

Suwannee River Water Management District

Governing Board Materials

## Land Acquisition and Management

The following materials have been reviewed and approved for distribution to the Governing Board and the public.

Director of Land Acquisition  
and Management

Assistant Executive Director

Executive Director

**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Governing Board  
FROM: Terry E. Demott, Senior Land Resource Coordinator  
DATE: August 22, 2011  
SUBJECT: Declaration of Surplus Lands  
RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the Governing Board declare the 46-acre Greenville Well Field tract as surplus, declare that this parcel is no longer needed for conservation purposes, and approve the conveyance of this parcel to the Town of Greenville.

**BACKGROUND**

As part of the District’s ongoing effort to dispose of property not needed for conservation purposes, an additional tract has been selected for surplus.

The Greenville Well Field tract has been thoroughly examined by the Governing Board’s Lands Committee: Carl Meece, Ray Curtis and Kevin Brown. The entire 46-acre tract was purchased from the Roland family with Florida Forever funds.

<b>Tract Name</b>	<b>Acres +/-</b>	<b>County</b>	<b>Zoning</b>	<b>Tract Divisions</b>	<b>Appraisal Assignment</b>
Greenville Well Field	46	Madison	Residential 1	None	Fee Simple Donation

At the committee’s direction it is staff recommendation this tract be prepared for conveyance without charge to the Town of Greenville. Greenville contributed approximately \$43,000 to the acquisition and has agreed that the property is to revert back to the District if the property is not used for its intended purpose within a five-year period.

Although this parcel was purchased with Florida Forever funds, Florida statute does not require the parcel be offered to the other State agencies since the conveyance is to another unit of government.

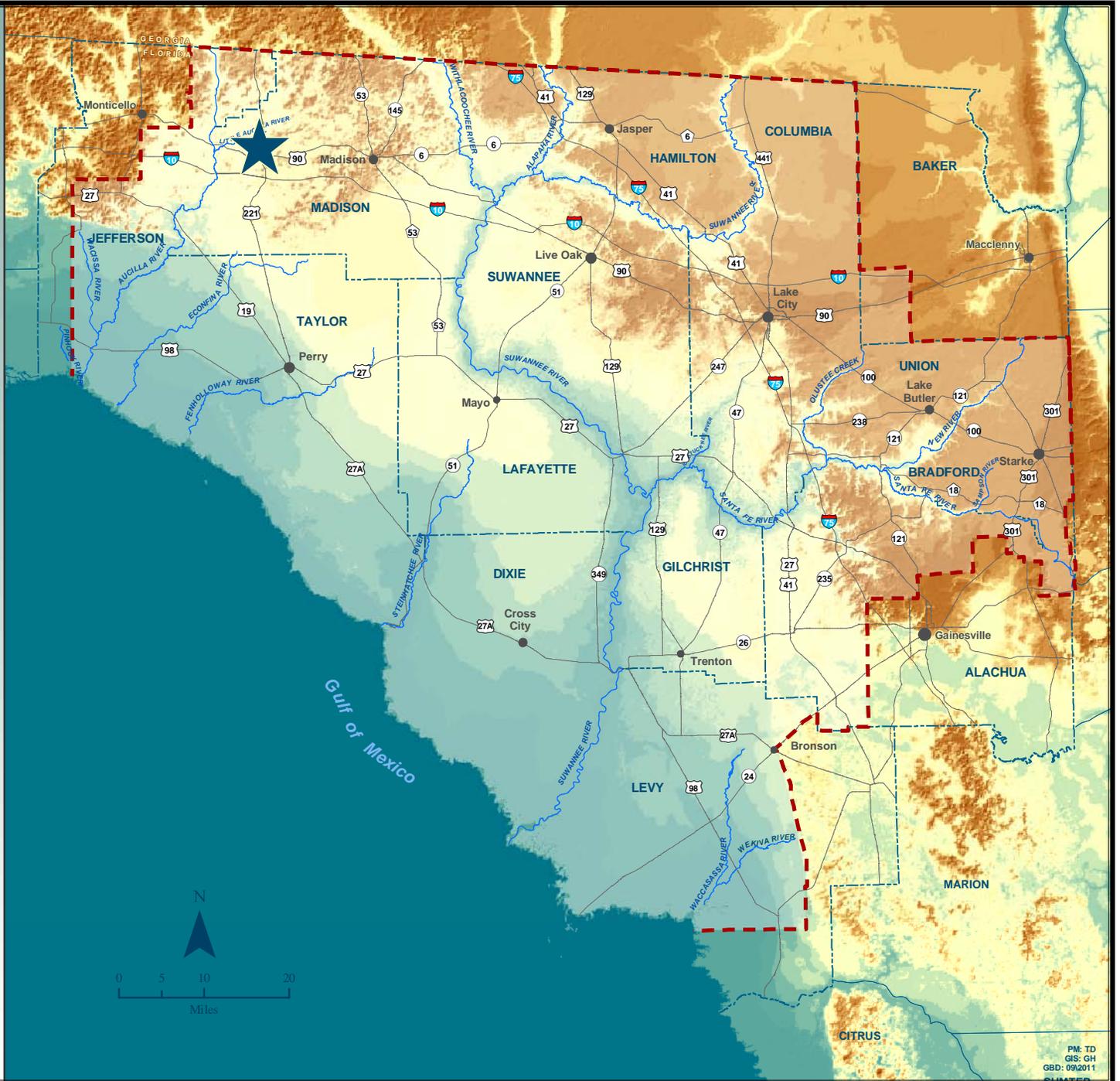
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# Greenville Wellfield Madison County, FL

