

# Okaloosa RESTORE Advisory Committee (ORAC) Update



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# Okaloosa RESTORE Advisory Committee (ORAC)

- \* Established by Okaloosa Board of County Commissioners Resolution Number 13-47 in March 2013
- \* Eleven member committee representing
  - \* 2 – Chamber of Commerce (Niceville-Valparasio and FWB)
  - \* 2 – League of Cities (Destin and Crestview)
  - \* 2 – At large
  - \* 1 – Okaloosa School Board
  - \* 1 – Charter Boat / Fisherman’s Cooperative
  - \* 1 – Tourism and Lodging
  - \* 1 – Economic Development Council
  - \* 1 – Environmental Community
- \* Meet 1<sup>st</sup> Wed (odd months, Emerald Coast Conv Ctr, 2:30 PM) or Thur (even months, Northwest FL State College, 6:00 PM)



# Setting the Stage

Public Input / Full Transparency

- Form the ORAC
- Establish administrative ground rules
- Educate the ORAC on the RESTORE process
- Establish ORAC mission statement and goals
- Evaluate Treasury Rules
- Develop model to help evaluate projects
- Test the model with several projects**
- Refine model as necessary
- Develop project information collection tool
- Collect project requests
- Use model to score and rank projects
- Develop Multi-Year Implementation Plan

Funding Sources / Rigorous Evaluation

# Setting the Stage

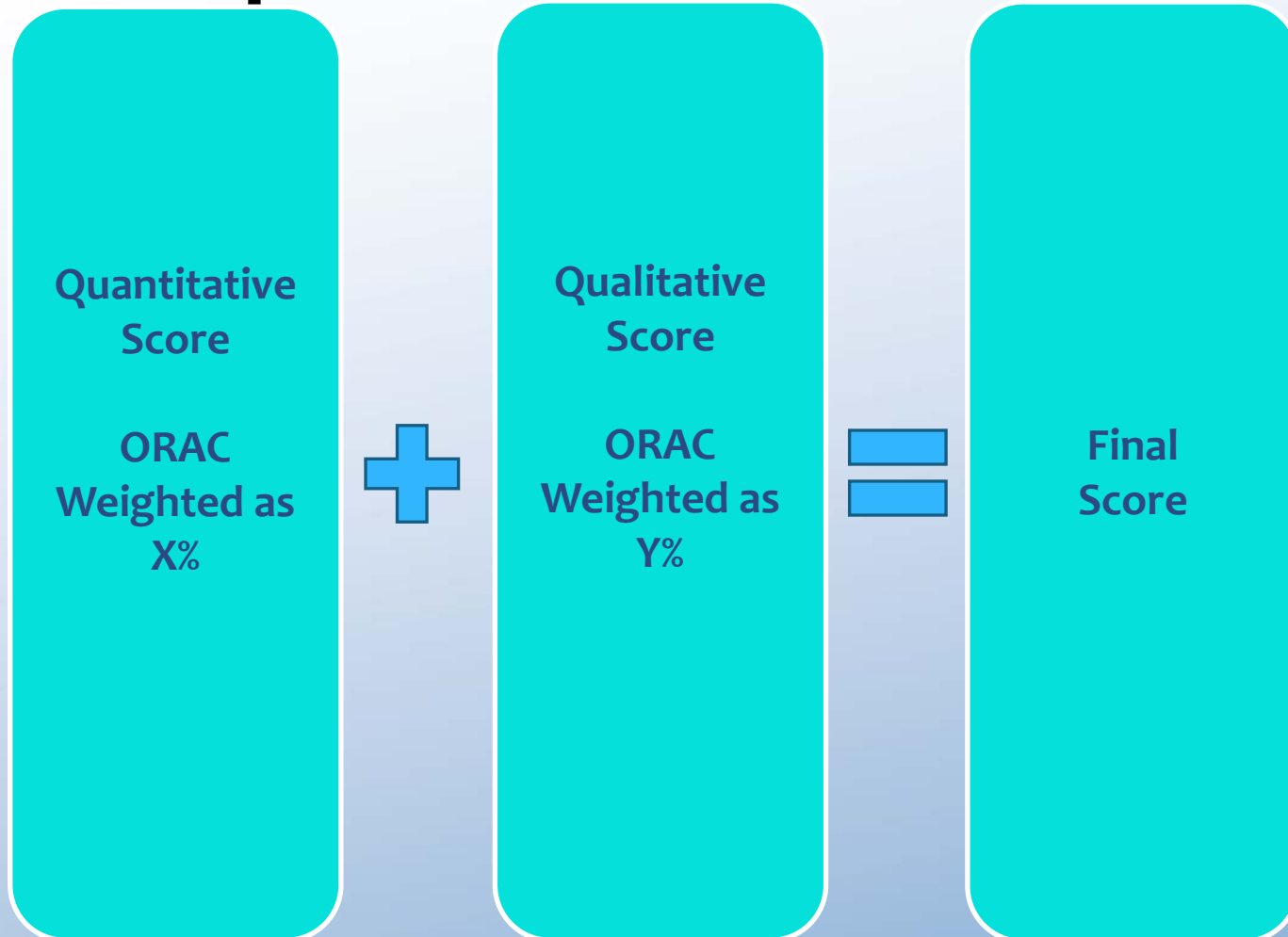
## Mission Statement

The Okaloosa RESTORE Advisory Committee (ORAC), in conjunction with Okaloosa County staff and its consultants, shall develop a Multi-Year Plan and formulate a comprehensive strategy to maximize the benefits of RESTORE Act funding designated for Okaloosa County. The ORAC's efforts will inform and assist the Okaloosa Board of County Commissioners (BCC) in their task of approving the Multi-Year Plan. The ORAC shall recommend projects selected in a fair and transparent manner to the BCC to help restore and protect our portion of the Gulf Coast region.

