

AGENDA
SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
GOVERNING BOARD MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

February 14, 2012
9:00 a.m.

District Headquarters
9225 CR 49
Live Oak, Florida

1. Call to Order
2. Chairman Introductions
3. Roll Call
4. Additions, Deletions, or Changes to the Agenda
5. Action Items
Approval of Agenda
6. Items Recommended on Consent
 - MS Page 1 – Approval of December Financial Report
 - WSRM Page 24 - Approval of Florida Department of Transportation Mitigation Plan 2012-2016
7. Approval of Recommended Consent Items
8. Approval of Minutes – January 10, 2012 Governing Board Meeting Minutes
9. Items of General Interest for Information/Cooperating Agencies and Organizations
 - A. Presentation of Hydrologic Conditions by Megan Wetherington, Senior Professional Engineer
 - B. Cooperating Agencies and Organizations
 1. Columbia County
 - C. Public Comment

DEPARTMENT OF MISSION SUPPORT
Melanie Roberts, Director

Action Items

- MS Page 1 10. Approval of December Financial Report – **Recommended Consent**
- MS Page 5 11. Resolution No. 2012-04 to Classify the Tentative Fiscal Year 2013 Reserves as Committed
- MS Page 9 12. Sale of the 65-acre ± Withlacoochee Quail Farm Surplus Land Tract to James D. Kauffman
- MS Page 17 13. Easement to Madison County for Boat Ramp on Mill Creek South Tract
- MS Page 28 14. Florida Forever Work Plan and Strategic Plan

Informational Item

- MS Page 29 15. Activity Report, Mission Support
- MS Page 30 16. Activity Report, Real Estate

DEPARTMENT OF WATER SUPPLY AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT
Jon Dinges, Director

Action Items

- WSRM Page 1 17. Approval of Ranking of Surveying Firms and Execution of Contract for Establishment of Minimum Flows and Levels on the Upper Suwannee River
- WSRM Page 5 18. Approval of Scope of Work and Authorization to Enter into an Agreement with the University of Florida
- WSRM Page 9 19. Contract with Chaples Tractor and Agricultural Services, Inc. for Landscape Recreation Maintenance Services for Northeast – Region 1
- WSRM Page 12 20. Contract with Keen Forest Management, Inc., for Landscape Recreation Maintenance Services for Northwest – Region 2

- WSRM Page 14 21. Contract with Suwannee Lawn & Garden, Inc., for Landscape Recreation Maintenance Services for Southeast – Region 3
- WSRM Page 16 22. Contract with Keen Forest Management, Inc., for Landscape Recreation Maintenance Services for Southwest – Region 4
- WSRM Page 18 23. Black Tract #3 Timber Sale
- WSRM Page 21 24. Goose Pasture #1 Timber Sale
- WSRM Page 23 25. Jerry Branch #1 Timber Sale
- WSRM Page 25 26. Steinhatchee #9 Timber Sale
- WSRM Page 27 27. Adoption of Governing Board Directive Number GBD12-0001 Regarding Assisting Agricultural Water Users with Water Use Monitoring and Initiation of Rule Development to Require Automated Monitoring and Telemetry of Water Use Data
- WSRM Page 32 28. Denial of General Works of the District Permit Application Number 07-0542M, Jerry Barnes District Floodway Project Modification, Lafayette County
- WSRM Page 38 29. Denial of General Environmental Resource Permit Application Number 10-0212, Tri-County Hospital - Chiefland, Levy County
- WSRM Page 44 30. Approval of Florida Department of Transportation Mitigation Plan 2012-2016 – **Recommended Consent**
- WSRM Page 56 31. Extension of Temporary Water Use Permit Number 2-11-00040, Loncala Dairies, Gilchrist County
- WSRM Page 66 32. Extension of Temporary Water Use Permit Number 2-11-00041, Piedmont Farms, Inc., Gilchrist County

Informational Items

33. Water Supply and Resource Management Activity Reports
- WSRM Page 75 A. Water Supply
- WSRM Page 78 B. Water Resource Monitoring
- WSRM Page 79 C. Regulatory
- WSRM Page 83 D. Suwannee River Partnership

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E. Land Management
F. Water Resource Projects Program
G. Compliance

GOVERNING BOARD LEGAL COUNSEL

Tom Reeves

Action Items

LC Page 1 34. Discussion of District's Possible Withdrawal from the Case Regarding *Florida Wildlife Federation et al. v. Lisa P. Jackson et al* (Consolidated Case No. 4:08cv324-RH/WCS), where the District is an Amicus Curiae

Informational Items

LC Page 35. Governing Board Counsel Monthly Report (to be provided prior to Governing Board meeting)

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

David Still, Executive Director

Action Items

EO Page 1 36. Reappointment of Coleen Agner to the R.O. Ranch Board of Directors

EO Page 2 37. Appointment of Lyndal Odom to the R.O. Ranch Board of Directors

Informational Items

EO Page 3 38. Executive Director's Report

39. Executive Office Activity Report

40. Announcements

Unless otherwise noted, all meetings are at District Headquarters in Live Oak, Florida

February 14, 2012	9:00 a.m.	Board Meeting Workshop
March 13, 2012	9:00 a.m.	Board Meeting Workshop
April 10, 2012	9:00 a.m.	Board Meeting Workshop
May 10, 2012	9:00 a.m.	Board Meeting Workshop

SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
MINUTES OF
GOVERNING BOARD MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING

Note: A digital recording system has been used to record these proceedings and is on file in the permanent files of the District. A copy of the Governing Board materials and handouts are a part of the record as if set out in full herein, and are filed in the permanent files of the District.

9:00 a.m., Tuesday
January 10, 2012

Alachua City Hall
15100 NW 142nd Terrace
Alachua, Florida 32615

Governing Board:

Seat	Name	Office	Present	Not Present
Aucilla Basin	George M. Cole, Ph.D.		X	
Coastal River Basin	Donald Ray Curtis, III	Secretary/ Treasurer	X	
Lower Suwannee River Basin	Don Quincey, Jr.	Chairman	X	
Santa Fe & Waccasassa Basins	Kevin W. Brown		X	
Upper Suwannee River Basin	Alphonas Alexander	Vice Chairman	X	
At Large	Heath Davis		X	
At Large	Carl Meece		X*	
At Large	Guy N. Williams		X	
At Large	VACANT			

*Mr. Meece arrived during Agenda Item 13.

Governing Board General Counsel

Name	Firm	Present	Not Present
George T. Reeves	Davis, Schnitker, Reeves & Browning, P.A.	X	

Staff:

Position	Name	Present	Not Present
Executive Director	David Still	X	
Assistant Executive Director	Charlie Houder	X	
Governmental Affairs Director	Steve Minnis		X
Department Director, Mission Support	Melanie Roberts	X	
Department Director, Water Supply & Resource Management	Jon Dinges	X	
Senior Professional Engineer	Megan Wetherington	X	
GB Coordinator – Paralegal	Linda Welch	X	

Guests:

Tim Sagul, SRWMD
 Kevin Wright, SRWMD
 Hugh Thomas, SRWMD
 Vanessa Fultz, SRWMD
 Carlos Herd, SRWMD
 Terry Demott, SRWMD
 Brian Kauffman, SRWMD
 Paul Buchanan, SRWMD
 Glenn Horvath, SRWMD
 David Pope, Alachua
 Renate and Barney Cannon, Chiefland
 Jeffrey Hill, El Rancho No Tengo, Lake City
 Craig Varn, Manson Law Group, Tampa
 Mayor Gib Coerper, Alachua City Commission, Alachua
 Commissioner Gary Hardacre, Alachua City Commission, Alachua
 Commissioner Robert W. Wilford, Alachua City Commission, Alachua
 Traci Cain, Alachua City Manager, Alachua
 Jennifer Springfield, Springfield Law, P.A., Gainesville
 Warren Zwanka, St. Johns River Water Management District, Palatka
 Jan Henderson, Piedmont Dairy North, Trenton
 Herman Sanchez, III, Sanchez Farms, Old Town
 Rich Doty, GIS Associates, Inc., Gainesville
 Dan McKeague, United States Forest Service
 Kyle Jones, United States Forest Service
 Jeff Fillion, United States Forest Service
 Merrillee Malwitz-Jipson, Our Santa Fe River, Fort White

Carolyn Baker, Our Santa Fe River, Fort White
Martha Strawn, Our Santa Fe River, Fort White
Russ Augspurg, Our Santa Fe River, Fort White
Paul Still, Bradford Soil & Water Conservation District, Starke
Steve Gladin, Trenton

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

Mr. Quincey introduced Alachua City Mayor, Gib Coerper and thanked him for the use of the facilities. Mayor Coerper introduced city commissioners and the city manager in attendance.

The roll was called and a quorum noted.

Agenda Item No. 3 - Additions, Deletions, or Changes to the Agenda.

Water Supply and Resource Management

Addition:

- Referral of Petition Requesting Administrative Hearing to Division of Administrative Hearings (DOAH) Regarding Water Use Permit Number 2-11-00040, Loncala Dairies, Gilchrist County
- Referral of Petition Requesting Administrative Hearing to Division of Administrative Hearings (DOAH) Regarding Water Use Permit Number 2-11-00041, Piedmont Farms Dairy, Gilchrist County
- Referral of Petition Requesting Administrative Hearing to Division of Administrative Hearings (DOAH) Regarding Water Use Permit Number 2-97-00005M2, William Douberly Farm, Levy and Gilchrist Counties
- Authorization to Grant a Forty-Five Day Time Extension in which to Request an Administrative Hearing regarding Water Use Permits 2-11-00040 and 2-11-00041

Agenda Item No. 4 – Approval of Agenda.

MR. DAVIS MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE AGENDA AS READ. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY DR. COLE. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY WITH GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, DAVIS, MEECE, QUINCEY, AND WILLIAMS VOTING IN FAVOR.

Agenda Item No. 5 – Consent Agenda.

- Agenda Item 9 - Approval of the November Financial Report

Agenda Item No. 6 – Approval of Recommended Consent Items.

Agenda Item No. 7 – Approval of Minutes.

MR. DAVIS MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS AND THE DECEMBER 13, 2011 GOVERNING BOARD MEETING AND WORKSHOP MINUTES. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. ALEXANDER. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY WITH GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, DAVIS, MEECE, QUINCEY, AND WILLIAMS VOTING IN FAVOR.

Agenda Item No. 8 - Items of General Interest for Information/Cooperating Agencies and Organizations.

- A. Chairman Introductions
- B. Megan Wetherington gave a presentation of hydrologic conditions of the District.
- C. Cooperating Agencies and Organizations
- D. Public Comment

DEPARTMENT OF MISSION SUPPORT

Agenda Item No. 9 – Approval of November Financial Report. Approved on consent.

Agenda Item No. 10 – Resolution 2012-01 Authorizing the Conveyance of 712 acres ± in the District's Sandlin Bay Tract, Columbia County, Florida, to the United States Government, United States Department of Agriculture Forest Service. Terry Demott, Program Leader, presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board approval and execution of Resolution 2012-01 allowing the conveyance of 712 acres ± in the District's Sandlin Bay Tract, Columbia County, Florida, to the United States Government, United States Department of Agriculture Forest Service, National Forests in Florida (USDA FS), as shown in the Board materials.

MR. CURTIS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE AND EXECUTE RESOLUTION 2012-01 ALLOWING THE CONVEYANCE OF 712 ACRES ± IN THE DISTRICT'S SANDLIN BAY TRACT, COLUMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA, TO THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

FOREST SERVICE, NATIONAL FORESTS IN FLORIDA (USDA FS). THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. DAVIS. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY WITH GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, DAVIS, MEECE, QUINCEY, AND WILLIAMS VOTING IN FAVOR.

Agenda Item No. 11 – Resolution 2012-02, Authorizing Sale of the 45-acre ± Bay Creek South Surplus Land Tract located in Columbia County to Phil and Ruby Eunice. Mr. Demott presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board approval and execution of Resolution 2012-02 authorizing the sale of the Bay Creek South Surplus Tract located in Columbia County to Phil and Ruby Eunice, as shown in the Board materials.

DR. COLE MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE AND EXECUTE RESOLUTION 2012-02 AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF THE BAY CREEK SOUTH SURPLUS TRACT LOCATED IN COLUMBIA COUNTY TO PHIL AND RUBY EUNICE. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. CURTIS. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY WITH GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, DAVIS, MEECE, QUINCEY, AND WILLIAMS VOTING IN FAVOR.

Agenda Item No. 12 – Lease Amendment with the Department of Environmental Protection for Stephen Foster Folk Culture Center State Park. Mr. Demott presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board approval and execution of a lease amendment to add 1.88 acres of property to the lease with Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) for the Stephen Foster Folk Culture Center State Park, as shown in the Board materials.

MR. DAVIS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE AND EXECUTE A LEASE AMENDMENT TO ADD 1.88 ACRES OF PROPERTY TO THE LEASE WITH FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION (FDEP) FOR THE STEPHEN FOSTER FOLK CULTURE CENTER STATE PARK. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. ALEXANDER. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY WITH GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, DAVIS, MEECE, QUINCEY, AND WILLIAMS VOTING IN FAVOR.

Agenda Item No. 13 – Authorization to Qualify Firms for GIS Consulting Services. Glenn Horvath, Program Leader, presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board approving Atkins North America, Inc., Gannett Fleming, Inc., Geographic Technologies Group, Inc., and GIS Associates, Inc., as firms qualified to provide Geographic Information System (GIS) Consulting Services during FY 11/12, as shown in the Board materials.

MR. MEECE MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE APPROVING ATKINS NORTH AMERICA, INC., GANNETT FLEMING, INC., GEOGRAPHIC TECHNOLOGIES GROUP, INC., AND GIS ASSOCIATES, INC., AS FIRMS QUALIFIED TO PROVIDE GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM (GIS) CONSULTING SERVICES DURING FY 11/12. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. ALEXANDER. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY WITH GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, DAVIS, MEECE, QUINCEY, AND WILLIAMS VOTING IN FAVOR.

Agenda Item No. 14 - 2012 Florida Forever Work Plan and 2012 – 2021 Strategic Plan. The 2012 Florida Forever Work Plan and 2012 – 2021 Strategic Plan was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Agenda Item No. 15 – Activity Report, Mission Support. The Activity Report for the Department of Mission Support was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Agenda Item No. 16 – Activity Report, Real Estate. The Activity Report for Real Estate was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

DEPARTMENT OF WATER SUPPLY AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

Agenda Item No. 17 – Purchase of Telemetry for 200 Existing Agricultural Water Use Monitors. Megan Wetherington, Program Leader, presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board authorization for the Executive Director to purchase one year of satellite telemetry services for existing water use monitors for an amount not to exceed \$62,000, as shown in the Board materials.

MR. DAVIS MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO PURCHASE ONE YEAR OF SATELLITE TELEMTRY SERVICES FOR EXISTING WATER USE MONITORS FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$62,000. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. CURTIS. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY WITH GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, DAVIS, MEECE, QUINCEY, AND WILLIAMS VOTING IN FAVOR.

Agenda Item No. 18 – Approval of Scope of Work and Authorization to Enter into an Agreement with the National Research Council's Water Science and Technology Board (NRC) for an Amount Not to Exceed \$187,500. Carlos Herd, Program Leader, presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board authorization for

the Executive Director to enter into an agreement with the NRC for a cost not to exceed \$187,500 to implement paragraph B of the Interagency Agreement with the St. Johns River Water Management District (SJRWMD) and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (Department), as shown in the Board materials.

MR. CURTIS MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE NRC FOR A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$187,500 TO IMPLEMENT PARAGRAPH B OF THE INTERAGENCY AGREEMENT WITH THE ST. JOHNS RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT (SJRWMD) AND THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION (DEPARTMENT). THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. ALEXANDER. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY WITH GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, DAVIS, MEECE, QUINCEY, AND WILLIAMS VOTING IN FAVOR.

Agenda Item No. 19 – Approval of Water Use Permit Application Number 2-11-00044, Lee Cemetery, Dixie County. Tim Sagul, Program Leader, presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board approval of Water Use Permit number 2-11-00044, with seventeen standard conditions and ten special limiting conditions to Brooks Ag Company, Inc., in Dixie County, as shown in the Board materials.

MR. DAVIS MADE AN AMENDED MOTION TO APPROVE WATER USE PERMIT NUMBER 2-11-00044, WITH SEVENTEEN STANDARD CONDITIONS AND ELEVEN SPECIAL LIMITING CONDITIONS TO BROOKS AG COMPANY, INC., IN DIXIE COUNTY, INCLUDING A CONDITION REQUIRING TELEMETRY OF WATER USE DATA. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. CURTIS. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY WITH GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, DAVIS, MEECE, QUINCEY, AND WILLIAMS VOTING IN FAVOR.

Agenda Item No. 20 – Environmental Resource Permit Application Number 07-0288M, Josephine Recreational Project, Columbia County, Regarding Lake City Management, LLC, CE10-0026. Mr. Sagul presented the staff recommendation for Governing Board authorization for revocation of General Environmental Resource Permit number 07-0288M issued to Lake City Development, LLC, for Josephine Recreational Project, Columbia County, referral to Counsel for restoration of the project area and to file charges with the State Attorney's office for stop payment of the surety bond check, as shown in the Board materials.

THIS AGENDA ITEM DIED FOR A LACK OF MOTION.

Agenda Item No. 21 – Denial of Environmental Resource Permit Application ERP06-0509 and Initiation of Enforcement Action. Mr. Sagul presented the staff recommendation that the Governing Board authorize denial, without prejudice, of Environmental Resource Permit application number 06-0509 to Doug McKoy for Cedar Key Heights Blocks 18, 119-131, Levy County. In addition, staff recommends the Governing Board authorize the initiation of enforcement action because the project has been constructed without a permit, as shown in the Board materials.

THIS AGENDA ITEM DIED FOR A LACK OF MOTION.

Agenda Item No. 22 – Authorization to Initiate Enforcement Proceedings, Jacob Hake, CE11-0005, Bradford County. Mr. Sagul presented the staff recommendation that the Governing Board authorize initiation of enforcement proceedings against Jacob Hake, in Bradford County, for unpermitted dredge and fill in a wetland and flood hazard area, as shown in the Board materials.

THIS AGENDA ITEM DIED FOR A LACK OF MOTION.

Agenda Item No. 23 – Authorization to Proceed with an Administrative Complaint Regarding Scott McNulty, CE10-0045, Levy County. Mr. Sagul presented the staff recommendation that the Governing Board authorize the Executive Director to obtain counsel to proceed with an administrative complaint regarding Scott McNulty, Levy County, as shown in the Board materials.

MR. CURTIS MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO OBTAIN COUNSEL TO PROCEED WITH AN ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLAINT REGARDING SCOTT MCNULTY, LEVY COUNTY. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. DAVIS. THE MOTION PASSED WITH GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, DAVIS, MEECE, AND QUINCEY VOTING IN FAVOR AND WILLIAMS VOTING AGAINST.

Agenda Item No. 24 – Referral of Petition Requesting Administrative Hearing to Division of Administrative Hearings (DOAH) Regarding Water Use Permit Number 2-11-00040, Loncala Dairies, Gilchrist County. Mr. Sagul presented the staff recommendation that the Governing Board authorize the referral of the above-referenced petition to DOAH regarding Water Use Permit Number 2-11-00040, Loncala Dairies, Gilchrist County, as shown in the Board materials.

MR. MEECE MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE REFERRAL OF THE ABOVE-REFERENCED PETITION TO DOAH REGARDING WATER USE PERMIT NUMBER 2-11-00040, LONCALA DAIRIES, GILCHRIST COUNTY. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. CURTIS. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY WITH GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, DAVIS, MEECE, QUINCEY, AND WILLIAMS VOTING IN FAVOR.

Agenda Item No. 25 – Referral of Petition Requesting Administrative Hearing to Division of Administrative Hearings (DOAH) Regarding Water Use Permit Number 2-11-00041, Piedmont Farms Dairy, Gilchrist County. Mr. Sagul presented the staff recommendation that the Governing Board authorize the referral of the above-referenced petition to DOAH regarding Water Use Permit Number 2-11-00041, Piedmont Farms Dairy, Gilchrist County, as shown in the Board materials.

MR. MEECE MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE REFERRAL OF THE ABOVE-REFERENCED PETITION TO DOAH REGARDING WATER USE PERMIT NUMBER 2-11-00041, PIEDMONT FARMS DAIRY, GILCHRIST COUNTY. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. CURTIS. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY WITH GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, DAVIS, MEECE, QUINCEY, AND WILLIAMS VOTING IN FAVOR.

Agenda Item No. 26 – Referral of Petition Requesting Administrative Hearing to Division of Administrative Hearings (DOAH) Regarding Water Use Permit Number 2-97-00005M2, William Douberly Farm, Levy and Gilchrist Counties. Mr. Sagul presented the staff recommendation that the Governing Board authorize the referral of the above-referenced petition to DOAH regarding Water Use Permit Number 2-97-00005M2, William Douberly Farm, Levy and Gilchrist Counties, as shown in the Board materials.

MR. MEECE MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE REFERRAL OF THE ABOVE-REFERENCED PETITION TO DOAH REGARDING WATER USE PERMIT NUMBER 2-97-00005M2, WILLIAM DOUBERLY FARM, LEVY AND GILCHRIST COUNTIES. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. CURTIS. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY WITH GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, DAVIS, MEECE, QUINCEY, AND WILLIAMS VOTING IN FAVOR.

Agenda Item No. 27 – Authorization to Grant a Forty-Five Day Time Extension in which to Request an Administrative Hearing regarding Water Use Permits 2-11-00040 and 2-11-00041. Mr. Sagul presented the staff recommendation that the

Governing Board grant an extension of time in which to request an administrative hearing regarding Water Use Permit Numbers 2-11-00040 and 2-11-00041. The proposed extension will be granted until February 17, 2012, as shown in the Board materials.

MR. DAVIS MADE A MOTION TO GRANT AN EXTENSION OF TIME IN WHICH TO REQUEST AN ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING REGARDING WATER USE PERMIT NUMBERS 2-11-00040 AND 2-11-00041. THE PROPOSED EXTENSION WILL BE GRANTED UNTIL FEBRUARY 17, 2012. MR. MEECE SECONDED THE MOTION. THE MOTION PASSED WITH GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS ALEXANDER, BROWN, DAVIS, MEECE, QUINCEY, AND WILLIAMS VOTING IN FAVOR AND COLE AND CURTIS VOTING AGAINST.

Agenda Item No. 28 – Authorization for the Executive Director to Enter Into an Agreement with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to Administer Risk MAP (Mapping, Assessment and Planning) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2011. Brian Kauffman, Program Leader, presented the staff recommendation that the Governing Board authorize the Executive Director to enter into an agreement with FEMA to receive \$1,845,000 to implement FEMA's Risk MAP Program in the Upper Suwannee River and Santa Fe River Basins for FY 2011, as shown in the Board materials.

MR. CURTIS MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH FEMA TO RECEIVE \$1,845,000 TO IMPLEMENT FEMA'S RISK MAP PROGRAM IN THE UPPER SUWANNEE RIVER AND SANTA FE RIVER BASINS FOR FY 2011. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. ALEXANDER. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY WITH GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, DAVIS, MEECE, QUINCEY, AND WILLIAMS VOTING IN FAVOR.

Agenda Item No. 29 – Contract Extensions with Selected Firms for Implementation of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Risk Mapping, Assessment, and Planning (MAP) Program within the Mapping Activity Statement (MAS) for FEMA Fiscal Year 2011. Mr. Kauffman presented the staff recommendation that the Governing Board authorize the Executive Director to extend contracts with the firms previously selected for implementation of the FEMA Risk MAP program for activities within FEMA's Fiscal Year (FY) 2011 MAS, not to exceed \$1,845,000, as shown in the Board materials.

MR. BROWN MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXTEND CONTRACTS WITH THE FIRMS PREVIOUSLY SELECTED FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE FEMA RISK MAP PROGRAM FOR ACTIVITIES WITHIN FEMA'S FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2011 MAS, NOT TO EXCEED \$1,845,000. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. CURTIS. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY WITH GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, DAVIS, MEECE, QUINCEY, AND WILLIAMS VOTING IN FAVOR.

Agenda Item No. 30 – Amendment of URS Contract (06/07-273) for Flood Insurance Rate Map Modernization, Levy County Additional Tasks. Mr. Kauffman presented the staff recommendation that the Governing Board authorize the Executive Director to amend contract number 06/07-273 with URS Corporation for \$8,000 of additional post-preliminary flood map processing, for a total not to exceed cost of \$1,033,000, as shown in the Board materials.

MR. MEECE MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO AMEND CONTRACT NUMBER 06/07-273 WITH URS CORPORATION FOR \$8,000 OF ADDITIONAL POST-PRELIMINARY FLOOD MAP PROCESSING, FOR A TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED COST OF \$1,033,000. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY DR. COLE. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY WITH GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, DAVIS, MEECE, QUINCEY, AND WILLIAMS VOTING IN FAVOR.

Agenda Item No. 31 - Activity Reports. The Water Supply, Water Resource Monitoring, Regulatory, Suwannee River Partnership, Compliance Report, and Land Management Activity Reports were provided as informational items in the Board materials.

GOVERNING BOARD LEGAL COUNSEL

Agenda Item No. 32 – Governing Board Counsel Monthly Report. Mr. George “Tom” Reeves addressed the Board regarding this item.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

Agenda Item No. 33 – Approval of a Work Order in the Matter of Jeffrey and Linda Hill v. Suwannee River Water Management District (District). Mr. Charlie Houser presented the staff recommendation that the Governing Board approve a work order for legal expenditures in the matter of Jeffrey and Linda Hill versus District for a total amount not to exceed \$13,500, as shown in the Board materials.

MR. CURTIS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE A WORK ORDER FOR LEGAL EXPENDITURES IN THE MATTER OF JEFFREY AND LINDA HILL VERSUS DISTRICT FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$13,500. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. MEECE. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY WITH GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, DAVIS, MEECE, QUINCEY, AND WILLIAMS VOTING IN FAVOR.

Agenda Item No. 34 - Executive Director's Report.
None.

Agenda Item No. 35 - Executive Office Activity Report. The Executive Office Activity Report was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

The meeting adjourned at 11:47 a.m.

Chairman

ATTEST:

Suwannee River Water Management District

Governing Board Materials

Mission Support

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

Director of Mission Support

Assistant Executive Director

Executive Director

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board
FROM: Melanie Roberts, Director of Mission Support
DATE: January 23, 2012
RE: Approval of December 2011 Financial Report

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Governing Board approve the December 2011 Financial Report and confirm the expenditures of the District.

BACKGROUND

Chapter 373.553(1), F.S., authorizes the delegation of authority by the Governing Board to the Executive Director to disburse District funds, providing certification is made to the Board at the next regular meeting that such disbursement is proper, in order, and within budgetary limits. In compliance with the statutory provisions in Chapter 373, the Governing Board of the Suwannee River Water Management District has directed staff to prepare a Financial Report in the manner presented.