 SRWMD Boundary  
 Project Location



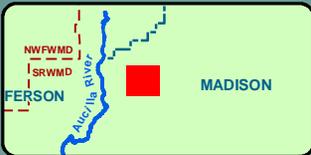
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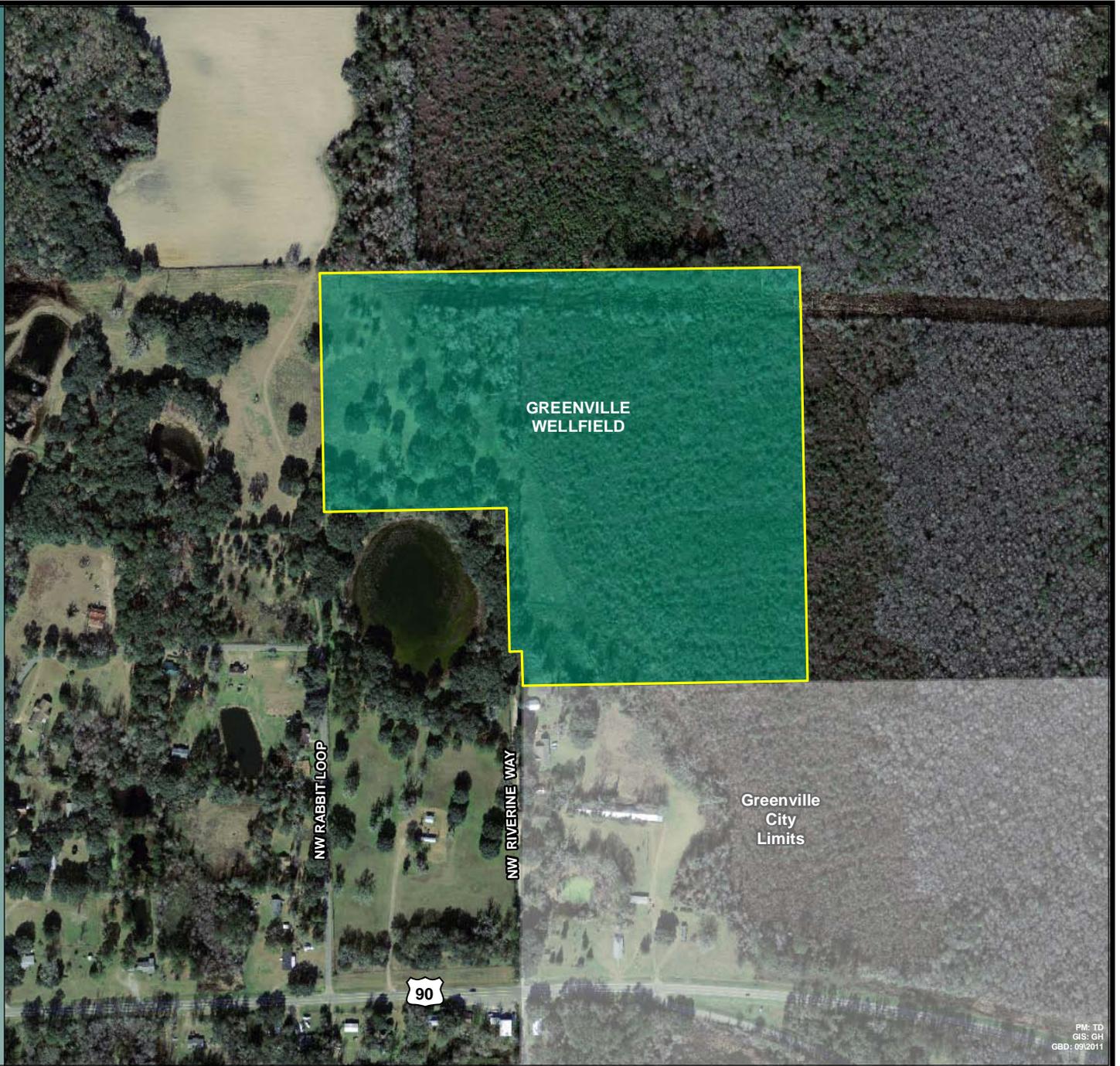
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**Greenville  
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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board  
FROM: Terry E. Demott, Senior Land Resource Coordinator  
DATE: August 22, 2011  
RE: Approved Surveyor List for FY 11/12

### RECOMMENDATION

**Staff recommends approving the attached list of contractors for surveying services on District projects during Fiscal Year 11/12.**

### BACKGROUND

To ensure a consistent level of quality in boundary, elevation, topographic, engineering, construction and other surveying services, and to reduce administrative costs, the District has advertised and accepted Requests for Qualifications (RFQ) from interested surveyors. This is the fourth time the RFQ process has been implemented for surveying services.

The selection committee of Jon Dinges, Joe Flanagan and Tim Sagul carefully reviewed the qualifications and determined that all the surveyors and their respective firms were qualified to conduct District work.

As District surveying projects are defined, the list of qualified surveyors will receive requests for proposals (RFP), which include proposed fees, for each of the projects. Department Directors and their respective staff members will select the firm to conduct the surveying services based on the proposals. For projects over \$35,000 this list would be used to shortlist the most qualified firms for negotiation as prescribed in Florida Statutes 287.055.

Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Approved Surveyor List

FIRM	SURVEYOR	LOCATION
AMEC	R. Michael Jones	Newberry, FL
Atkins	J. Vance Carper, Jr.	Tampa, FL
Bartram Trail Surveying	Raymond Paul Sutherland	Green Cove Springs, FL
Caltrop Corp.	Xynthia Rodriguez	Tampa, FL
Casseaux, Hewett, Walpole	Kevin Hewett	Gainesville, FL
CPH Engineers	Thomas J. Galloway	Jacksonville, FL
David L. Goodman Consulting, Inc.	David L. Goodman	Perry, FL
Degrove Surveyors, Inc.	Gordon Niles	Jacksonville, FL
Delta Professional Land Services	Lawrence Dale Rowell	Perry, FL
Donald F. Lee & Associates, Inc.	Donald F. Lee	Lake City, FL
DRMP	Glenn Lusink	Jacksonville, FL
Garver	Chad M. Thurner	Destin, FL
GCY, Inc.	George C. Young	Palm City, FL
George F. Young, Inc.	Michel L. Harbert	Gainesville, FL
J. Sherman Frier & Associates	Timothy B. Alcorn	Live Oak, FL
L. D. Bradley	Richard Jenkins	Jacksonville, FL
Lochrane	William Dees	Orlando, FL
Pardue Land Surveying	Matthew Munksgard	Chiefland, FL
Pickett	John M. Clyatt	Bartow, FL
Poppell Land Surveying, LLC	Walton F. Poppell	Madison, FL
R. E. Holland & Associates	Robert E. Holland	Jacksonville, FL
Robert M. Angas Associates	Thomas J. Smith	Jacksonville, FL
Southeastern	Thomas K. Mead	Chipley, FL
Southeastern Surveying, Inc.	Barbara Herring	Valdosta, GA
Wantham Group, Inc.	Robin Petzold	West Palm Beach, FL
Whidden Surveying & Mapping	Thomas Whidden	West Palm Beach, FL

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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board

FROM: Edwin McCook, Land Management Specialist

DATE: August 22, 2011

RE: Contract for Recreation Site Maintenance Services at Goose Pasture/Econfina Boat Ramp and Steinhatchee Falls/Tennille Trailhead Sites

### RECOMMENDATION

**Staff recommends the Governing Board approve the rankings developed by the Selection Committee as shown below and requests authority to negotiate and execute a contract with Marvin Edmonds d/b/a M & L Contracting. If negotiations are unsuccessful with this firm, staff requests authority to negotiate and execute a contract with the next ranked firm. The amount of these services would not exceed \$40,000 in FY 2012.**

### BACKGROUND

The District released Request for Proposal 10/11-038LM on July 11, 2011 for Recreation Site Maintenance Services on District lands, which included the following sites: Suwannee Springs, Falmouth Springs/Anderson Springs; Goose Pasture/Econfina Boat Ramp at US 98; and Steinhatchee Falls/Tennille Trailhead. Seven responses were received for recreation site maintenance services. Contractors could bid on all sites or individual sites.

This recommendation addresses the responses for Goose Pasture/Econfina Boat Ramp at US 98 which includes maintenance visits three times per week and the Steinhatchee Falls/Tennille Trailhead which includes daily maintenance services. These services include opening and closing entrance gates, mowing, trash pick-up and other maintenance duties.

The selection criterion, as noted in the RFP, was to search for the best value to the District amongst the submitted proposals. Proposals were compared on price, firm experience, and demonstrated ability to successfully complete projects of similar size. Ranking was made to select the most cost-effective and qualified in the opinion of the District Selection Committee.

The Selection Committee composed of Charlie Houser, Joe Flanagan and Melanie Roberts ranked the firms as shown below. The rankings were based on cost per month, work on similar projects, and work history.

Ranking	Contractor	Annual Fee
Goose Pasture/Econfina Boat Ramp		
1.	M & L Contracting	24,000
2.	Big South Services, Inc.	24,030
3.	Suwannee Lawn & Garden, Inc	27,720
3.	Glover Landscape & Irrigation	27,480
Steinhatchee Falls/Tennille Trailhead		
1.	M & L Contracting	14,400
2.	Big South Services, Inc.	17,280
3.	Facilities Supply and Services, Inc.	26,400

M & L Contracting has agreed to provide services at the cost submitted in the proposal and the terms of the DRAFT contract. The contract amount includes \$1,600 for unanticipated expenses subject to SRWMD staff approval.

Funding for this contract is included in the Fiscal Year 2012 budget and is contingent upon final adoption of the budget by the Governing Board.

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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board  
FROM: Edwin McCook, Land Management Specialist  
DATE: August 22, 2011  
RE: Recreation Site Maintenance Services at Suwannee Springs and Anderson/Falmouth Springs Sites

### RECOMMENDATION

**Staff recommends the Governing Board approve the rankings developed by the Selection Committee as shown below and requests authority to negotiate and execute a contract with Suwannee Lawn and Garden, Inc. If negotiations are unsuccessful with this firm, staff requests authority to negotiate and execute a contract with the next ranked firm. The amount of these services would not exceed \$44,500 in FY 2012.**

### BACKGROUND

The District released Request for Proposal 10/11-038LM on July 11, 2011 for Recreation Site Maintenance Services on, which included the following sites: Suwannee Springs, Falmouth Springs/Anderson Springs; Goose Pasture/Econfina Boat Ramp at US 98; and Steinhatchee Falls/Tennille Trailhead. Seven responses were received for recreation site maintenance services. Contractors could bid on all sites or individual sites.

