.e. 1,200 feet = maximum of two beach huts). The gross square footage of the footprint of huts, including decks, must be no more than 144 square feet. Huts must be able to be removed from the beach for storms and cannot have permanent utilities (i.e. must be hose/cord connected).

- (7) Beach vendors shall be required to display the beach vendor permit number on each temporary storage box.
- (8) No vending on private property shall occur without written annual authorization from the property owner. No vending shall occur on beaches seaward of the erosion control line established pursuant to Chapter 161, Florida Statutes, without written annual authorization from the county and any private property owner whose southern property line is contiguous to the proposed vending location.
- (9) Vendor driving on the beach. Vendor permits that specifically permit driving on the beach by off road, light weight vehicles must adhere to the following: During the sea turtle nesting season (May 1 through October 31, or the last marked nest has hatched, whichever is later), provide vehicles involved in vending operations or special events permitted by the county shall be allowed access to the beach between 7:30 a.m. or after the morning sea turtle nesting survey has been completed, and sunset, as specified on their permit. Outside of the sea turtle nesting season, vehicular beach access shall be restricted to the period between sunrise and sunset, as specified on their permit. Vehicles shall not encroach on marked sea turtle nests or posted shorebird nesting sites, and under no circumstances shall vending equipment and/or supplies be placed within a nest barrier. Vendors shall not be allowed to drive through state parks. See section 22-57(q) for restrictions on vendor driving.
- (10) Beach vendors' operations are limited to no more than 50 percent of the public beach frontage at any public beach access. The frontage shall be designated by the Walton County Tourist Development Council prior to May 1st of each year. It shall be unlawful and a violation of this ordinance for any person to move or manipulate the device used to designate the vendors' operation limits.
- (11) No beach vendor activities that require permanent installation of electricity or running water will be permitted as a vending operation by the county unless properly permitted with DEP and the building department.
- (12) At regional and neighborhood beach accesses owned, leased, dedicated to, or maintained by the County or TDC, it shall be unlawful to vend food or beverage on the beach.
- (13) Vending of tents greater than ten feet by ten feet (10'x10') shall be prohibited at regional and neighborhood beach accesses owned, leased, dedicated to, or maintained by the

County or TDC. Vending of tents, as provided in this section, shall be limited to the upland one-third (1/3) of the beach.

(e) Operations and maintenance for water-based activity operations. In addition to the requirements in subsection (d), vendors of water-based activity operations shall be subject to the following:

- (1) The vendor must have an operations center located at a land-based location with direct access to the beach in the immediate area where the vending services are being provided for public use.
- (2) The vendor must provide "access corridors" for jet propelled boats or vessels entering into the Gulf of Mexico. Such "access corridors" shall be designated by the board of county commissioners or its designated representatives and shall be posted as such. The "access corridors" shall not exceed 50 feet in width leading to the shore for pick-up or drop-off, and shall be marked by at least two orange or red buoys not less than 60 inches in circumference and anchored 150 feet from the shoreline, two orange or red buoys not less than 60 inches in circumference and anchored 300 feet from the shoreline, and two orange or red buoys not less than 60 inches in circumference and anchored 750 feet from the shoreline, and two orange or red cones or signs not less than 28 inches high erected at the waterline.
- (3) The vendor must have a motorized chase boat or personalized watercraft in good running condition in the water. The chase boat must meet all U.S. Coast Guard safety requirements. It must remain at the vendor's base of operation during all hours of vendor's operations to be available to respond to emergencies. The chase boat shall be equipped with operational marine radio or cellular phone.
- (4) All vendors involving water sports and their designated employees shall be required to obtain and maintain a current certification in BLS/CPR for rescue professionals ~~a CPR certification or~~ and water safety certification recognized by the American Red Cross or industry equivalent. Proof of certification must be provided with the license application and upon request.
- (5) In the event that a vendor must leave any items on the beach at night, they must be moved to the toe of the dune and there must be a minimum of ten feet of space between each item for turtle passage.
- (6) There shall be no storage of hazardous materials (such as fuel) on the beach.

(f) Operations and maintenance for parasail operations. In addition to the requirements in subsections (d) and (e), vendors of parasail operations shall be subject to the following.

- (1) Each towboat rented, leased or hired within the county to pull a parasail, kite or the like, shall be registered with the county. The applicant for registration shall provide:
 - a. The name, residence, and mailing address of the owner;
 - b. The name, location, and mailing address of the parasail amusement offering the device;
 - c. A description of the tow boat and device to be pulled, including a copy of the certificate of title where applicable;

- d. Evidence of Florida registration;
 - e. A certificate of the insurance required by subsection (h) issued in favor of the county and stating that the county shall receive 30 days written notice in advance of cancellation;
 - f. Current United States Coast Guard Certification that the parasail operator is a registered boat captain;
 - g. A letter of approval or a contract from the abutting property owner or condominium allowing the operator to establish a pull-in site behind an individual's or condominium association's property or condominium;
 - h. Each such towboat shall be the subject of a single application and each application shall be accompanied by a registration fee defined in section 22-61(c).
- (2) The county shall assign a permit decal, including a number or letter and a colored field, for each towboat and personal watercraft that is rented.
- (3) Each registration shall expire on February 1.
- (4) It shall be unlawful for any person to conduct or assist in conducting, in whole or in part within the county, a parasail, kite, or similar ride on or above the waters of the Gulf of Mexico or Choctawhatchee Bay in exchange for a fee or value, or solicit the same within the county, unless:
- a. The tow boat and parasail, kite or the like used in such ride are insured and registered, and each person and business offering or assisting such ride is insured, as required under this division.
 - b. There is a minimum of 2,000 feet between the land-based operations of vendors.
 - c. Permanent restroom facilities are provided.
 - d. The tow boat maintains an idle speed when within 750 feet (250 yards) of the shore.
 - e. The tow boat nor a parasailer does not come within 750 feet (250 yards) of the shoreline during actual operation (an exception exists when the tow boat is taking customers to and from the operational area to the shoreline).
 - f. There is provided for each rental location a water channel or access corridor perpendicular to the shoreline, not less than ten feet in width nor wider than 50 feet leading to the shore for pick-up or drop-off, and marked by at least two orange or red buoys not less than 60 inches in circumference and anchored 150 feet from the shoreline, two orange or red buoys not less than 60 inches in circumference and anchored 300 feet from the shoreline, and two orange or red buoys not less than 60 inches in circumference and anchored 750 feet from the shoreline, and two orange or red cones or signs not less than 28 inches high erected at the waterline.
 - g. There is a minimum of 2,000 feet between airborne parasailers.
 - h. A ground crew is provided that has both a cellular phone for emergencies and a shore-to-towboat radio. A chase boat and/or jet ski shall also be at the operational site to assist the towboat in the event of an emergency.

- i. A current registration decal issued under this section is permanently affixed to the towboat.
 - j. Parasail operation shall only be allowed from the western edge of Topsail Hill State Preserve to the Okaloosa-Walton County line.
 - k. Vessel launch system. Every towboat used for parasail operations shall have a vessel launch system with an operable winch attached.
 - l. Landing and take-off zones.
 - 1. A landing and take-off zone measuring 30 feet wide and 50 feet long is established offshore. This area shall be clearly marked on the shore indicating the landing and take-off zone in the Gulf of Mexico.
 - 2. Except in cases of emergency, the landing or take-off of such ride is made from and to such zone established (beach launches and recoveries of airborne parasailers are strictly prohibited).
 - 3. No person shall knowingly swim within any channel properly marked pursuant to subsection (2)f.
 - 4. No person shall knowingly remain within any properly sized and clearly marked landing and take-off zone established pursuant to this subsection.
 - 5. Parasail towboats shall be prohibited from operation in any coastal dune lake of South Walton County.
 - m. In the event there is an accident involving a parasail amusement, the permitted vendor shall immediately notify the county in accordance with 46 CFR 4.05-1, Notice of Marine Casualty.
- (g) Operations and maintenance of personal watercraft. In addition to the requirements in subsections (d) and (e), vendors of personal watercraft rentals shall be subject to the following.
- (1) Each personal watercraft rented, leased, or hired shall be registered with the county. The application for registration shall include:
 - a. The name, residence, and mailing address of the owner;
 - b. The name, location and mailing address of the personal watercraft vendor offering the device;
 - c. Evidence of Florida registration;
 - d. A certificate of the insurance required by subsection (h) issued in favor of the county and stating that the county shall receive 30 days written notice in advance of cancellation;
 - e. A letter of approval or a contract from the abutting property owner or condominium allowing the operator to establish a pull-in site behind an individual's or condominium association's property or condominium; and
 - f. Each personal watercraft shall be the subject of a single application and each application shall be accompanied by a registration fee defined in section 22-60(c).

- (2) The county shall assign a permit decal, including a number or letter and a colored field for each personal watercraft that is rented.
- (3) Each registration shall expire on February 1.
- (4) Personal watercraft vendors shall be subject to the restriction in section 22-56.

(h) Insurance.