Non-Operating Budget	
Acquisition	\$7,207,820
Future Contractual	\$7,304,408
R. O. Ranch Reserves	\$3,810,000
Land Management Reserves	\$5,000,000
Operating Reserves	\$2,760,000
Total	\$26,082,228
Operating Budget	\$21,307,361
Total FY 2012 Budget	\$47,389,589
Total FY 2012 Expenditures	\$2,311,944
Percent of Operating Budget	11%

If you have any questions about this recommendation or if you would like any further information regarding the District's financial transactions, please contact me.

Water Supply & Resource Management

Description	Budgeted	Expenditures to		Balance
		Date	% Expenditures Used	
516 Salaries & Benefits	\$3,183,888	\$635,623	20%	\$2,548,265
540 Other Personal Services	148,000	17,936	12%	130,064
580 Legal Services	153,200	16,773	11%	136,427
586 Contractual Services	17,750,747	570,709	3%	17,180,038
590 Pmt. in Lieu of Taxes	365,000	0	0%	365,000
605 Printing & Binding	13,400	252	2%	13,148
606 Publication of Notices	16,600	313	2%	16,287
621 Meetings	4,700	0	0%	4,700
622 Registrations & Training	35,850	4,544	13%	31,306
626 Travel Expenses	32,500	1,203	4%	31,297
627 Utilities	10,000	265	3%	9,735
631 Equipment Maintenance	9,400	314	3%	9,086
690 Other Contractual Services	8,400	0	0%	8,400
701 Field Supplies	714,900	132,777	19%	582,123
703 Computer Supplies	5,350	0	0%	5,350
705 Maps & Aerials	1,500	0	0%	1,500
706 Books & Documents	3,200	47	1%	3,153
715 Photographic Supplies	1,850	0	0%	1,850
740 Office Support Equipment	5,100	0	0%	5,100
790 Other Commodities	2,400	0	0%	2,400
801 Computer Software	8,700	0	0%	8,700
802 Equipment Rental	5,750	1,008	18%	4,742
809 Fees & Permits	16,000	1	0%	15,999
903 Office Equipment	3,000	0	0%	3,000
905 Mobile Equipment	24,000	0	0%	24,000
906 Computer Equipment	8,000	0	0%	8,000
907 Lab & Field Equipment	31,000	0	0%	31,000
930 Interagency Expenditures	1,444,300	93,412	6%	1,350,888
960 Reserves	8,810,000	0	0%	8,810,000
TOTAL	\$32,816,735	\$1,475,177	4%	\$31,341,558

Executive Office

Description	Expenditures to		% Expenditures Used	Balance
	Budgeted	Date		
516 Salaries & Benefits	\$489,133	\$113,109	23%	\$376,024
580 Legal Services	55,000	13,056	24%	41,944
586 Contractual Services	28,000	6,520	23%	21,480
605 Printing & Binding	1,000	0	0%	1,000
621 Meetings	500	0	0%	500
622 Registrations & Training	6,525	555	9%	5,970
626 Travel Expenses	27,750	5,557	20%	22,193
650 Promotions	13,500	1,375	10%	12,125
706 Books & Documents	2,000	503	25%	1,497
715 Photographic Supplies	350	120	34%	230
930 Interagency Expenditures	5,000	0	0%	5,000
960 Reserves	2,760,000	0	0%	2,760,000
TOTAL	\$3,388,758	\$140,795	4%	\$3,247,963

Mission Support

Description	Budgeted	Expenditures to		Balance
		Date	% Expenditures Used	
516 Salaries & Benefits	\$1,863,076	\$366,073	20%	\$1,497,003
564 Property Appraiser	210,000	35,492	17%	174,508
579 Tax Collector	125,000	50,758	41%	74,242
580 Legal Services	46,800	5,617	12%	41,183
585 Audit Services	35,000	19,545	56%	15,455
586 Contractual Services	605,500	44,424	7%	561,076
605 Printing & Binding	25,500	95	0%	25,405
606 Publication of Notices	15,000	237	2%	14,763
607 Postage	25,000	719	3%	24,281
621 Meetings	1,000	0	0%	1,000
622 Registrations & Training	38,000	4,090	11%	33,910
626 Travel Expenses	24,000	1,529	6%	22,471
627 Utilities	70,000	11,613	17%	58,387
628 Communications	150,000	27,994	19%	122,006
629 Facilities Maintenance	75,000	7,319	10%	67,681
630 Vehicle Maintenance	75,000	16,453	22%	58,547
631 Equipment Maintenance	27,000	2,839	11%	24,161
690 Other Contractual Services	2,500	22	1%	2,478
701 Field Supplies	10,000	864	9%	9,136
702 Office Supplies	41,000	5,341	13%	35,659
703 Computer Supplies	26,000	5,617	22%	20,383
704 Fuel & Lubricants	70,000	10,477	15%	59,523
705 Maps & Aerials	2,000	0	0%	2,000
706 Books & Documents	7,600	154	2%	7,446
740 Office Support Equipment	6,000	2,007	33%	3,993
790 Other Commodities	3,000	0	0%	3,000
801 Computer Software	86,800	1,799	2%	85,001
802 Equipment Rental	50,000	14,486	29%	35,514
804 Workers Comp. Insurance	25,000	11,116	44%	13,884
805 Property & Casualty Insurance	60,000	49,117	82%	10,883
809 Fees & Permits	500	175	35%	325
903 Office Equipment	17,000	0	0%	17,000
906 Computer Equipment	110,000	0	0%	110,000
907 Lab & Field Equipment	25,000	0	0%	25,000
920 Land Acquisition	7,207,820	0	0%	7,207,820
930 Interagency Expenditures	23,000	0	0%	23,000
TOTAL	\$11,184,096	\$695,972	6%	\$10,488,124
DISTRICT TOTAL	\$47,389,589	\$2,311,944	5%	\$45,077,645

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board

FROM: Melanie Roberts, Director of Mission Support

DATE: January 26, 2012

RE: Consideration of Resolution No 2012-04 Requesting Classification of the Preliminary Fiscal Year 2013 Reserves as Committed Funds

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval and execution of Resolution No. 2012-04 requesting that the Preliminary Fiscal Year 2013 Reserves, also referred to as Fund Balances, be classified as “Committed” per the GASB 54 classifications.

BACKGROUND

In February 2009, the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) issued GASB Statement No. 54, “Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions”. GASB issued this statement to address issues related to how fund balances were being reported by governmental agencies. GASB recognized that the traditional terminology for reporting was not self-explanatory, frequently led to misinterpretation, and was being applied inconsistently.

In effort to promote consistency among the water management districts, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) requests that we apply the use of these definitions to our current fund balance reporting. Classifications used prior to GASB 54 included reserved and unreserved. Unreserved was then further divided into designated or undesignated. The classifications included under the GASB 54 guidelines include the following:

- Nonspendable – funds that are not in spendable form or funds that are legally or contractually required to be maintained.
- Restricted – funds externally restricted or constrained by law.
- Committed – funds that are restricted by the highest level of decision making authority in which the restriction is established by a formal action.

- Assigned – funds that are not designated in nonspendable, restricted, or committed categories but are intended for a specific purpose.
- Unassigned – funds that are not designated in nonspendable, restricted, or committed categories but are available for any purpose.

Currently, the District has the following reserves or fund balances that DEP has requested be classified as “Committed” and adopted as such by the Governing Board through resolution. These particular funds were created by the Governing Board Finance Committee in 2005 under Governing Board Directive No. 05-0001.

- \$5,000,000 – Land Management Operations – These funds are restricted to management of District lands. Funds are to be used for basic operations that keep the District lands safe, environmentally healthy, and open to the public. These funds are only to be used when all other sources of funding for land management have been expended.
- \$1,520,000 – General Fund Operations – These funds are restricted to the basic general operations of the District. Funds are to be used to fund the basic operations of the District in order to meet the needs of the public. These funds are only to be used when all other sources of funding for operations have been expended.

Resolution No. 2012-04 follows and will be forwarded to DEP upon Governing Board approval.

SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

RESOLUTION NO. 2012-04

**RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ASSIGNMENT OF PRELIMINARY
FISCAL YEAR 2013 RESERVES (FUND BALANCES) AS
COMMITTED FUNDS**

WHEREAS, the Suwannee River Water Management District (SRWMD) is required to submit a preliminary budget to the Legislature; and

WHEREAS, in effort to promote consistency in budget reporting, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) requested that all water management districts classify fund balances according to the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 54; and

WHEREAS, DEP requested that the classification of SRWMD funds be formalized in a resolution approved by the Governing Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Board of the Suwannee River Water Management District:

- (1) Land Management Operations: \$5,000,000 shall be classified as "Committed" funds as designated by GASB 54 definitions. These funds are restricted to management of District lands. Funds are to be used for basic operations that keep the District lands safe, environmentally healthy, and open to the public. These funds are considered economic stabilization funds and are only to be used when all other sources of funding for land management have been expended.
- (2) General Fund Operations: \$1,520,000 shall be classified as "Committed" funds as designated by GASB 54 definitions. These funds are restricted to the basic general operations of the District. Funds are to be used to fund the basic operations of the District in order to meet the needs of the public. These funds are considered economic stabilization funds and are only to be used when all other sources of funding for operations have been expended.
- (3) Above fund balances are included in the preliminary Fiscal Year 2013 budget for the Suwannee River Water Management District.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 14th DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2012 A.D.

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ATTEST:

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board
FROM: Richard Rocco, Real Estate Coordinator
DATE: January 20, 2012
RE: Resolution 2012-03, Authorizing Sale of the 65-acre ± Withlacoochee Quail Farm Surplus Land Tract to James D. Kauffman

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval and execution of Resolution 2012-03 authorizing the sale of the Withlacoochee Quail Farm surplus land parcel to James D. Kauffman.

BACKGROUND

In May of 2011, the District Governing Board declared the 65-acre Withlacoochee Quail Farm Tract located in Madison County as surplus property and subsequently directed staff to contract with Daniel Crapps Agency, Inc., to list the property.

James D. Kauffman of Fernandina Beach has offered the District \$2,200 per acre for an estimated total of \$143,000. Members of the Surplus Lands sub committee recommended acceptance of the offer contingent upon full Governing Board approval.

The parcel was appraised in August 2011 and reappraised to meet the Florida Statute requirement that parcels be appraised within 90 days of sale date. The current contract exceeds the appraised value. No state agency expressed interest through the State Board of Trustees to own or manage the property. A notice of intent to sell will be advertised in a local Madison County newspaper once each week for three consecutive weeks prior to the sale date.

With Governing Board approval, District Counsel will prepare deeds and close the conveyance of property to James D. Kauffman by March 31, 2012.

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Withlacoochee Quail Farm 008-00505

**SRWMD
SURPLUS PARCEL ASSESSMENT**

TRACT: Withlacochee Quail Farm

COUNTY: Madison

ACREAGE: 65 acres ±

TRACT DESCRIPTION: The Withlacochee Quail Farm parcel contains natural pine and upland hardwoods.

PARENT TRACT: The 761-acre parent tract was purchased in September 2006 and contains frontage on the Withlacochee River, and associated floodplain and wetlands. This proposal represents approximately 9% of the tract.

ACCESS: The property has frontage along Old Blue Springs Road, a Madison County graded road.

CURRENT ZONING: Conservation

INTERESTS TO BE RETAINED: The tract is recommended to be sold without restrictions.

RESOURCE REVIEW

(a) Water Resources:

- Recharge: 0% (0 acres)
- Springs Protection: 0% (0 acres)
- Surface Water Protection: 0% (0 acres)
- 100-year Floodplain: 0% (0 acres)

(b) Management Efficiency:

Public and land management access will be retained to the parent tract on Old Blue Springs Road, existing roads, and an access easement located south of the surplus tract. No significant impacts to management operations are anticipated once a new fireline is installed between the tracts.

(c) Public Use:

There are no public use sites on this proposed parcel.

(d) Archaeological, Historical: No Records.

Ecological Records: No Records.

Protected Plants: No Records

Protected Animals: No Records

Exotic Plants: Mimosa, Chinaberry and Chinese Wisteria: 1.5 acres

Natural Communities: Upland Pine Forest: 65 acres

(e) Linkage:

This parcel is on the edge of the parent tract. Proposed new acquisitions along the Withlacoochee River would not be affected by this proposal.

(f) Adverse Impact to Future Management:

Staff recommends specifically notifying potential buyers that the property is adjacent to public lands managed with prescribed fire. This notice should be placed on the deed to notify all future owners.

(g) Marketability:

The property is presumed to be marketable on the open real estate market.

(h) Other Public Land Managers:

Public managers will be notified if the Committee approves the parcel for Governing Board consideration.

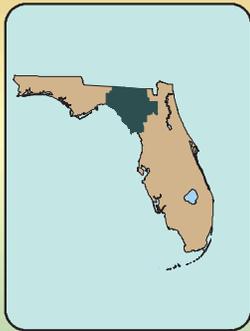
(i) Funding Source:

Florida Forever Bond Funds were expended in this acquisition.

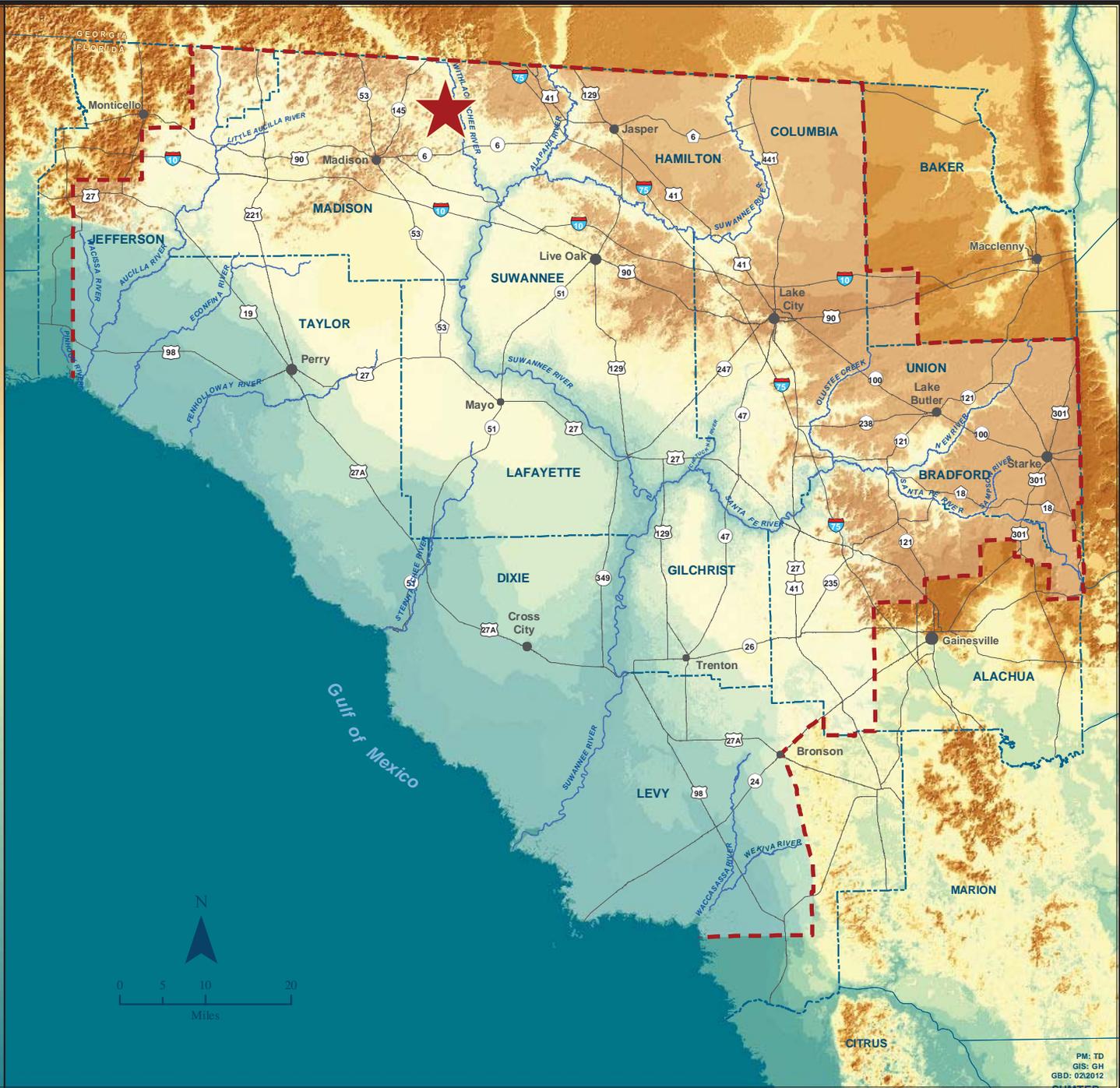
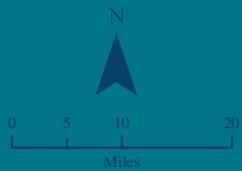
ANALYSIS: The 65 acres ± of the Withlacoochee Quail Farm parcel is recommended for surplus.

Surplus Land Withlacoochee Quail Farm Madison County, FL

 SRWMD Boundary
 Project Location



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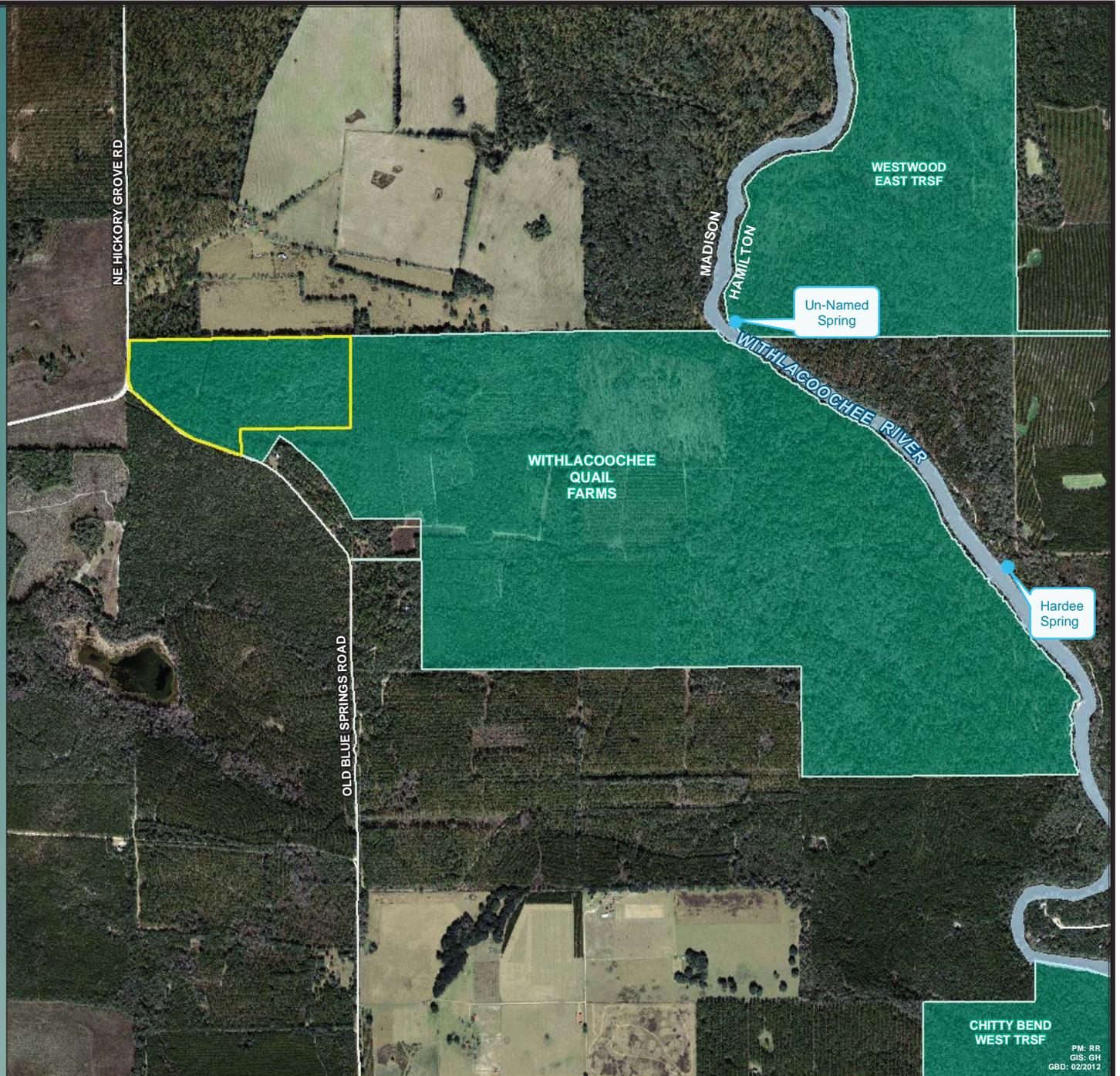
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Quail Farms
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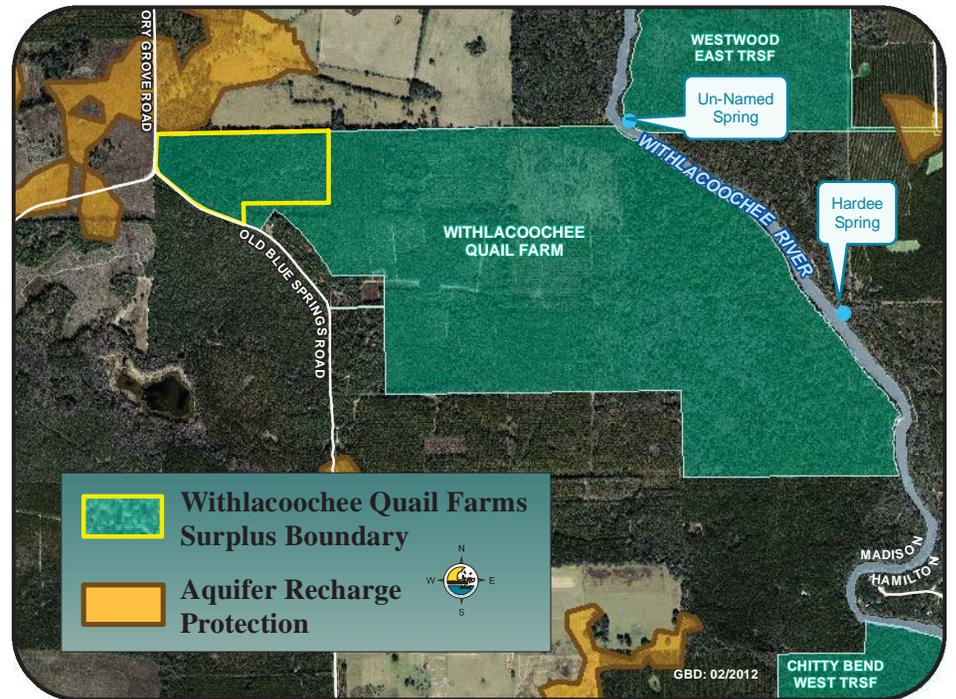
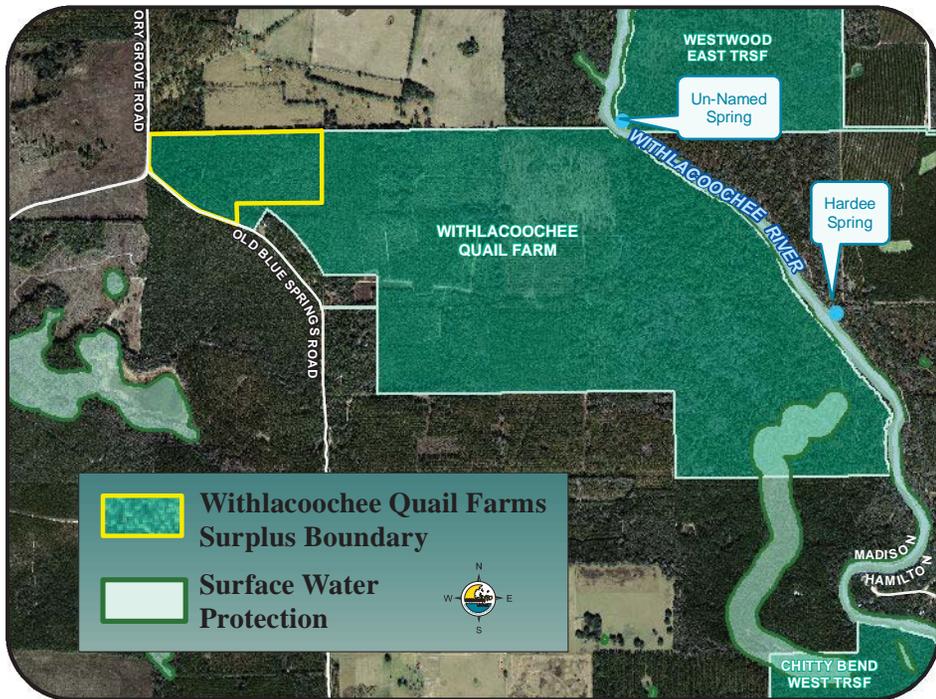
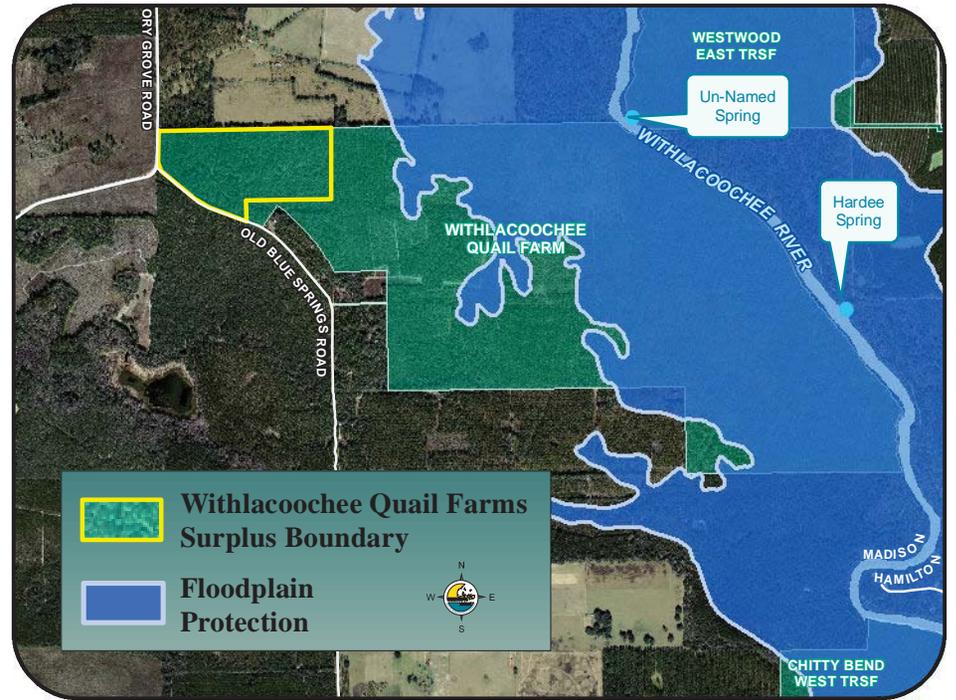
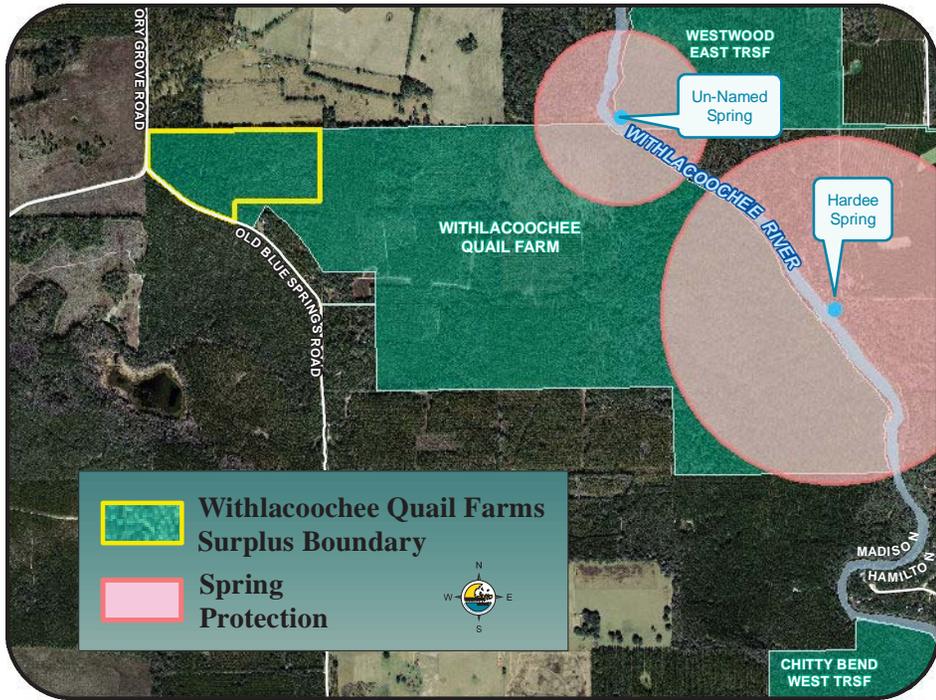
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SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

RESOLUTION NO. 2012-03

**RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SALE OF
WITHLACOOCHEE QUAIL FARM SURPLUS LAND
PROPERTY OWNED BY THE SUWANNEE RIVER WATER
MANAGEMENT DISTRICT TO JAMES D. KAUFFMAN**

WHEREAS, the Suwannee River Water Management District (SRWMD) declared surplus the 65-acre ± Withlacoochee Quail Farm property in Madison County in May of 2011; and

WHEREAS, James D. Kauffman has offered the SRWMD an acceptable price of \$2,200.00 per acre for the Withlacoochee Quail Farm property; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 373.089(1) authorizes the water management district to surplus and sell lands for a price not less than appraised value; and

WHEREAS, this tract of land has been appraised within the past 120 days, and the proposed selling price of \$2,200.00 per acre is higher than the appraised value; and

WHEREAS, this tract of land was purchased with monies from the Florida Forever Trust Fund and the property was offered to the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund as required by Chapter 373.089(7), Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, a notice of intent of the proposed sale of this tract of land has been published in a newspaper in Madison County once each week for three consecutive weeks; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Board of the Suwannee River Water Management District has declared this tract of land as surplus and has determined it is no longer needed for conservation purposes; and

WHEREAS, James D. Kauffman and SRWMD have agreed to complete the purchase of this property by March 31, 2012.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Board of the Suwannee River Water Management District:

- (1) This 65-acre Withlacoochee surplus parcel is no longer needed for conservation purposes.
- (2) Sale of this property is authorized to James D. Kauffman for a price of \$2,200 per acre for a total of approximately \$143,000.