This recommendation addresses the responses for Suwannee Springs and the combined Anderson and Falmouth Springs sites. The scope of work includes daily maintenance services such as opening and closing entrance gates daily, mowing, trash pick-up and other maintenance duties.

The selection criterion, as noted in the RFP, was to search for the best value to the District amongst the submitted proposals. Proposals were compared on price, firm experience, and demonstrated ability to successfully complete projects

of similar size. Ranking was made to select the most cost-effective and qualified in the opinion of the District Selection Committee.

The Selection Committee composed of Charlie Houder, Joe Flanagan and Melanie Roberts ranked the firms as shown below.

	Contractor	Annual Fee
Suwannee Springs		
1.	Suwannee Lawn & Garden, Inc.	\$19,800
2.	Facilities Supply and Services, Inc.	\$31,200
Anderson Springs/ Falmouth Springs		
1.	Suwannee Lawn & Garden, Inc.	\$23,100
2.	Facilities Supply and Services, Inc.	\$38,400
3.	3 Rivers Construction	\$52,500

Suwannee Lawn & Garden, Inc. has done this work for the last six years and has agreed to provide services at the cost submitted in the proposal and the terms of the DRAFT contract. The contract amount includes \$1,600 for unanticipated expenses subject to SRWMD staff approval. Principals for Suwannee Lawn & Garden, Inc. are Alvin R. Cloud, Samuel R. Cloud, Daniel A. Cloud and Laura J. Turner.

Funding for this contract is included in the Fiscal Year 2012 budget and is contingent upon final adoption by the Governing Board.

RFP 10/11-038LM  
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MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board  
FROM: Bob Heeke, Sr. Land Resources Manager  
DATE: August 22, 2011  
RE: Road Construction and Improvements Services

RECOMMENDATION

**Staff recommends the Governing Board approve the rankings developed by the Selection Committee as shown below and requests authority to negotiate and execute a contract with Perpetual Contracting, Inc. for Road Construction and Improvements Services. If negotiations are unsuccessful with this firm, staff requests authority to negotiate and execute a contract with the next ranked firm. The amount of these services would not exceed \$200,000 in FY 2012.**

BACKGROUND

On June 30, 2011 staff released RFP 10/11-036 for firms to provide road construction and maintenance services throughout the District. Ten firms responded to the RFP.

The Selection Committee of Jon Dinges, Steve Minnis and Joe Flanagan met on August 2, 2011 to review the proposals and developed the rankings below:

Firm	City
1. Perpetual Contracting, Inc.	Cross City
2. Florida Fill and Grading, Inc.	Lake City
3. Coleman Construction, Inc	Newberry

The selection criterion, as noted in the RFP, was to search for the best value to the District amongst the submitted proposals. Proposals were compared on price, firm experience, and demonstrated ability to successfully complete projects

of similar size. Ranking was made to select the most cost-effective and qualified in the opinion of the District Selection Committee.

The price proposal component of the RFP was determined using equipment hours used by the existing contractor over the last two years and estimated mobilization costs. Using these hours and the proposed equipment rates, the total estimated fees of each firm would be:

Firm	Estimated Fee
Perpetual Contracting	\$202,052
Florida Fill & Grading	\$212,405
Coleman Construction	\$230,685
Bielling Site Prep & Reforestation	\$244,778
Art Walker Construction	\$260,316
Tree Capital Land Development	\$262,743
Barco-Duval Engineering	\$288,565
Osteen Brothers	\$393,397
R&E Site Development	\$479,991
Carters Contracting Services	\$3,898,555

A letter was received (attached) from Clinton Keen of Keen Forest Management asking for a waiver from the requirement to attend the mandatory pre-proposal meeting. The requirement to attend the mandatory meeting was explicitly stated in the proposal notice and the RFP document itself. Failure to attend the meeting would result in the proposal being rejected. Therefore, staff determined the proposal to be nonresponsive and did not consider it in the final recommendation.

Principal for Perpetual Contracting is Craig D. Ganas. Perpetual has been under contract to the District for the past six years, and has lowered its fees 5-8% over last year's contract amounts.

The funds for this activity are included in the FY 2012 budget and contingent upon final adoption of the budget.

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RFP 10/11-036LM

Keen Forest Management  
119 N.W Cr. 290  
Mayo, FL 32066  
(386) 362-8345

July 21, 2011

Suwannee River Water Management  
Governing Board  
9225 CR 49  
Live Oak, FL 32060

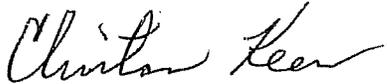
Dear Members of the Governing Board,

Due to extenuating circumstances, I am writing to you today regarding an exception for the Mandatory Pre-Bid Hearing involved in the bidding process. Our company, Keen Forest Management, has partnered and worked with you many times in the past. We have always fostered a wonderful relationship and we would love the opportunity to work with you again. The Mandatory Pre-Bid Hearing was scheduled on our calendars and we were prepared to attend in order to be considered in the process. On July 13, 2011 we had an unfortunate health scare in the family and were unable to attend or have representation.

Please understand that on the day of the meeting my mother, Allie Jane Harper, was in the hospital with chest pains and possible heart attack symptoms. Because I am an only child, it was my family responsibility to be with her during this time. In addition, because I am a small company and the owner, I did not have anyone (non-family) that could attend the hearing on my behalf. Due to circumstances that were well beyond my control, I am pleading with the Governing Board to please accept my company's bid and allow us the opportunity to bid.