- (1) It shall be unlawful for any vendor to operate unless the vendor shall have first procured and filed with the county a liability insurance policy, or a duly executed certificate of insurance, the terms and conditions of which shall provide for the protection of all persons suffering injury, loss, or damage to the person, or to property, by reason of the operation of any beach concession.
- (2) The insurance policy or certificate of insurance shall provide comprehensive general liability coverage in the amount of \$500,000.00 and shall be executed by an insurance company authorized to do business in the State of Florida. Additionally, each person and business renting such devices, or offering or assisting such rides, within the county shall be insured against general public liability in an amount not less than \$500,000.00 combined single limit per occurrence, and against property damage in an amount not less than \$50,000.00 per occurrence.
 - a. The insurance policy or certificate of insurance shall contain a provision whereby every company executing the same shall obligate itself to notify the county in writing at least 30 days before any alteration, modification, or cancellation of such policy. Walton County Board of County Commissioners shall be listed as certificate holder and additionally insured on the insurance policy.
 - b. No authorization shall be issued to operate any concession unless and until such liability insurance policy or certificate of insurance is filed with the county, and failure of the vendor to procure a liability insurance policy as described in this section and keep such policy on file with the county at all times shall be grounds for suspension of the authorization until such time as insurance is obtained.
- (i) Acknowledgment. All vendors shall sign an acknowledgment that he or she has read this section and understands its terms. In addition to those penalties in section 22-62, the vendor permit may be revoked for violation of this article.
- (j) Flag system. Beach vendors will be required to provide a sign or placard at their vending location, describing the established county colored flag system.

Sec. 22-61. - Public beach parking.

No overnight parking or blocking of parking spaces is permitted in the TDC maintained beach access parking lots. Signs are posted for hours of operation.

Sec. 22-62. - Penalty; fees and fines.

A violation of any provision of this Chapter shall constitute a civil infraction punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500.00. Each occurrence of a violation, or, in the case of continuing violations, each day a violation occurs or continues, constitutes a separate offense. In addition to issuance of

finer, the County shall use any other lawful methods of enforcement and remedy to gain compliance with the provisions of this chapter.

The Board of County Commissioners is authorized to set the amount of any fee or fine that is designated in this chapter by a resolution of the board and amend such resolution as the board determines is necessary. Deputies of the Sheriff’s Office and TDC Code Enforcement Officers shall be responsible for the issuance of citations for any violation of the provisions of this Chapter. Any fees and/or fines collected pursuant to this Chapter are to be remitted through the Clerk of Court and placed in the general fund of the Board of County Commissioners and the Clerk of Court shall retain \$10.00 from each fee or fine collected.

SEVERABILITY

If any portion of this Ordinance is determined by any Court to be invalid, the invalid portion shall be stricken, and such striking shall not affect the validity of the remainder of this Ordinance. If any Court determines that this Ordinance, or any portion hereof, cannot be legally applied to any individual(s), group(s), entity(ies), property(ies), or circumstance(s), such determination shall not affect the applicability hereof to any other individual, group, entity, property, or circumstance.

EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the Walton County Board of County Commissioners, as provided by law.

PASSED AND DULY ADOPTED in regular session, by the Board of County Commissioners of Walton County, Florida, this 17th day of December, 2019.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF WALTON COUNTY, FLORIDA

Attest:

Doni Cordle
Alex Alford, Clerk of Circuit Court
and County Comptroller

Bill Chapman
W. N. “Bill” Chapman, Chair



RESOLUTION NUMBER 2018-07

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WALTON COUNTY, FLORIDA, DESIGNATING FEES, VIOLATIONS AND FINES FOR UNCONTESTED CIVIL CITATIONS, PURSUANT TO SECTION 22-62, PENALTY, REGULATION OF WATERWAYS AND BEACH ACTIVITIES, WALTON COUNTY CODE AND SECTION 3, CHAPTER 23, CUSTOMARY USE ORDINANCE, WALTON COUNTY CODE; AND SETTING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Walton County Board of County Commissioners finds it necessary to establish fees for permits issued pursuant to Chapter 22 of the Walton County Code of Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, the Walton County Board of County Commissioners finds it necessary to establish fines for violations of Chapters 22 and 23 of the Walton County Code of Ordinances.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WALTON COUNTY, FLORIDA, THAT THE FOLLOWING FEES AND FINES ARE ESTABLISHED:

1. **Authority; Intent**

Pursuant to Section 22-62, Chapter 22, and Section 3, Chapter 23, Walton County Code of Ordinances, the Board of County Commissioners is authorized to set and amend, as necessary, the fees and fines for those designated activities and violations. The Board of County Commissioners has determined that it is in the best interest of the citizens of Walton County, tourists, local businesses and the overall economic benefit of Walton County to establish fines for certain uncontested violations of Chapters 22 and 23, Walton County Code of Ordinances. Nothing in this resolution can or is intended to affect judiciary discretion in setting fines for any contested violation or to order a violator to pay costs of a contested proceeding.

2. Establishment of Fees

Therefore, the following fees are set, and may be amended by the Board as necessary for activities permitted:

- a. Dog on Beach - \$30.00 per dog plus \$10.00 processing fee
- b. Fire - \$50.00 per 24 hours
- c. Fireworks - \$100.00 each event

d. Beach Driving Permit

Private Vehicle -	\$125.00 plus \$10.00 processing fee
Private Trailer -	\$ 30.00 plus \$10.00 processing fee
Charter Vehicle -	\$200.00 plus \$10.00 processing fee
Charter Trailer -	\$ 30.00 plus \$10.00 processing fee
ATV Private Security -	\$100.00

e. Beach Special Event -	\$ 50.00 - less than 10 people
	\$150.00 - 10 to 30 people
	\$250.00 - 31 to 50 people
	\$500.00 - 51 to 75 people
	\$1,000.00 - 76 +

Developments with commercial entitlements shall submit a calendar of events for the calendar year and be subject to a fee of \$1,000.00 per calendar year.

f. Beach Vendors (separate permit required for each category of operations)

Chair & Umbrella

\$750.00 for initial location
\$50.00 for each additional location

Water Based Activities

\$750.00 for initial location
\$50.00 for each additional location

Personal Watercraft Operations

\$750.00 for initial location plus \$50.00 per
vehicle
\$50.00 for each additional location

Parasail Operations

\$750.00 plus \$1000.00 per location

Miscellaneous Operations (anything not covered
above)

\$150.00 per type and location

3. Establishment of Fines

Therefore, the following fines are set, and may be amended by the Board as necessary, for uncontested violations as indicated in the following chart. The fines are minimum fines and do not affect any fines or costs that may be incurred through a contested civil citation hearing.

Violations of Chapters 22 or 23 not otherwise listed below are as follows:	(1) First violation-\$100 (2) Second violation-\$200 (3) Third and subsequent violations-Fine up to \$500
Violations of section 22-57(a) (driving on beach without a permit):	(1) First violation-\$200 (2) Second violation-\$300 (3) Third and subsequent violations-Fine up to \$500
Violations of section 22-57(p) (driving permitted vehicle on beach after hours):	(1) First violation-\$75 (2) Second violation-\$150 (3) Third and subsequent violations-Fine up to \$500
Violations of section 22-54(b) (fire on beach without a permit):	(1) First violation-\$200 (2) Second violation-\$300 (3) Third and subsequent violations-Fine up to \$500
Violations of section 22-54(a) (overnight camping):	(1) First violation-\$200 (2) Second violation-\$300 (3) Third and subsequent violations-Fine up to \$500

4. Effective Date


This resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption by the Board of County Commissioners.

ADOPTED on January 23, 2018.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
WALTON COUNTY, FLORIDA



W.N. "Bill" Chapman, Chair


ATTEST: _____
for Alex Alford, Clerk of the Circuit Court and County Comptroller





924 S. Co. Hwy. 83 | Santa Rosa Beach, FL 32459 | 850-622-7895

Site-Specific Beach Vending Permit Authorization

Instructions:

Company Owned Property – This authorization must be signed by an officer of the company and notarized **OR** accompanied by a photo ID containing a signature. In addition, proof that the signer is an officer of the company must be attached, i.e. a copy of a corporation document or copy of Annual Corporation filing with the state of origin.

Individually Owned Property/Property Manager – This authorization must be signed by the owner/property manager and notarized **OR** accompanied by a copy of a photo ID containing a signature.

Property Owner(s) (Names as listed on deed) Name/Title (If Company/Property Mgr.)

Mailing Address State Zip

Contact Phone Number Email Address

Walton County Gulf Front Property Location (Physical Address or Parcel Identification)

As owner/manager of the property listed above, I am authorizing the following person(s) or beach service vendor(s) to conduct **Beach Vending Operations** on said property within the guidelines set forth by Walton County Municipal Code Chapter 22, Section 22-60. Owner/manager signature authorizes Beach Code Enforcement access to the property to inspect for code compliance. Please contact Walton County Beach Code Enforcement for permitting questions.

(Name of Authorized Individual or Vendor)

Activities Authorized/Permissible:

- Vend/Solicit – Exclusive Vendor Vend Beach Chairs/Umbrellas Traverse Beach (Foot Traffic Only)
 Set Up of Equipment Only Vend Watersports Operations Traverse Beach (ATV/Vehicle Only)
 Allow Bonfires Vend Parasail Operations Security Permit
 Allow Storage Box(es) Vend Jet-Ski Operations _____

Time duration in which authorization is valid: [Written annual authorization will be required each vending season, per 22-60(d)(8)]

(Date From) - (Date To)

Property Owner/Manager/Company Officer Signature Printed Name of Property Owner/Mgr./Officer

Date

Given under my hand and seal this ____ day of _____, 20____.