(3) Proceeds from the sale of this property will be set aside for the purchase of property with greater water resource values.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 14th DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2012 A.D.

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ATTEST:

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board

FROM: Terry E. Demott, Senior Land Resource Coordinator

DATE: January 20, 2012

RE: Management Agreement with the Madison County Board of County Commissioners for the Mill Creek North Boat Ramp

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval and execution of a management agreement with the Madison County Board of County Commissioners to allow road and boat ramp improvements on the District's Mill Creek North tract.

BACKGROUND

In late 2011, Madison County officials approached District staff concerning the County's desire to apply for a grant to improve a deteriorated boat ramp located on the District's Mill Creek North tract on the Suwannee River. In order for the grant to be awarded, the County must show ownership or control of the property. The area to be included in the management agreement is seven acres ±.

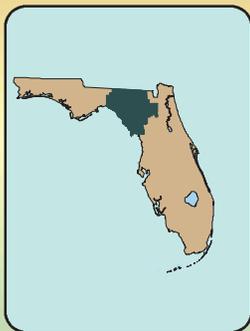
The County has provided a survey and legal description of the area to be included in the agreement. If the grant for funds is not approved, the management agreement will be void as is written in the document. All permitting and costs associated with this project will be the County's responsibility. The County will also be responsible for maintenance of the facilities and easement area.

A provision shall be included in the agreement stating the District and the County understand and do not object to Tom Reeves serving as both District Counsel and County Attorney for Madison County.

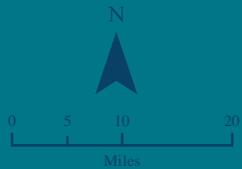
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Mill Creek North Boat Ramp and Easement Madison County, FL

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 Project Location



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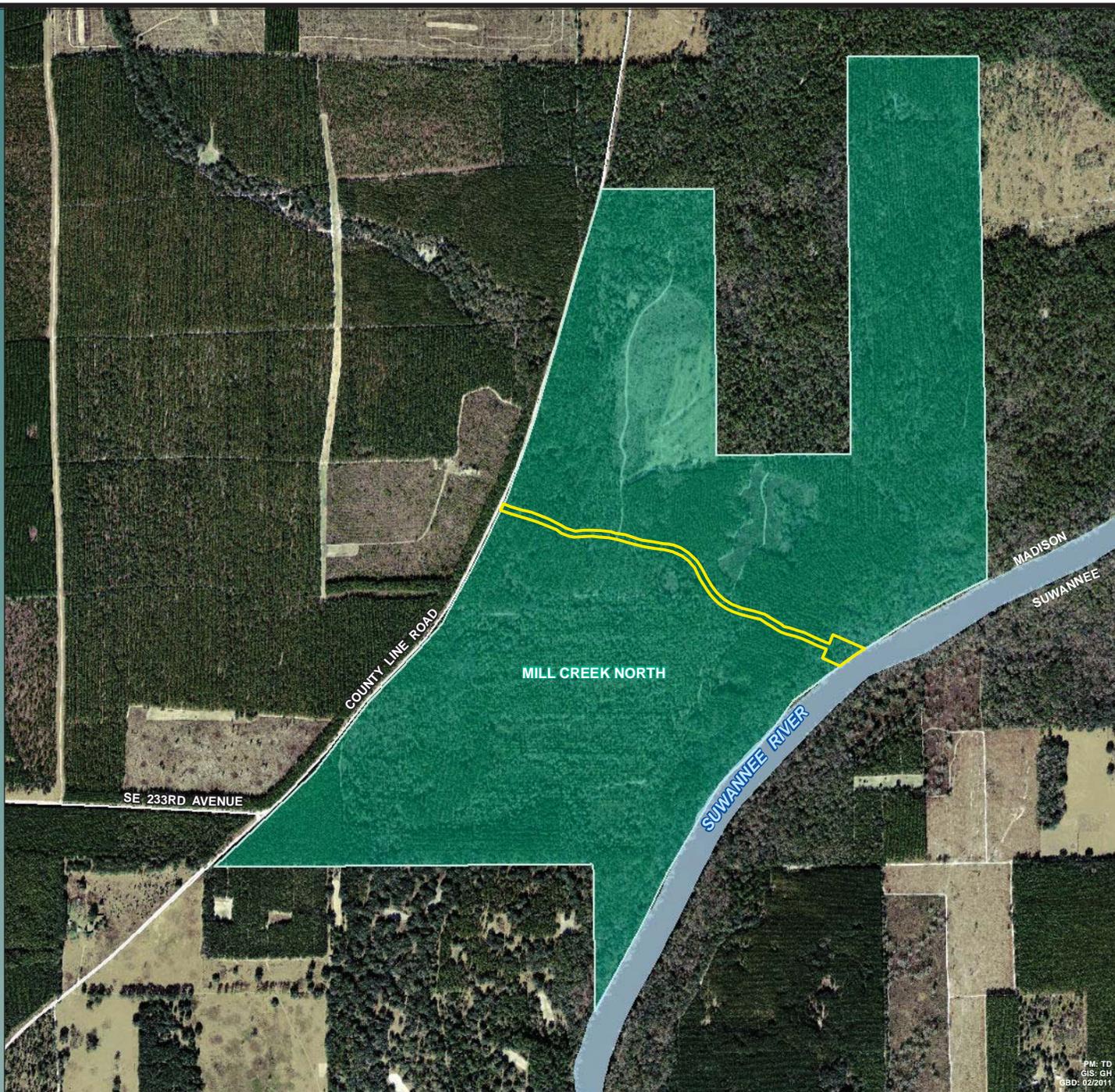
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Mill Creek North Boat Ramp & Easement Madison County Florida

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**AGREEMENT FOR THE MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS
OF A BOAT RAMP**

This Agreement for the Management and Operations Agreement (the “Agreement”) is made and entered into as of the last date executed by the parties by and between the SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT, a Florida water management district created pursuant to Section 373.069, Florida Statutes whose address is 9225 CR 49, Live Oak, FL 32060, (hereinafter the “DISTRICT”) and MADISON COUNTY, a political subdivision of the State of Florida whose address is Post Office Box 539, Madison FL 32341 (hereinafter the “COUNTY”).

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the DISTRICT owns certain tracts of real property within the boundaries of the DISTRICT; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 373.1391, Florida Statutes, the DISTRICT is required to manage and maintain its property, to the extent practicable, in such a way as to ensure a balance between public access, general public recreational purposes, and restoration and protection of their natural state and condition; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 373.1401, Florida Statutes the DISTRICT is allowed to contract with a governmental person or entity for the improvement, management, or maintenance of its property; and

WHEREAS, the COUNTY is a Florida County with all powers of local self government; and

WHEREAS, the parties desire to enter into a contract by which the COUNTY may improve, manage and maintain certain of the DISTRICT’s property as authorized by law; and

WHEREAS, the parties have reached an agreement between them concerning the matters set out herein and wish to commit such agreement to writing and thereby make an enforceable contract between them.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of One Dollar and 00/100 (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties agree as follows:

1. **RECITALS**. The above recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein by reference.
2. **DEFINITIONS**. As used herein, the following terms shall have the following meanings unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

AGREEMENT shall mean this "Agreement for the Management and Operations of a Boat Ramp."

BOAT RAMP shall mean a facility constructed and maintained for use by the general public for the launching and retrieving of water craft. This term shall include the actual launch facility as well as all adjacent parking and other areas ancillary to such use.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE shall mean the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, an agency of the State of Florida.

EFFECTIVE DATE shall mean the date this AGREEMENT is last executed by the parties.

PREEXISTING LEASE shall mean that certain lease between the DISTRICT and the DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE entitled, LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT AND FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES FOR TWIN RIVERS STATE FOREST Executed by the DISTRICT ON December 20, 2005 and by the DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE on January 24, 2006 and designated as the DISTRICT's contract number 05/06-131 and the DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE's contract number 010739.

PROPERTY shall mean that certain parcel of real property in Madison County, Florida more particularly described as:

A parcel of property lying to the left and right of the following described centerline, being a portion of Sections 16, 17 and 21, Township 2 South, Range 11 East, Madison County, Florida, being more particularly described as follows:

COMMENCE at the northeast corner of the South Half (S 1/2) of the Southwest Quarter (SW 1/4) of said Section

16; thence North $90^{\circ}00'00''$ West a distance of 1331.52 feet to the southeast corner of the Northwest Quarter (NW 1/4) of said SW 1/4; thence North $00^{\circ}11'17''$ West a distance of 2635.37 feet to the northeast corner of the Southwest Quarter (SW 1/4) of the Northwest Quarter (NW 1/4) of said Section 16; thence North $89^{\circ}55'24''$ West a distance of 1122.58 feet to the intersection of the north line of said NW 1/4 of SW 1/4 with the east side of a county graded road; thence along said east side of county graded road the following courses: South $16^{\circ}25'52''$ West a distance of 423.42 feet; thence South $16^{\circ}35'30''$ West a distance of 733.46 feet; thence South $16^{\circ}36'12''$ West a distance of 495.35 feet; thence South $17^{\circ}55'19''$ West a distance of 880.54 feet to the point of curvature of a circular curve to the right having a radius of 6170.93 feet and a central angle of $07^{\circ}05'58''$; thence along said curve an arc distance of 764.64 feet (Chord: South $21^{\circ}28'20''$ West, 764.15 feet) to the POINT OF BEGINNING of the following described easement, said easement at this point lying 25 feet to the left and right of centerline; thence South $71^{\circ}20'56''$ East a distance of 238.21 feet to the point of curvature of a circular curve to the right having a radius of 1500.00 feet and a central angle of $11^{\circ}53'53''$; thence along said curve an arc distance of 311.49 feet (Chord: South $65^{\circ}24'00''$ East, 310.93 feet) to the point of reverse curvature, said curve having a radius of 250.00 feet and a central angle of $31^{\circ}25'15''$; thence along said curve an arc distance of 137.10 feet (Chord: South $75^{\circ}09'41''$ East, 135.39 feet) to the point of reverse curvature, said curve having a radius of 1137.71 feet and a central angle of $19^{\circ}19'08''$; thence along said curve an arc distance of 383.61 feet (Chord: South $81^{\circ}12'44''$ East, 381.80 feet) to the point of tangency of said curve; thence South $71^{\circ}33'11''$ East a distance of 125.92 feet; thence South $78^{\circ}02'35''$ East a distance of 669.10 feet to the point of curvature of a circular curve to the right having a radius of 376.69 feet and a central angle of $46^{\circ}01'37''$; thence along said curve an arc distance of 302.60 feet (Chord: South $55^{\circ}01'47''$ East, 294.53 feet) to the point of tangency of said curve; thence South $32^{\circ}00'58''$ East a distance of 180.29 feet to

the point of curvature of a circular curve to the left having a radius of 503.28 feet and a central angle of 41°21'55"; thence along said curve an arc distance of 363.35 feet (Chord: South 52°41'56" East, 355.51 feet) to the point of tangency of said curve; thence South 73°22'54" East a distance of 171.54 feet; thence South 57°29'45" East a distance of 206.22 feet; thence South 71°26'02" East a distance of 168.44 feet; thence South 64°56'33" East a distance of 467.96 feet to a point, at said point said easement widens to lie 100 feet to the left and right of said centerline; thence continue South 64°56'33" East a distance of 223.31 feet to the water's edge of the Suwannee River and the POINT OF TERMINUS of said centerline.

Side lines of said easement to be lengthened or shortened to intersect the east side of said county graded road and the water's edge of the Suwannee River.

Said lands situate, lying and being in Madison County, Florida.

3. **MANAGEMENT RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE COUNTY.** The COUNTY shall improve, manage and maintain the PROPERTY for use as a BOAT RAMP. In doing so, the COUNTY shall:
 - 3.1 Operate the Facilities on a day-to-day basis and make the PROPERTY open to the general public for recreational uses subject to reasonable restrictions and fees.
 - 3.2 Set reasonable policies and guidelines for the use of the PROPERTY.
 - 3.3 Manage and maintain (including necessary repairs) all structures, improvements, roads, trails and storm water management system so as to keep them in a clean, safe and usable condition which may be reasonably expected to maximize their useful life.
 - 3.4 Make all improvements to the PROPERTY as may be agreed by the parties. Provided however, the COUNTY is not authorized nor required to construct any structures nor improvements to the PROPERTY except as may be explicitly approved by the DISTRICT,

in advance and in writing. All structures and improvements to the PROPERTY, shall be the exclusive property of the DISTRICT regardless of when they were constructed, who constructed them and the source of the funding used therefore.

- 3.5 Maintain and operate all waste management systems in an efficient manner keeping the PROPERTY free of refuse and trash.
- 3.6 Manage the PROPERTY in accordance with all applicable permits, issued by the DISTRICT or otherwise, and the provisions of Section 373.1391, Florida Statutes, Rule 40B-9.131, Florida Administrative Code and 40B-9.1381, Florida Administrative Code as they may be amended from time to time or any other provisions of Federal, State and Local laws, rules and regulations.
- 3.7 Manage the PROPERTY and authorize and/or allow the use of the PROPERTY by private parties for the removal of "Dead-Head" logs.
4. **TERM.** The term of this AGREEMENT is for a period of time from the EFFECTIVE DATE of this AGREEMENT through the next successive September 30. Unless terminated earlier as provided herein, thirty (30) days prior to the last day of its term, this AGREEMENT shall be renewed on the same terms and conditions as set out herein, for an additional and successive one (1) year term, from October 1 until September 30. This AGREEMENT shall be likewise renewed each and every year thereafter, unless and until terminated as set out herein.
5. **TERMINATION OF THIS AGREEMENT.** Either party may, in its sole discretion, for any or no reason, terminate this AGREEMENT upon a sixty (60) days written notice to the other party.
6. **USE OF OTHER DISTRICT LANDS.** This AGREEMENT shall not be construed to grant to the COUNTY or the users of the PROPERTY any special rights in any of the DISTRICT's real property, other than the PROPERTY. Of course, the COUNTY and the users of the PROPERTY may use the DISTRICT's other real property to same extent as the public generally, in accordance with the applicable rules of the DISTRICT.
7. **INSPECTION OF THE PROPERTY.** The DISTRICT may inspect the PROPERTY at any reasonable time.

8. **FINANCIAL MATTERS**. This AGREEMENT shall not be interpreted to require the DISTRICT to provide any funding to the COUNTY or for the PROPERTY or the BOAT RAMP.
9. **LIABILITY**. The COUNTY will take reasonable steps to minimize its liability, including adopting policies and procedures to protect public safety and posting all statutorily required notices.
10. **DISCRIMINATION**. The COUNTY will not discriminate against any individual because of that individual's race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, handicaps or marital status with respect to any activity occurring or conducted on the PROPERTY.
11. **UNAUTHORIZED USES**. The COUNTY will, through its agents and employees, use reasonable efforts to prevent the unauthorized use of the PROPERTY or any use of the PROPERTY not in conformance with this AGREEMENT or applicable laws, rules and regulations.
12. **ASSIGNMENT**. Neither party may assign any of its rights under this AGREEMENT voluntarily or involuntarily, whether by merger, consolidation, dissolution, operation of law or any other manner without the prior written consent of the other party. In the event of any purported assignment of rights in violation of this section, the parties agree that this AGREEMENT shall be deemed automatically terminated.
13. **ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL SITES**. Execution of this AGREEMENT in no way affects any of the parties' obligations pursuant to Chapter 267, Florida Statutes. The collection of artifacts or the disturbance of the archaeological and historic sites on the PROPERTY is prohibited unless prior authorization has been obtained from the Division of Historical Resources of the Department of State. The COUNTY will make all reasonable efforts to ensure that adequate measures have been planned to locate, identify and protect and preserve the archaeological and historical sites and properties on the PROPERTY.
14. **TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS**. If any ad valorem taxes, intangible property taxes, personal property taxes, or other taxes or assessments of any kind are assessed or levied lawfully on the PROPERTY or the DISTRICT's personal property based on the COUNTY's use thereof during the term of this AGREEMENT the COUNTY will have such property released from such levy, through payment of such taxes or otherwise, within

thirty (30) days after receiving written notice thereof from the DISTRICT. In the event the COUNTY fails to have such property so released within such time frame, the DISTRICT may, at its sole option, pay said taxes subject to immediate reimbursement thereof in full together with any interest thereon at the maximum rate allowed by law and any administrative costs thereof incurred by the DISTRICT, including reasonable attorneys fees. Failure of the COUNTY to have the property released from such levy shall constitute a material breach of this AGREEMENT.

15. **NO REGULATORY AUTHORITY GRANTED.** This AGREEMENT will not be construed to grant any permits or regulatory authority as to any uses or activity upon the PROPERTY.
16. **LIABILITY.** Nothing in the AGREEMENT is intended or is to be construed as a waiver of either party's sovereign immunity or an expansion of liability beyond the limits established as provided under Section 768.28, Florida Statutes, or as otherwise provided by law.
17. **AGREEMENT NOT TO BE RECORDED.** This AGREEMENT shall not be recorded in the public records of any county.
18. **NOTICES.** Any and all notices, requests or other communications hereunder will be deemed to have been duly given if in writing and if transmitted by hand delivery with receipt therefore, or by registered mail posted prior to the expiration date for such notice, return receipt requested and first class postage prepaid as follows:

 To the COUNTY: Madison County
 c/o Chair of the Board of County Commissioners
 Post Office Box 539
 Madison FL 32341

 To the DISTRICT: Suwannee River Water Management District
 c/o Chair of the Governing Board
 9225 CR 49
 Live Oak, FL 32060
19. **GOVERNING LAW, JURISDICTION, VENUE AND WAIVER OF JURY TRIAL.** This AGREEMENT will be governed, construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida. The exclusive jurisdiction and venue for all legal actions arising out of, enforcing, construing and

relating to this AGREEMENT shall be the Circuit Court or County Court in and for Suwannee County, Florida. The parties forever waive the right to a trial by jury for all legal actions arising out of, enforcing, construing and relating to this AGREEMENT and agree to have any such actions decided by a judge alone without a jury.

20. **AMENDMENT, REVOCATION OR ABANDONMENT OF THIS AGREEMENT.** No portion of this AGREEMENT may be amended, revoked, or abandoned except through a written agreement executed by the parties with the same formalities as this AGREEMENT.
21. **ENTIRE AGREEMENT OF THE PARTIES.** This AGREEMENT contains the entire agreement between the parties and supercedes all prior contracts, agreements or understandings between the parties. Each party represents and warrants to the other that no contract, agreement or representation on any matter exists between the parties except as expressly set out herein.
22. **NO THIRD PARTY RIGHTS.** The provisions of this AGREEMENT are for the sole and exclusive benefit of the parties hereto, and no provision of this AGREEMENT will be deemed for the benefit of any person or entity other than the DISTRICT and the COUNTY.
23. **DUAL REPRESENTATION BY DAVIS, SCHNITLER, REEVES & BROWNING, P.A.** The parties hereby acknowledge that they are both represented herein by the law firm of Davis, Schnitker, Reeves & Browning, P.A., each consent to such representation and waive any potential conflict created thereby.
24. **PREEXISTING LEASE OF THE PROPERTY.** The parties acknowledge that the PROPERTY is part of a larger parcel of property which has previously been leased to the DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE under the PREEXISTING LEASE. The parties agree that this AGREEMENT shall not become effective unless and until the DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE gives written approval of this AGREEMENT.

EXECUTED by the DISTRICT on this _____ day of _____, 2012.

SUWANNEE RIVER WATER
MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

By: _____
Don Quincey, Jr.
Chair of its Governing Board

ATTEST:

By: _____
Donald R. Curtis, III
Secretary/Treasurer

EXECUTED by the DISTRICT on this _____ day of _____, 2012.

MADISON COUNTY, a political sub-
division of the State of Florida

By: _____
Chairman of its Board of County
Commissioners

ATTEST:

By: _____
Clerk of the Board of County
Commissioners

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board

FROM: Steven Minnis, Governmental Affairs Director
Terry Demott, Sr. Land Resource Coordinator

DATE: January 20, 2012

RE: 2012 Florida Forever Work Plan and 2012 – 2021 Strategic Plan

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Governing Board accept the 2012 Florida Forever Work Plan and the 2012-2021 Strategic Plan.

BACKGROUND

A public hearing for the 2012 Florida Forever Work Plan and the 2012-2021 Strategic Plan has been noticed for the February 14, 2012, Governing Board meeting. This will provide opportunity for public comment.

The Florida Forever Work Plan summarizes funding and completed projects during the previous planning periods and presents modifications and additions for the upcoming period.

The District Strategic Plan identifies goals, strategies, success indicators, funding sources, deliverables, and milestones to accomplish the strategic priorities.

Both the Work Plan and Strategic Plan must be developed by the Governing Board and will be included in the District's Comprehensive Annual Report submitted to Tallahassee by March 1 each year.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board

FROM: Melanie Roberts, Director of Mission Support

DATE: January 23, 2012

RE: Activity Report, Department of Mission Support

DATA MANAGEMENT:

- Staff continues to improve and add features to the new WUP database that will be implemented in the next few months.
- Staff is working with a consultant to upgrade the enterprise geodatabase and migrate the spatial data into it. This is being done to take advantage of features in the recently loaded ArcGIS 10 and improve the manageability of the spatial data.
- Several public records requests were received requesting information related to the water use permits approved in December that have been petitioned for an Administrative Hearing.
- Staff continues to provide support to staff, other agencies, and the public through GIS requests, database needs, and records requests.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND COMMUNICATIONS:

- Communications staff continued to support the District's mission through timely website updates, press releases, water conservation outreach, and springs protection coordination.
- Information Technology staff continues to support District staff through ongoing resolution of Help Desk tickets, scheduled system backups, and programming and database development and maintenance.

ADMINISTRATION:

- Staff provided information to external auditors James Moore & Co. in support of the development of the District's September 30, 2011, audited financial statement document.
- Staff completed IRS Form 1099s and W-2s.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board
FROM: Terry Demott, Sr. Land Resource Coordinator
DATE: January 20, 2012
RE: Activity Report, Real Estate

Sale of the Bay Creek South surplus tract is scheduled to take place by January 31, 2012.

Discussions continue with Columbia County concerning the conveyance of the Alligator Lake property. The Buck Bay property in Alachua County is being appraised for listing with a real estate broker.

The attached reports summarize the status of surplus activities and conservation easement reviews for the preceding month. Staff will be prepared to address any tracts of particular interest the Board may wish to discuss at the February 14, 2012 Governing Board meeting.

