

## **Baruch Institute Research Support Building**

The Baruch Institute of Coastal Ecology and Forest Science (BICEFS) aims to be a globally recognized research, educational and Extension center dedicated to understanding coasts, forests, watersheds and their biodiversity — all research that is essential to the state of South Carolina.

## **Goals:**

 Construct an approximately 6,000-square-foot research facility for the Baruch Institute of Coastal Ecology and Forest Science (BICEFS) in Georgetown, South Carolina.



BUDGET REQUESTS 2024-2025
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## **Current State:**

- The work done at BICEFS positions Clemson to inform policy and provide high-impact applied solutions for a resilient environment, sustainable economies and a high quality of life.
- The Institute has doubled the size of its faculty and staff in the last five years and increased the number of graduate and undergraduate research programs at the site. With the investment in new faculty and the demand for expanded research, specialized research space is required. Current faculty have only ~40 percent of the space needed to conduct viable research.

## What will this \$9M do?

- Construct a new, specialized research facility to accommodate current and future student and faculty needs.
- Allow for existing instrumentation to be moved into the new facility and repurpose existing space for teaching, grad student space and flexible project use.