Signed Name of Notary Public

{Seal/Stamp








Printed Name of Notary Public

Commission Number: _____

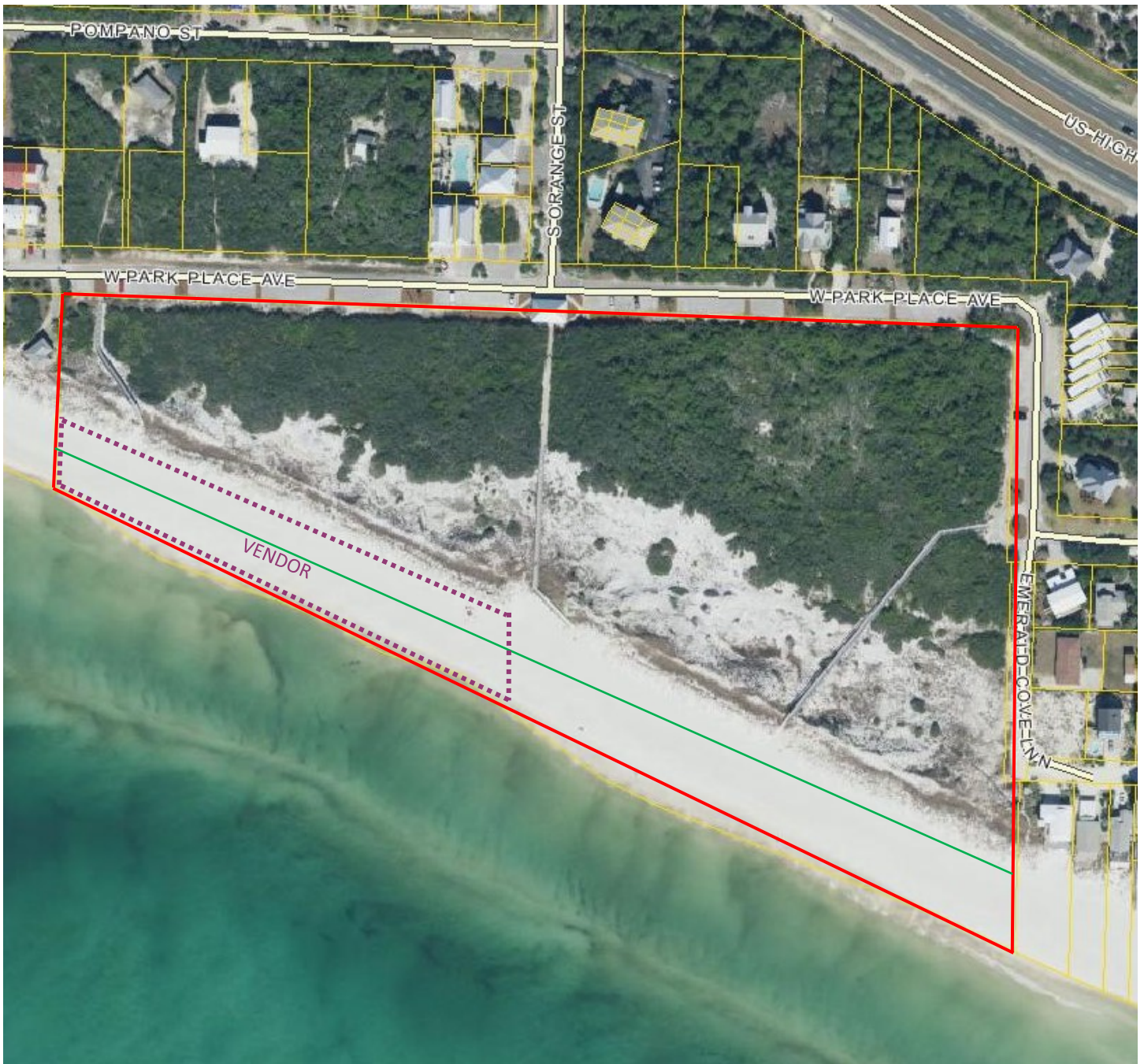
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Walton County
Regional Beach Accesses
Vendor Zones

- | | |
|------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Inlet Beach | 6. Gulfview Heights |
| 2. Seagrove Beach | 7. Ed Walline |
| 3. Santa Clara | 8. Ft. Panic |
| 4. Van Ness Butler Jr. | 9. Dune Allen |
| 5. Blue Mountain Beach | 10. Scenic Gulf Drive |

- Walton County Property 
- Vendor Zone 
- Tent Zone 
- Managed Vendor Area 
- Vendor Storage Box Area 
- Storage Box 
- Match Line 

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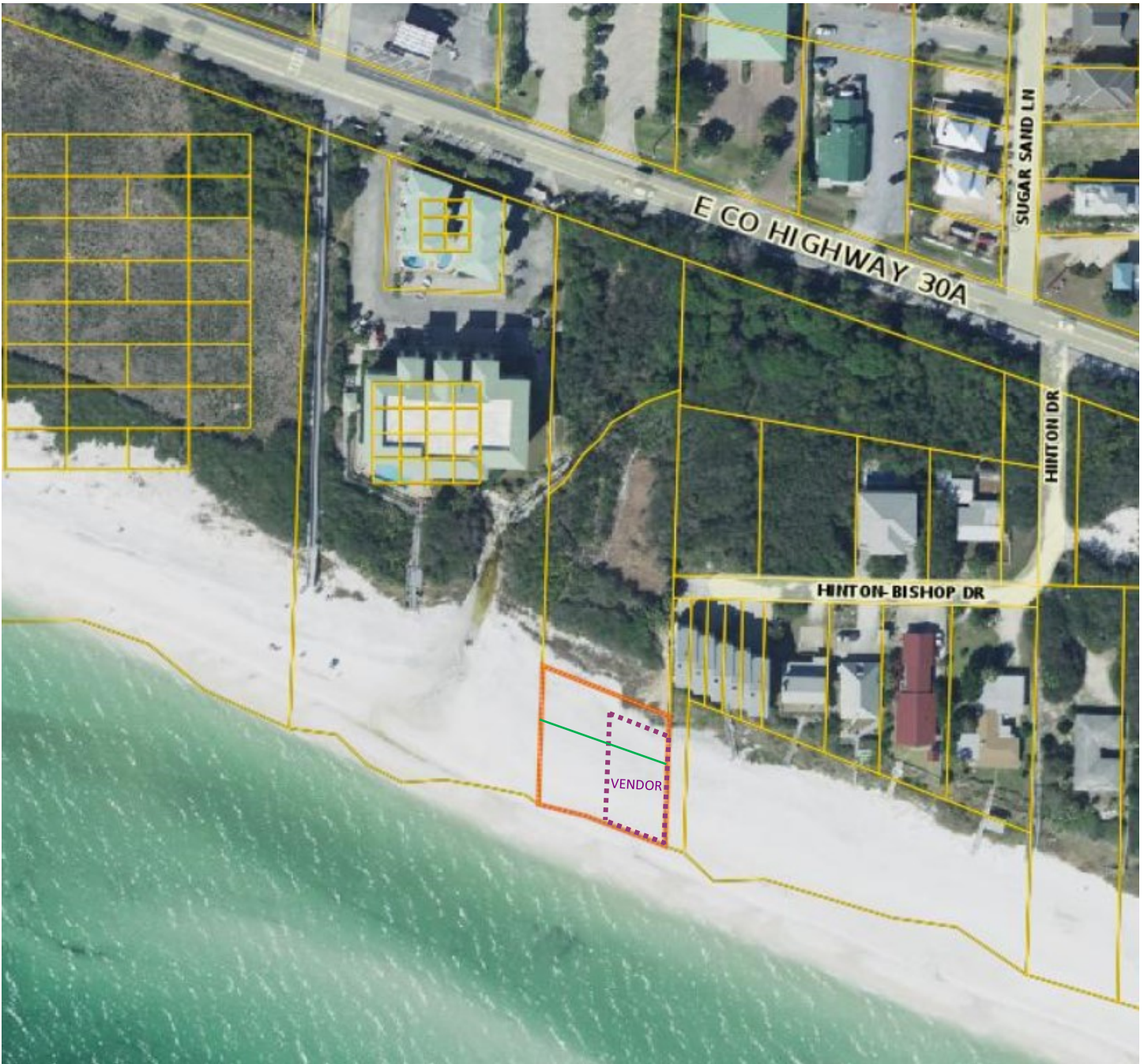


Inlet Beach Regional Access

438 S. Orange Street, Inlet Beach, FL 32413

Total Frontage (Approx.): 1460 LF x Total Depth: 120 LF
Total Vendor Section (Approx.): 720 LF Frontage x 120 LF Depth

Vendor Storage Box Area—No Storage Boxes Allowed



Seagrove Beach Regional Beach Access
E. Co. Hwy. 30A, Santa Rosa Beach, FL 32459

Total Frontage (Approx.): 120 LF x Total Depth: 100 LF
Total Vendor Section: (Approx.): 60 LF Frontage x 100 LF Depth

Vendor Storage Box Area—No Storage Boxes Allowed



Santa Clara Regional Beach Access
3468 E. Co. Hwy. 30A, Santa Rosa Beach, FL 32459

Total Frontage (Approx.): 145 LF x Total Depth: 140 LF
Total Vendor Section (Approx.): 70 LF Frontage x 140 LF Depth