I completely understand why the meeting was mandatory and please know that we had every intention on attending. However, unfortunately life sometimes throws you a curve and we would really appreciate if you could make an exception for us this one time. We really appreciate you taking the time to read this and hope that this is something that can be considered based on our past work performance and reputation.

Warm regards,



Clinton Keen,  
Owner, Keen Forest Management

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board  
FROM: Bob Heeke, Sr. Land Resources Manager  
DATE: August 22, 2011  
RE: Forestry Consulting Services

RECOMMENDATION

**Staff recommends the Governing Board approve the rankings developed by the Selection Committee as shown below and requests authority for staff to negotiate and for the Executive Director to execute contracts with Natural Resource Planning Services, Inc. (NRPS) and Flatwoods Forestry, Inc. for Forestry Consulting Services for FY 2012. If negotiations are unsuccessful with these firms, staff requests authority to negotiate and execute a contract with the next ranked firm.**

BACKGROUND

On June 30, 2011, staff released Request for Proposals (RFP) 10/11-035 LM for forestry consulting services. These services include preparing and managing timber sales, overseeing silvicultural operations, seedling survival surveys and other forest management activities. Four firms responded to the RFP.

The Selection Committee of Melanie Roberts, Charlie Houder and Joe Flanagan met on August 2, 2011 to review proposals and developed the rankings below:

Firm	City
1. Natural Resource Planning Services, Inc.	Lake City
2. Flatwoods Forestry, Inc.	Lake City
3. The Forestry Company	Perry

The selection criterion, as noted in the RFP, was to search for the best value to the District amongst the submitted proposals. Proposals were compared on timber sale price, firm experience, and demonstrated ability to successfully

complete projects of similar size. Ranking was made to select the most cost-effective and qualified firm in the opinion of the District Selection Committee.

The price consideration was compared based on the estimated three-year timber sale implementation plans fee summary as shown below:

Proposer	NE	SE	NW	SW	Total Estimated Fee
Flatwoods Forestry	\$110,000	\$20,360	\$23,120	\$105,600	\$259,080
NRPS	\$122,000	\$22,530	\$34,000	\$110,400	\$288,930
The Forestry Co.	\$180,000	\$33,300	\$28,900	\$144,000	\$386,200
Forestland Mgt.	\$180,000	\$33,300	\$32,300	\$152,000	\$397,600

Contracting with two consultants has been the standard for the last six years. Two firms provide more flexibility and capacity in managing both planned and unplanned forestry operations (such as salvage situations).

The firms will oversee planned operations of approximately 1,100 acres of timber sales, 1,700 acres of tree planting, and 1,300 acres of site preparation and will collect seedling survival survey plots on 1,200 acres of trees planted in FY 2011. Funds are included for other forestry activities such as timber data collection, stand mapping and forest inventory assistance.

Principals for NRPS are John T. Vogel, James T. Mastin, John A. Wallace and John H. Holzaepfel. Principals for Flatwoods Forestry are Ward Anthony Frisina and Scarlet P. Frisina.

The total recommended contract value of these projects in the FY 2012 budget is \$137,000 and is contingent upon final adoption of the FY 2012 budget. District procedures allow for this type of service contract to be renewed for two additional one-year periods if both parties agree and all terms remain constant.

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RFP 10/11-035LM

## MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board  
FROM: Edwin McCook, Land Management Specialist  
DATE: August 22, 2011  
RE: Amendment to Contract # 98/99-098 with the Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission

### RECOMMENDATION

**Staff requests authorization for the Executive Director to execute an amendment to the agreement with Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) for Enhanced Law Enforcement for Fiscal Year 2012 for an amount not to exceed \$30,000.**

### BACKGROUND

Enhanced law enforcement consists of time spent by FWC wildlife officers patrolling and investigating complaints on District lands in addition to regular FWC funded patrols. The District's Land Management Specialist and the FWC Lieutenant who supervises the program meet on a regular basis to prioritize areas that may need enhanced patrols.

For the seven-month period from December 12, 2010 through July 14, 2011 FWC officers worked 203 hours, issued 33 citations, 38 warnings and 430 user checks. Violations included: possession of alcohol, possession of cannabis, underage drinking, unlawful ATV use, traffic law violations, littering, driving on closed roads, unlawful hunting and fishing.

Funding for this agreement is included in the FY 2012 budget and is contingent upon final adoption of the FY 2012 budget.

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98/99-098

## MEMORANDUM

To: Governing Board  
FROM: Bob Heeke, Sr. Land Resources Manager  
DATE: August 22, 2011  
RE: Agreement 00/01-213 with the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service for Services Related to Atsena Otie Key

### RECOMMENDATION

**Staff recommends the Governing Board authorize the Executive Director to continue the agreement with the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) for a Public Use Specialist and other management services at Atsena Otie Key for an amount not to exceed \$35,000 in FY 2012.**

### BACKGROUND

The USFWS manages Atsena Otie Key as part of the Cedar Keys National Wildlife Refuge through a Memorandum of Understanding with the District. The USFWS protects the island and provides for land management and maintenance, wildlife-oriented recreation and interpretation on Atsena Otie Key and other islands of the refuge.

In January 2001 the Governing Board approved a contract for a Public Use Specialist to assist in meeting the demands for public use, land management, environmental education, and interpretative tours of the refuge islands. The agreement was set up for renewal on a yearly basis through September 30, 2012.