# Setting the Stage Goals

1. Perform all tasks in a transparent and ethical manner while encouraging maximum public participation
2. Identify priorities and develop rigorous evaluation criteria
3. Design and field an efficient and effective project submittal process
4. Improve County website and other management tools associated with the RESTORE process
5. Develop an executable Multi-Year Implementation Plan

# Model Development – Proposed Evaluation Tool



# Quantitative Score

	Proposed Quantitative Factors	Significance	Score
Economic	1. Gross Product per RESTORE \$ Invested	(%)	_____
	2. Return on Investment and LC Cost	(%)	_____
	3. Economic Diversification	(%)	_____
General	4. Implementation Readiness	(%)	_____
	5. Project Feasibility	(%)	_____
Environmental	6. Create/Restore/Protect Habitats	(%)	_____
	7. Replenish/Protect Coastal & Marine Res	(%)	_____
	8. Restore Water Quality		
	9. Enhanced Environmental Resilience		

ORAC to select and place significance on factors

Quantitative Score: \_\_\_\_\_

Note: Once established, this portion of the model will be used by the consultants

# Qualitative Score

## Proposed Qualitative Factors

1. Community acceptance
2. Quality of life enhancement
3. Expert judgment
4. Equity of distribution
- 5.

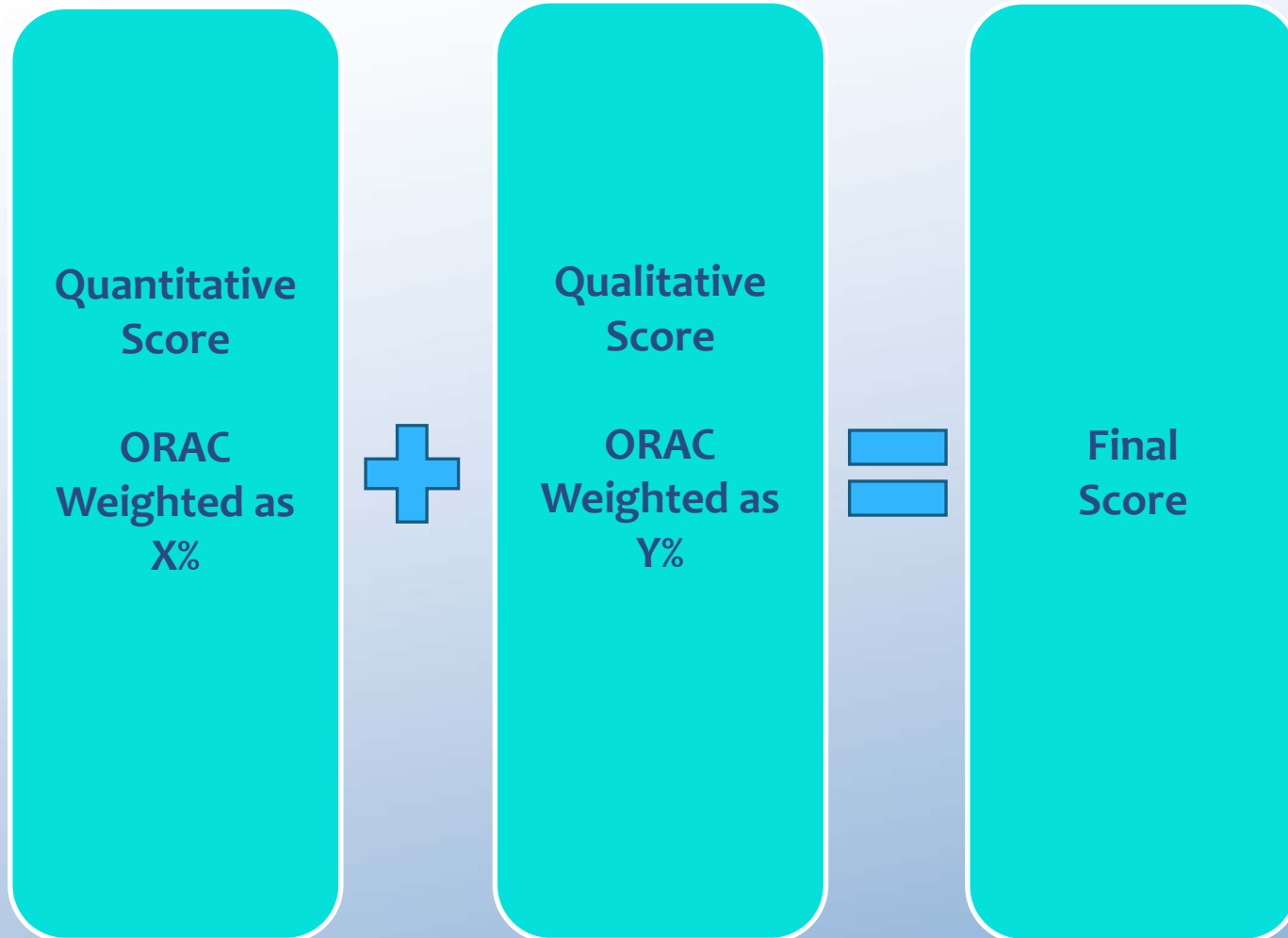


Qualitative Score: \_\_\_\_\_

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# Proposed Evaluation Tool



# Summary

- \* Educated and engaged ORAC
- \* Deliberate Model Development
  - \* Thorough analysis
  - \* Increased understanding
  - \* Complete buy-in
  - \* Transparent and replicable
- \* Poised for program execution when rules and funding finalized