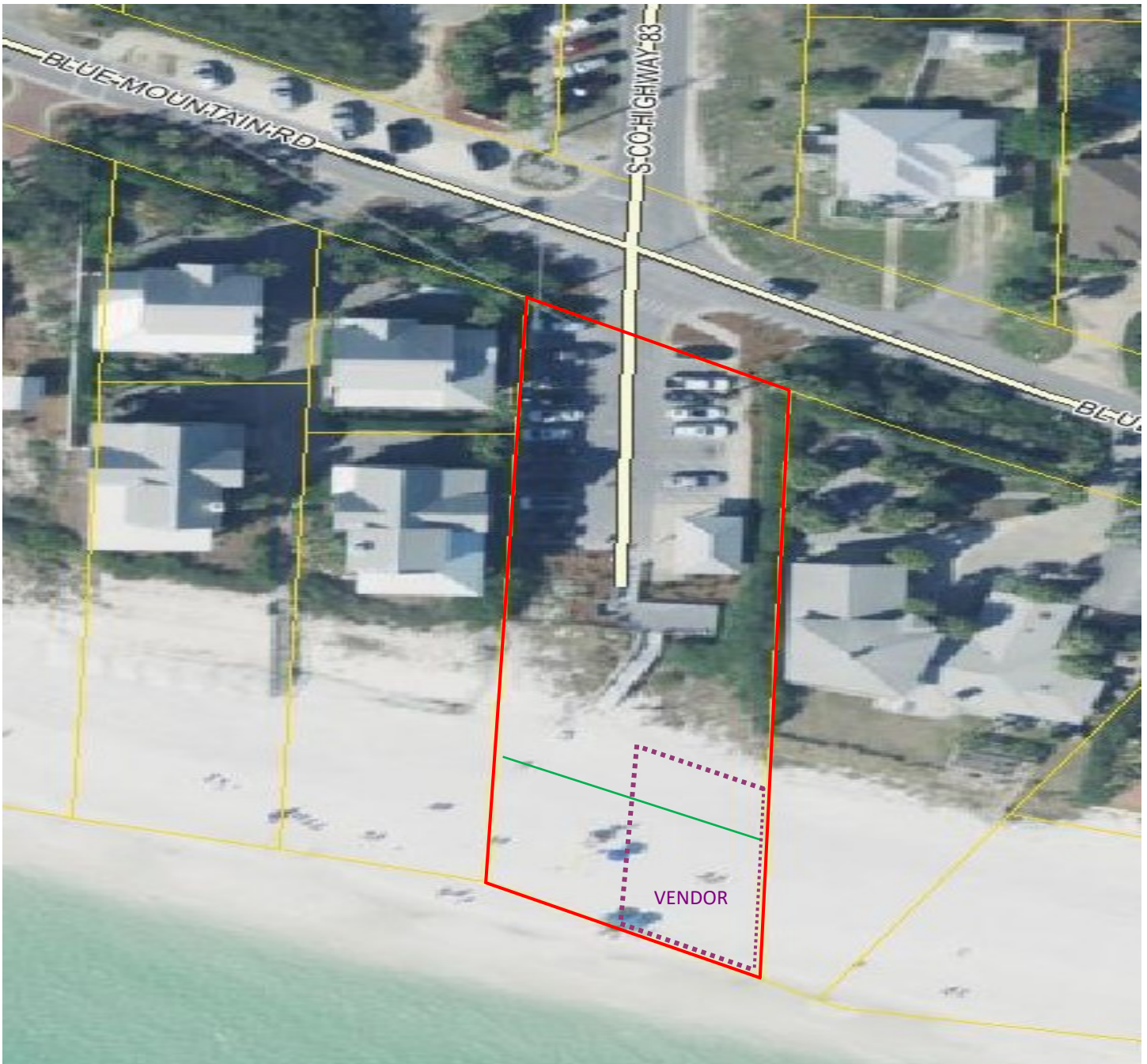
Vendor Storage Box Area—No Storage Boxes Allowed



Van Ness Butler Regional Beach Access
1931 E. Co. Hwy. 30A, Santa Rosa Beach, FL 32459

Total Frontage (Approx.): 130 LF x Total Depth: 120 LF
Total Vendor Section (Approx.): 65 LF Frontage x 120 LF Depth

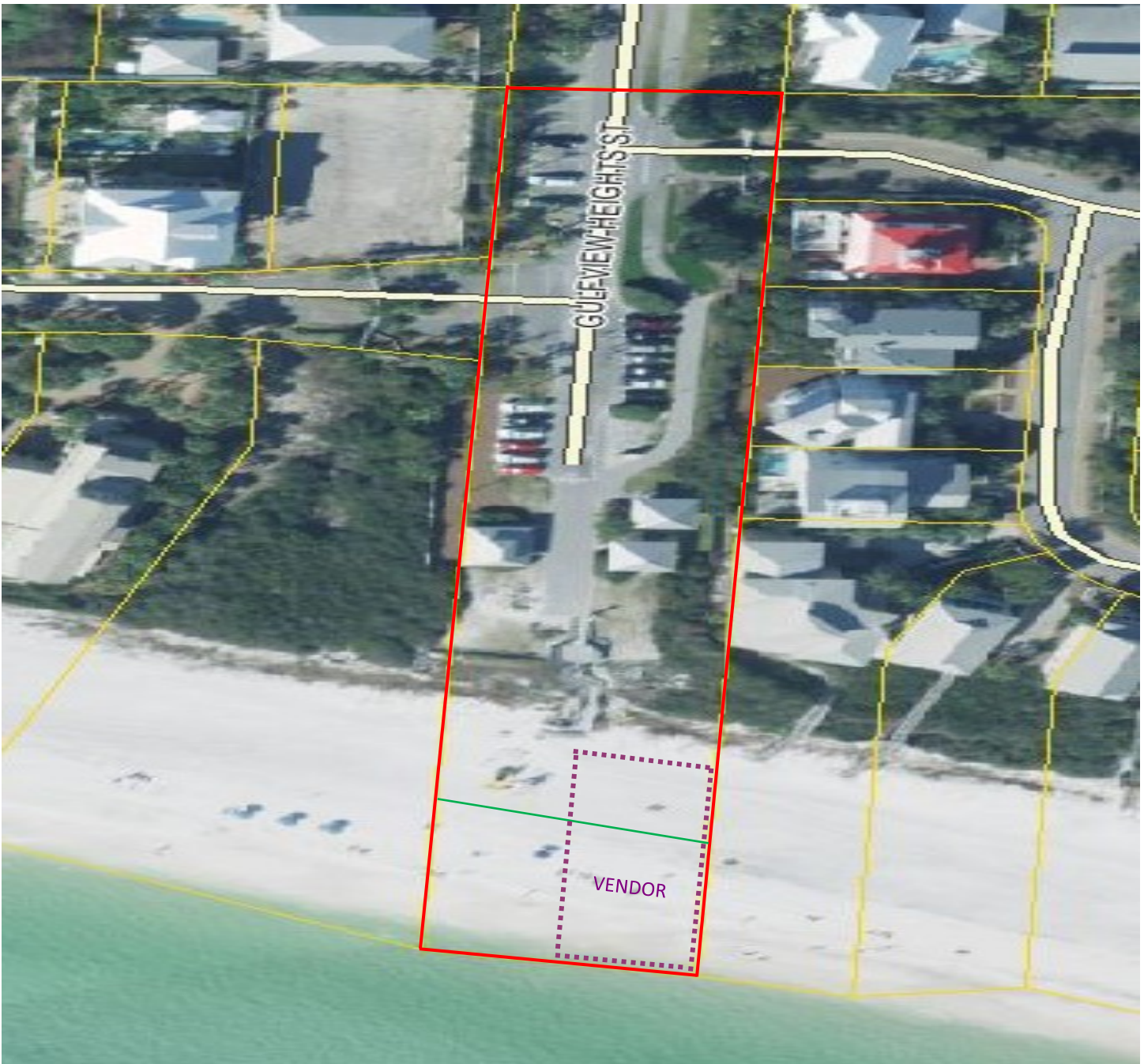
Vendor Storage Box Area—No Storage Boxes Allowed



Blue Mountain Beach Regional Beach Access
2365 S. Co. Hwy. 83, Santa Rosa Beach, FL 32459

Total Frontage (Approx.): 90 LF x Total Depth: 90 LF
Total Vendor Section (Approx.): 45 LF Frontage x 90 LF Depth