Staff is in discussions with Refuge staff to develop a long-term management contract that better reflects the responsibilities and tasks being undertaken by the Refuge. These tasks include land management, maintenance of the trail, composting toilet maintenance, upkeep of the cemetery and dock, exotic pest plant control, erosion control, public use and law enforcement.

Funding for this agreement is included in the FY 2012 budget. This recommendation is contingent upon final adoption of the FY 2012 budget.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board  
FROM: Bob Heeke, Sr. Land Resources Manager  
DATE: August 22, 2011  
RE: Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services/Florida Forest Service Cooperative Management Agreement and Twin Rivers State Forest Agreement Funding

RECOMMENDATION

**Staff requests authorization to continue the Cooperative Management Agreement and Twin Rivers State Forest Funding with Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services/Florida Forest Service (FFS) for Fiscal Year 2012 for an amount not to exceed \$301,000.**

BACKGROUND

The District contracts with FFS to complete designated projects on District lands through a Cooperative Management Agreement. Services include prescribed burning services, native fuels mitigation, fireline services on lands where the District is the primary manager and 117,000 longleaf pine seedlings. These services are budgeted at \$70,000.

The District has also leased approximately 12,000 acres to FFS for comprehensive management as Twin Rivers State Forest (TRSF). The lease allows the FFS to sell District-owned timber on TRSF to offset the management costs of the forest.

The FFS budget request for Twin Rivers is almost \$231,000. Of that, \$163,000 will be paid to FFS for state expenses, and another \$68,000 will be paid by the District to private and public contractors operating on the forest. State spending authority limitations on FFS have made it difficult for them to manage the financial components, (revenues and expenses) associated with managing District-owned lands at TRSF. Therefore, the District will receive revenues from the TRSF timber sales and pay invoices from FFS and private contractors for work on the forest. FFS/TRSF budget request is attached.

Approximately \$13,000 is directly contracted by the District for recreation site maintenance at Anderson Springs in the Forest. This funding is included in the Public Recreation Services budget and brings the total projected TRSF expense to \$244,000.

The funding for these projects is included in the SRWMD FY 2012 budget, and this recommendation is contingent upon final adoption of the FY 2012 budget.

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Twin Rivers State Forest  
2011-12 Budget Request

Object Code	Description	Expense Amount
133200	Legal Advertising	\$50
221000	Telephone	\$1,800
225000	Postage, Freight, UPS, etc.	\$75
230000	Printing/Reproduction -(keys, signs, etc.)	\$600
241050	Parts & Fittings (Vehicle Maintenance)	\$5,500
242050	Repairs and Maintenance -Non-Contract; Tire repair, vehicle repair	\$2,000
242000	Miscellaneous Repairs - other than vehicles	\$500
261010	In State Travel	\$0
271000	Electric Utilities	\$1,600
274000	Garbage Disposal	\$100
320000	Building & Construction Supplies – Miscellaneous Includes \$2,000 for building and installing 10 new gates	\$5,500
342000	First Aid - Safety Supplies	\$300
361000	Janitorial	\$200
362000	Minor Tools Including new chain saw (\$500)	\$4,000
363000	Parts and Fittings	\$1,000
364600	Other gas, oxygen, and acetylene	\$200
371000	Gasoline - All purpose	\$2,000
373000	Diesel - All purpose	\$7,000
377000	Lubricants	\$400
380000	Office Supplies - Commercial Purchase	\$500
432000	DEP lease fee	\$300
442000	Rental Copy Machine	\$500
499100	Perquisites (Uniforms)	\$1,050
139900	Inmate Labor @ \$2.00/hr/inmate	\$8,000
	Vehicle Depreciation	\$5,353
	Salary and Benefits	\$119,685
	<b>Operating Budget TOTAL</b>	<b>\$162,860</b>
139900	MCN (14ac.) and MCS (23ac.) Site Prep Herbicide Chopper and Garlon at \$80/acre <b>Total 37 acres</b>	\$2,960
139900	V-blade planting - Ellaville (146 ac.), Black (55 ac.), MCN (53 ac.), MCS (36 ac.) at \$95/acre <b>Total 290 acres</b>	\$27,550
139900	Bareroot Longleaf seedlings 211 thousand @ \$75 for <b>290 acres</b>	\$21,750
139900	Site Prep ULW 2lbs/acre Ellaville C. (50 ac.) and Sullivan (70 ac.) at \$50/acre <b>Total 120 acres</b>	\$6,000
	Site Prep ULW 3lb/acre Ellaville N. (60 ac.) at \$60/acre <b>Total 60 acres</b>	\$3,600
139900	Delivered Limerock for road repairs	\$6,000
	<b>Silviculture Projects TOTAL</b>	<b>\$67,860</b>
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$230,720</b>

SRWMD Contracts 04/05-080 and 05/06-131

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board  
FROM: Brian C. Kauffman, Facilities Director  
DATE: August 22, 2011  
RE: Contract 04/05-250 with Mayo Correctional Institution

RECOMMENDATION

**Staff recommends continuation of contract 04/05-250 with Mayo Correctional Institution (MCI) to provide inmates for the Inmate Work Program for Fiscal Year 2012.**

BACKGROUND

The District's inmate work crew is primarily used for small construction projects, building repair and lawn maintenance. No funds change hands under this contract: MCI provides five inmates, and the District provides a Work Crew Leader, materials, tools and transportation.

