



Levy County Board of County Commissioners Agenda Item Summary Form

1. **Name and Title:** Thomas Strom, County Engineer
2. **Department:** Engineering
3. **Meeting Date:** Tuesday, April 7, 2026
4. **Requested Action:**

Approve Task Assignment 2026-3 between Levy County and North Florida Professional Services, Inc. in the amount of \$136,450.00 for engineering and design and services for the #4 Channel Fishing Pier Replacement Project.

5. **Cost & Funding Source:**

Levy County has received \$1,107,015.00 from the Florida Department of Commerce through the federally funded Community Development Block Grant–Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Rebuild Florida Infrastructure Repair Program. These funds are intended to support the demolition of the damaged bridge, removal of damaged infrastructure, mitigation of environmental hazards associated with regulated materials, and construction of a new storm-hardened fishing bridge and boat ramp designed to withstand future storm events.

Of the total award, \$276,753.75 was included in the original proposal request for engineering services. However, Levy County will utilize insurance claim reimbursement dollars specific to Number 4 to fund engineering services, consistent with the leverage funding identified in the grant agreement and disclosed to the State. Task Assignment 2026-3 provides for engineering and design services specifically related to the replacement of the fishing pier only. This task assignment does not include engineering or construction services associated with the boat ramp or parking lot, as those components were completed under a separate task assignment.

The estimated construction cost to replace the fishing pier alone is \$930,000.00. In the event available grant funds are insufficient to fully cover project costs, any funding shortfalls are anticipated to be covered through applicable insurance proceeds and/or County funds.

6. **Justification of Request:**

The Number 4 Bridge Fishing Pier, located at 11311 Southwest 153rd Court in Cedar Key, sustained significant damage during Hurricane Helene in September 2024, resulting in its closure by County staff due to public safety concerns. In July 2025, an inspection was conducted by Coastal Engineering Consultants, which recommended full replacement of the fishing pier.

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This task assignment is for professional design services for the Number 4 Channel Fishing Pier Replacement. Approval of this task assignment will authorize the design services necessary to advance the project.