Vendor Storage Box Area—No Storage Boxes Allowed

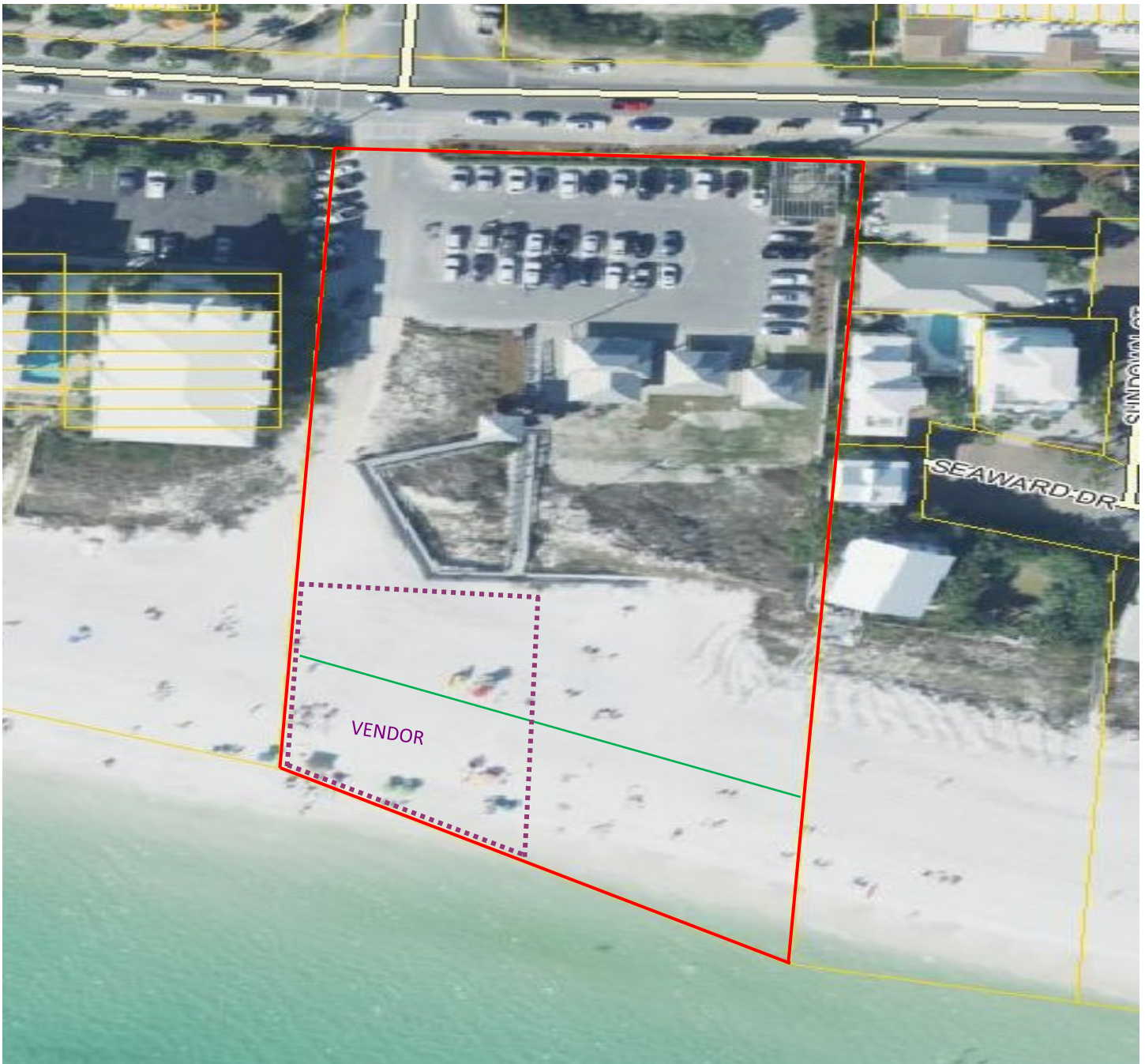


Gulfview Heights Regional Beach Access

186 Gulfview Heights Street, Santa Rosa Beach, FL 32459

Total Frontage (Approx.): 100 LF x Total Depth: 145 LF
Total Vendor Section (Approx.): 50 LF Frontage x 145 LF Depth

Vendor Storage Box Area—No Storage Boxes Allowed

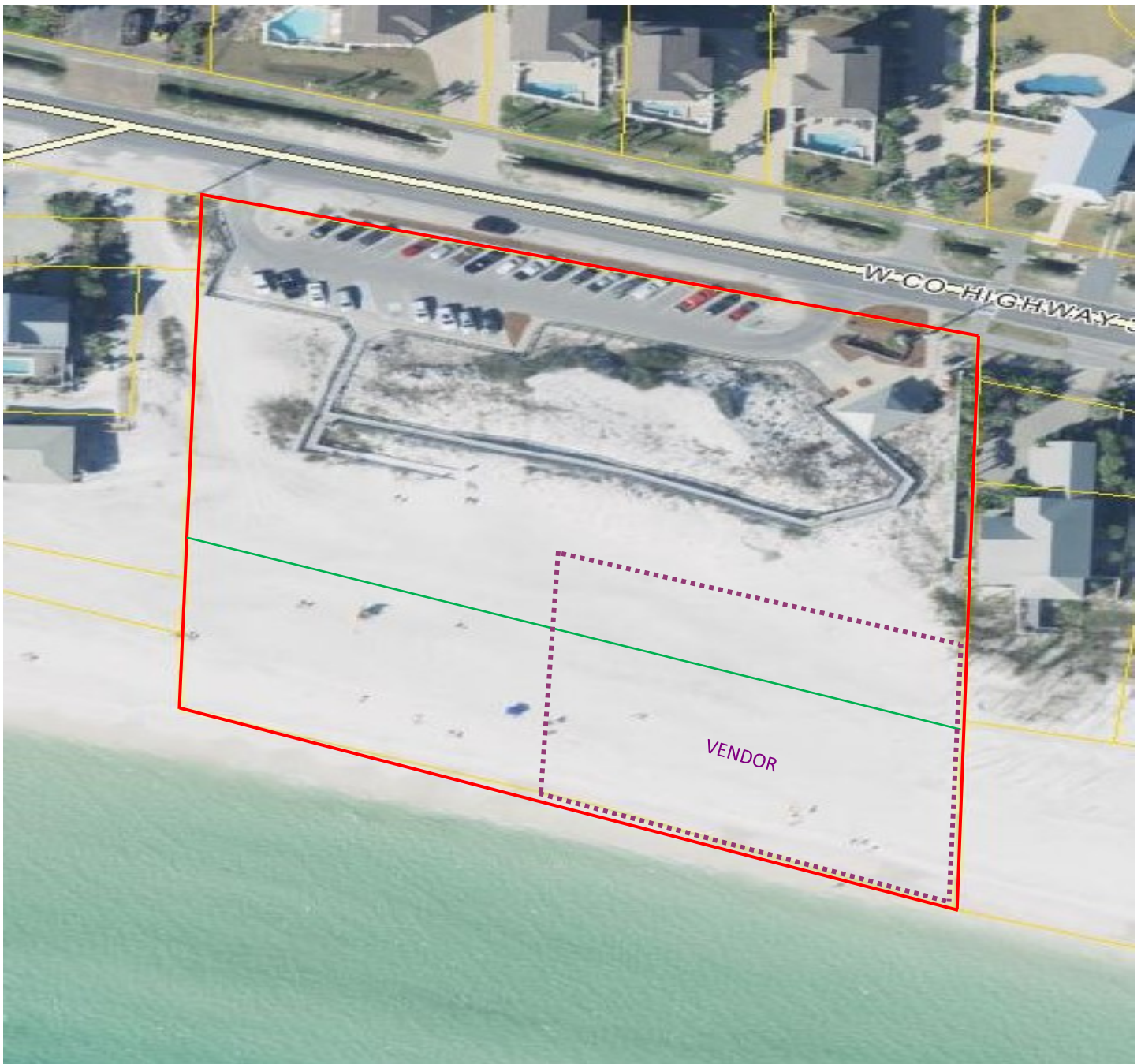


Ed Walline Regional Beach Access

4447 W. Co. Hwy. 30A, Santa Rosa Beach, FL 32459

Total Frontage (Approx.): 230 LF x Total Depth: 150 LF
Total Vendor Section (Approx.): 102 LF Frontage x 150 LF Depth

Vendor Storage Box Area—No Storage Boxes Allowed



Ft. Panic Regional Beach Access

5753 W. Co, Hwy. 30A, Santa Rosa Beach, FL 32459

Total Frontage (Approx.): 355 LF x Total Depth: 160 LF

Total Vendor Section (Approx.): 175 LF Frontage x 160 LF Depth

Vendor Storage Box Area—No Storage Boxes Allowed



Dune Allen Regional Beach Access

5999 W. Co, Hwy. 30A, Santa Rosa Beach, FL 32459

Total Frontage (Approx.): 215 LF x Total Depth: 65 LF

Total Vendor Section (Approx.): 107 LF Frontage x 65 LF Depth

Vendor Storage Box Area—No Storage Boxes Allowed



Scenic Gulf Drive Regional Beach Access
907 Scenic Gulf Dr., Miramar Beach, FL 32550

Total Frontage (Approx.): 360 LF x Total Depth: 90 LF
Total Vendor Section (Approx.): 175 LF Frontage x 90 LF Depth

Vendor Storage Box Area—No Storage Boxes Allowed

Walton County Neighborhood Beach Accesses

Beach Vendor Zones

- | | |
|--|---------------------------------|
| 1. S Walton Lakeshore Dr./Phillips Inlet | 9. HWY 395 |
| 2. Wall Street | 10. Nightcap Street |
| 3. Walton Dunes | 11. Hickory Street |
| 4. Eastern Lake | 12. Grayton Dunes/Grayton Beach |
| 5. One Seagrove | 13. Spooky Lane |
| 6. Andalusia Ave. | 14. Shellseekers Cove |
| 7. Greenwood Ave. | |
| 8. Gardenia Street | |

