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## Memorandum

To: Chief, Division of Contacting and General Services, Region 2

From: Hurricane Recovery Team Leader, Region 2

Subject: Request for Approval for Single-Source Award to the Texas General Land Office

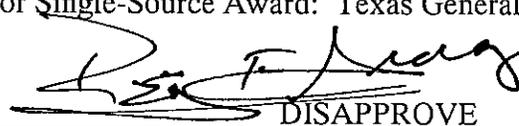
Approval is requested to provide notice of intent to make a single-source award (i.e., obligate Hurricane Supplemental Funding) to the Texas General Land Office (GLO) via a grant with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the recipient. The single-source determination is in accordance with Department of Interior guidance (505 DM 2 at 2.14 B). The funding obligation in FY 2010 is expected to total approximately \$3,200,000.

The Hurricane Ike storm surge severely eroded the beach ridge, lowering the elevation of the ridge approximately 1-2 feet along the entire length of the beach, and causing 10-15 blowouts of lower elevation along the 20 miles of beach. The beach ridge protects over 55,000 acres of intermediate marsh managed by the refuge. Current impacts to the interior marshes from saltwater intrusion and potential oil impacts from the gulf will threaten the majority of the refuge's wildlife habitat.

The Texas General Land Office has been working on this issue for several years and has specific knowledge of the issues and process confronting the beach. The General Land Office also has done preliminary assessments critical to the development of a solution to this issue. The GLO will provide support through partnerships and other grants of no less than one million dollars to assist in the project. This assistance will be in in-kind services such as permitting and NEPA preparation, engineering work or other aspects of this project.

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Date

6/22/2010

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