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SURPLUS LANDS

Tract Name	Acres	County	Acquired Date	Funding Source	Appraisal Date	Listing Date	Listing Price	Comments
Bay Creek South	45	Columbia	09/2002	P2000	6/14/2010	7/12/2010	Fee entire tract \$123,750	Approved on January 10, 2012 for sale
Bay Creek North	24	Columbia	02/1988	WMLTF	6/14/2010	7/12/2010	Fee entire tract \$60,720	
Owens Spring	77	Lafayette	03/1999	P2000	6/14/2010	7/12/2010	Fee entire tract \$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 entire tract \$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 (3 parcels) \$343,200 Conservation Easement (3 parcels) \$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	

SURPLUS LANDS

Tract Name	Acres	County	Acquired Date	Funding Source	Appraisal Date	Listing Date	Listing Price	Comments
Wolf Creek	30	Jefferson	05/2009	FF	8/10/2011	11/10/2011	Fee or Conservation Easement (same price) \$64,350	Offer received and being reviewed.
Withlacoochee Quail Farm	65	Madison	09/2006	FF	8/18/2011	11/10/2011	Fee entire tract \$153,780	Awaiting Board approval for sale
Woods Ferry	29	Suwannee	12/1988	WMLTF	8/18/2011	11/10/2011	Fee entire tract \$71,830	
Cuba Bay	22	Jefferson	02/1996	P2000	8/10/2011	11/10/2011	Fee or Conservation Easement (same price) \$42,350	
Perry Spray Field	248	Taylor	9/2001	WMLTF	Approved in July			Discussions continuing with Taylor County.
Chitty Bend East	20	Hamilton	12/1988	WMLTF	11/2/11	11/29/11	Fee two 10-acre tracts for \$26,400 each	
Chitty Bend West	121	Madison	12/1988	WMLTF	11/2/11	11/29/11	Fee entire tract \$279,510	
Gainesville Recreation Site/Buck Bay	60	Alachua	12/15/1999	P2000	Approved in July			Gainesville not interested. Will appraise and list.
Alligator Lake	43	Columbia	8/10/2001	P2000	Approved in July			Discussions continuing with Columbia Co.

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

CONSERVATION EASEMENT REVIEW

Owner	Project Name	Funding	Acres	Closing Date	County	Land Use	Last Inspection Date	Comments
The Campbell Group	California Swamp	Save Our Rivers and P-2000 Bonds	32,134	10/1/2001	Dixie	Forestry, Recreation	1/2012	Remains managed for pine timber and hunting with updated management plan. Wetlands undisturbed.
Tisdale, Robert	Manatee Springs Addition	Florida Forever Bonds	83	11/16/2007	Levy	Recreation	12/2011	No change. Used for hunting only.
Bailey Brothers, Inc.	Bailey Brothers	P-2000 Bonds	16,522	8/24/2000	Dixie	Forestry, Recreation	12/2011	Used for forestry, hunting and cattle. Remains as agreed. Feral hog population is declining.
Ragans, Hoyt & Betty Jo	Ragans Jefferson	Florida Forever Bonds	169	12/28/2007	Jefferson	Forestry, Recreation	12/2011	Preserved areas remain as agreed in CE. Slash pine plantations remain well managed.
Ragans, Hoyt & Betty Jo	Ragans Madison	Florida Forever Bonds	585	12/28/2007	Madison	Forestry, Recreation	12/2011	No variations to agreement were noted. The property is well secured.
McEnany, Michael and Leanne	McEnany	Florida Forever Bonds	1,104	11/16/2007	Levy	Recreation, Forestry	11/2011	Property remains as agreed. Some culverts and water management recommended.
Loncala, Inc.	Loncala Hamilton	P-2000 Bonds	1,141	8/31/1999	Hamilton	Forestry, Recreation	11/2011	Forestry BMP survey was 100% in compliance. Remains in slash pine rotation. Wetlands preserved.
Hinson's Broward Properties, Inc.	Hinson	Florida Forever	647	9/28/2007	Columbia	Forestry, Recreation	11/2011	314 acres of slash pine remain with PCA until 2022. New owners remain in full compliance with CE.
Hale, Martha and Carter, Russell	Russell Carter	Florida Forever Bonds	585	9/28/2007	Columbia	Forestry, Recreation	11/2011	362 acres of pre-merchantable slash pine still with PCA. Wetlands remain intact. No changes.
Usher Family Trust	Manatee Springs Addit.	Florida Forever Bonds	2,022	8/17/2004	Levy	Forestry, Recreation	10/2011	Upland slash pine plantations are being clearcut for another rotation. Small area of cogon grass.

CONSERVATION EASEMENT REVIEW

Owner	Project Name	Funding	Acres	Closing Date	County	Land Use	Last Inspection Date	Comments
Plum Creek Timberlands	Waccassa Gulf Hammock	P-2000 Bonds	21,300	12/15/2000	Levy	Forestry, Recreation	8/2011	Slash pine continues to be managed with wetlands untouched. Bill Schlitzkus is new manager.
Drummond, Graham Luther	Manatee Springs Addition	FDOT Mitigation and Florida Forever	543	5/29/2003	Levy	Recreation, Forestry	8/2011	Longleaf pine and sawtooth oak growing well. Roads are well maintained for hunting.
Suwannee River Development, L.L.C.	Ace Ranch	Florida Forever Bonds	681	9/16/2010	Lafayette	Agriculture, Forestry	7/2011	Planted in peanuts with no irrigation used. Wetlands remain as is.
Strickland Field, L.P.	Strickland Field	P-2000 Bonds	3,822	7/7/2000	Dixie	Forestry	7/2011	Continues to be managed for forestry purposes. Wetlands intact as agreed.
Meeks, David & Sarah	Manatee Springs Addition	FDOT Mitigation Escrow	370	5/29/2003	Levy	Recreation, Forestry	7/2011	Slash pine plantations have been thinned this year. In compliance with CE.
Mann, Jack & Loy Ann	Manatee Springs Addition	FDOT Mitigation Escrow	590	5/29/2003	Levy	Recreation, Forestry	7/2011	Maintained primarily for hunting. Advised that slash pine plantations need thinning.
Red Hills Land Company	Foster	Florida Forever Bonds	163	3/25/2002	Jefferson	Forestry, Recreation	6/2011	No changes in easement since purchase.
Plum Creek Timberlands	Manatee Springs Addit. Oak Hammock	Florida Forever Bonds	4,588	8/31/2002	Levy	Forestry, Recreation	6/2011	Continues to be managed for slash pine rotation. Preserved area remains as is.
Plum Creek Timberlands	Manatee Springs Addit. Suwannee Swamp	Florida Forever Bonds	12,797	3/28/2002	Levy	Forestry, Recreation	6/2011	Continues to be managed for slash pine. Preserved wetland areas remain.
Plum Creek Timberlands	Gainesville Wellfield	P-2000 Bonds	3,084	12/15/1999	Alachua	Forestry, Recreation	6/2011	This property is primarily used for forestry activities. GRU has wells and maintained roads. Wetlands intact.
Plantations at Deep Creek, L.L.C.	Deep Creek Exchange	Save Our Rivers	1,038	5/12/2006	Columbia	Forestry, Recreation	6/2011	New owners are using the property as a wildlife refuge. Forests remain well maintained.

CONSERVATION EASEMENT REVIEW

Owner	Project Name	Funding	Acres	Closing Date	County	Land Use	Last Inspection Date	Comments
Jackson, Kevin and Patrice	Jackson	Florida Forever Bonds	171	6/23/2010	Lafayette	Agriculture, Forestry	6/2011	Planted in peanuts this year. No irrigation used. Harvesting pine straw.
Davidson, Dr. C. Linden	Davidson	P-2000 Bonds	225	4/18/2002	Jefferson	Forestry, Recreation	6/2011	No changes this year. Food plots, fences and gates are well maintained.
Chinquapin Farm, L.L.C.	Chinquapin Farm	P-2000 Bonds	640	12/30/2009	Columbia	Recreation, Forestry	6/2011	Continues to be used primarily for quail hunting. Only a few selected trees are harvested.
Chinquapin Farm, L.L.C.	Chinquapin Farm	P-2000 Bonds	5,710	12/30/2009	Suwannee	Recreation, Forestry	6/2011	Preserved areas remain intact. No additional building has occurred this year.
Newberry, City of	Newberry Wellfield	P-2000 Bonds	40	2/21/2001	Alachua	Recreation	5/2011	Remains used for sports.
Geraldine Livingston Foundation	Dixie Plantation	P-2000 Bonds	8,902	2/18/1999	Jefferson	Forestry, Recreation	5/2011	Continues to be used for timber and hunting. Longleaf pine planted each year and prescribed fire used.
Zellwin Farms, Inc.	Jennings Bluff	Save Our Rivers	362	2/1/1989	Hamilton	Recreation	4/2011	Maintained as originally agreed.
Moore, Madeline	Moore	Florida Forever Bonds	115	12/23/2002	Jefferson	Forestry, Recreation	4/2011	CE remains in compliance, with wetlands preserved.
Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches, Inc.	Youth Ranches (I and II)	P-2000 Bonds	550	5/7/1997 and 1/2/1996	Suwannee	Recreation	4/2011	All areas are for recreation purposes only. Boys Ranch personnel repainted the entire perimeter this year. Horseback riding by Ranch residents remains a major use.
Bailey, Donald and Margaret	Bailey/Cuba Bay Exchange	Save Our Rivers	164	2/12/2002	Jefferson	Agriculture, Forestry	4/2011	No variation in land use. Remains in full compliance.
Platt, Cody and Carol	Aucilla Addition	P-2000 Bonds	274	12/29/1999	Jefferson	Forestry, Recreation	2/2011	New owners are well aware of CE terms. Have completed residence. Plan to mark boundaries and fire lines.
Champion, Roger and Donna	Mount Gilead	Florida Forever Bonds	180	8/19/2009	Madison	Forestry, Recreation	2/2011	Continues to be maintained primarily for hunting.

CONSERVATION EASEMENT REVIEW

Owner	Project Name	Funding	Acres	Closing Date	County	Land Use	Last Inspection Date	Comments
Santa Fe River Hammock, L.L.C.	Santa Fe River Hammock	P2000 - Sandlin Bay VFI Resale	167	1/31/2011	Bradford	Forestry, Recreation	1/2011	This is a new CE this year with a management plan in place.
Loncala, Inc.	Monteocha Creek	Save Our Rivers	951	11/30/2001	Alachua	Forestry, Recreation	1/2011	Four ages of slash pine. Good management plan. No harvesting planned in next 12 months.
Loncala, Inc.	Loncala Gilchrist	P-2000 Bonds	913	8/31/1999	Gilchrist	Forestry, Recreation	1/2011	Property remains as agreed to in CE. Loncala intensely manages pine plantations with hunting leases.
Harrell, Curtis and Matthew	Falmouth Addition	P-2000 Bonds	912	10/6/1999	Suwannee	Agriculture, Recreation	1/2011	Fields were fallow on date of inspection. Preserved areas remain as is. No encroachment. Cabins in place.
Feagle, Ronald and Dorothy	Bonnet Lake	Florida Forever Bonds	433	1/27/2010	Columbia	Recreation, Forestry	1/2011	First year inspected. Longleaf pine planted and preserved area remains as is with hunting only.
Sheppard, Derwood and Susan	Manatee Springs Addition	Florida Forever Bonds	120	2/8/2008	Levy	Recreation	11/2010	No change. Owner says it was used very little in the last year.
Sanders, Thomas and Sylvia	Mill Creek	P-2000 Bonds	339	12/6/2000	Hamilton	Recreation, Agriculture	11/2010	Members of the Sanders family are primarily hunters, but keep the property well maintained. No cattle this year.

PCA = Packaging Corporation of America, CE = Conservation Easement

Suwannee River Water Management District

Governing Board Materials

Water Supply and Resource Management

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

Director of Water Supply and
Resource Management

Assistant Executive Director

Executive Director

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board

FROM: Carlos Herd, Senior Hydrogeologist

DATE: January 26, 2012

RE: Approval of Ranking of Surveying Firms and Execution of Contract for Establishment of Minimum Flows and Levels on the Upper Suwannee River

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Governing Board approve the ranking of surveying firms listed below and authorize the Executive Director to enter into competitive negotiations in order of ranking in accordance with section 287.055, Florida Statutes, to execute a contract for surveying for the Upper Suwannee River for an amount not to exceed \$100,000.

BACKGROUND

In 2011, the Governing Board approved a list of qualified firms for surveying services on District projects during Fiscal Year 2011/2012 (see attached Approved Surveyors List for FY 11/12). A staff selection committee (Jon Dinges, Carlos Herd, and John Good) evaluated the proposals of the qualified firms in view of the scope of work and developed a ranking based on proximity to work area, relevant experience, and capacity to perform. The three most qualified firms are:

1. AMEC, Newberry, Florida
2. George F. Young, Inc., Gainesville, Florida
3. Causseaux, Hewett & Walpole, Inc., Gainesville, Florida

Pending Governing Board approval of the ranking, staff will enter into negotiations with the top-ranked firm. If negotiations fail to yield an acceptable contract, staff will continue negotiations with firms in order of ranking.

Establishment of minimum flows and levels (MFLs) requires detailed site specific bathymetry, topography, and elevations of soils and vegetation. Staff models a river reach to determine the frequency and duration of inundation of important habitat features using this site specific information in conjunction with digital elevation data.

Staff has developed a preliminary map of desired cross-section and point locations for the Upper Suwannee River MFL project. These locations have been split into two sub-reaches for efficiency (see attached map). However, the total value of the surveying work in one or each of the sub-reaches will likely exceed the \$35,000 statutory threshold for category two projects found in section 287.017, Florida Statutes, necessitating the use of the competitive negotiations process in section 287.055, Florida Statutes.

Funds associated with this work are budgeted in the Fiscal Year 2011/2012 Water Supply Program budget.

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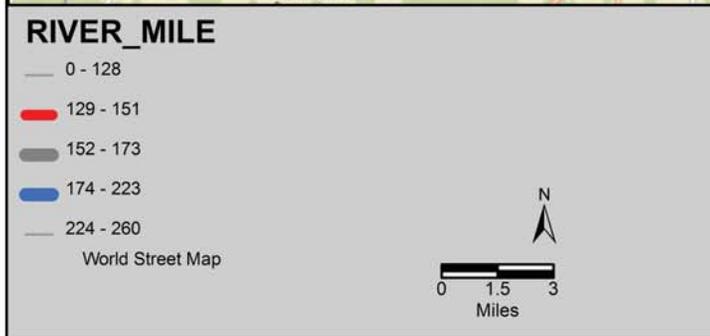
Attachments:

- 1) Approved Surveyors List for FY 11/12
- 2) Map of Upper Suwannee River sub-reaches

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
Wantman Group, Inc.	Robin Petzold	West Palm Beach, FL
Whidden Surveying & Mapping	Thomas Whidden	West Palm Beach, FL

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Upper Suwannee Survey Plan



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board

FROM: Carlos Herd, Senior Hydrogeologist

DATE: January 26, 2012

RE: Approval of Scope of Work and Authorization to Enter into an Agreement with the University of Florida

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Governing Board authorize the Executive Director to enter into an agreement with the University of Florida for assistance in establishing Minimum Flows and Levels (MFLs) for White Sulphur Spring on the Upper Suwannee River for a cost not to exceed \$46,000.

BACKGROUND

State regulations (62-40.473 Florida Administrative Code) state that when establishing MFLs consideration shall be given to a number of water body characteristics including “aesthetic and scenic attributes”. These attributes are indicative of features outside the normal purview of the natural sciences and would be more characteristic of the social science field.

In most cases data for analysis of such characteristics are unavailable and/or would take significant resources and time to develop. In such situations the statute mandating MFL development allows for the use of the “best information available” (373.042(1)(b) Florida Statutes). For White Sulphur Spring, a significant part of its resource value is the historical interest and tourism potential as a flowing spring. The proposed study (see attached) is feasible within the project timeline and, relative to other science components of the project, could have proportionally greater value in MFL establishment for the cost.

While this is a non-traditional study for the SRWMD to fund under the MFL program, the approach and techniques are similar in many respects to those in a study funded by the Southwest Florida Water Management District to determine lake aesthetics (2006)¹ and are used by many other resource management entities at state and federal levels.

The University of Florida, due to the past work cited above and knowledge of our area, is uniquely qualified to perform this work.

Funds associated with this work are budgeted in the FY 2012 Water Supply budget.

¹ "Lake User's Perceptions Regarding Impacts of Lake Water Level on Lake Aesthetics and Recreational Uses" by Mark V. Hoyer, Glenn D. Israel, and Daniel E. Canfield Jr., Department of Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences, Department of Agricultural Education and Communication, Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences, University of Florida, June 30, 2006.

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Exploring conceptually feasible ways to develop a numerical MFL control on the "aesthetic and scenic attributes" of White Sulphur Springs

Background

The Water Institute was contacted by the Suwannee River Water Management District (SRWMD), about the possibility of a study focusing on White Springs. Since “scenic/aesthetic” is one of the ten water resource values listed in 62.40.473 Florida Administrative Code for establishing Minimum Flows and Levels (MFLs), SRWMD is interested in examining feasibility of developing a numerical MFL control on the "aesthetic and scenic attributes" of springs, in general, and on White Sulphur Springs, specifically. White Sulphur Springs is of immediate interest, but also unique based on the historical springhouse that surrounds the spring. If a numerical standard can be developed here, it might be adaptable to other springs, even if it must be significantly revised.

Methods

In order to obtain a numerical MFL control standard for a scenic/aesthetic water resource value, it will be necessary to assess perceptions of stakeholders who have a connection to the springs. A mixed method design will be used, consisting of an online survey administered to a sample of local residents and recreational users of White Sulphur Springs, followed by a visitor intercept survey and include subject responses to graphic images representing scenic/aesthetic variations that can be tied to MFLs.

Online survey

To conduct the online survey, a database of recreational users will be obtained from the Suwannee River WMD public access coordinator. This will be combined with a list of local stakeholders to create a representative sample of springs users. A questionnaire will be developed, which will include items asking respondents about their use of the springs, and their perceptions about the scenic nature and aesthetic value of the springs. Embedded in the survey will be a series of images that represent water levels, focused around six possible conditions – high, medium, low, dry, inflow and outflow. Through the development of the pictures depicting varying water levels, researchers will work with SRWMD personnel to identify corresponding numerical spring level measurements. Analysis of respondents’ preferences should then result in a quantitative standard of quality based on aesthetic preferences. Survey respondents will be asked to rate their attitude toward the scenic/aesthetic appeal of each image. Qualtrics, an online survey tool, will be used to create the questionnaire. The survey will be reviewed by a panel of experts for face and content validity and pilot tested to refine items before final survey is administered. Dillman’s tailored design method will be utilized to administer the survey, which will include a mailed introductory cover letter, followed by sending out of the survey link to the sample with instructions for completion. Follow up waves to nonrespondents will be sent to ensure highest possible response rate. Results of the survey will be used to create a visitor intercept survey.

Intercept visitor survey

Surveyors will be stationed at the springhouse and other popular destinations around White Springs (Ecoheritage Center, Stephen Foster State Park, and others). A sampling plan will be developed that provides a sample of existing and potential springs users in the White Springs area. Visitors will be asked basic socio-demographic information, use history of the area, and other relevant information that might relate to their scenic preferences. The same images used in the online survey will be displayed on poster board at the survey locations. All data will be collected on site and analyzed at the University of Florida to identify key elements of the scenes that affect scenic quality.

Timeline

Tasks	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October
Develop Online Questionnaire	■							
Administer Online Questionnaire		■	■					
Analyze Online Questionnaire Results				■				
Develop Intercept Questionnaire		■	■					
Administer Intercept Questionnaire			■	■	■	■		
Analyze Intercept Questionnaire							■	
Progress/Final Report					■		■	■

Budget

Project Manager (March to December) (8 months of a \$20,000/year stipend)	\$14,000
OPS support (questionnaire development, create photos)	\$1,500
OPS support (surveyors May – August, 18 weeks) (two surveyors (\$10/hour), 10 hours/day on weekends, 15 trips) (two surveyors (\$10/hour), 6 hours/day on weekdays, 15 trips) (two surveyors (\$10/hour), 6 hours/day weekdays/weekends, 10 trips)	\$10,000
Travel (approximately two to three survey trips a week, March - August) (other assorted travel to manage project and report results)	\$8,500
Equipment	\$2,500
Total Direct Costs	\$36,500
Indirect Costs (25%)	\$9,125
Total Costs	\$45,625

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board
FROM: Bob Heeke, Sr. Land Resource Manager
DATE: January 26, 2012
RE: Contract with Chaples Tractor and Agricultural Services, Inc., for
Landscape Recreation Maintenance Services for Northeast - Region 1

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Governing Board approve the rankings developed by the Selection Committee as shown below and authorize the Executive Director to execute a contract with Chaples Tractor and Agricultural Services, Inc. If negotiations are unsuccessful with this firm, staff recommends authorization to negotiate and execute a contract with the firms in order of ranking. The cost of these services for Region 1 will not exceed \$48,900 in fiscal year 2012.

BACKGROUND

The District released Request for Proposals (RFP) 11/12-01 LM on December 12, 2011, for Landscape Recreation Maintenance Services on District lands. Six responses were received for services for the Northeast - Region 1. Contractors' responses addressed recreation site maintenance visits, winter season (one time per month), summer season (two times per month), mowing seasonal and administrative roads (two times per year) and public use roads (three times per year). Maintenance visits include mowing as needed in winter season and twice monthly in summer season where needed, trash pick-up, cleaning and maintaining signs and kiosks. Contractors also submitted labor rates for additional work that may be requested as needed, such as installing gates, posts, signs, and removing downed trees.

The Northeast – Region 1 contains 33,700 acres and has 110 sites on 43 tracts. Sites include parking areas, entrances with signs, boat ramps, canoe launches, river access points and trailheads. Road mowing and trimming covers 34 miles of public use roads and 185 miles of seasonal and administrative roads. The RFP requested the contractor propose trimming one-third of the seasonal and administrative roads. Over a three-year period, this would upgrade all seasonal and administrative roads to the standards set forth in the District Land Management Plan.

The Selection Committee composed of Charlie Houder, Jon Dinges and Melanie Roberts ranked proposals to select the most cost effective and qualified firms. Proposals were compared on price, firm experience, and demonstrated ability to successfully complete projects of similar size. Firms were ranked as shown below. If staff is unable to negotiate with the number one ranked firm, negotiations would take place with other firms in order of ranking.

Northeast Region 1

Ranking	Contractor	Location	Annual Fee	7-Month Fee
1.	Chaples Tractor & Agricultural Service, Inc.	Live Oak, FL	\$57,400	\$48,900
2.	Suwannee Forest Products, Inc.	Live Oak, FL	\$56,400	\$49,400
3.	Suwannee Lawn & Garden, Inc	Live Oak, FL	\$68,600	\$64,800

Chaples Tractor & Agricultural Services, Inc., has agreed to provide services at the cost submitted in the proposal and the terms of the draft contract. The 2012 contract would be through September 2012 (a seven-month period). It includes \$2,000 for unanticipated expenses subject to SRWMD staff approval.

Funding for this contract is included in the Fiscal Year 2012 budget. District procedures allow for this type of service contract to be renewed for two additional one-year periods contingent upon budget adoption by the Governing Board and if both parties agree and all terms remain constant.

Headquarters for Chaples Tractor & Agricultural Services, Inc. is in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, with an office in Live Oak. The company’s principals are Marygay Chaples and Mark Chaples.

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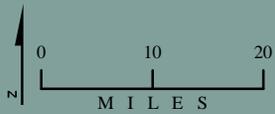
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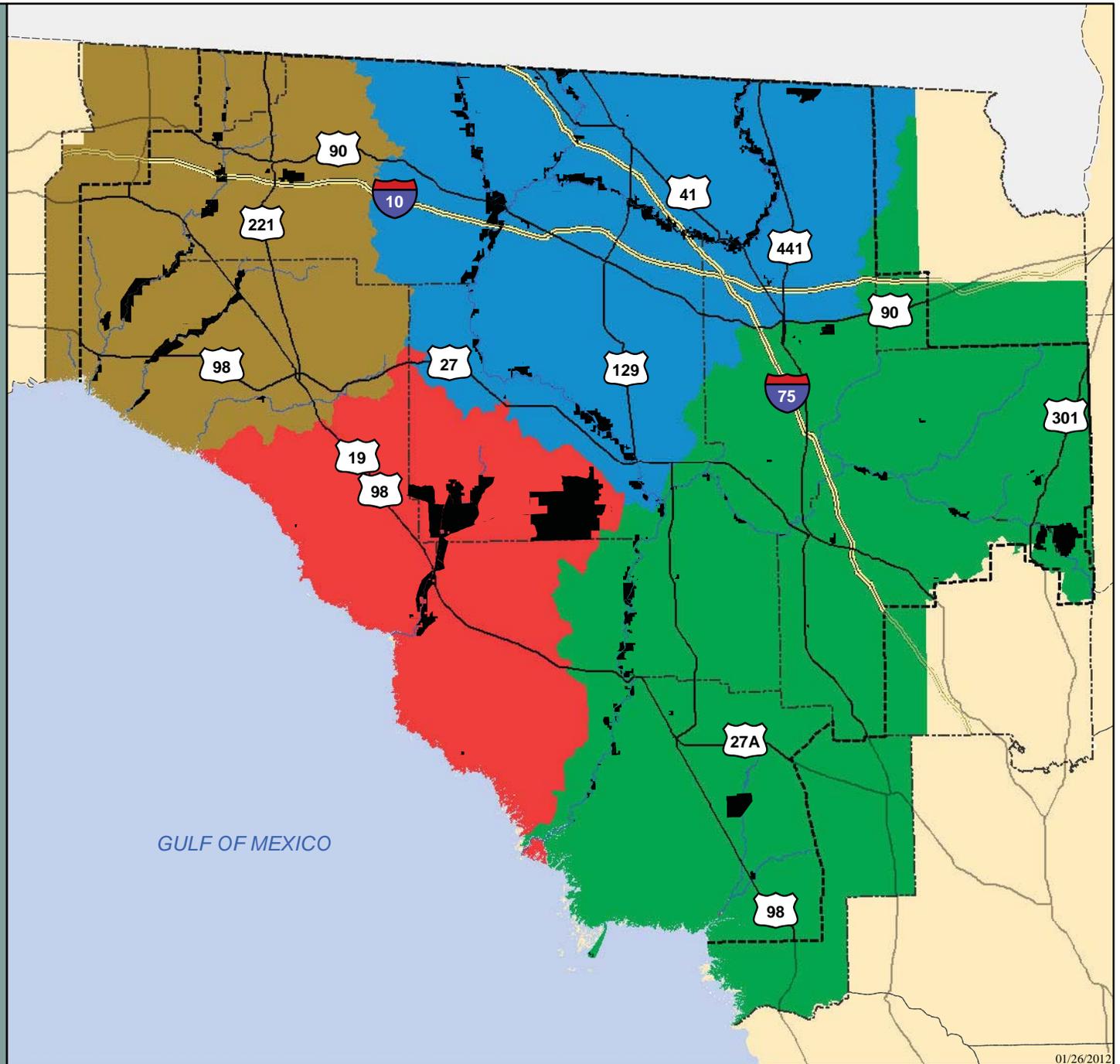
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- Major Rivers
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MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board
FROM: Bob Heeke, Sr. Land Resource Manager
DATE: January 26, 2012
RE: Contract with Keen Forest Management, Inc., for Landscape Recreation Maintenance Services for Northwest – Region 2

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Governing Board approve the rankings developed by the Selection Committee as shown below and authorize the Executive Director to execute a contract with Keen Forest Management, Inc. If negotiations are unsuccessful with this firm, staff recommends authorization to negotiate and execute a contract with the firms in order of ranking. The cost of these services for Region 2 will not exceed \$20,300 in fiscal year 2012.