Projects completed at the R. O. Ranch Equestrian Park this year include building horse stalls at the rental lodge, assembling and installing the large aluminum culverts at Owl Creek, and building fences and kiosks. The crew also provided lawn maintenance services at the Morgan Field Office, the Crossway Branch Trailhead, the Panther Jim Rental Lodge, and the Visitor Center. On other District property, the crew removed invasive exotics and assisted in maintaining the buildings and grounds at the District's office in Live Oak.

Terms of this agreement state the contract shall remain in effect from year to year unless terminated by either party. Based on the success of this program, staff recommends continuing this agreement with MCI.

Funding for the Work Crew Leader, tools and transportation is included in the Fiscal Year 2012 budget and is contingent upon final adoption of that budget by the Governing Board.

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Contract 04/05-250

## MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board  
FROM: Bob Heeke, Sr. Land Resources Manager  
DATE: August 22, 2011  
RE: Contract 07/08-054 for Cooperative for Conserved Forest Ecosystem Outreach and Research Funding

### RECOMMENDATION

**Staff requests authorization to continue the Cooperative for Conserved Forest Ecosystem Outreach and Research (CFEOR) Funding with the University of Florida for Fiscal Year 2012 for an amount not to exceed \$20,000.**

### BACKGROUND

In 2006 the University of Florida, School of Forest Resources and Conservation began working with agencies and organizations that manage conservation lands to see if there was a need for a new cooperative for research and extension. In a time of growing land bases and limited management funding, the idea of pooling resources and sharing information has struck a positive chord and resulted in the formation of CFEOR. Among the founding members are the three northern water management districts, all of the state land management agencies, and the USDA Forest Service. Recently, CFEOR has been able to add the private landowners Nokuse Plantation and the Gilchrist Club to the cooperative.

The District will assist with funding the base operations of the cooperative with an \$8,000 annual payment and will provide up to \$12,000 in additional funding in conjunction with other cooperators for specific research projects that address our specific needs. One of the projects we are currently working on is researching ways to convert plantations through timber harvest to conditions that more closely represent natural forest conditions. A [CFEOR Annual Report](#) is prepared each year highlighting ongoing and new projects.

The funding for this cooperative is included in the FY 12 budget, and this recommendation is contingent upon final adoption of the FY 12 budget.

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SRWMD Contract #07/08-054

## MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board  
FROM: Bob Heeke, Sr. Land Resources Manager  
DATE: August 22, 2011  
RE: Purchase of Rock Aggregate

### RECOMMENDATION

**Staff recommends the Governing Board authorize staff to purchase rock and fill aggregate on an as needed basis from Department of Transportation (DOT) certified mines near the project sites. Total cost shall not exceed the amount of \$100,000.**

### BACKGROUND

District procedures specify that limerock and fill material associated with projects such as road construction and maintenance, ditch blocks and culvert installations will be procured on a low quote basis for aggregate. Quotes for material will be documented in written responses from the mines in proximity to the job site. Quotations will also be requested on hauling if that service is provided.

Transportation costs frequently equal or exceed the cost of the material on a per load basis, so limiting quotes to mines close to the project site will allow the District to purchase the material for the lowest total price (material plus transportation). DOT certification will assure consistent standards and quality control.

Rock purchases will be used for projects related to road building and repair, parking lots and hydrologic restoration. Funding for this purchase is included in the Fiscal Year 2012 budget and is contingent upon final adoption of the budget.

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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board

FROM: Terry Demott, Sr. Land Resource Coordinator

DATE: August 22, 2011

SUBJECT: Activity Report, Real Estate

All land acquisition activities have been directed towards these projects on which the District had contracts.

- Closing on the Dennis, Kelby and Miles Andrews tract in Levy County has been delayed to allow time for the owners to secure agreements from creditors for pay-off amounts. The presence of an old landfill on the site has required an more in-depth environmental audit to be conducted. Acquisition of this tract is expected to take place by September 31, 2011.
- The Layman Law Firm/Walker Springs conservation easement in Jefferson County is scheduled to close by September 15, 2011.

The attached report summarizes the status of current surplus activities for the preceding month. Staff will be prepared to address any tracts of particular interest the Board may wish to discuss at the September 13, 2011 Governing Board meeting.