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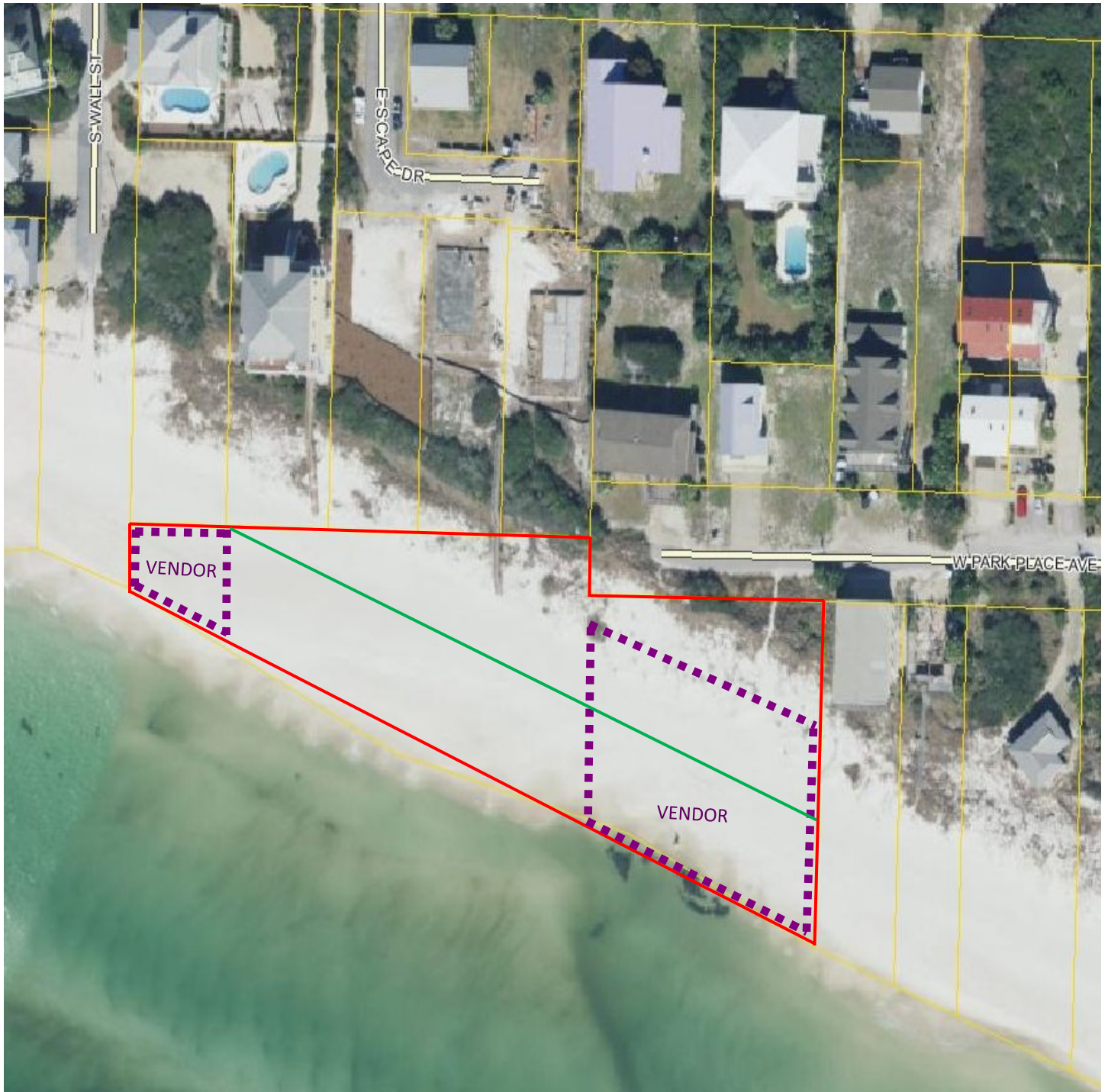


S Walton Lakeshore Dr./Phillips Inlet Neighborhood Beach Access

202 S. Walton Lakeshore Dr., Inlet Beach, FL 32413

Total Frontage (Approx.): 357 LF x Total Depth: 130 LF
Total Vendor Section (Approx.): 140 LF Frontage x 130 LF Depth

Vendor Storage Box Area—No Storage Boxes Allowed



Wall Street Neighborhood Beach Access

264 S. Wall St., Inlet Beach, FL 32413

Total Frontage (Approx.): 503 LF x Total Depth: 155 LF
Total Vendor Section (Approx.): 240 LF Frontage x 100 LF Depth

Vendor Storage Box Area—No Storage Boxes Allowed



Walton Dunes (Beachfront Trail) Neighborhood Beach Access
258 Beachfront Trail, Seagrove, FL 32459

Total Frontage (Approx.): 380 LF x Total Depth: 150 LF
Total Vendor Section (Approx.): 180 LF Frontage x 150 LF Depth

Vendor Storage Box Area—No Storage Boxes Allowed

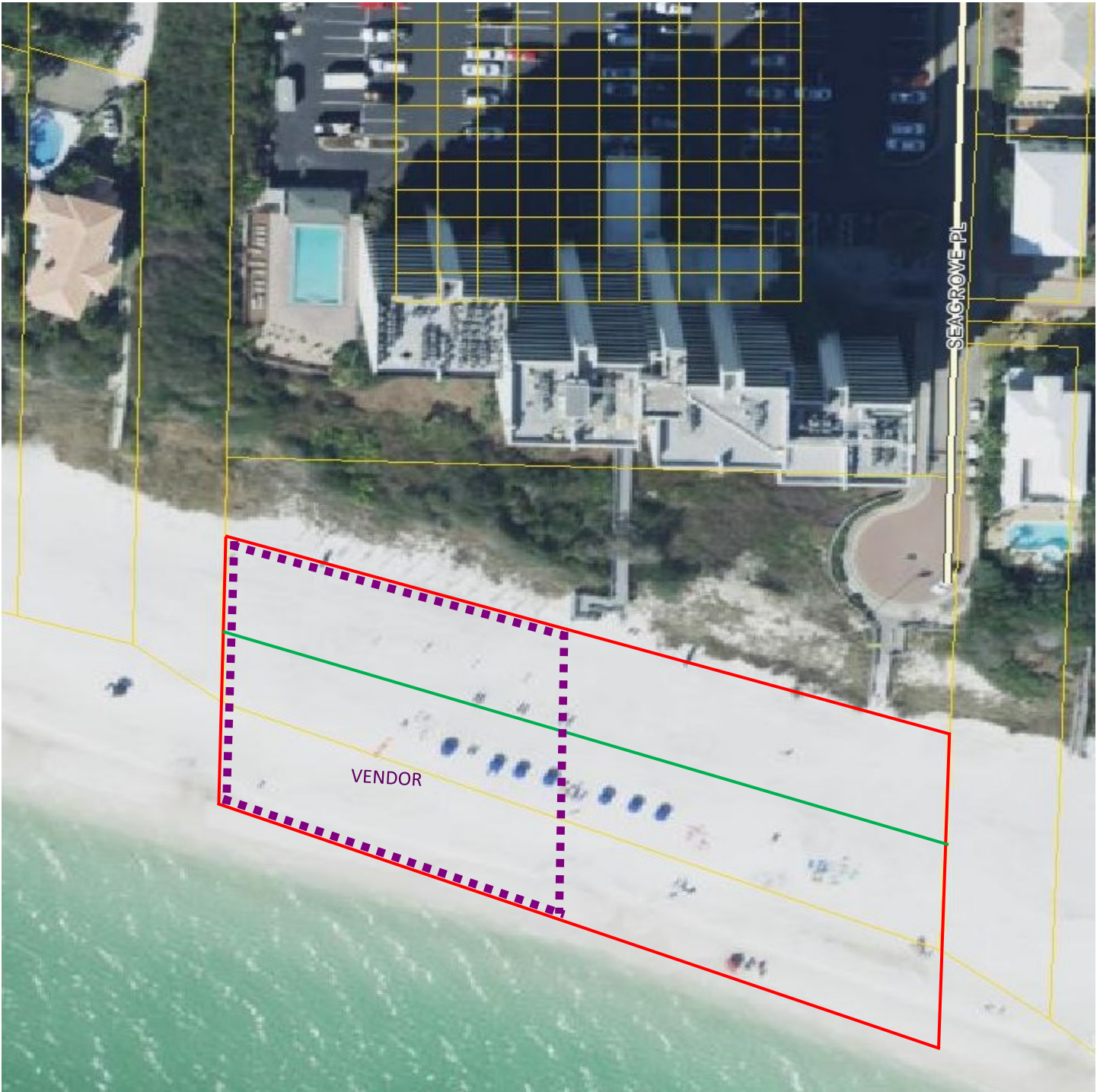


Eastern Lake Neighborhood Beach Access
491 Eastern Lake Rd. Santa Rosa Beach, FL 32459

Total Frontage (Approx.): 88 LF x Total Depth: 395 LF
Total Vendor Section (Approx.): 44 LF Frontage x 395 LF Depth

Vendor Storage Box Area—No Storage Boxes Allowed

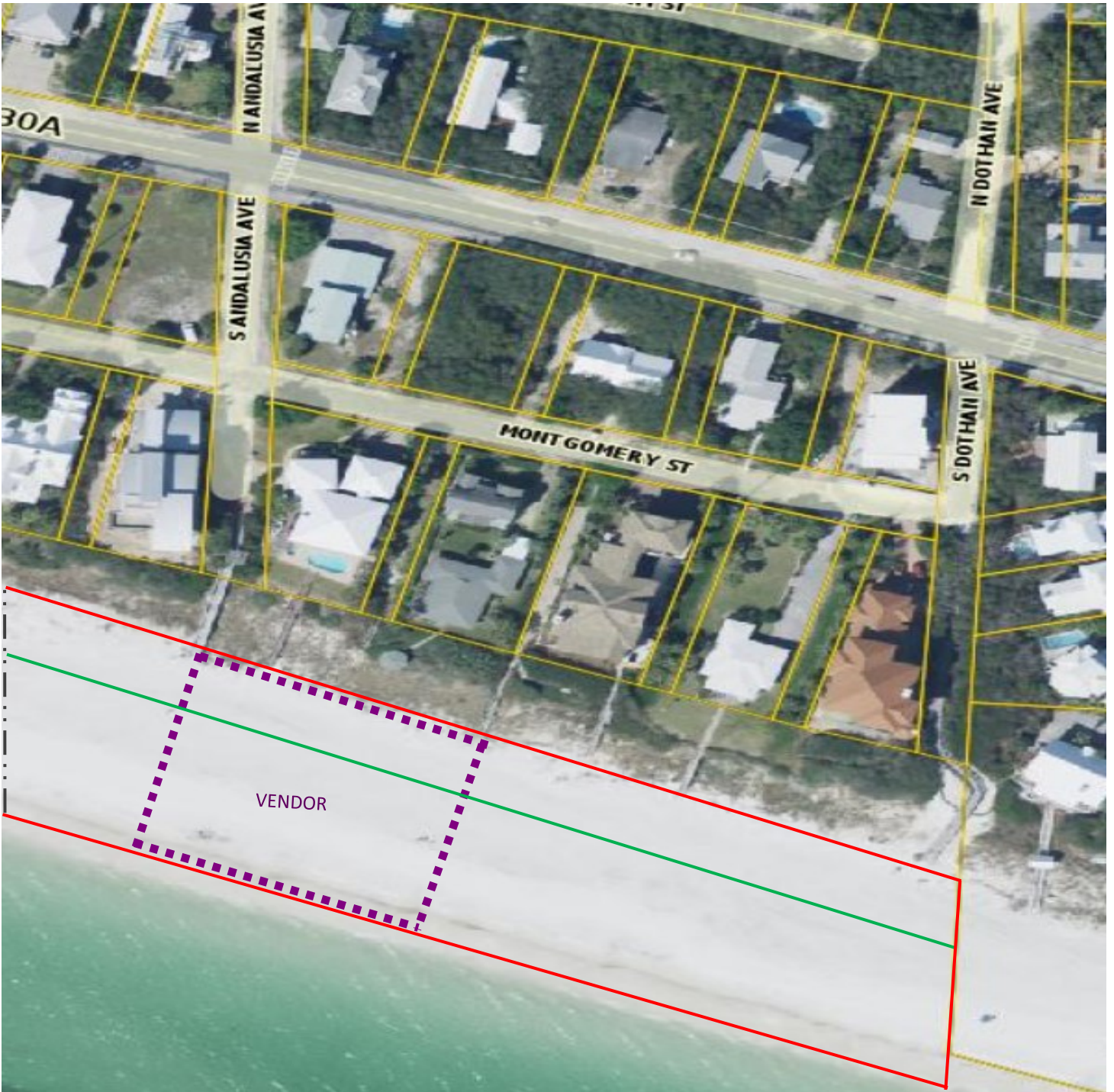
No vendor beach equipment allowed to be stored in Coastal Dune Lake outfall plain.