BACKGROUND

The District released Request for Proposals (RFP) 11/12-01 LM on December 12, 2011, for Landscape Recreation Maintenance Services on District lands. Five responses were received for the Northwest - Region 2. Contractors' responses addressed recreation site maintenance visits, winter season (one time per month), summer season (two times per month), mowing seasonal and administrative roads (two times per year) and public use roads (three times per year). Maintenance visits include mowing as needed in winter season and twice monthly in summer season where needed, trash pick-up, cleaning and maintaining signs and kiosks. Contractors submitted labor rates for additional work that may be requested as needed, such as installing gates, posts, signs, and removing downed trees.

The Northwest – Region 2 contains 22,608 acres, and there are 105 sites on 14 tracts. Sites include parking areas, entrances with signs, boat ramps, canoe launches, river access points and trailheads. Road mowing and trimming covers 64 miles of public use roads and 75 miles of seasonal and administrative roads. The RFP requested the contractor propose trimming one-third of the seasonal and administrative roads. Over a three-year period, this would upgrade all seasonal and administrative roads to the standards set forth in the District Land Management Plan.

The Selection Committee composed of Charlie Houder, Jon Dinges and Melanie Roberts ranked proposals to select the most cost effective and qualified firms. Proposals were compared on price, firm experience, and demonstrated ability to successfully complete projects of similar size. Firms were ranked as shown below. If staff is unable to negotiate with the number one ranked firm, negotiations would take place with other firms in order of ranking. If negotiations proceed to third place, the selection committee will convene again to break the ranking tie.

Northwest Region 2

Ranking	Contractor		Annual Fee	7- Month Fee
1.	Keen Forest Management, Inc.	Mayo, FL	\$28,400	\$20,300
2.	Chaples Tractor & Agricultural Services Inc.	Live Oak, FL	\$67,100	\$59,800
3.	Elixson Enterprises, LLC	Raiford, FL	\$92,600	\$71,600
3.	Glover Landscape & Irrigation	Branford, FL	\$134,125	\$129,900

Keen Forest Management, Inc., has agreed to provide services at the cost submitted in the proposal and under the terms of the draft contract. The 2012 contract would be through September 2012 (a seven-month period). It includes \$2,000 for unanticipated expenses subject to SRWMD staff approval.

Funding for this contract is included in the Fiscal Year 2012 budget. District procedures allow for this type of service contract to be renewed for two additional one-year periods contingent upon budget adoption by the Governing Board and if both parties agree and all terms remain constant.

Headquarters for Keen Forest Management is in Mayo, Florida. The company's principals are Clinton Keen and Cathy A. Keen.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board
FROM: Bob Heeke, Sr. Land Resource Manager
DATE: January 26, 2012
RE: Contract with Suwannee Lawn & Garden, Inc., for Landscape
Recreation Maintenance Services for Southeast Region - 3

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Governing Board approve the rankings developed by the Selection Committee as shown below and authorize the Executive Director to execute a contract with Suwannee Lawn & Garden, Inc. If negotiations are unsuccessful with this firm, staff recommends authorization to negotiate and execute a contract with the firms in order of ranking. The cost of these services for Region 3 will not exceed \$21,500 in fiscal year 2012.

BACKGROUND

The District released Request for Proposals (RFP) 11/12-01 LM on December 12, 2011, for Landscape Recreation Maintenance Services on District lands. Six responses were received for services on the Southeast - Region 3. Contractors' responses addressed recreation site maintenance visits, winter season (one time per month), summer season (two times per month), mowing seasonal and administrative roads (two times per year) and public use roads (three times per year). Maintenance visits include mowing as needed in winter season and twice monthly in summer season where needed, trash pick-up, cleaning and maintaining signs and kiosks. Contractors submitted labor rates for additional work that may be requested as needed such as installing gates, posts, signs, and removing downed trees.

The Southeast – Region 3 contains 21,606 acres and has 39 sites on 21 tracts. Sites include parking areas, entrances with signs, boat ramps, canoe launches, river access points and trailheads. Road mowing and trimming covers 8 miles of

public use road and 41 miles of seasonal and administrative roads. The RFP requested the contractor propose trimming one-third of the seasonal and administrative roads. Over a three-year period, this would upgrade all seasonal and administrative roads to the standards set forth in the District Land Management Plan.

The Selection Committee composed of Charlie Houder, Jon Dinges and Melanie Roberts ranked proposals to select the most cost effective and qualified firms. Proposals were compared on price, firm experience, and demonstrated ability to successfully complete projects of similar size. Firms were ranked as shown below. If, for some reason, staff is unable to negotiate with the number one ranked firm, negotiations would take place with other firms in order of ranking.

Southeast - Region 3

Ranking	Contractor	Location	Annual Fee	7-month Fee
1.	Suwannee Lawn & Garden, Inc.	Live Oak, FL	\$22,500	\$21,500
2.	William Andrews & Son Lawn Care	Cross City, FL	\$22,500	\$19,200
3.	Elixson Enterprises, LLC	Raiford, FL	\$42,800	\$34,800

Suwannee Lawn & Garden, Inc., is under contract for daily maintenance at certain feature recreation sites. In view of the small cost differentials between respondents, the Selection Committee ranked Suwannee Lawn & Garden, Inc., above other respondents based on firm experience and demonstrated ability to successfully complete projects of similar size.

Suwannee Lawn & Garden, Inc., has agreed to provide services at the cost submitted in the proposal and the terms of the draft contract. The 2012 contract would be through September 2012 (a seven-month period). The contract includes \$2,000 for building parking areas at Lake Alto and Santa Fe Swamp. The parking areas will be built to provide additional access to Santa Fe Swamp and access to Lake Alto which will become a part of the Santa Fe Swamp Wildlife and Environmental Area in the fall of 2012. The contract also includes \$2,000 for unanticipated expenses during Fiscal Year 2012 subject to SRWMD staff approval.

Funding for this contract is included in the Fiscal Year 2012 budget. District procedures allow for this type of service contract to be renewed for two additional one-year periods contingent upon budget adoption by the Governing Board and if both parties agree and all terms remain constant.

Headquarters for Suwannee Lawn & Garden, Inc. is in McAlpin, Florida. The company's principals are Alvin R. Cloud, Samuel R. Cloud, Daniel A. Cloud and Laura J. Turner.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board
FROM: Bob Heeke, Sr. Land Resource Manager
DATE: January 26, 2012
RE: Contract with Keen Forest Management, Inc., for Landscape Recreation Maintenance Services for Southwest – Region 4

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Governing Board approve the rankings developed by the Selection Committee as shown below and authorize the Executive Director to execute a contract with Keen Forest Management, Inc. If negotiations are unsuccessful with this firm, staff recommends authorization to negotiate and execute a contract with the firms in order of ranking. The cost of these services for Region 4 will not exceed \$21,900 in Fiscal Year 2012.

BACKGROUND

The District released Request for Proposals (RFP) 11/12-01 LM on December 12, 2011, for Landscape Recreation Maintenance Services on District lands. Five responses were received for services for the Southwest - Region 4. Contractors' responses addressed recreation site maintenance visits, winter season (one time per month), summer season (two times per month), mowing seasonal and administrative roads (two times per year) and public use roads (three times per year). Maintenance visits include mowing as needed in winter season and twice monthly in summer season where needed, trash pick-up, cleaning and maintaining signs and kiosks. Contractors submitted labor rates for additional work that may be requested as needed such as installing gates, posts, signs, and removing downed trees.

The Southwest – Region 4 contains 60,041 acres and has 49 sites on 5 tracts. Sites are parking areas, entrances with signs, boat ramps, canoe launches, river access points and trailheads. Road mowing and trimming covers 85 miles of public use roads and 162 miles of seasonal and administrative roads. The RFP requested the contractor propose trimming one-third of the seasonal and administrative roads. Over a three-year period, this would upgrade all seasonal and administrative roads to the standards set forth in the District Land Management Plan.

The Selection Committee composed of Charlie Houder, Jon Dinges and Melanie Roberts ranked proposals to select the most cost effective and qualified firms. Proposals were compared on price, firm experience, and demonstrated ability to successfully complete projects of similar size. Firms were ranked as shown below. If staff is unable to negotiate with the number one ranked firm, negotiations would take place with other firms in order of ranking. If negotiations proceed to second place, the selection committee will convene again to break the ranking tie.

Southwest - Region 4

Ranking	Contractor	Location	Annual Fee	7-month Fee
1.	Keen Forest Management, Inc.	Mayo, FL	\$26,200	\$21,900
2.	William Andrews & Son Lawn Care	Cross City, FL	\$37,300	\$30,700
2.	Suwannee Forest Products, Inc	Live Oak, FL	\$59,700	\$55,800
3.	M & L Contracting	Cross City, FL	\$63,000	\$57,600

Keen Forest Management, Inc., has agreed to provide services at the cost submitted in the proposal and under the terms of the draft contract. The 2012 contract would be through September 2012 (a seven-month period). It includes \$2,000 for unanticipated expenses that are subject to SRWMD staff approval.

Funding for this contract is included in the Fiscal Year 2012 budget. District procedures allow for this type of service contract to be renewed for two additional one-year periods contingent upon budget adoption by the Governing Board and if both parties agree and all terms remain constant.

Headquarters for Keen Forest Management is in Mayo, Florida. The company's principals are Clinton Keen and Cathy A. Keen.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board
FROM: Bob Heeke, Sr. Land Resources Manager
DATE: January 26, 2012
RE: License to Cut Timber with Suwannee Lumber Company, Inc., for the Black Tract #3 Timber Sale

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Governing Board authorize the Executive Director to execute a license to cut timber with Suwannee Lumber Company, Inc., for the Black Tract #3 Timber Sale.

BACKGROUND

Bids for the Black Tract #3 Timber Sale were due January 5, 2012. This is a pine clearcut, selective pine thinning, and hardwood removal timber sale of approximately 123 acres in Madison County. Timber to be harvested is planted longleaf pine (estimated to have been planted in 1975), planted slash pine (estimated to have been planted in 1984 and 1987), and natural hardwood located in the plantations. Ten responses were received, and calculated revenues from the bid are shown below.

<u>Company</u>	<u>Calculated Bid Total</u>
Suwannee Lumber	\$115,595.75
Williams Timber	\$115,588.25
Great South Timber	\$113,342.75
Greenville Timber Corp.	\$111,270.88
North FL Timber	\$104,301.69
Big Bend Timber	\$104,032.40
M. A. Rigoni	\$103,698.75
Canal Wood	\$103,170.67
Harley Forest Products	\$102,874.02
G. H. Timber	\$101,567.72

Suwannee Lumber Company, Inc., bid \$16.15/ton for topwood and \$16.15/ton for pine pulpwood; \$19.25/ton for chip-n-saw, \$30.00/ton for pine sawtimber, and \$4.00/ton for hardwood pulpwood on this per unit sale. Total revenue from this

sale should be between \$104,036 and \$127,155. Using the volume estimates by timber product developed by the Florida Forest Service staff at Twin Rivers State Forest, the anticipated revenue is \$115,595.

Headquarters for Suwannee Lumber Company, Inc., is in Cross City, Florida. The company's principals are Daniel T. Dickert, Frank B. Faircloth, Michael T. Foley and John J. Faircloth.

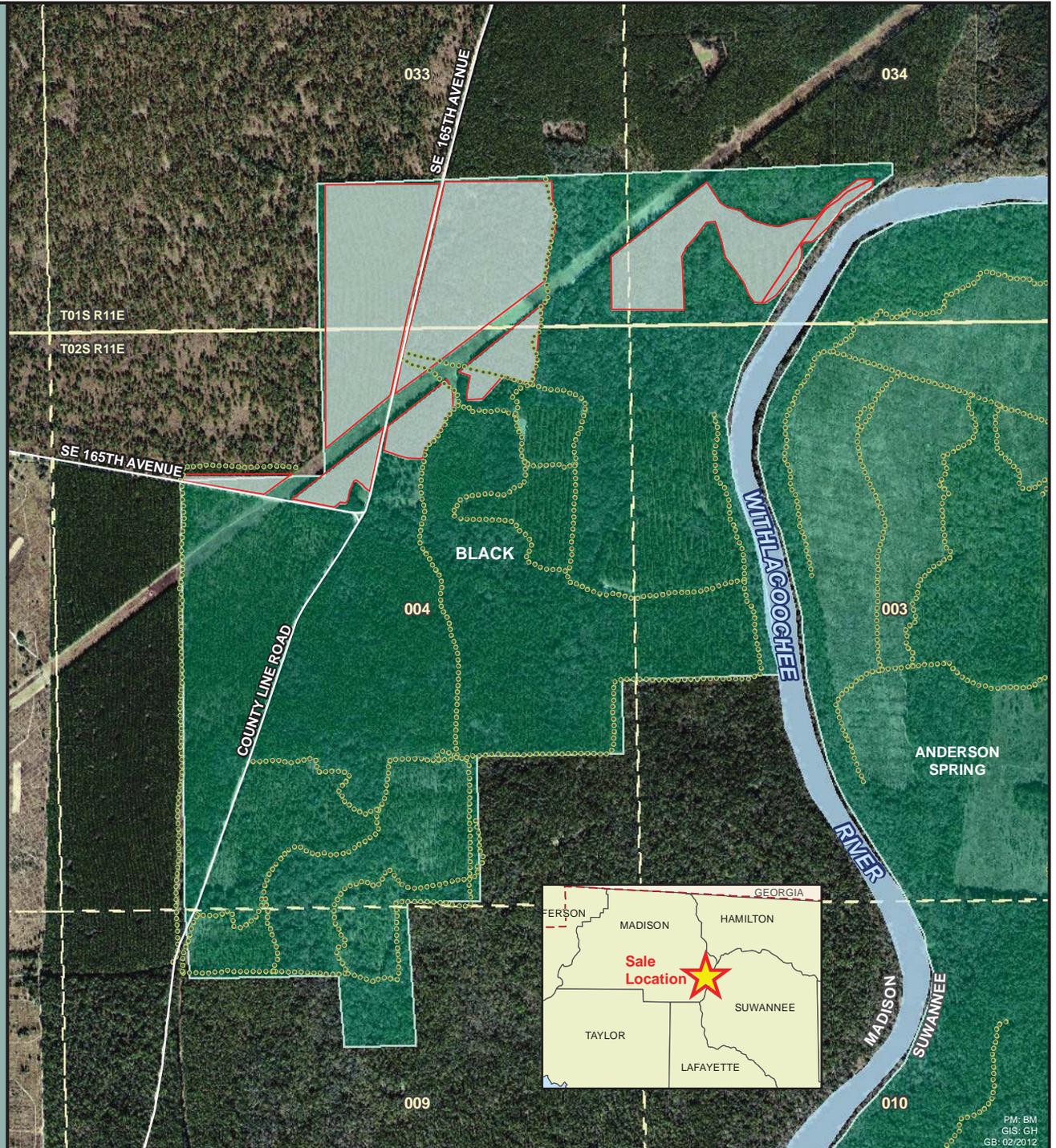
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Black Timber Sale #3 123.0 Acres Madison County, FL

-  Timber Sale Area
-  SRWMD Lands
-  SRWMD Admin Roads
-  Rivers & Streams



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board
FROM: Bob Heeke, Sr. Land Resources Manager
DATE: January 26, 2012
RE: License to Cut Timber with Williams Timber, Inc., for the Goose Pasture #1 Timber Sale

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Governing Board authorize the Executive Director to execute a license to cut timber with Williams Timber, Inc., for the Goose Pasture #1 Timber Sale.

BACKGROUND

Staff requested bids for the Goose Pasture #1 Timber Sale due on January 5, 2012. This is a 5th row thinning with selective thinning of the other rows on a 181-acre slash pine plantation in Jefferson County. Six responses were received, as listed below. The calculated revenues from the bid are shown.

<u>Company</u>	<u>Calculated Bid Total</u>
Williams Timber	\$99,295.06
Greenville Timber	\$91,904.47
M. A. Rigoni	\$87,318.83
Boland Timber	\$82,014.35
H. B. Tuten	\$73,788.80
Canal Wood	\$70,164.74

Williams Timber, Inc., bid \$13.77/ton for pine pulpwood and \$17.57/ton for chip-n-saw on this per unit sale. Total revenue from this sale should be between \$90,755 and \$107,834. Using the volume estimates produced by the forestry consultant by timber product, the anticipated revenue is \$99,295.

Headquarters for Williams Timber, Inc., is in Perry, Florida. The company's principals are Bradley Williams, Fred M. Williams Jr., Angie B. Williams and Velinda A. Williams.

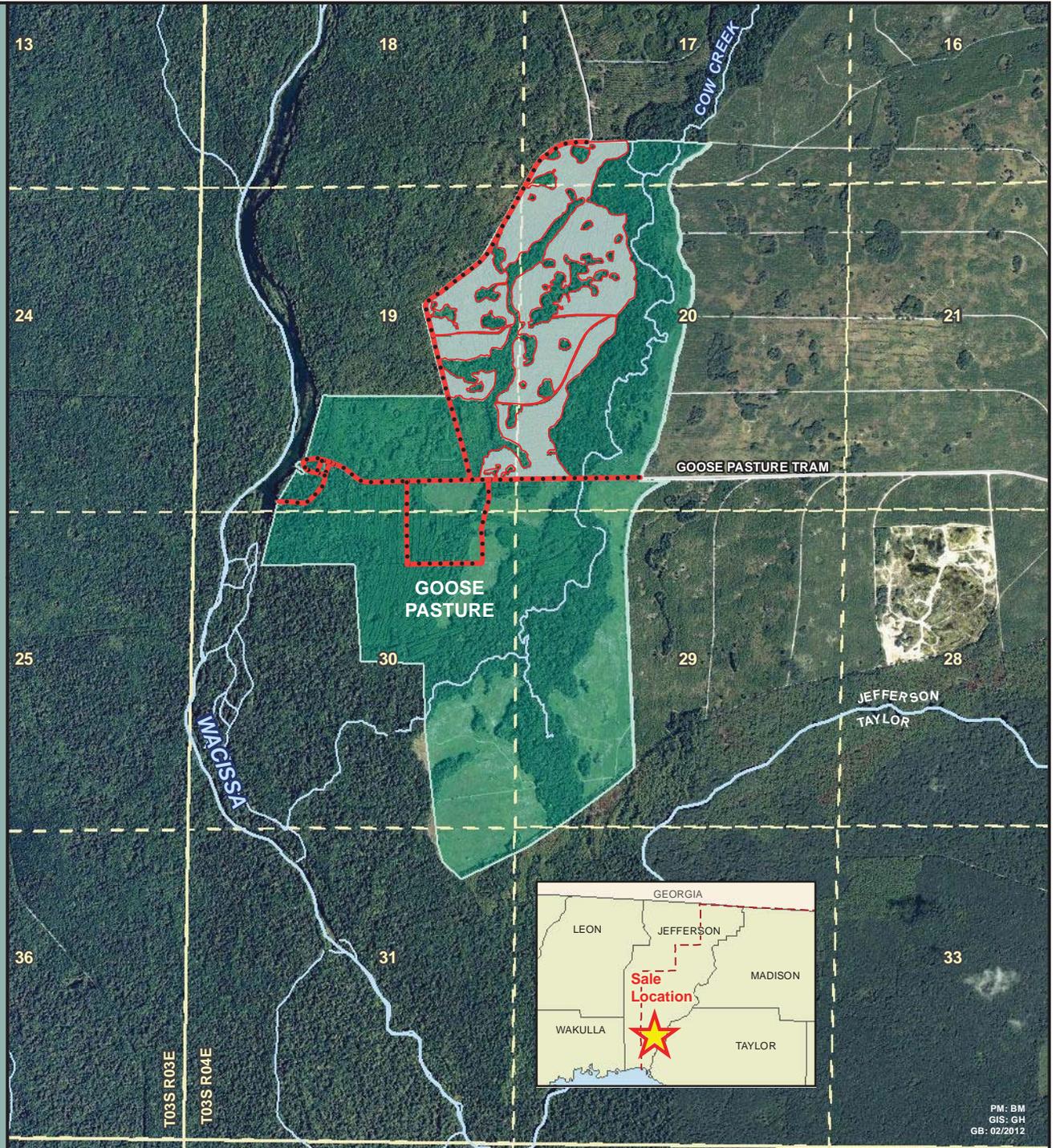
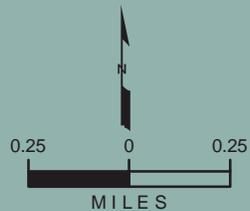
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Goose Pasture Timber Sale #1 180 Acres Jefferson County, FL

-  Timber Sale Area
-  SRWMD Lands
-  SRWMD Public Roads
-  Rivers & Streams



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board
FROM: Bob Heeke, Sr. Land Resources Manager
DATE: January 26, 2012
RE: License to Cut Timber with Greenville Timber Corporation for the Jerry Branch #1 Timber Sale

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Governing Board authorize the Executive Director to execute a license to cut timber with Greenville Timber Corporation for the Jerry Branch #1 Timber Sale.

BACKGROUND

Staff requested bids for the Jerry Branch #1 Timber Sale due on January 5, 2012. This is a 5th row thinning with selective thinning of the other rows on a 69-acre slash pine plantation in Hamilton County. An additional 15 acres will also be harvested if conditions allow. The 15 acres is in close proximity to the buffer zone of the Suwannee River and harvesting will not be attempted here if the site gets wet. Four responses were received, as listed below. The calculated revenues from the bid are shown.

<u>Company</u>	<u>Calculated Bid Total</u>
Greenville Timber Corp.	\$40,236.85
North Florida Timber	\$38,270.23
Harley Forest Products	\$37,752.33
Canal Wood	\$37,183.74

Greenville Timber Corporation bid \$14.42/ton for pine pulpwood and \$16.36/ton for chip-n-saw on this per unit sale. Total revenue from this sale should be between \$34,322 and \$46,151. Using the volume estimates by timber product developed by the forestry consultant, the anticipated revenue is \$40,236.

The headquarters for Greenville Timber Corporation is in Madison, Florida. The company's principals are Matthew G. Webb, William G. Webb and James A. Chamblin.

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Jerry Branch Timber Sale #1 217 Acres Hamilton County, FL

-  Timber Sale Area
-  SRWMD Lands
-  SRWMD Public Roads
-  SRWMD Admin Roads
-  Rivers & Streams



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board
FROM: Bob Heeke, Sr. Land Resources Manager
DATE: January 26, 2012
RE: License to Cut Timber with Greenville Timber Corporation for the
Steinhatchee Springs #9 Timber Sale

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Governing Board authorize the Executive Director to execute a license to cut timber with Greenville Timber Corporation for the Steinhatchee Springs #9 Timber Sale.

BACKGROUND

Bids for the Steinhatchee Springs #9 Timber Sale were due January 10, 2012. This timber sale is 212 acres of planted slash pine in Lafayette County, Florida (estimated to have been planted in 1990). Trees to be cut shall include every 5th row with selective thinning of the other rows on 197 acres and every 4th row with selective thinning of the other rows on 15 acres. Seven responses were received. The calculated revenues from the bid are shown below:

<u>Company</u>	<u>Calculated Bid Total</u>
Greenville Timber Corp	\$197,662.80
Harley Forest Products	\$193,685.30
Williams Timber	\$192,372.20
M. A. Rigoni	\$177,235.40
H. B. Tuten	\$177,091.00
Canal Wood	\$172,622.00
Van Aernam Timber	\$164,885.00

Greenville Timber Corporation bid \$13.98/ton for pine pulpwood; \$13.98/ton for chip-n-saw, and \$27.60/ton for pine sawtimber on this per unit sale. Total revenue from this sale should be between \$168,606 and \$226,719. Using the volume estimates by timber product developed by the forestry consultant, the anticipated revenue is \$197,662.

The headquarters for Greenville Timber Corporation is in Madison, Florida. The company's principals are Matthew G. Webb, William G. Webb and James A. Chamblin.

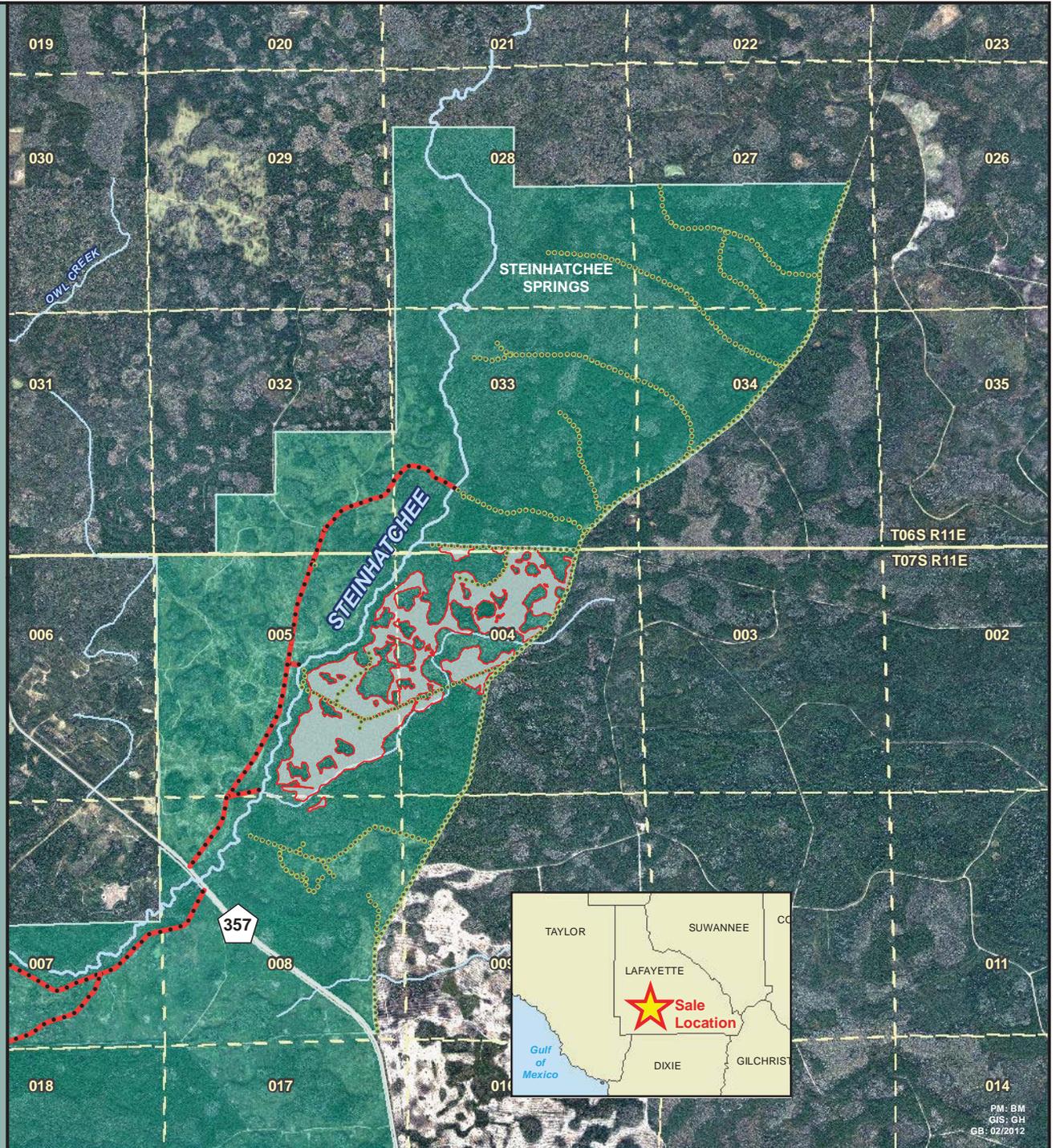
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Steinhatchee Springs Timber Sale #9 217 Acres Lafayette County, FL

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board

FROM: Tim Sagul, Senior Professional Engineer

DATE: January 26, 2012

RE: Adoption of Governing Board Directive Number GBD12-0001
Regarding Assisting Agricultural Water Users with Water Use
Monitoring and Initiation of Rule Development to Require Automated
Monitoring and Telemetry of Water Use Data

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Governing Board adopt directive number GBD12-0001 regarding assisting agricultural water users with water use monitoring and authorize staff to initiate rule development to require automated monitoring and telemetry of water use data from wells with an inside diameter greater than six inches and on surfacewater withdrawals greater than 0.5 million gallons per day (MGD).