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## SURPLUS LANDS

Tract Name	Acres	County	Acquired Date	Funding Source	Appraisal Date	Listing Date	Listing Price
Bay Creek South	46	Columbia	02/1988	WMLTF	6/14/2010	7/12/2010	Fee \$123,750
Bay Creek North	24	Columbia	02/1988	WMLTF	6/14/2010	7/12/2010	Fee \$60,720
Owens Spring	77	Lafayette	03/1999	P2000	6/14/2010	7/12/2010	Fee \$277,200
Blue Sink	79	Suwannee	12/1988	WMLTF	6/14/2010	7/12/2010	Fee entire parcel \$281,600 40-acre parcels \$154,000
Levings	69	Columbia	02/1998	WMLTF	6/14/2010	5/11/2011	Fee \$135,860
Jennings Bluff	70	Hamilton	02/1989	WMLTF	7/30/2010	8/16/2010	Fee entire tract \$215,600
Adams South	60	Lafayette	05/1990	WMLTF	7/30/2010	8/16/2010	Fee entire tract \$191,400
Hunter Creek	120	Hamilton	09/2002	P2000		11/18/2010	Fee (3parcels) \$343,200 Conservation Easement (3parcels) \$243,100
Steinhatchee Rise	42	Dixie	02/1996	P2000	8/27/2010	11/18/2010	Fee entire tract \$126,940 conservation easement \$97,020
Timber River	1	Madison	03/1998	WMLTF	8/27/2010	11/18/2010	Fee entire tract \$10,780
Falmouth North (8 lots)	6	Suwannee	04/1998	WMLTF	8/27/2010	11/18/2010	Fee entire tract \$52,030
Wolf Creek	30	Jefferson	05/2009	FF	In progress		
Withlacoochee Quail Farm	65	Madison	09/2006	FF	In progress		
Woods Ferry	29	Suwannee	12/1988	WMLTF	In progress		
Cuba Bay	22	Jefferson	02/1996	P2000	In progress		
Perry Spray Field	248	Taylor	9/2001	WMLTF	Approved in July		
Chitty Bend East	20	Hamilton	12/1988	WMLTF	Approved in July		
Chitty Bend West	121	Madison	12/1988	WMLTF	Approved in July		
Poe Springs	39	Alachua	6/1/1988	WMLTF	Approved in July		
Chiefland Well Head Protection	8	Levy	3/17/1999	P2000	Approved in July		
Cross City Well Field	67	Dixie	11/10/2000	P2000	Approved in July		
Gainesville Recreation Site/Buck Bay	60	Alachua	12/15/1999	P2000	Approved in July		
Alligator Lake	43	Columbia	8/10/2001	P2000	Approved in July		
Suwannee Spray Field	294	Dixie	12/24/1997	WMLTF	Approved in July		

WMLTF=Water Management Lands Trust Fund; P2000=Preservation 2000; FF= Florida Forever Trust Fund

## MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board  
 FROM: Bob Heeke, Senior Land Resources Manager  
 DATE: August 22, 2011  
 SUBJECT: Land Management Activity Report

### REAL PROPERTY INTERESTS

The Meeks conservation easement in Levy County was inspected this month. Management activities, which included thinning of slash pine plantations, were found to be in compliance with the original easement documents.

### NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

Timber harvests have been completed as shown below:

	Product	Harvest (Tons)		Product \$/Ton	Income (\$)	
		Originally Cruised	Actually Harvested		Originally Cruised	Actually Harvested
Steinhatchee Springs #3 completed 7/11/2011	Pine Pulpwood*	19,350.00	22,463.33	\$12.00	\$232,200.00	\$269,559.96
Usher Land & Timber Contract 09/10-022	Pine CNS	2,253.00	4,728.95	\$15.10	\$34,020.30	\$71,407.15
355.61 acres	Total	21,603.0	27,192.28		\$266,220.30	\$340,967.11
	% Estimate		125.87%			128.08%
Steinhatchee Springs #7 completed 6/13/2011	Pine Pulpwood*	9,988.00	10,247.00	\$12.53	\$125,149.64	\$128,395.16
Harley Forest Products Contract 09/10-129	Pine Top	545.00	220.07	\$12.53	\$6,828.85	\$2,757.48
191 acres	Pine CNS	1,474.00	955.85	\$17.25	\$25,426.50	\$16,488.41
	Total	12,007.0	11,422.92		\$157,404.99	\$147,641.05
	% Estimate		95.14%			93.80%
Steinhatchee Springs #8 completed 7/11/2011	Pine Pulpwood*	4,074	3,809.43	\$12.54	\$51,042.21	\$47,770.25
Harley Forest Products Contract 10/11-115	Pine CNS	303	165.76	\$16.81	\$5,223.30	\$2,786.43
72 acres	Total	4,376.4	3,975.19		\$56,265.51	\$50,556.68
	% Estimate		90.83%			89.85%

Contractors continued applying chemical herbicides to volunteer hardwoods on select tracts to prepare the site for reforestation during the upcoming planting season (November 2011 – January 2012). The contractor has been informed to spray only specific species of young hardwoods and leaving desirable species to maintain plant diversity within the natural community.

An additional 1,000 acres on Steinhatchee Springs and Jones Mill Creek have been roller-chopped to prepare for reforestation.

Staff conducted surveys for rare species on District lands as shown on the table below:

8 tracts	Gopher Tortoise ( <i>Gopherus polyphemus</i> ; Threatened) abundance
6 tracts	Coontie ( <i>Zamia pumila</i> )
1 tract	Curtiss' Milkweed ( <i>Asclepias curtissii</i> ; Endangered).
1 tract	Giant Orchid ( <i>Pteroglossaspis ecristata</i> ; Threatened).
1 tract	Florida Mountainmint ( <i>Pycnanthemum floridanum</i> ; Threatened).
2 tracts	Variable Leaf Indian Plantain ( <i>Arnoglossum diversifolium</i> ; Threatened)
2 tracts	Gulf Hammock Indian Plantain ( <i>Hasteola robertiorum</i> ; Endangered).

District lands were monitored by staff for the presence of the following invasive weeds, and control methods were applied as shown:

Species	Tract	Active Infestation	Applied Control
Camphor Tree	Lake Alto	Yes	Yes
Chinese Tallow	Lake Butler WF	Yes	Yes
Chinaberry	Chiefland WF	Yes	No
	Lake Butler WF	Yes	Yes
	Santa Fe River Ranch	Yes	Yes
Japanese Climbing Fern	Holton Creek	Yes	Yes
	Lake Butler WF	Yes	Yes
	Osteen	Yes	Yes
Japanese Honeysuckle	Osteen	No	No
Mimosa	Chiefland WF	Yes	No
	Osteen	Yes	Yes

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