One Seagrove Neighborhood Beach Access
57 Seagrove Place, Seagrove, FL 32459

Total Frontage (Approx.): 335 LF x Total Depth: 110 LF
Total Vendor Section (Approx.): 150 LF Frontage x 110 LF Depth

Vendor Storage Box Area—No Storage Boxes Allowed



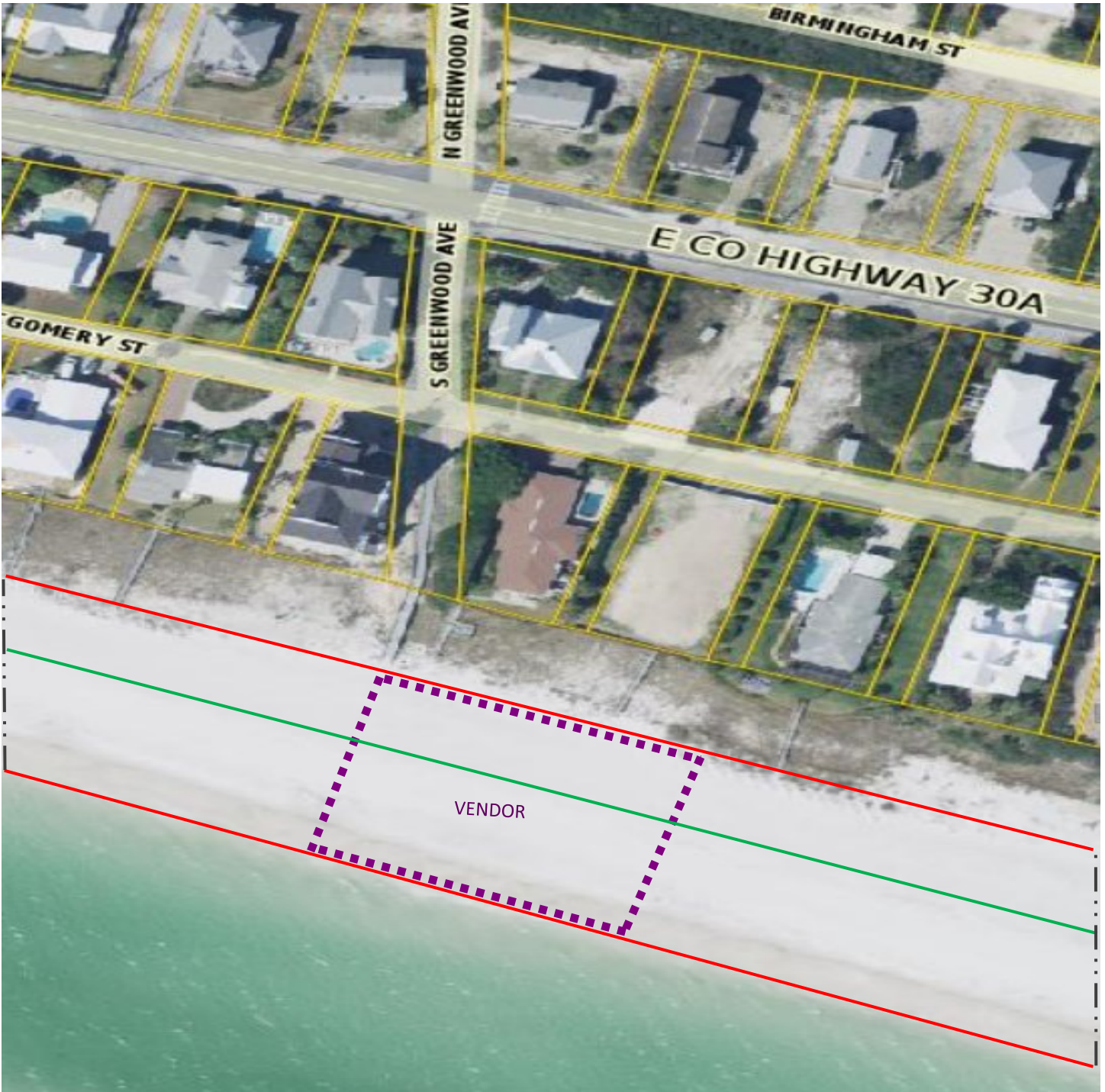
Andalusia Avenue Neighborhood Beach Access

52 S. Andalusia Street, Seagrove, FL 32459

Total Frontage (Approx.): 750 LF x Total Depth: 130 LF

Total Vendor Section (Approx.): 180 LF Frontage x 130 LF Depth

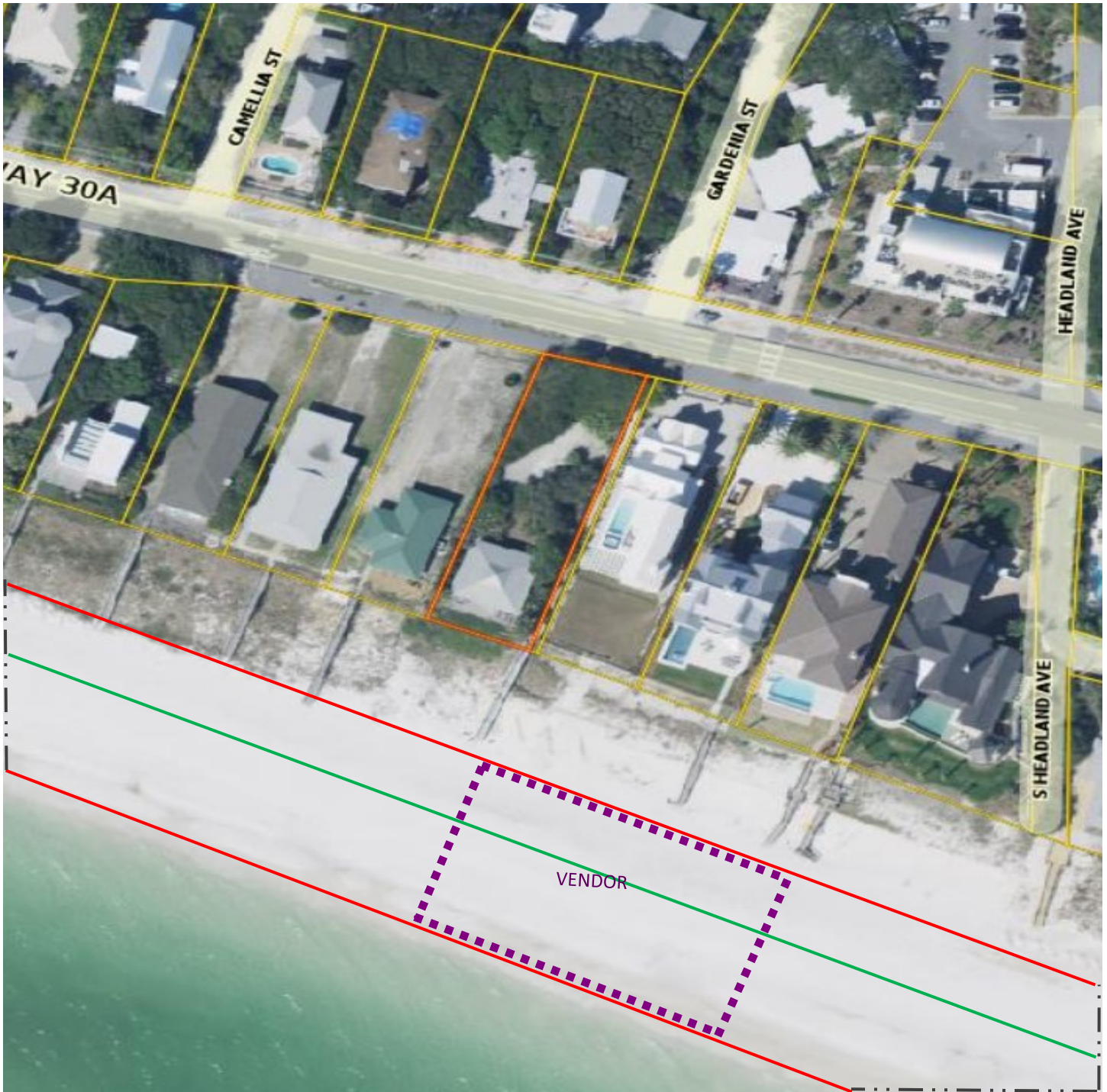
Vendor Storage Box Area—No Storage Boxes Allowed