BACKGROUND

Staff has developed a proposal to assist agricultural water users with monitoring wells with an inside diameter greater than six inches or on surfacewater withdrawals of greater than 0.5 MGD. Staff proposes to implement monitoring on new withdrawal points as the District issues new or modified water use permits and on existing withdrawal points as the District renews water use permits.

The proposed directive (copy attached) provides a voluntary approach for agricultural water users. The directive will work in tandem with permit conditions to ensure water users transmit water use data to the District with telemetry according to District data protocols. Staff will need to develop rules to implement monitoring requirements in permit conditions for all water users.

Staff proposes to monitor pump run time on each withdrawal point and use this information to estimate withdrawals on systems that do not have variable flow capability, such as single well-single pivot pairs. On systems with zoned

irrigation that will have variable flow rates, flow sensors will be used to get more accurate estimates than timers can provide. Withdrawal estimates are important for water supply assessment, regional water supply planning, minimum flows and levels impact assessment, and groundwater and surfacewater modeling.

Staff proposes to monitor individual withdrawal points and not aggregate withdrawals on a permit-by-permit basis. Pump run time data will be available for the public if requested under Chapter 119, Florida Statutes.

Pending Governing Board approval of initiation of rule development, staff will follow the rule adoption steps in the table below.

GB Rule Development Authorization	February 14, 2012
Notice of Rule Development	February 29, 2012
GB Proposed Rule Authorization	May 2012
Send to OFARR	May 2012
Notice of Proposed Rule	June 2012
Send to JAPC	June 2012
Mail to DOS (tentative)	July 2012
Effective Date (tentative)	August 2012

Staff proposes to implement the Directive this fiscal year for any agricultural water users that want to participate on voluntary basis, subject to budget constraints.

/dd

SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

GOVERNING BOARD DIRECTIVE

Directive No.: GBD12-0001

Date Approved: February 14, 2012

Subject: Automated Monitoring of Agricultural Water Use

Approval: _____
Don Quincey, Chairman

Ray Curtis, Secretary

1.0 Reference to Prior Directive

There are no prior versions of this Directive.

2.0 Purpose and Intent

The purpose of this Directive is to establish process and criteria for providing a District-owned system for estimating and reporting agricultural water use with automated equipment and telemetry. The intent of this Directive is to offer the District-owned system to agricultural water users on a voluntary basis as a convenient, unobtrusive, “turnkey” alternative to users’ having to record, compile, and transmit information. It is further the intent of this Directive that water use data collected and reported to the District be used for estimation of water use only and not be used to determine compliance with permit conditions. Since the data are intended for planning for future water availability, it is necessary to maintain a consistent and defensible method of scientifically-valid and verifiable data reporting and quality control/quality assurance. The intent of the Directive is to maximize the verifiability and continuity of water use data while minimizing labor and cost of all parties to record, report, and enter the data.

3.0 Definitions

- a) **Agricultural Water Use:** the use of water for crop production or the growing of farm products including vegetables, pasture, livestock, sod, or other cash crops, waste management or water for washing livestock. It includes soil flooding for pest control or soil preservation, and freeze protection and product washing.
- b) **Calibration:** The verification of estimated flow rate using a flowmeter of known accuracy.
- c) **Chemigation:** The application of pesticides through an irrigation system.
- d) **Datalogger:** An electronic device which receives input from an external sensor and records the data as a time series.
- e) **Fertigation:** The application of fertilizer through an irrigation system.

- f) Flowmeter: An instrument used to measure, directly or indirectly, the volume of flow per unit time through a pipe.
- g) Flow Sensor: An instrument used to detect the presence or absence of flow through a pipe.
- h) Pressure Sensor: A device used to detect the presence or absence of water pressure in a pipe, or the presence of water pressure above or below an adjustable threshold.
- i) Telemetry: The transmittal of data over distance via radio, wireless modem, telephone, internet network transmission, or satellite radio.
- j) Wireless modem: an electronic device that transmits data via a wireless network service provider to the internet.
- k) Withdrawal: removal of water from an aquifer or surfacewater body.

4.0 Elements of Directive

A. System Ownership and Applicability

1. The District shall purchase, install, operate, and maintain instrumentation to estimate daily water withdrawal for agricultural use. Any maintenance shall occur during normal business hours with advance notice of water user.
2. Instrumentation shall be installed on wells of greater than 6 inches inner diameter water bearing casing, and on surfacewater withdrawals of greater than 0.5 MGD, when such withdrawals are part of a new permit, new withdrawals submitted as a permit modification, or renewal of a water use permit.

B. Instrumentation

1. For systems where one withdrawal point supplies a delivery system in which flow rate varies less than 10% during operation, the instrumentation shall consist of a pressure sensor capable of being set to a minimum threshold operating pressure. When the operating pressure is reached, the pressure sensor status will be read by a datalogger which will record the duration of pressure sensor activation. The datalogger will report a time series of event-based operation status once per day.
 - a. For systems meeting the above criteria, a ¼-inch Iron Pipe Size threaded port between the pump outlet and the backflow preventer or check valve should be provided by the user. The access port must provide a clean water pressure source and be upstream of any chemigation or fertigation injection port or any valve that prevents flow of effluent back into the well in systems where reclaimed effluent is applied through the irrigation system.
2. For systems in which flow rate can vary by more than 10% for a single pump, or in which multiple pumps are installed in a network, a flowmeter shall be necessary.
3. The District may, at its discretion, remove and redeploy monitoring equipment if the usage is less than 0.25 million gallons per day averaged over 365 days for two consecutive years.
4. For continuously pressurized systems where the flow rate over multiple delivery systems varies less than 10%, a flow sensor may be required. Typical installations will require a clean-water port upstream of any chemigation or effluent delivery and sufficient straight runs of pipe upstream and downstream of the port according to manufacturer's recommendations.
5. For systems requiring the installation of a flowmeter, the appropriate type of meter shall be determined by District staff in conjunction with the user prior to system installation. Inline meters may be necessary in the event less-invasive meters are not feasible. Typical installations will require a clean-water port upstream of any chemigation or effluent delivery

and sufficient straight runs of pipe upstream and downstream of the port according to manufacturer's recommendations.

C. Data Acquisition

1. The number of units and configuration will determine the type of telemetry. It is the District's intent to reduce telemetry costs as much as possible through aggregation of reporting units and minimization of data file size. In many cases, telemetry for one or more dataloggers will be provided by a single cellular modem. If multiple units are within datalogger spread-spectrum radio distance, units will transmit by radio to a central hub that will transmit all the data with a single modem. Data plans are a minimum of \$10 per month, but may be more if a large number of units create data files that exceed this minimum data plan. If the user has internet within radio-distance of the monitored units, District and user may opt for uploading files via the user's internet connection thus eliminating the need for a cellular modem and data plan. Daily data file size will be typically less than 10 KB.

D. Data Management

1. Withdrawal points shall be identified by an individual site identifier and not by permit number.
2. A flow calibration check will be performed by District staff within one year of system installation using a non-invasive flowmeter, and at least once every 3 years during operation. An estimate of system yield will be used until calibration data is acquired.
3. Daily withdrawal will be computed using District software by multiplying the daily run-time derived from the status report by the estimated or measured flow rate.

E. Cost Share and Maintenance Agreements

1. For each agricultural water user electing to implement this Directive, staff shall execute an agreement with the water user incorporating the terms and conditions of this Directive. The agreement will include one of the following cost-share options:
 - a. The water user shall pay, on an annual basis, 25% of the initial equipment outlay plus 50% of the data plan cost. A basic setup for one well with time-based monitoring would cost approximately \$450 annually, or:
 - b. The water user shall pay a one-time of cost of 75% of initial equipment cost plus 4 years of data plan cost. A basic setup for one well with time-based monitoring would cost approximately \$1,600 under this plan.
2. Implementation of this Directive will be limited to the availability of funds in the approved budget each fiscal year. The District will provide equipment on a first-come, first-served basis each year up to the limits of the approved budget.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board

FROM: Tim Sagul, Senior Professional Engineer

DATE: January 26, 2012

RE: Denial of General Works of the District Permit Application Number 07-0542M, Jerry Barnes District Floodway Project Modification, Lafayette County

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Governing Board authorize denial, without prejudice, of General Works of the District Permit application number 07-0542M, to Jerry Barnes, for Jerry Barnes District Floodway Project Modification, Lafayette County.

BACKGROUND

The application was received on August 17, 2011. District staff mailed a Request for Additional Information (RAI) on September 8, 2011. There was no response to this RAI. District staff mailed a letter on December 14, 2011, requesting that the information be submitted in 18 days. There has been no response to this request.

Staff inspected the site on January 11, 2012. There has been no construction on this project.

TS/rl

January 26, 2012

Jerry Barnes
24271 Highway 247
O'Brien, FL 32071

Subject: Denial of ERP07-0542M, Jerry Barnes District Floodway
Project Modification, Lafayette County

Dear Mr. Barnes:

Suwannee River Water Management District (District) staff proposes to recommend to the Governing Board that your project be denied without prejudice. Staff intends to recommend denial of this permit application because of failure to supply information necessary to complete the application.

This proposed action is subject to final decision of the Governing Board at their regularly scheduled meeting on February 14, 2012, which is open to the public.

Persons considered to be affected by this proposed agency action may request an administrative hearing. The request must be written and must adhere to the requirements of Chapter 28-106, Florida Administrative Code. Please see the enclosed Notice of Rights. All requests for administrative hearings shall be sent to the District at 9225 County Road 49, Live Oak, Florida 32060. Please call permitting staff at 386.362.1001 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Tim Sagul, P. E.
Senior Professional Engineer

TS/rl

Enclosure

cc: Lafayette County Board of Commissioners
Jones Fencing

Certified Mail Receipt Number: 7010 1060 0001 1350 2465

NOTICE OF RIGHTS

1. A person whose substantial interests are or may be determined has the right to request an administrative hearing by filing a written petition with the Suwannee River Water Management District (District), or may choose to pursue mediation as an alternative remedy under Section 120.569 and 120.573, Florida Statutes, before the deadline for filing a petition. Choosing mediation will not adversely affect the right to a hearing if mediation does not result in a settlement. The procedures for pursuing mediation are set forth in Sections 120.569 and 120.57 Florida Statutes. Pursuant to Rule 28-106.111, Florida Administrative Code, the petition must be filed at the office of the District Clerk at District Headquarters, 9225 C.R. 49, Live Oak, Florida 32060 within twenty-one (21) days of receipt of written notice of the decision or within twenty-one (21) days of newspaper publication of the notice of District decision (for those persons to whom the District does not mail actual notice). A petition must comply with Chapter 28-106, Florida Administrative Code.
2. If the Governing Board takes action which substantially differs from the notice of District decision to grant or deny the permit application, a person whose substantial interests are or may be determined has the right to request an administrative hearing or may chose to pursue mediation as an alternative remedy as described above. Pursuant to Rule 28-106.111, Florida Administrative Code, the petition must be filed at the office of the District Clerk at District Headquarters, 9225 C.R. 49, Live Oak, Florida 32060 within twenty-one (21) days of receipt of written notice of the decision or within twenty-one (21) days of newspaper publication of the notice of District decision (for those persons to whom the District does not mail actual notice). Such a petition must comply with Chapter 28-106, Florida Administrative Code.
3. A substantially interested person has the right to a formal administrative hearing pursuant to Section 120.569 and 120.57(1), Florida Statutes, where there is a dispute between the District and the party regarding an issue of material fact. A petition for formal hearing must comply with the requirements set forth in Rule 28-106.201, Florida Administrative Code.
4. A substantially interested person has the right to an informal hearing pursuant to Section 120.569 and 120.57(2), Florida Statutes, where no material facts are in dispute. A petition for an informal hearing must comply with the requirements set forth in Rule 28-106.301, Florida Administrative Code.
5. A petition for an administrative hearing is deemed filed upon receipt of the petition by the Office of the District Clerk at the District Headquarters in Live Oak, Florida.
6. Failure to file a petition for an administrative hearing within the requisite time frame shall constitute a waiver of the right to an administrative hearing pursuant to Rule 28-106.111, Florida Administrative Code.

NOTICE OF RIGHTS

7. The right to an administrative hearing and the relevant procedures to be followed is governed by Chapter 120, Florida Statutes, and Chapter 28-106, Florida Administrative Code.
8. Pursuant to Section 120.68, Florida Statutes, a person who is adversely affected by final District action may seek review of the action in the District Court of Appeal by filing a notice of appeal pursuant to the Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure, within 30 days of the rendering of the final District action.
9. A party to the proceeding before the District who claims that a District order is inconsistent with the provisions and purposes of Chapter 373, Florida Statutes, may seek review of the order pursuant to Section 373.114, Florida Statutes, by the Florida Land and Water Adjudicatory Commission, by filing a request for review with the Commission and serving a copy of the Department of Environmental Protection and any person named in the order within 20 days of adoption of a rule or the rendering of the District order.
10. For appeals to the District Courts of Appeal, a District action is considered rendered after it is signed on behalf of the District, and is filed by the District Clerk.
11. Failure to observe the relevant time frames for filing a petition for judicial review, or for Commission review, will result in waiver of the right to review.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing Notice of Rights has been sent by U.S. Mail to:

Jerry Barnes
24271 Highway 247
O'Brien, FL 32071

At 4:00 p.m. this _____ day of _____, _____

Deputy Clerk
Suwannee River Water Management District
9225 C.R. 49
Live Oak, Florida 32060
386.362.1001 or 800.226.1066 (Florida only)

STAFF REPORT

WORKS OF THE DISTRICT PERMIT APPLICATION

DATE: January 26, 2012

PROJECT: Jerry Barnes District Floodway Project Modification

APPLICANT:

Jerry Barnes
24271 Highway 247
O'Brien, FL 32071

PERMIT APPLICATION NO.:ERP07-0542M

DATE OF APPLICATION: 08/17/11

APPLICATION COMPLETE: N/A

DEFAULT DATE: N/A

Recommended Agency Action

Staff recommends denial, without prejudice, of the Works of the District permit application because the applicant did not supply the information necessary to complete the application.

Project Review Staff

Leroy Marshall II, P.E., Senior Professional Engineer, reviewed the project.

Project Location

The proposed project is within Township 6 South, Range 14 East, Section 17, near the town of Branford, in Lafayette County. The project site is located between Gold Dust Road and the Suwannee River upstream of the Highway 27 Bridge.

Project Description

The proposed project consisted of the construction of a seawall along the Suwannee River.

Site inspection to ensure project was not constructed

Staff inspected the project site on January 11, 2012. There has been no construction on this project.

BRANFORD BEND



 Project Boundary

Jerry Barnes District Floodway Modification

ERP07-0542M

February 2012



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board

FROM: Tim Sagul, Senior Professional Engineer

DATE: January 26, 2012

RE: Denial of General Environmental Resource Permit Application
Number 10-0212, Tri-County Hospital - Chiefland, Levy County

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Governing Board authorize denial, without prejudice, of General Environmental Resource Permit application number 10-0212, to Frank Schupp, for the Tri-County Hospital - Chiefland, Levy County.

BACKGROUND

The District received the application for a permit on September 15, 2011. Staff sent a request for additional information (RAI) on September 28, 2011. The deadline to respond to the RAI was December 27, 2011. Staff called the owner and engineer and left messages concerning the status of the project. The engineer called back but staff never received a response from the owner.

Staff inspected the site on January 10, 2012, after the applicant failed to respond. No construction has occurred.

TS/rl

January 26, 2012

Frank Schupp
Tri-County Hospital, LLC
1114 17th Ave South, Suite 205
Nashville, TN 37212

Subject: Denial of ERP10-0212, Tri-County Hospital – Chiefland, Levy
County

Dear Mr. Schupp:

Suwannee River Water Management District (District) staff proposes to recommend to the Governing Board that your project be denied without prejudice. Staff intends to recommend denial of this permit application because of failure to supply information necessary to complete the application.

This proposed action is subject to final decision of the Governing Board at their regularly scheduled meeting on February 14, 2012, which is open to the public.

Persons considered to be affected by this proposed agency action may request an administrative hearing. The request must be written and must adhere to the requirements of Chapter 28-106, Florida Administrative Code. Please see the enclosed Notice of Rights. All requests for administrative hearings shall be sent to the District at 9225 County Road 49, Live Oak, Florida 32060. Please call permitting staff at 386.362.1001 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Tim Sagul, P. E.
Senior Professional Engineer

TS/rl

Enclosure

cc: Levy County Board of Commissioners
Ingram Civil Engineering

Certified Mail Receipt Number: 7010 1060 0001 1350 2458

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10. For appeals to the District Courts of Appeal, a District action is considered rendered after it is signed on behalf of the District, and is filed by the District Clerk.
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing Notice of Rights has been sent by U.S. Mail to:

Frank Schupp
Tri-County Hospital, LLC
1114 17th Ave South, Suite 205
Nashville, TN 37212

At 4:00 p.m. this _____ day of _____, _____

Deputy Clerk
Suwannee River Water Management District
9225 C.R. 49
Live Oak, Florida 32060
386.362.1001 or 800.226.1066 (Florida only)

STAFF REPORT

ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCE PERMIT APPLICATION

DATE: January 26, 2012

PROJECT: Tri-County Hospital - Chiefland

APPLICANT:

Frank Schupp
Tri- County Hospital, LLC
1114 17th Avenue South, Suite 205
Nashville, TN 37212

PERMIT APPLICATION NO.: ERP10-0212
DATE OF APPLICATION: 09/15/11
APPLICATION COMPLETE: N/A
DEFAULT DATE: N/A

MANAGER/MEMBER DETAIL:

Peter Hofstra, Esq. 8640 Seminole Blvd. Seminole, FL 33772	Agent
Ameris Health Systems, LLC 1114 17th Avenue South, Suite 205 Nashville, TN 37212	Manager

Recommended Agency Action

Staff recommends the denial of the general Environmental Resource permit application because of failure to supply information necessary to complete the application.

Project Location

The project is located in the City of Chiefland within Levy County, Township 11 South, Range 14 East, Section 25.

Project Description

The proposed project consists of the construction of an-18.00 acre hospital site with 6.72 acres of impervious area.

Site inspection to ensure project was not constructed

Staff inspected the project site on January 10, 2012, and no construction had been started.



 Project Boundary

Chiefland Tri - County Hospital

ERP10-0212

February 2012



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board

FROM: Brian Kauffman, Senior Professional Engineer

DATE: January 26, 2012

RE: Approval of Florida Department of Transportation Mitigation Plan 2012-2016

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Governing Board approve the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) Mitigation Plan 2012-2016.

BACKGROUND

Florida Statute 373.4137 identifies an environmental mitigation process for transportation projects. The statute requires that mitigation for transportation projects be accomplished through regional, long-term planning instead of on a project-by-project basis. The statute also requires that FDOT fund the mitigation and the District carry out the plans.

Each year, FDOT submits a work plan to the District that identifies environmental impacts from planned transportation projects. District staff is required to develop a mitigation plan capable of securing all state and federal permits for the impacts. The mitigation plan must be updated each year for approval by the District's Governing Board.

This approved plan forms the basis of permit review by the District for state road projects during the year. Along with adequate mitigation, the District is also responsible for securing the Army Corps of Engineers permit, if applicable.

This year's plan lists no new projects but provides monitoring updates on existing projects and provides the status of ongoing projects that were listed in last year's plan. Location of impacts and additional mitigation information is in the attached report.

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**Florida Department of Transportation
Mitigation Plan**

2012 - 2016

**Suwannee River Water
Management District**

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In accordance with section 373.4137, Florida Statutes, the Suwannee River Water Management District (District) must develop and implement regional, long-range mitigation planning for wetland impacts associated with Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) projects.

As of December 2011 FDOT did not provide the District with any new projects that were not on last year's list.

A total of 16 wetland mitigation projects have been initiated since 1996, 12 of which have been completed and 4 projects which began last year and are in planning. The District has received a total of \$3,080,856 from FDOT for wetland mitigation activities.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Section 373.4137, Florida Statutes, states that environmental mitigation for the impact of transportation projects proposed by the FDOT can be more effectively achieved by regional, long-range mitigation planning rather than on a project-by-project basis. The statute sets forth specific language designed to provide funding to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) and the water management districts (WMDs) to develop mitigation to offset wetland impacts from FDOT road projects. The FDOT must submit to the WMDs an environmental impact inventory containing a list of projects with proposed wetland impacts. The list is published at least three years prior to plan construction. Based on the yearly inventory, WMD staff develops a mitigation plan capable of securing all local, regional, state, and federal permits for the proposed impacts.

The statute requires each WMD in consultation with the FDEP, the United States Army Corps of Engineers, and other appropriate federal, state, and local governments, to develop a mitigation plan for presentation to the Governing Boards of the WMD's for approval. Once the mitigation plan is approved, the WMDs issue permits for the work, apply for Army Corps of Engineers permits, and implement mitigation projects as outlined in the mitigation plan.

FDOT impacts in the District have or will occur in the river basins of the Santa Fe, Withlacoochee, Waccasassa, Steinhatchee, Fenholloway, Econfinia, and Suwannee Rivers (Figure 1). This mitigation plan is designed to provide in-kind mitigation for impacted wetlands within the same basin the impacts occur. The plan consists of one or more mitigation alternatives for each FDOT project (Figure 2). In some cases, alternatives include more than one mitigation project that, when taken together, yield an alternative that will offset the FDOT impacts and secure the appropriate permits.

Mitigation planning projects undertaken since February of 2004 have used the Uniform Mitigation Assessment Method, in accordance with chapter 62-345, F.A.C., to calculate the functional gain for each mitigation proposal. For these projects, the relative functional gain of the proposed mitigation is used in place of wetland mitigation ratios.

NEW MITIGATION PROJECTS

FDOT submitted no new construction projects requesting wetland mitigation to the District this year.

ONGOING MITIGATION PROJECTS

- 1) FDOT Project: US 27 Bridge Replacements over Fenholloway River
Mitigation Project: In planning.

Replacement of US 27 bridge across Fenholloway River in Taylor County. Project will impact approximately 2.0 acres of wetlands. The District will purchase mitigation credits from the San Pedro Bay Mitigation Bank.

- 2) FDOT Project: SR 51 Bridge Replacement over Kettle Creek
Mitigation Project: In planning.

Replacement of SR 51 Bridge over Kettle Creek in Lafayette County. Project will impact approximately 1.0 acres of wetlands. The District will purchase mitigation credits from the San Pedro Bay Mitigation Bank.

- 3) FDOT Project: CR 326 Bridge Replacement over Wacasassa River
Mitigation Project: In planning.

Replacement of CR 326 bridge across Wacasassa River in Levy County. Project will impact approximately 1.5 acres of wetlands. Mitigation project will be conducted on District-owned Devil's Hammock Tract. At the present time, there is no mitigation bank available in this basin.

- 4) FDOT Project: US 221 Bridge Replacement over Econfina River
Mitigation Project: In planning.

Replacement of US 221 bridge over Econfina River in Taylor County. Project will impact approximately 1.5 acres of wetlands. The District will purchase mitigation credits from the San Pedro Bay Mitigation Bank.

COMPLETED MITIGATION PROJECTS

AUCILLA RIVER BASIN

- 1) FDOT Project: US 98 Aucilla Bridge Replacement
Mitigation Project: San Pedro Bay Mitigation Bank

Replacement of US 98 bridge across Aucilla River impacted 5.7 acres of wetlands. Mitigation included purchase of mitigation credits from San Pedro Bay Mitigation Bank.

Mitigation credits (0.87 units) were purchased in November 2010. District received \$43,500 from FDOT.

UPPER SUWANNEE RIVER BASIN

- 1) FDOT Project: CR 143 Road Widening
Mitigation Project: Woods Ferry Hydrologic Enhancements

Widening of CR 143 in Hamilton County from CR 146 to I-75 impacted approximately 1.23 acres of wetlands. District contracted with consultants to identify, evaluate, and construct mitigation activities within District-owned Woods Ferry Tract in Suwannee County. Mitigation involved hydrologic enhancement of seven wetland sites by improving drainage features to restore natural water flow. Mitigation activities were completed in November 2006. District received \$110,970 from FDOT. Evaluation of mitigation success was conducted by Jones, Edmunds and Associates in 2010 and shown to have met mitigation requirements.

WACCASSASSA RIVER BASIN

- 1) FDOT Project: SR 24 Widening from U.S. 19 to Rosewood
Mitigation Project: Devil's Hammock Hydrological Enhancement and Preservation

Widening of SR 24 in Levy County impacted 9.95 acres of wetlands. The District contracted with consultants to identify, evaluate, and construct mitigation activities within District-owned Devils Hammock in Levy County. Mitigation provided hydrologic enhancement of multiple wetland sites by improving drainage features to restore natural water flow. Mitigation activities were completed in January 2007. District received \$180,913 from FDOT. Evaluation of mitigation success was conducted by Jones, Edmunds and Associates in 2010 and shown to have met mitigation requirements.

- 2) FDOT Project: US 27 Widening
Mitigation:
 1. Cedar Key Water Quality Restoration Project
 2. Cow Creek Road Restoration
 3. Wetland Preservation

Widening of US 27 from Chiefland to Bronson impacted 23.0 acres of wetlands. Mitigation involved improvements to the Cedar Key storm water system to prevent discharge of sediments, nutrients, bacteria, and heavy metals into the Gulf of Mexico. In addition, natural water flow into wetlands was restored within the Goethe State Park, and approximately 1,000 acres of wetlands in Levy County were preserved by conservation easements to the District. Mitigation activities were completed in May 2007. District received \$1,713,490 from FDOT. Mitigation success will be evaluated in 2012.

SANTA FE BASIN

- 1) FDOT Project: US 441 Santa Fe River Bridge Replacement
FDOT Project: SR 121 Santa Fe River Bridge Replacement
Mitigation Project: Alligator Lake Surface Water Improvement and Management (SWIM) Program

Replacement of the bridges impacted 2.3 acres of wetlands. Mitigation restored natural water flow between wetlands adjacent to Alligator Lake and Price Creek (both in Columbia County). Mitigation activities were completed in March 2001. District received \$60,000 from FDOT. Mitigation success will be evaluated in 2012.

