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Board of County Commissioners

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Triumph Gulf Coast Board to Meet in Shalimar, Crestview Southwest Bypass to be discussed

Shalimar– Okaloosa County’s administration building – located at 1250 north Eglin Parkway, Shalimar 32579 will host the meeting of the Triumph Gulf Coast Board on Monday, April 29th.

The Triumph Gulf Coast Board is responsible for distributing the more than \$1.5B in restitution the BP Corporation paid after the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill in 2009.

The desperately needed Southwest Crestview Bypass is on the agenda for the meeting. Air Force General Evan Dertien, County Commissioners, and other members of the community will give presentations to the Board as to why the bypass is needed.

County leadership hopes to impress upon the Board of Triumph Gulf Coast that the lack of infrastructure for evacuations could lead to calamity in a situation where a hurricane bares down on our area.

The County will ask the Triumph Gulf Coast Board for \$64 million dollars to help pay for the \$200 million dollar bypass project.

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