

**SARASOTA COUNTY GOVERNMENT**  
*Planning and Development Services*

**TO:** Sarasota County Commission  
Charlotte County Commission

**THROUGH:** Thomas A. Harmer, County Administrator

**FROM:** Thomas C. Polk, Director, Planning and Development Services

**DATE:** November 3, 2015

**SUBJECT:** **Item 2C: Update on RESTORE Act**

**RECOMMENDED MOTION(S) OR ACTION(S):**

Presentation on RESTORE (Resources and Ecosystem Sustainability, Tourist Opportunities, and Revived Economies) Act of 2012.

**BACKGROUND:**

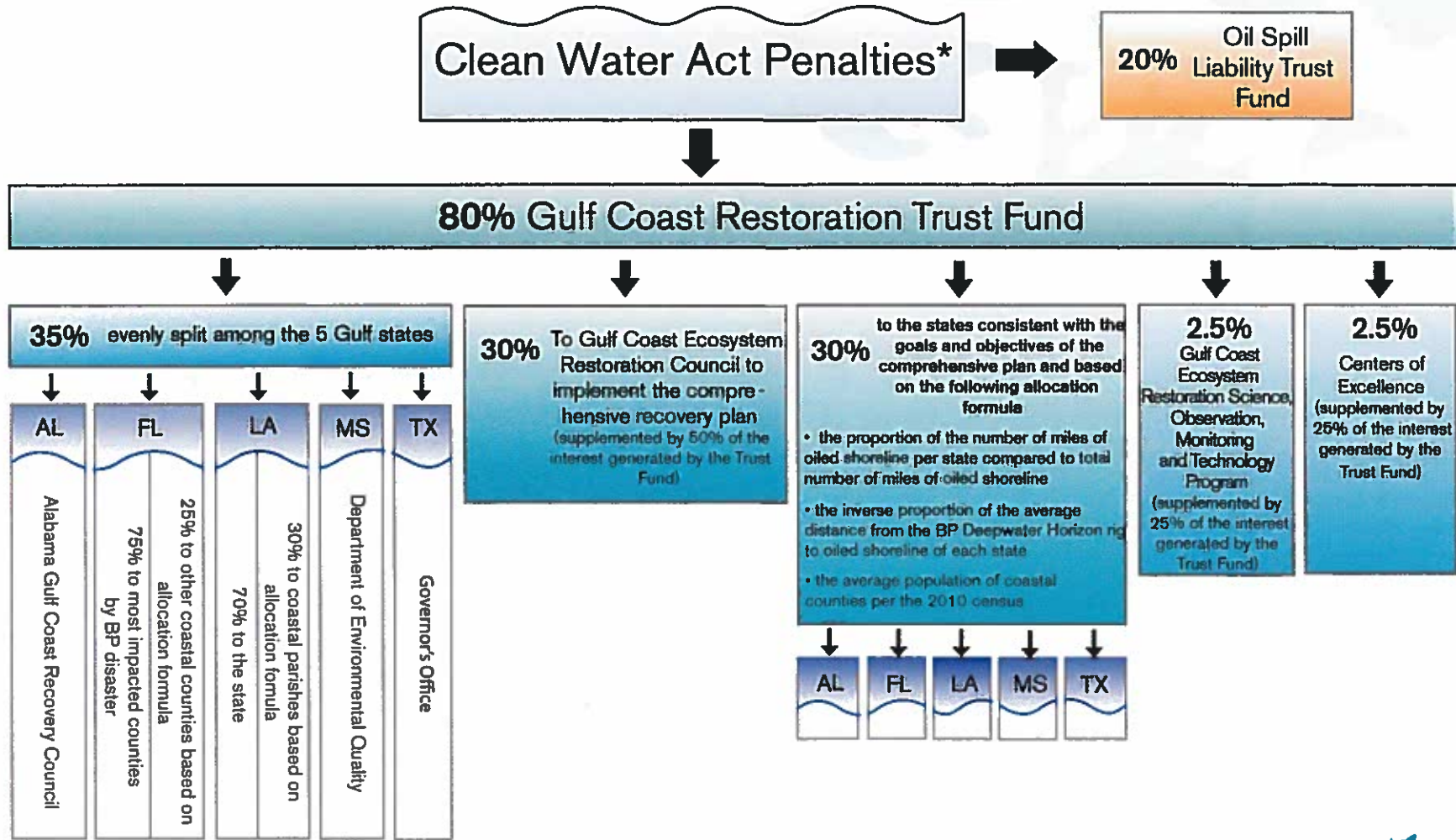
Sarasota County staff will present an update on recent issues and developments related to the RESTORE Act, focusing on new information available since the presentation at the previous joint Commission meeting held on April 17, 2015. This presentation will include:

- Development of the Sarasota County Multi-year Implementation Plan (MYIP) for distribution of Local Pot (Pot #1) funds;
- British Petroleum (BP) settlement agreement; and
- The Florida Gulf Consortium and development of the State Expenditure Plan for distribution of State Pot (Pot #3) funds.

**ATTACHMENT:**

Ocean Conservancy RESTORE Act Graphic

# Distribution of Clean Water Act penalties to Gulf recovery per the RESTORE Act



\* Clean Water Act penalties are a per barrel penalty of \$1100 for release of pollution into the environment. If 'gross negligence' is determined in release of the pollution, the penalty per barrel increases to \$4300. In the case of the BP Deepwater Horizon incident the following are estimates:

\$1100 X (4.9 million barrels of oil released into the environment) = approx \$5.39 billion  
 \$4300 X (4.9 million barrels of oil released into the environment) = approx \$21.07 billion [gross negligence]

All amounts are subject to negotiation via a settlement between the government and responsible parties.