- 2) FDOT Project: CR 231 Road Widening
Mitigation Project: Floodplain Restoration at San Felasco Hammock State Preserve

Widening of CR 231 in Union County between SR 100 and the Baker County line impacted 1.96 acres of wetlands. Mitigation restored natural water flow, and removal of exotic plant species within wetlands in San Felasco Hammock State Preserve (Alachua County). Construction activities were completed in August 2004, and exotic plant removal was completed in June 2011. District received \$166,476 from FDOT from FDOT. District received final report from FDEP in January 2011. Final inspection will be completed in 2012.

- 3) FDOT Project: CR 229 New River Bridge Replacement
Mitigation: Lake Rowell Tract Restoration/Enhancement

Replacement of CR 229 Bridge over the New River between Union and Bradford counties impacted 2.44 acres of wetlands. Mitigation restored natural water connections between Alligator Creek and Lake Rowell (both in Bradford County). District received \$180,214 from FDOT. Mitigation activities were completed in 2006. Mitigation success will be evaluated in 2012.

STEINHATCHEE RIVER BASIN

- 1) FDOT Project: SR 51 Road Widening Taylor County
Mitigation Project: Steinhatchee River Basin Hydrological Improvements

Widening of SR 51 impacted 3.5 acres of wetlands. Mitigation restored natural water connections for wetlands in District owned Steinhatchee Springs Tract. District received \$279,174 from FDOT. Mitigation success will be evaluated in 2012.

- 2) FDOT Project: SR 51 Road Widening, Taylor and Dixie Counties
Mitigation Project: San Pedro Bay Mitigation Bank

Widening of SR 51 in Dixie and Taylor Counties from the town of Steinhatchee to the Dixie/Lafayette County line impacted 1.27 acres of wetlands. Mitigation was purchase of mitigation credits from San Pedro Bay Mitigation Bank. District received \$10,200 from FDOT for mitigation. District purchased 0.6 mitigation credits from the San Pedro Bay Mitigation Bank in 2006.

WITHLACOOCHEE RIVER BASIN

- 1) FDOT Project: CR 53 Road Widening
Mitigation: West Farm Storm Water Facility Project

Widening of SR 53 impacted 1.6 acres of wetlands. Mitigation created wetland and lake habitat at the West Farm Storm Water Facility in Madison County. Mitigation activities were completed in March 2001. District received \$260,325 from FDOT. Mitigation success will be evaluated in 2012.

- 2) FDOT Project: SR 14 Widening
Mitigation Project: Cabbage Grove Wetland Enhancement

Widening of SR 14 between Interstate 10 and the Madison city limits impacted 0.89 acres of wetlands. Mitigation restored natural water flow in wetlands within District owned Cabbage Grove Tract in Taylor County. District received \$75,594 from FDOT. Project was completed in 2006. District conducted operation and maintenance improvements at this site in December 2011. Mitigation success will be evaluated in 2012.

Figure 1. General location of FDOT construction projects within SRWMD requiring wetland mitigation.

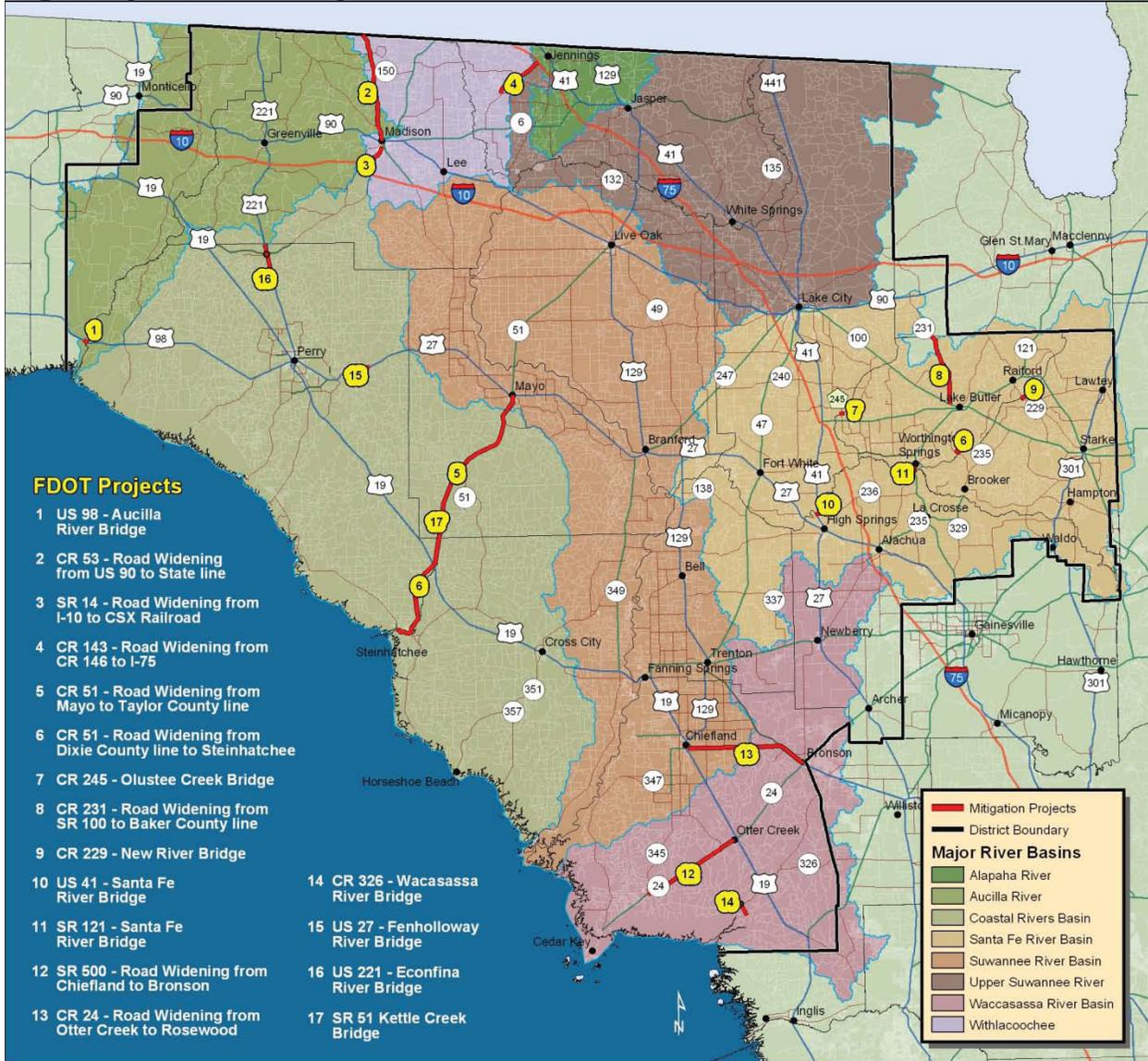
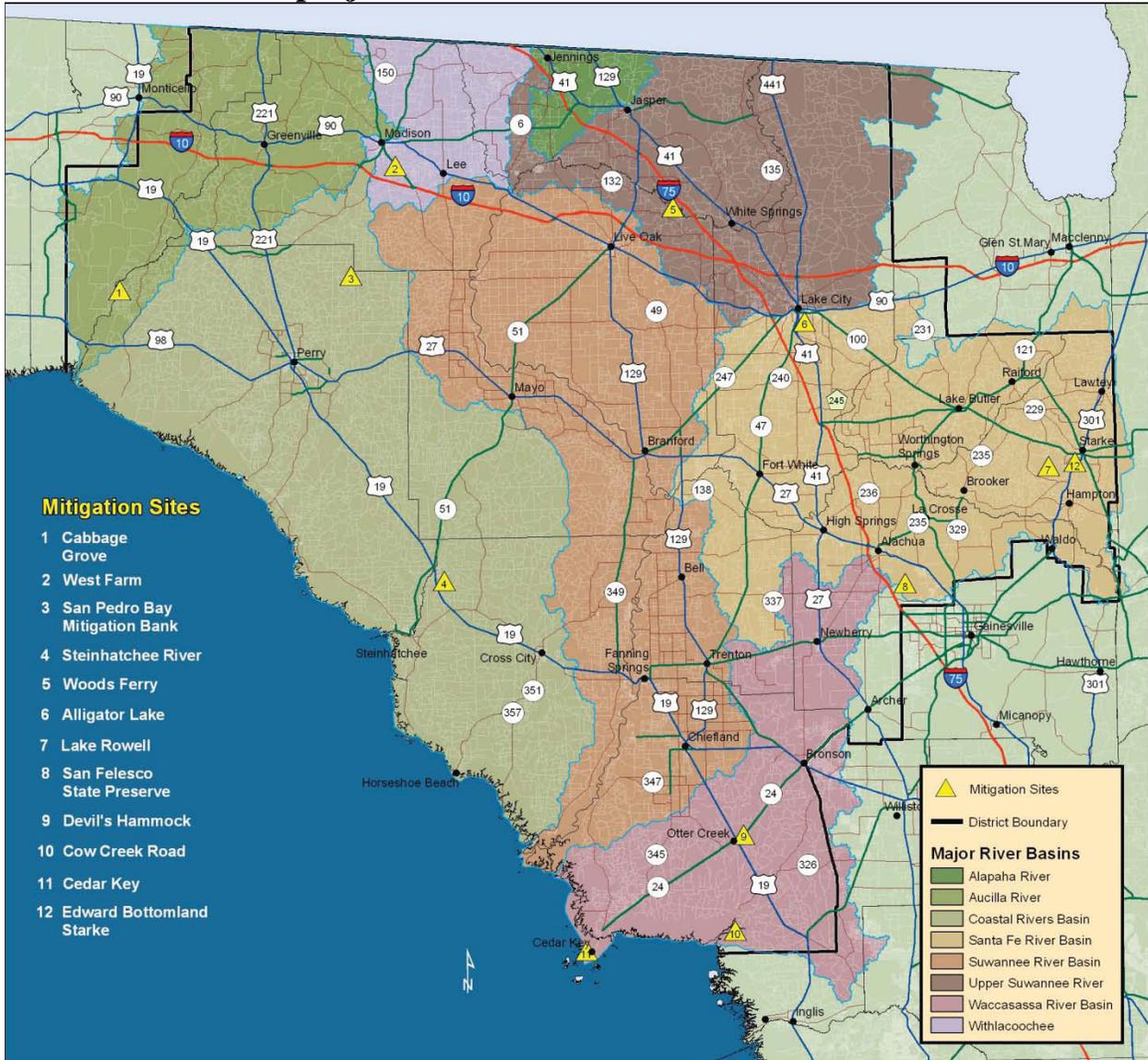


Figure 2. General location of wetland mitigation sites within SRWMD for FDOT construction projects.



<i>River Basin</i>	<i>FDOT Project Location</i>	<i>FDOT Work Number</i>	<i>ERP Number</i>	<i>Impact Acres</i>	<i>Wetland Type</i>	<i>Mitigation Project</i>
Aucilla	US 98 Aucilla River Bridge	2108732	10-0057	5.70	Forested	San Pedro Bay Mitigation Bank
Econfina	US 221 Econfina Bridge	4260731	TBD	1.50	Forested	San Pedro Bay Mitigation Bank
Fenholloway	US 27 Fenholloway Bridge	2108654	TBD	2.00	Forested	San Pedro Bay Mitigation Bank
Santa Fe	1. US 441/Santa Fe River Bridge	2110486	00-0067	1.00	Forested	Alligator Lake Surface Water Improvement and Management Program (SWIM)
	SR 121 Santa Fe River Bridge	2110344	99-0069	1.30	Forested	
	2. CR.231 Road Widening from S. R. 100 to the Baker County Line	2128801	02-0497	1.96	Forested	Cellon Creek Floodplain Restoration at San Felasco Hammock State Preserve
	3. CR. 229 New River Bridge	2128761	03-0089	2.44	Forested	Lake Rowell Tract Restoration/Enhancement
Steinhatchee	1. SR 51 Widening from Mayo to Taylor County Line	2100751 2100851	00-0600	3.50	Herbaceous	Restoration of areas impacted by silviculture activities on District property (Steinhatchee Falls)
	2. SR 51 Widening Steinhatchee to Dixie/Taylor County Line	2108502 2084662	05-0597	1.27	Herbaceous	San Pedro Bay Mitigation Bank
	3. SR 51 Kettle Creek Bridge	2100753	TBD	1.00	Forested	San Pedro Bay Mitigation Bank
Upper Suwannee	CR 143 Widening from CR 146 to I-75	2122181	05-0081	1.23	Herbaceous and Forested	Woods Ferry Hydrologic Enhancements
Waccasassa	1. US 27 Widening from Chiefland to Bronson	2117089	96-0039	23.00	Forested	A. Upgrade of storm water management system to improve water quality in Cedar Key
						B. Cow Creek restoration in Goethe State Forest
						C. Wetland preservation in Levy County
	2. SR 24 Widening from Otter Creek to Rosewood	210384	04-0477	9.95	Forested	Devil's Hammock Enhancement/ Restoration
3. CR 326 Waccasassa Bridge	4152491	TBD	1.50	Forested	Devil's Hammock Enhancement/ Restoration	
Withlacoochee	1. CR 53 Road Widening from US 90 to State Line	2117565	98-0041	1.60	Forested and Herbaceous	West Farm Storm water Project
	2. SR 14 Road Widening from I-10 to CSX Railroad	2105281	02-0528	0.90	Forested and Herbaceous	Cabbage Grove Wetland Enhancement

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board

FROM: Tim Sagul, Senior Professional Engineer

DATE: January 26, 2012

RE: Extension of Temporary Water Use Permit Number
2-11-00040, Loncala Dairies, Gilchrist County

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Governing Board extend Temporary Water Use Permit number 2-11-00040 until March 15, 2012, with seventeen standard conditions and eight special limiting conditions to Alliance Grazing Group in Gilchrist County.

BACKGROUND

The applicant requested a temporary permit on January 11, 2012, following the referral of the petition for administrative hearing to the Division of Administrative Hearings at the January 2012 Governing Board meeting.

Section 373.244, Florida Statutes(F.S.), allows the District to issue temporary permits while the application is pending. It also notes that, if granted, temporary permits shall expire on the day following the next regular meeting of the Governing Board. Additionally, the Governing Board shall review temporary permits at each regular meeting and may terminate a temporary permit or refuse to extend it further upon a finding that the water use does not meet the criteria set forth in District rule 40B-2.441, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.) that adverse effects are occurring as a result of water use under the temporary permit, or that the water authorized to be used under such permit is no longer required by the permit holder. If the Governing Board extends the term of a temporary permit for subsequent periods, the expiration date shall be on or before the day following the next regular meeting of the Governing Board.

Staff has determined that the temporary application is complete and satisfies the conditions for issuance in Chapter 40B-2, F.A.C., and Chapter 373, F.S.

KW/tm

January 26, 2012

Alliance Grazing Group
c/o Ron St. John
4951 NW 171st Street
Trenton, FL 32693

Subject: Approval of Temporary Water Use Permit Number
2-11-00040, Loncala Dairies, Gilchrist County

Dear Mr. St. John:

Suwannee River Water Management District (District) staff proposes to recommend that the Governing Board extend the above-mentioned temporary permit until March 15, 2012.

This proposed action is subject to final decision of the Governing Board at their regularly scheduled meeting on February 14, 2012, which is open to the public.

Please call permitting staff at 386.362.1001 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Jon Dinges, P. E.
Director, Water Supply & Resource Management

JD/tm

Enclosure

Certified Mail Receipt Number: 7010 1060 0001 1350 1833

STAFF REPORT

TEMPORARY WATER USE PERMIT

DATE: January 26, 2012

PROJECT: Loncala Dairies

APPLICANT: Alliance Grazing Group
4951 NW 170th Street
Trenton, FL 32693

PERMIT APPLICATION NO.: 2-11-00040
DATE OF APPLICATION: September 15, 2011
APPLICATION COMPLETE: September 15, 2011

PARTNERS:

R & M AG ENTERPRISES LLC 4951 NW 170 th Street Trenton, FL 32693	PIEDMONT DAIRIES, INC. 569 Edgewood Avenue South Jacksonville, FL 32205
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MANAGER/MEMBER DETAIL: R & M AG ENTERPRISES LLC

Ronald St. John, Jr. 4951 NW 170 th Street Trenton, FL 32693	MGR
Marcia A St. John 4951 NW 170 th Street Trenton, FL 32693	MGR

MANAGER/MEMBER DETAIL: PIEDMONT DAIRIES, INC.

William A McArthur 569 Edgewood Avenue South Jacksonville, FL 32205	MGR
Charles N Hendrix 569 Edgewood Avenue South Jacksonville, FL 32205	MGR

	Previous Quantities:		Proposed Quantities:	
Average Daily Rate (ADR)	-	mgd	2.4541	mgd

Recommended Agency Action

Staff recommends extension of Temporary Water Use Permit 2-11-00040 for the establishment of a row crop operation within Gilchrist County. The permit will include seventeen standard conditions and eight special limiting conditions. The temporary permit will expire on March 15, 2012.

Project Review Staff

Kevin Wright, P.E.; Ronald Spencer; and Tim Sagul, P.E., have reviewed the application.

Project Location

The withdrawal facilities are located in Township 09 South, Range 16 East, Sections 09, 10, and 22 in Gilchrist County. The project is located within the lower Santa Fe River basin.

Project Description

The project area consists of approximately 1,183 acres with approximately 976 acres being irrigated with 7 new center pivots supplied by groundwater. The applicant has applied to establish a row crop operation to support the other dairies associated with Alliance Grazing Group. The 7 pivots will have a crop rotation of spring corn, fall sorghum and winter cover crop.

The water use calculations are based upon the row crop irrigated acreage, crop rotation, and crop types provided by Alliance Grazing Group. All pivots will use the latest sprinkler packages. The Average Daily Rate (ADR) will be 2.4541 mgd. The ADR equates to 33.8 inches of supplemental irrigation annually. The temporary water use reflects a 1.3386 mgd reduction from the permit issued at the December 2011 Governing Board meeting. The reduction in permitted allocation is due to the dairy facilities not being constructed at this time.

The project will have 4 proposed irrigation wells. A list of wells can be found in the table on Attachment A.

Demonstration of Need

The applicant has provided information that supports the requested allocation, based upon crop types, crop rotation and irrigated acres.

Water Conservation

Alliance Grazing Group has completed the water conservation worksheets for the center pivot irrigation systems.

Harm Analysis

Staff determined through the SRWMD North Florida Model, version 1.0 and the Intra Adaptation of USGS Peninsular Florida Groundwater Flow Model, January 2011, that the proposed water use would not violate minimum flows and levels (MFLs) at any downstream MFL points established along the Suwannee River or its tributaries. However, a special limiting condition has been included in the permit for the District to seek a modification to the permit to assist in the recovery and/or prevention strategy associated with an adopted MFL.

Application Timeline

Staff recommended issuance of a 20-year permit at the December 13, 2011, Governing Board meeting. A petition requesting an Administrative Hearing was received on January 3, 2012. The Governing Board referred the petition to DOAH on January 10, 2012. The Executive Director issued the first temporary permit on January 19, 2012, with an expiration date of February 15, 2012.

Standard Conditions

1. Nothing in this permit should be construed to limit the authority of the Suwannee River Water Management District to declare a water shortage and issue orders pursuant to Section 373.175, Florida Statutes, (F.S.) or to formulate a rule for implementation during times of water shortage pursuant to Section 373.246, Florida Statutes. In the event of water shortage as declared by the Board, the permittee shall adhere to any limitations on withdrawal or use ordered by the District.
2. This permit is classified as unconfined Floridan aquifer for overhead irrigation.
3. Permittee shall allow District personnel at reasonable times and at District expense or with District equipment to monitor withdrawal rates and volumes authorized by this permit.
4. Capping of Withdrawals Not In Use: Any wells not in use, and in which pumping equipment is not installed shall be capped or valved in a water tight manner in accordance with Chapter 62-532.500(4)(a)4., F.A.C.

5. The permittee may apply for a permit modification at any time in accordance with Section 40B-2.331, F.A.C.
6. In the event of a District-declared water shortage, the permittee must immediately comply with any restrictions or requirements ordered in accordance with the District's Water Shortage Plan, Chapter 40B-21, F.A.C.
7. Permittee must mitigate interference with existing legal uses caused in whole or in part by the permittee's withdrawals, consistent with a District-approved mitigation plan. As necessary to offset such interference, mitigation may include, but is not limited to, reducing pumpage, replacing the existing legal user's withdrawal equipment, relocating wells, changing withdrawal source, supplying water to existing legal user, or other means needed to mitigate the impacts.
8. Permittee must mitigate harm to existing off-site land uses caused by the permittee's withdrawals. When harm occurs, or is imminent, the permittee must modify withdrawal rates or mitigate the harm.
9. Permittee must mitigate harm to the natural resources caused by the permittee's withdrawals. When harm occurs or is imminent, the permittee must modify withdrawal rates or mitigate the harm.
10. If any condition of the permit is violated, the permittee shall be subject to enforcement action pursuant to Chapter 373, F.S.
11. Authorized representatives of the District, upon reasonable notice to the permittee, shall be permitted to enter and inspect the permitted water use to determine compliance with the permit conditions.
12. This permit does not relieve the permittee from complying with any applicable local government, state, or federal law, rule, or ordinance.
13. This permit does not convey to the permittee any property rights or privileges other than those specified herein.
14. Permittee shall notify the District in writing within 90 days of any sale, conveyance, or other transfer of ownership or control of the real property on which the permitted water use activities are located. All water use permit transfers are subject to the requirements of section 40B-2.301, F.A.C.
15. Permittee must notify the District in writing prior to implementing any changes in the water use that may alter the permit allocations. Such changes include, but are not limited to, change in irrigated acreage, crop type, irrigation

system, water treatment method, or entry into one or more large water use agreements. In the event a proposed change will alter the allocation, permittee must first obtain a permit modification.

16. When the District provides a permanent identification tag, the tag shall be prominently displayed at the withdrawal site by permanently affixing such tag to the pump, headgate, valve, or other withdrawal facility. If the permit covers several facilities such as a well field, a tag shall be affixed to each facility. Failure to display a tag as prescribed herein shall constitute a violation of the permit. The permittee shall be allowed ten (10) days after the notice of violation of this section to obtain a replacement tag.

17. The District reserves the right to open this permit, following notice to the permittee, to include a permit condition prohibiting withdrawals for resource protection.

Special Limiting Conditions

18. All correspondence sent to the District regarding this permit must include the permit number 2-11-00040.

19. Consistent with condition nine, the Permittee shall mitigate harm to Waters Lake following notice from the District. Mitigation may include, but is not limited to reduction of withdrawals and relocation of wells.

20. The Permittee shall ensure that the irrigation systems will water target areas only under field operations. Irrigation of non-target areas (roads, woods, structures, etc.) is prohibited.

21. The Permittee shall implement and/or maintain the conservation practices selected on the water conservation worksheet(s) which are associated with this permit. Any new practices selected shall be implemented in one year from the date of permit issuance. Practices that involve scheduling methods or maintenance shall be documented. Documentation for implementation and/or maintenance shall be maintained on all practices and available upon request.

22. The issuance of this Temporary Water use Permit shall not in any way be construed as a commitment to issue a water use permit.

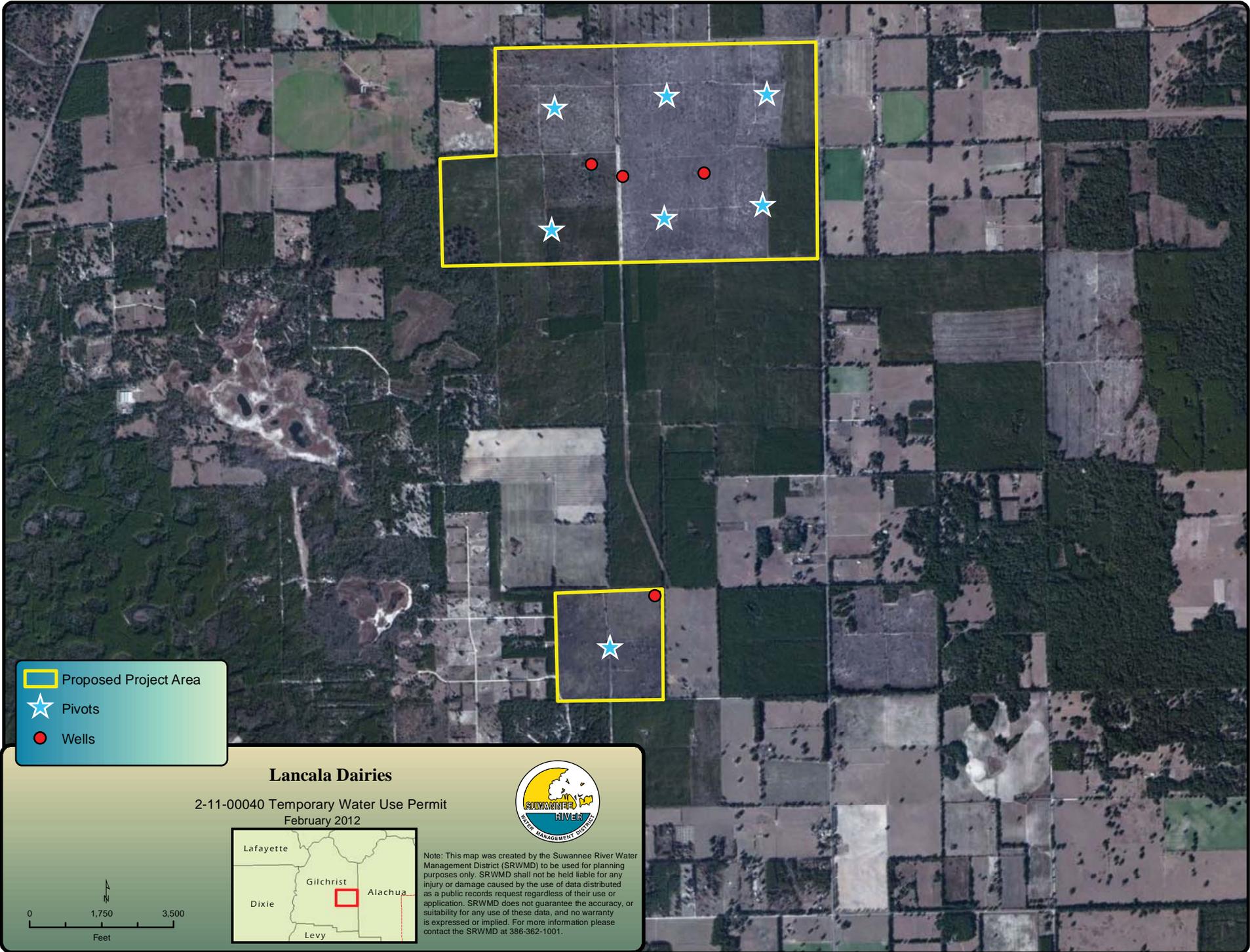
23. The permitted water withdrawal facilities consist of the table on Attachment A.