Greenwood Avenue Neighborhood Beach Access
118 Montgomery Street, Santa Rosa Beach, FL 32459

Total Frontage (Approx.): 750 LF x Total Depth: 130 LF
Total Vendor Section (Approx.): 185 LF Frontage x 130 LF Depth

Vendor Storage Box Area—No Storage Boxes Allowed



Gardenia Street Neighborhood Beach Access
3020 E. Co. Hwy. 30A, Santa Rosa Beach, FL 32459

Total Frontage (Approx.): 1400 LF x Total Depth: 120 LF
Total Vendor Section (Approx.): 190 LF Frontage x 120 LF Depth

Vendor Storage Box Area—No Storage Boxes Allowed



HWY 395 Neighborhood Beach Access

2790 E. Co. Hwy. 30A , Santa Rosa Beach, FL 32459

Total Frontage (Approx.): 1400 LF x Total Depth: 100 LF
Total Vendor Section (Approx.): 185 LF Frontage x 100 LF Depth

Vendor Storage Box Area—No Storage Boxes Allowed



Nightcap Street Neighborhood Beach Access

2726 E. Co. Hwy. 30A, Santa Rosa Beach, FL 32459

Total Frontage (Approx.): 1400 LF x Total Depth: 100 LF

Total Vendor Section (Approx.): 135 LF Frontage x 100 LF Depth

Vendor Storage Box Area—No Storage Boxes Allowed



Hickory Street Neighborhood Beach Access

2624 E. Co. Hwy. 30A, Santa Rosa Beach, FL 32459

Total Frontage (Approx.): 1400 LF x Total Depth: 100 LF

Total Vendor Section (Approx.): 135 LF Frontage x 100 LF Depth

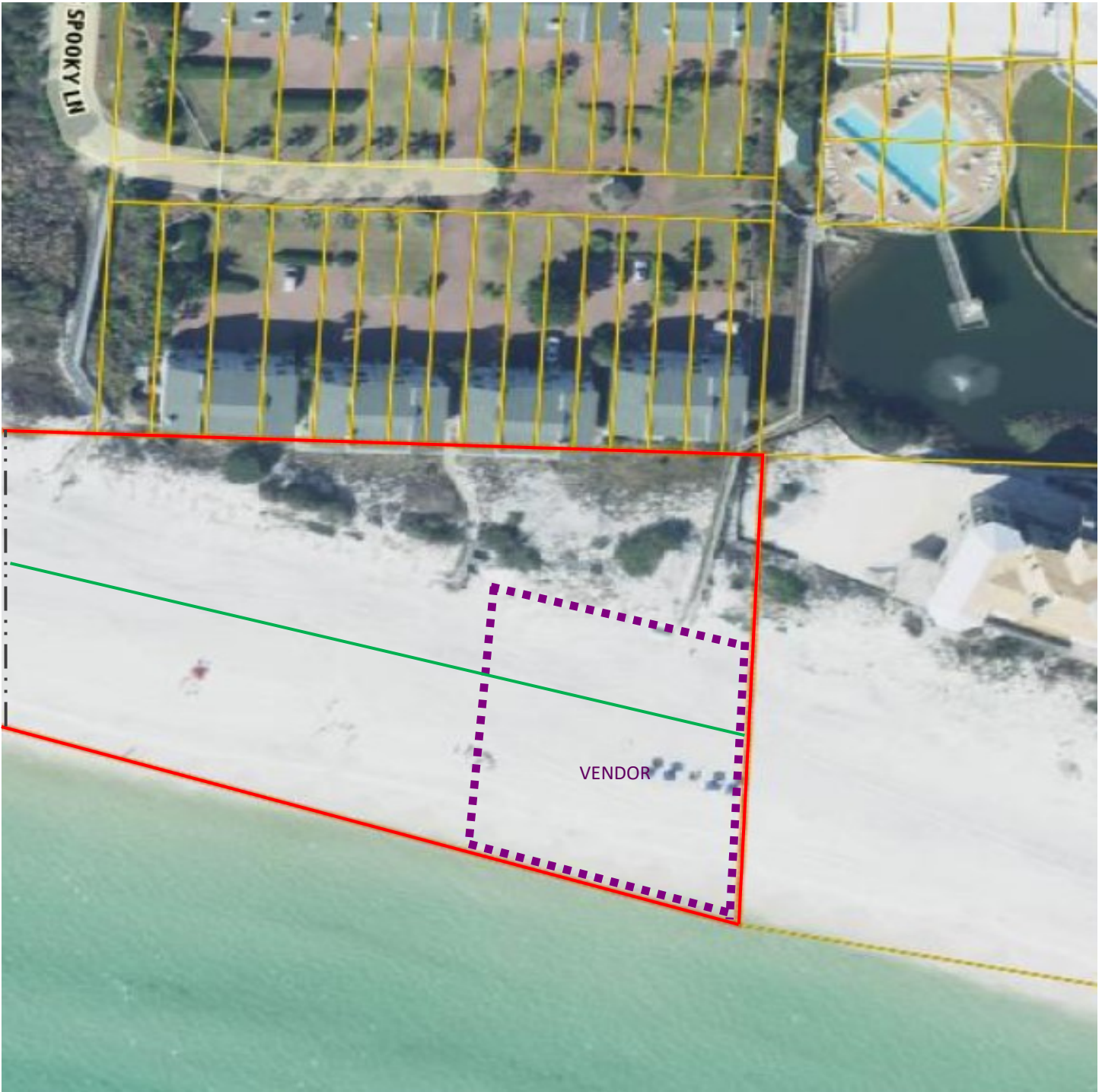
Vendor Storage Box Area—No Storage Boxes Allowed



Grayton Dunes/Grayton Beach Neighborhood Beach Access
288 Garfield St., Grayton Beach, FL 32459

Total Frontage (Approx.): 1332 LF x Total Depth (avg.): 580 LF
Total Vendor Section (Approx.): 260 LF Frontage x 170 LF Depth

Vendor Storage Box Area—No Storage Boxes Allowed



Spooky Lane Neighborhood Beach Access
92 S. Spooky Lane, Santa Rosa Beach, FL 32459

Total Frontage (Approx.): 1050 LF x Total Depth: 150 LF
Total Vendor Section (Approx.): 145 LF Frontage x 150 LF Depth

Vendor Storage Box Area—No Storage Boxes Allowed



Shellseekers Cove Neighborhood Beach Access

4201 W. Co. Hwy. 30A, Santa Rosa Beach, FL 32459

Total Frontage (Approx.): 1050 LF x Total Depth: 150 LF

Total Vendor Section (Approx.): 85 LF Frontage x 140 LF Depth

Vendor Storage Box Area—No Storage Boxes Allowed



Beach Operations

924 Hwy 83 South, Santa Rosa Beach, Florida 32459
Phone 850-622-7895

Vendor Storage Box Permit Program - Affidavit

The undersigned, by execution of this document, hereby acknowledges and agrees to abide to the Walton County Waterways and Beach Activities Municipal Code and Beach Code Enforcement administrative policy regarding issuance of storage box permits on Walton County property. This agreement includes, but is not limited to, the following guidelines:

- **The Storage Box Permit Program runs May 1st through November 30th**
- The program is only for temporary placement of storage boxes throughout the vending season
- Vendor Storage Box Permit holders are responsible for the cost of materials, construction, installation/placement, management and removal of the storage box
- Permit holders are responsible to contact Beach Code Enforcement **PRIOR** to placement of storage box, and to have Beach Code Enforcement on hand to verify location of placement and properly identified
- Storage boxes are required to display the issued storage box permit number on each temporary storage box, in which the displayed number should be easily identified and visible
- Storage boxes must be installed dug into the sand, levelled and squared
- Per Walton County Municipal Code 22-60 (d) (6), boxes must be “maintained so as to promote an attractive appearance and to ensure safety of operation and quality of services”
- Storage boxes are not required to have an inside floor
- **20’ spacing requirement must be met** – for locations with more than one (1) storage box
- Storage boxes must be in accordance with Section 22-60 (d) (6) Municipal Code, which includes size and color – no larger than 4’ x 4’ x 8’ and white in color
- Vendors **CANNOT** charge others a usage fee for use of the storage box
- **ALL** storage boxes must be removed by November 30th
- Please be advised Walton County Beach Code Enforcement is the permitting authority for Vendor Storage Box Permits for Regional and Neighborhood Beach Accesses. Any program guidelines, changes, and decisions are established **and** communicated by Beach Code Enforcement.
- Failure to abide by these guidelines, including removal of boxes, can result in ineligibility for future storage box permits

Lottery Process

- Vendors to submit interest in location beginning March 1, 2020 through March 15, 2020
- Selected vendors will be announced April 6, 2020
- Vendors to set boxes between April 13, 2020 through April 30, 2020
- Selected vendors who have not placed their boxes by May 8, 2020 will forfeit their permit

The Vendor Storage Box Permit Program was established based on the cooperative efforts among you, the vendors, to allow sharing and furnishing opportunities among your colleagues. Please do your part to create a respectful, professional and cooperative vendor atmosphere.

The undersigned, acting on behalf of and with full authority to commit the entity identified below, acknowledge and agrees to be bound by all terms contained in the above-referenced ordinance and policy.

Signature

Company Name

Printed Name

Title

Date

2020 Delivery Permit #