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Mrs. Michele Coats  
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Jackson County, MS  
P.O. Box 998  
Pascagoula, MS 39568

Subject: **Notice of Financial Assistance Award** – MS.30.713 Ocean Beach Estates and Shell Landing Wastewater Collection Systems

Dear Mrs. Coats:

This letter constitutes U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) approval of your grant F12AF00434, MS.30.713 Ocean Beach Estates and Shell Landing Wastewater Collection Systems, in the amount of \$1,551,610.76. The grant was originally submitted to the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement on August 18, 2011. This Coastal Impact Assistance Grant will be used by Jackson County, Mississippi to re-route sewage from failing septic tanks to an enclosed and already operating local sewer system. The project is consistent with Authorized Use #2, mitigation of damage to fish, wildlife, or natural resources, because it will assist Jackson County Utility Authority and the City of Gautier in mitigating impacts to water quality and wetlands habitat in Graveline Bayou and the Mississippi Sound by discontinuing use of septic tanks for at least 300 homes in Ocean Beach Estates and approximately 60 homes in the Shell Landing Area. This grant is effective October 1, 2011 through September 30, 2013.

This grant has been approved through Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number 15.668, the Coastal Impact Assistance Program (CIAP). This grant is administered through the Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration Program, CIAP Branch. Details of the approved award are as follows:

**Terms of Acceptance:**

Acceptance of a Federal award from the Department of the Interior (DOI) carries with it the responsibility to be aware of and to comply with the terms and conditions of the award per (<http://www.doi.gov/pam/TermsandConditions.html>). Acceptance is defined as starting work, drawing down funds, or accepting the award via electronic means. Awards are based on the application submitted to and approved by the USFWS. Awards are subject to the terms and conditions incorporated either directly or by reference in the following:

- Program legislation, regulation, and provisions.
- Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Requirements, including but not limited to:
  - 2 CFR Part 25, Central Contractor Registration and Data Universal Numbering System
  - 2 CFR Part 170, Reporting Sub awards and Executive Compensation
  - 2 CFR Part 1400, Government-wide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement)
  - 2 CFR Part 175, Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000
  - 43 CFR 12(A), Administrative and Audit Requirements and Cost Principles for Assistance Programs
  - 43 CFR 43, Government-wide Requirements for a Drug-Free Workplace
  - 43 CFR 18, New Restrictions on Lobbying
  - 305 DM 3, Integrity of Scientific and Scholarly Activities
- Assurances-Non-Construction Programs (SF-424B) and/or Assurances-Construction Programs (SF-424D), as applicable
- State and local laws and regulations.

This grant is not subject to the requirements of 43 CFR 12.70(c)(1)(ii). Grant funds may be transferred between projects/activities/budget categories without prior approval from this agency.

Grantees must comply with the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act (FFATA). Additional information can be found at <http://www.doi.gov/pam/financialassistance/award/index.html>.

**Payment Requests:**

Payments are processed through the U.S Department of the Treasury’s Automated Standard Application for Payments (ASAP). For information on ASAP, visit the Service’s website at: [http://www.fws.gov/fbms/asap\\_index.html](http://www.fws.gov/fbms/asap_index.html). If you have any questions about the reimbursement process and payments, please direct them to: [asapenrollment@fws.gov](mailto:asapenrollment@fws.gov).

**Reporting Requirements:**

Grantee must comply with the Interim Guidance for Financial Status and Performance reporting dated May 15, 2009, found at: <http://wsfrprograms.fws.gov/subpages/toolkitfiles/intgdrpt.pdf>. Financial and performance reports are required under this award, as follows:

<b>Report</b>	<b>Report Period</b>	<b>Report Due Date</b>
Interim financial and performance reports	10/01/2011 – 09/30/2012	12/29/2012
Final financial & performance reports	10/01/2011 – 09/30/2013	12/29/2013

**Financial Reports:** Annual interim SF-425, Federal Financial Reports are required. A final SF-425, Federal Financial Report is required within 90 calendar days of the end date of the grant. This form is on the web at: <http://wsfrprograms.fws.gov/subpages/toolkitfiles/sf425FFR.pdf>.

**Performance Reports:** An annual interim and a final performance report are required under this award. For guidance on financial and performance reporting requirements please refer to: <http://wsfrprograms.fws.gov/subpages/toolkitfiles/intgdrpt.pdf>. Performance reports must contain: 1) a comparison of actual accomplishments with the goals and objectives of the grant as detailed in the approved scope of work; 2) a description of any significant deviations, including why established goals, objectives, and deadlines were not met, if appropriate; and 3) any other pertinent information relevant to the grant.

**Grant Conditions:**

**SHPO:** Funding for any landscape altering activities is subject to submission of a State Historic Preservation Office review, including any pertinent tribal/native consultation, and National Historic Preservation Act compliance.

**Pre-agreement Costs:** The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service approves the pre-agreement costs of \$179,839.17 as specified in the grant documents.

**Useful Life:** The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service concurs in the useful life of approximately 5-10 years for grinder pumps, approximately 20 years for pump stations, and approximately 50+ years for PVC pipes from the end of construction that the State proposed for each capital improvement constructed or rehabilitated under this grant.

If you have questions on this award, specified conditions or reporting requirements, please contact the CIAP Grants Management Specialist Identified below.

<b>The CIAP Grants Management Specialist for this award is:</b>	<b>The Point of Contact for this award is:</b>
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Please submit correspondence, amendment requests, financial and performance reports and general inquiries to **FW9\_WSFR\_CIAF@fws.gov**. We appreciate this opportunity to work with you as the implementation of this approved State CIAP Plan project continues.

Sincerely,



Acting Chief  
 Branch of Coastal Impact Assistance

Cc:  
 Kristin Smith, USFWS