VISTA Assignment Description (VAD)

Title: Environmental Stewardship, Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council

Sponsoring Organization: Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council Project Name: Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council II Project Number: 16VSSFL011 Project Period: 03/31/2019 - 04/11/2020

Site Name (if applicable): Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council

Focus Area(s) Primary: Environmental Stewardship Secondary: Capacity Building

VISTA Assignment Objectives and Member Activities

Goal of the Project: The VISTA member will assist in Environmental Planning project that benefit the community. After year of service is complete there is potential to earn a full-time environmental position with the SWFRPC.

Objective of the Assignment (Period of Performance: July 2019- July 2020)

Identify and pursue funding for critical environmental projects in the SWFL region that will improve water quality, disaster recovery and environmental health and safety.

Member Activity: Determine needs based on appropriate research.a. coordinate with local communities and determine appropriateness of available grants.b. research funding opportunities suitable for environmental improvement in SWFL.

Member Activity: Research and summarize potential funding sources (grants, donations of funds and equipment and in-kind support).

Member Activity: Provide information to regional staff and partners about potential funding sources.

Member Activity: Apply for suitable grants.

Objective of the Assignment (*Period of Performance: July 2019- July 2020*)

VISTA will assist in the completion of the 2019 Estero Bay Agency on Bay Management State of the Bay

Member Activity: Attend all necessary meetings throughout local communities on water quality.

Member Activity: Help organize and ensure Estero Bay Agency on Bay Management meetings run smoothly.

Member Activity: Assist in activities and completion of the Southwest Florida Disaster Recovery Update.