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Ms. Carolyn A. Dekle  
Executive Director  
South Florida Regional Planning Council  
3440 Hollywood Boulevard, Suite 140  
Hollywood, Florida 33021

RE: Southeast Florida Regional Partnership Consortium Agreement – HUD Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Grant Program

Dear Ms. Dekle:

As a member of Southeast Florida Regional Partnership Consortium (Consortium), we confirm the following:

1. This Consortium Agreement incorporates the guiding principles for the Southeast Florida Regional Partnership as outlined in the Southeast Florida Regional Partnership's Memorandum of Understanding. It is proof of our commitment to work collaboratively with regional partners in a coordinated effort to prepare and carry out a comprehensive work plan pursuant to the receipt of adequate funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) Sustainable Communities Planning Grants Program.
2. If awarded, these funds will be used to further develop the Southeast Florida Regional Partnership; establish a comprehensive regional vision and plan identifying critical projects and infrastructure that will improve the Region's sustainability; and establish priorities for focused investment in Southeast Florida.
3. The HUD Sustainable Communities Planning Grants Program grant application and work program will be prepared and managed by the South Florida Regional Planning Council, in partnership with the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council, and other regional stakeholders.
4. The South Florida Regional Planning Council, in consultation with the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council, is the lead applicant. The South Florida Regional Planning Council is authorized to act in the representative capacity with HUD on behalf of all members of the Consortium and to assume administrative responsibility for ensuring that the Consortium's program is carried out in accordance with all HUD requirements.
5. While the South Florida Regional Planning Council, working in partnership with the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council, holds fiscal and administrative responsibility for regular interaction with HUD, this does not restrict the Consortium from developing an organizational structure that reflects the diversity of its partners, and allows for maximum participation in strategy development and decision-making.
6. We agree to the best of our ability and within the limits of our budget to work cooperatively to implement the funded project.
7. As a member of the Consortium, we are committed to following the *Livability Principles* relating to the sustainable development and redevelopment of Southeast Florida:
  - Provide more transportation choices
  - Promote equitable affordable housing

- Enhance economic competitiveness
  - Support existing communities
  - Coordinate policies and leverage investment
  - Value communities and neighborhoods
  - Enhance community resiliency to the impacts of Climate Change
8. Any regional plan document developed pursuant to the HUD Sustainable Communities Planning Grants Program will support these Livability Principles and should, to the greatest extent possible and where appropriate, be built upon the foundation of work that has been accomplished and undertaken in the region where existing plans, partnerships, and processes enhance regional planning; coordination and efficiency; reduce unnecessary duplication of effort and responsibilities; and add clarity and accountability to implementation processes.
9. This Consortium Agreement is neither a fiscal nor funds obligation document. Nothing herein shall obligate Consortium members to expend appropriations, obligate funds, or enter into any contract or other agreement, or restrict the undersigned from participating in similar activities or arrangements with other entities or agencies.
10. A formal Consortium Agreement will be executed no later than 120 days after the effective start date of the grant agreement with the approval of the Chief Executive Officer and/or governing body of the organization as needed. The Consortium agreement will describe each Consortium member's specific activities under the Program, including timetables for completion. The South Florida Regional Planning Council, in partnership with the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council, will enter into Memoranda of Understanding with partner recipients of grant funds to ensure delivery of the required activities. We acknowledge that HUD reserves the right to terminate the grant if a Consortium agreement has not been executed within 120 days of the award.
11. The Southeast Florida Regional Partnership Consortium Partnership Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument. Each Party has signed this two page letter on a separate page. The original Consortium Agreements are on file at the South Florida Regional Planning Council, 3440 Hollywood Boulevard, Suite 140, Hollywood, FL 33021; (954) 985-4416.
12. This Consortium Agreement will become effective upon signature by any two parties. Any Consortium member may terminate its participation in this Consortium Agreement upon written notice to the South Florida Regional Planning Council or Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council. The provisions of this Consortium Agreement will be reviewed periodically, as appropriate, and amended or supplemented as may be mutually agreed upon.
13. There are no superseding Consortium Agreements on this topic among the Parties hereto.

**SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE  
CONSORTIUM AGREEMENT FOR THE  
SOUTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL PARTNERSHIP**

By my signature below, my organization/agency agrees to serve as a member of the Southeast Florida Regional Partnership Consortium in concordance with the terms outlined in this Consortium Agreement. I understand that the Southeast Florida Regional Partnership Consortium Agreement will be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which will be deemed an original, but all of which shall constitute one and the same instrument. This original signature page will be kept on file at the South Florida Regional Planning Council.

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Signature

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Typed Name and Title

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Organization/Agency

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Date

Please prepare this letter on your organization's letterhead and return to:

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