24. This temporary permit shall expire on March 15, 2012.

25. The Permittee shall submit a plan for monitoring groundwater withdrawals, at the Permittee's expense, within one year of issuance. This plan shall be implemented within one year after District approval. Reporting shall take place every three months and provided to the District on or before the fifteenth day of the following month.

Attachment A
2-11-00040
Loncala Dairies

Name	Status	Diameter	Capacity (gpm)	Water Use
Well A	Proposed	12	1600	Irrigation
Well B	Proposed	12	1600	Irrigation
Well C	Proposed	12	2000	Irrigation
Well G	Proposed	8	800	Irrigation



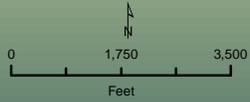
-  Proposed Project Area
-  Pivots
-  Wells

Lancala Dairies

2-11-00040 Temporary Water Use Permit
February 2012



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board

FROM: Tim Sagul, Senior Professional Engineer

DATE: January 26, 2012

RE: Extension of Temporary Water Use Permit Number
2-11-00041, Piedmont Dairy, Gilchrist County

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Governing Board extend Temporary Water Use Permit number 2-11-00041 until March 15, 2012, with seventeen standard conditions and seven special limiting conditions to Piedmont Dairy, Inc. in Gilchrist County.

BACKGROUND

The applicant requested a temporary permit on January 11, 2012 following the referral of the petition for administrative hearing to the Division of Administrative Hearings at the January 2012 Governing Board meeting.

Section 373.244, Florida Statutes (F.S.) allows the District to issue temporary permits while the application is pending. It also notes that, if granted, temporary permits shall expire on the day following the next regular meeting of the Governing Board. Additionally, the Governing Board shall review temporary permits at each regular meeting and may terminate a temporary permit or refuse to extend it further upon a finding that the water use does not meet the criteria set forth in District rule 40B-2.441, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.) that adverse effects are occurring as a result of water use under the temporary permit, or that the water authorized to be used under such permit is no longer required by the permit holder. If the Governing Board extends the term of a temporary permit for subsequent periods, the expiration date shall be on or before the day following the next regular meeting of the Governing Board.

Staff has determined that the temporary application is complete and satisfies the conditions for issuance in Chapter 40B-2, F.A.C., and Chapter 373, F.S.

KW/tm

January 26, 2012

Piedmont Farms, Inc.
569 Edgewood Avenue
Jacksonville, FL 32205

Subject: Approval of Temporary Water Use Permit Number
2-11-00041, Piedmont Dairy, Gilchrist County

Dear Mr. St. John:

Suwannee River Water Management District (District) staff proposes to recommend that the Governing Board extend the above-mentioned temporary permit until March 15, 2012.

This proposed action is subject to final decision of the Governing Board at their regularly scheduled meeting on February 14, 2012, which is open to the public.

Please call permitting staff at 386.362.1001 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Jon Dinges, P. E.
Director, Water Supply & Resource Management

JD/tm

Enclosure

cc: Ron St. John (4951 NW 171st Street, Trenton, FL 32693)
Certified Mail Receipt Number: 7010 1060 0001 1350 1840

STAFF REPORT

TEMPORARY WATER USE PERMIT

DATE: January 26, 2012

PROJECT: Piedmont Dairy

APPLICANT: Piedmont Farms, Inc.
569 Edgewood Avenue
Jacksonville, FL 32205

PERMIT APPLICATION NO.: 2-11-00041
DATE OF APPLICATION: September 15, 2011
APPLICATION COMPLETE: September 15, 2011

MANAGER/MEMBER DETAIL:

William A McArthur 569 Edgewood Ave. South Jacksonville, FL 32205	PD
Charles N Hendrix 569 Edgewood Ave. South Jacksonville, FL 32205	V
Ron St. John 4951 NW 170 th St Trenton, FL 32693	Agent

	Previous Quantities:		Proposed Quantities:	
Average Daily Rate (ADR)	1.7339*	mgd	2.6513	mgd

* Piedmont Farms, Inc., has elected to void its current permit (2-97-00077R*)

Recommended Agency Action

Staff recommends extension of Temporary Water Use Permit 2-11-00041 for the establishment of one new grazing dairy in conjunction with an existing dairy and associated irrigated acreage within Gilchrist County. Piedmont Farms, Inc. has elected to void its current permit (2-97-00077R) in order to consolidate both operations. The permit will include seventeen standard conditions and seven special limiting conditions. The temporary permit will expire on March 15, 2012.

Project Review Staff

Kevin Wright, P.E.; Ronald Spencer; and Tim Sagul, P.E., have reviewed the application.

Project Location

The withdrawal facilities are located in Township 09 South, Range 15 East, Sections 32, 33, and Township 10 South, Range 15 East, Sections 04, and 05 in Gilchrist County. The project is located within the lower Santa Fe River basin.

Project Description

The project area consists of approximately 1,967 acres with approximately 1,101 acres being irrigated with two existing center pivots and six new pivots supplied by groundwater and supplemented with wastewater. Piedmont Farms, Inc., will maintain the existing dairy and establish an additional grazing dairy within this property, milking approximately 2,880 cows with approximately 700 dry cows.

The water use calculations are based upon the provided irrigated acreage, crop rotation, crop types and livestock. All pivots will use the latest sprinkler packages. The Average Daily Rate (ADR) will be 2.6513 mgd. The ADR equates to 30.3 inches of supplemental irrigation annually (including cooling water) and an average of 46.8 gallons per day per head of cattle.

The project will have 6 existing wells and 4 proposed wells; seven wells for irrigation and three livestock wells. A list of wells can be found in the table on Attachment A.

Demonstration of Need

The applicant has provided information that supports the requested allocation, based upon crop types, crop rotation, irrigated acres, and number of livestock.

Water Conservation

Piedmont Dairy has completed the water conservation worksheets for center pivot irrigation and livestock.

Harm Analysis

Staff determined through the SRWMD North Florida Model, version 1.0, that the proposed water use would not violate minimum flows and levels (MFLs) at any downstream MFL points established along the Suwannee River or its tributaries. However, a special limiting condition has been included in the permit for the District to seek a modification to the permit to assist in the recovery and/or prevention strategy associated with an adopted MFL.

Application Timeline

Staff recommended issuance of a 20-year permit at the December 13, 2011, Governing Board meeting. A petition requesting an Administrative Hearing was received on January 3, 2012. The Governing Board referred the petition to DOAH on January 10, 2012. The Executive Director issued the first temporary permit on January 19, 2012, with an expiration date of February 15, 2012.

Standard Conditions

1. Nothing in this permit should be construed to limit the authority of the Suwannee River Water Management District to declare a water shortage and issue orders pursuant to Section 373.175, Florida Statutes, (F.S.) or to formulate a rule for implementation during times of water shortage pursuant to Section 373.246, Florida Statutes. In the event of water shortage as declared by the Board, the permittee shall adhere to any limitations on withdrawal or use ordered by the District.
2. This permit is classified as unconfined Floridan aquifer for overhead irrigation.
3. Permittee shall allow District personnel at reasonable times and at District expense or with District equipment to monitor withdrawal rates and volumes authorized by this permit.
4. Capping of Withdrawals Not In Use: Any wells not in use, and in which pumping equipment is not installed shall be capped or valved in a water tight manner in accordance with Chapter 62-532.500(4)(a)4., F.A.C.
5. The permittee may apply for a permit modification at any time in accordance with Section 40B-2.331, F.A.C.
6. In the event of a District-declared water shortage, the permittee must immediately comply with any restrictions or requirements ordered in accordance with the District's Water Shortage Plan, Chapter 40B-21, F.A.C.

7. Permittee must mitigate interference with existing legal uses caused in whole or in part by the permittee's withdrawals, consistent with a District-approved mitigation plan. As necessary to offset such interference, mitigation may include, but is not limited to, reducing pumpage, replacing the existing legal user's withdrawal equipment, relocating wells, changing withdrawal source, supplying water to existing legal user, or other means needed to mitigate the impacts.
8. Permittee must mitigate harm to existing off-site land uses caused by the permittee's withdrawals. When harm occurs, or is imminent, the permittee must modify withdrawal rates or mitigate the harm.
9. Permittee must mitigate harm to the natural resources caused by the permittee's withdrawals. When harm occurs or is imminent, the permittee must modify withdrawal rates or mitigate the harm.
10. If any condition of the permit is violated, the permittee shall be subject to enforcement action pursuant to Chapter 373, F.S.
11. Authorized representatives of the District, upon reasonable notice to the permittee, shall be permitted to enter and inspect the permitted water use to determine compliance with the permit conditions.
12. This permit does not relieve the permittee from complying with any applicable local government, state, or federal law, rule, or ordinance.
13. This permit does not convey to the permittee any property rights or privileges other than those specified herein.
14. Permittee shall notify the District in writing within 90 days of any sale, conveyance, or other transfer of ownership or control of the real property on which the permitted water use activities are located. All water use permit transfers are subject to the requirements of section 40B-2.301, F.A.C.
15. Permittee must notify the District in writing prior to implementing any changes in the water use that may alter the permit allocations. Such changes include, but are not limited to, change in irrigated acreage, crop type, irrigation system, water treatment method, or entry into one or more large water use agreements. In the event a proposed change will alter the allocation, permittee must first obtain a permit modification.
16. When the District provides a permanent identification tag, the tag shall be prominently displayed at the withdrawal site by permanently affixing such tag to

the pump, headgate, valve, or other withdrawal facility. If the permit covers several facilities such as a well field, a tag shall be affixed to each facility. Failure to display a tag as prescribed herein shall constitute a violation of the permit. The permittee shall be allowed ten (10) days after the notice of violation of this section to obtain a replacement tag.

17. The District reserves the right to open this permit, following notice to the permittee, to include a permit condition prohibiting withdrawals for resource protection.

Special Limiting Conditions

18. All correspondence sent to the District regarding this permit must include the permit number 2-11-00041.

19. The Permittee shall ensure that the irrigation systems will water target areas only under field operations. Irrigation of non-target areas (roads, woods, structures, etc.) is prohibited.

20. The Permittee shall implement and/or maintain the conservation practices selected on the water conservation worksheet(s) which are associated with this permit. Any new practices selected shall be implemented in one year from the date of permit issuance. Practices that involve scheduling methods or maintenance shall be documented. Documentation for implementation and/or maintenance shall be maintained on all practices and available upon request.

21. The issuance of this Temporary Water use Permit shall not in any way be construed as a commitment to issue a water use permit.

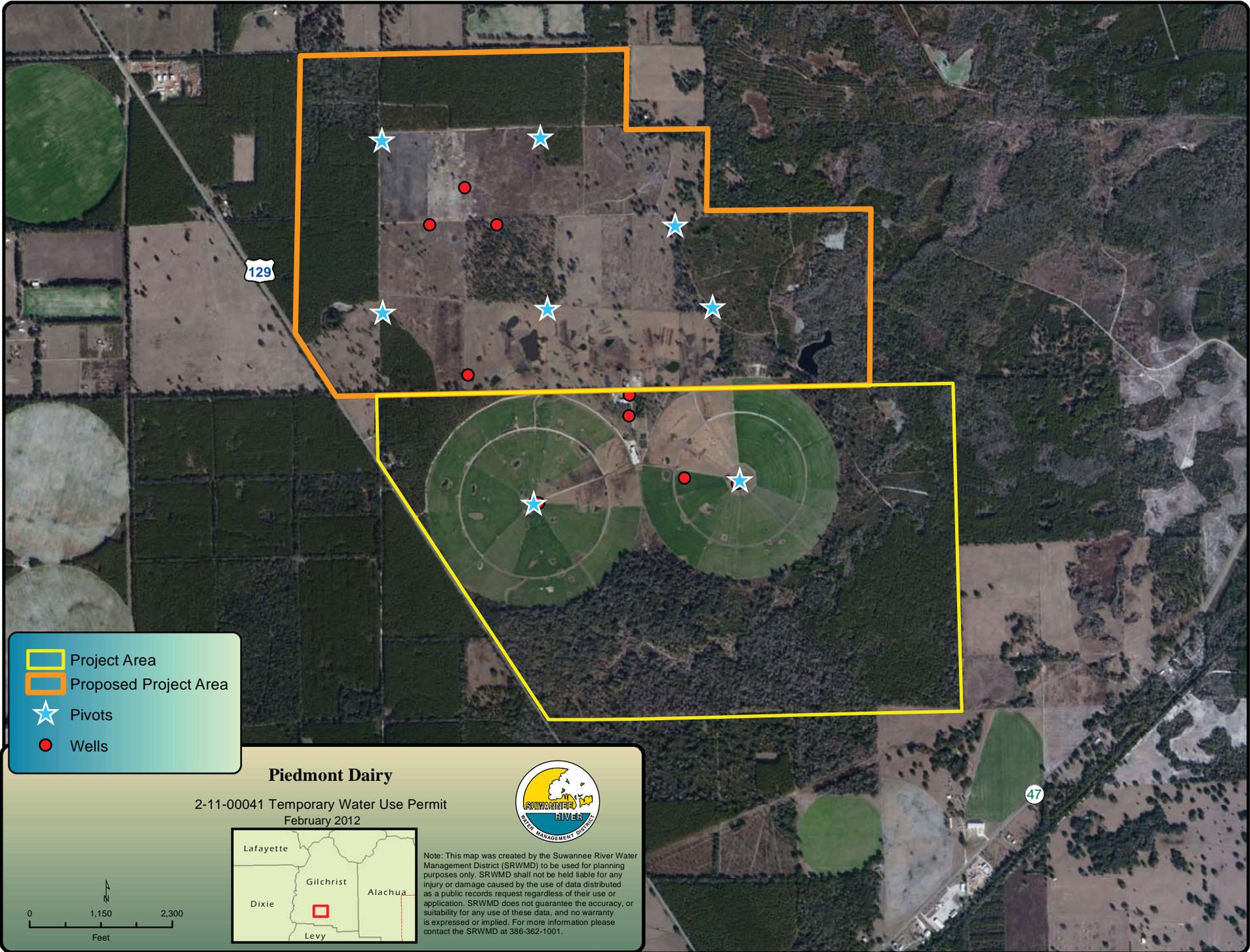
22. The permitted water withdrawal facilities consist of the table on Attachment A.

23. This temporary permit shall expire on March 15, 2012.

24. The Permittee shall submit a plan for monitoring groundwater withdrawals, at the Permittee's expense, within one year of issuance. This plan shall be implemented within one year after District approval. Reporting shall take place every three months and provided to the District on or before the fifteenth day of the following month.

Attachment A
2-11-00041
Piedmont Dairy

Name	Status	Diameter	Capacity (gpm)	Water Use
No.1	Active	8	300	Livestock
No.3	Active	12	700	Irrigation
No.4	Active	8	400	Irrigation
No.5	Active	12	700	Irrigation
No.6	Active	8	400	Irrigation
Well A	Proposed	12	1600	Irrigation
Well B	Proposed	12	1600	Irrigation
Well C	Active	8	900	Irrigation
Well D	Proposed	8	400	Livestock
Well E	Proposed	8	400	Livestock



MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board
FROM: Carlos Herd, Senior Hydrogeologist
DATE: January 26, 2012
RE: Water Supply Program Activity Report

SRWMD/SJRWMD/DEP Interagency Agreement:

- Staff revised the National Research Council (NRC) scope of work based on comments received from the Governing Board at the January 10 Board meeting.
- The final NRC scope of work was forwarded to the NRC for budget and scheduling negotiations on January 24.
- A North Florida Utility Coordination Group Minimum Flows and Levels (MFLs) technical meeting has been scheduled for January 31 at Gainesville Regional Utilities offices.
- An MFL prevention/recovery technical work group meeting has been scheduled for January 31 at the Trinity Baptist Church located in Keystone Heights.
- The North Florida/South Georgia Regional Groundwater Modeling technical team meeting has been scheduled for February 1 at the SJRWMD office located in Palatka.
- The North Florida/South Georgia Groundwater Modeling joint technical and steering team meeting has been scheduled for February 1 at the SJRWMD office located in Palatka.

Water supply planning:

- St. Johns River Water Management District continues to maintain an indefinite postponement of their Water Supply Assessment and Water Supply Plan. However, progress is being made through the Interagency Agreement on completing the individual components necessary to complete a future water supply assessment and water supply plan.
- Staff continues to meet regularly with SJRWMD via conference calls to coordinate activities in the water supply planning and permitting processes.

Interstate coordination:

- The next Florida/Georgia coordination meeting is being scheduled for March, 2012, at a location to be determined.

Minimum flows and levels (MFLs):

General MFL Items

- On January 4, staff attended (via teleconference) a meeting of the Central Florida Water Initiative's (CFWI) MFLs and Reservations Team Meeting.
- On January 12, staff attended a meeting of the Santa Fe River Springs Basin Working Group and provided a status report presentation.
- On January 12, staff met with a potential contractor (Stantec) for MFL establishment on Lake Butler.
- On January 13, staff met with the United States Geological Survey (USGS) to discuss agricultural water use data estimates.
- On January 24, staff met with SJRWMD staff to discuss population and water demand projections.
- The Northeast Florida Utility Coordination Group MFL technical meeting is scheduled for January 31 at Gainesville Regional Utilities.

Lower Santa Fe and Ichetucknee Rivers and Springs

- On January 10, staff organized and attended a joint project meeting in Tampa with the primary contractors for these water bodies to review progress and kick-off the data analysis phase.
- On January 18, staff met with Florida Department of Environmental Protection's park representatives to discuss MFL development for the Ichetucknee River.
- On January 26, staff met with primary contractors in Tampa to further develop the data analysis work plan for these water bodies.
- Revision and calibration of the HEC-RAS river model continues. Cross-section elevations were finalized and delivered to the modeling firm.
- Draft report on the fluvial geomorphic investigation of the Santa Fe and Ichetucknee rivers is under review by staff. This report will include flow parameters for channel maintenance and stability. These will be reviewed for potential use as MFL limiting parameters.

Upper Suwannee River and Springs

- On January 11, staff organized and attended a joint project meeting in Tampa with the primary contractors for these water bodies to review progress and schedule the data collection phase.

- On January 13, staff met with the USGS to discuss White Sulphur Spring discharge records.
- The two primary contractors for this work (river modeling and biology) have assembled their field observations into recommendations for study sites (biology) and hydraulic cross sections (modeling).
- Surveying and other field work is being planned; staff completed some gage structure surveys from established benchmarks.
- Scopes of work are being developed for additional work at White Sulphur Spring including sampling isotope chemistry (USGS) and an aesthetics and scenic study (UF).

Thank you for your attention to this summary of current activities. Please feel free to contact staff prior to the February 14, 2012, Governing Board meeting if you would like further information.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board

FROM: Megan Wetherington, Senior Professional Engineer

DATE: January 26, 2012

RE: Water Resource Monitoring Program Activity Report

Staff collected water chemistry samples at 25 groundwater sites; recorded levels and maintained stations at 181 wells, 21 lakes, and 19 stream stations; and reported rainfall from 38 sites to the National Weather Service. Agricultural water use was monitored at 194 wells on 48 agricultural operations.

Staff gave hydrologic condition updates to the Santa Fe Springs Working Group and the Gilchrist County Tea Party.

Staff have arranged with the monitoring program at St. Johns River Water Management District (SJRWMD) to implement a pilot project in which groundwater samples will be sent to the SJRWMD laboratory for analysis, in order to improve efficiency at both agencies.

Thank you for your attention to this summary of current activities. Please feel free to contact staff prior to the February 14, 2012, Governing Board meeting if you would like further information.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board
FROM: Tim Sagul, Senior Professional Engineer
DATE: January 26, 2012
RE: Regulatory Program Activity Report

Environmental Resource Permitting (ERP) Activities

The following table summarizes the environmental resource permitting activities during the month of December.

December 2011	Received				
Environmental Resource Permits	Noticed General	General	Individual	Exemption Requests	Extension Requests (SB 7207)
	14	8	1	6	4
	Issued				
	Noticed General	General	Individual	Exemptions Granted	Extensions Granted (SB 7207)
	12	15	0	13	4

Inspections and as-built certification

- The total number of permits issued since January 1, 2009, is 913. There have been 370 general permits issued and 41 individual permits. Of the 370 general permits, 101 permits have been transferred to operation and maintenance. Of the 41 individual permits, 8 permits have been transferred to operation and maintenance. In December 2011, staff inspected 40 general and individual projects under construction and 2 general and individual projects for as-built compliance. The total number of Works of the District permits issued from January 2009 through January 2011 is 98 with 40 completed and 58 in the construction process.

Water Use Permitting and Water Well Construction

The following table summarizes water use and water well construction permitting activities during the month of December.

December 2011	Received		Issued
Water Use Permits	11		19
Water Well Permits	114		114
Water well permits issued and received according to well use:			
Abandoned/destroyed	1	Livestock	1
Agricultural Irrigation	6	Monitor	5
Aquaculture	0	Nursery	1
Climate Control	0	Other	3
Fire Protection	0	Public Supply	3
Garden (Non Commercial)	0	Self-supplied Residential	91
Landscape Irrigation	2	Drainage or injection	0
Commercial or Industrial	0	Test	1

Rule development and adoption

The rulemaking schedule follows this report. Staff is participating in joint meetings and conference calls with the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) and the other Water Management District's (WMD) to address any rule changes required as a result of the recent legislative session and as outlined in the 2011-2012 Annual Regulatory Plan required by Executive Order 11-72 that was submitted to the Governor's Office of Fiscal Accountability and Regulatory Reform on June 29, 2011.

On November 16, 2011, staff answered supplemental questions for all 215 District rules as required by the Governor's Office of Fiscal Accountability and Regulatory Reform. The questions were targeted at rules that require collection of data and fees from permit applicants.

Staff Priorities

- Staff is working on a charter to implement the E-permitting process in cooperation with St. Johns River Water Management District. The Water Well construction portion will be implemented first with ERP and Water Use to follow.
- Staff continued to coordinate with FDEP and water management districts on reclaimed water policy.
- Staff continues to meet with representatives from PCS Phosphate concerning an upcoming permit consolidation.

- Staff received information from Oak Grove Dairy. Staff plans to present the water use permit modification at the March 2012 Governing Board meeting.
- Staff continues to attend the Columbia County and Suwannee County Catalyst Working Groups to discuss regulatory issues.
- Staff will meet with Todd Stevens of Holly Factory to discuss permit modification which may be presented at the April Governing Board meeting.
- Staff continues to participate in discussions on water use permitting consistency with FDEP and the other water management districts.

Thank you for your attention to this summary of current activities. Please feel free to contact staff prior to the Governing Board meeting if you would like further information.

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Attachments

40B-1.706

Fee Schedule – 40B-2 Citations

GB Rule Dev. Auth.	9/14/10
Notice of Rule Dev.	11/4/11
GB Proposed Rule Auth.	9/14/10
Send to OFARR	3/15/11
Notice of Proposed Rule	10/26/11
Send to JAPC	
Mail to DOS (tentative)	
Effective Date (tentative)	

40B-2.301

Conditions of Issuance of Permits

Send to OFARR	6/29/11
Approved by OFARR	7/5/11
GB Rule Dev. Auth.	8/9/11
Notice of Rule Dev.	8/26/11
GB Proposed Rule Auth.	
Notice of Proposed Rule	
Send to OFARR	
Send to JAPC	
Mail to DOS (tentative)	
Effective Date (tentative)	

40B-4.1020

Clearing Definition

GB Rule Dev. Auth.	10/12/10
Notice of Rule Dev.	10/22/10
GB Proposed Rule Auth.	1/11/11
Send to OFARR	3/15/11
Notice of Proposed Rule	11/18/11
Send to JAPC	1/19/12
Mail to DOS (tentative)	
Effective Date (tentative)	

40B-4.3030

Diseased Vegetation Determination

GB Rule Dev. Auth.	10/12/10
Notice of Rule Dev.	10/22/10
GB Proposed Rule Auth.	1/11/11
Send to OFARR	3/15/11
Notice of Proposed Rule	11/18/11
Send to JAPC	1/19/12
Mail to DOS (tentative)	
Effective Date (tentative)	

40B-400.091

ERP Handbook

GB Rule Dev. Auth.	12/9/08
Notice of Rule Dev.	2/4/11
GB Proposed Rule Auth.	1/11/11
Send to OFARR	3/15/11
Notice of Proposed Rule	
Send to JAPC	
Mail to DOS (tentative)	
Effective Date (tentative)	

40B-400.103

ERP Handbook

GB Rule Dev. Auth.	1/11/11
Notice of Rule Dev.	2/4/11
GB Proposed Rule Auth.	1/11/11
Send to OFARR	3/15/11
Notice of Proposed Rule	
Send to JAPC	
Mail to DOS (tentative)	
Effective Date (tentative)	

40B-9.1381

GB Rule Dev. Auth.	11/10/11
Notice of Rule Dev.	12/9/11
GB Proposed Rule Auth.	11/10/11
Send to OFARR	12/1/11
Send to Senate and House	12/1/11
Notice of Proposed Rule	
Send to JAPC	12/1/11
Mail to DOS (tentative)	
Effective Date (tentative)	

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board

FROM: Hugh Thomas, Suwannee River Partnership Coordinator

DATE: January 26, 2012

RE: Suwannee River Partnership (SRP) Program Activity Report

Staff continues to meet with poultry producers to update poultry operation conservation plans under the Conservation Technical Assistance agreement with the United States Department of Agriculture - Natural Resources Conservation Service.

Partnership staff continues to work with Mace Bauer, University of Florida – Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (UF-IFAS) staff to develop the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) 319 funded Sod-Based Rotation Project.

Partnership staff met with Dr. George Hochmuth (UF-IFAS) and a doctorate student at former FDEP 319 project sites to discuss instituting a monitoring program for Best Management Practices (BMP) effectiveness as part of the ongoing effort at Suwannee Farms. Dr. Hochmuth and Mr. Hall have been invited to address the Governing Board during the March 2012 workshop to discuss the current project being conducted at Suwannee Farms.

Staff is working with producers to schedule irrigation system evaluations with the mobile irrigation lab (MIL).

SRP staff has finalized a cost share program using Florida Department of Agricultural and Consumer Sciences funding to retrofit center pivot irrigation systems with new nozzles, regulators, end guns, and other equipment as recommended by the MIL for efficient application of irrigation water.

Staff continues to work with regulatory staff in assisting with water use permit renewals, modifications, and new permits. Partnership staff is also working with SRWMD staff to develop a program for water use monitoring as part of the permitting process.

Partnership staff continues to work with the University of Florida Public Issues Education Center for Agriculture and Natural Resources to refine the SRP survey to determine producers' knowledge of water quality and water quantity issues.

As part of the Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Basin Management Plan for the Santa Fe Basin, SRP staff continues to meet with stakeholder groups to discuss the selection of Ginnie Springs as a restoration focus area (RFA) in the Santa Fe Basin Management Action Plan.

Staff continues to assist with resolving irrigation and other agriculture related complaints.

Staff continues to visit farmers for enrollment in Best Management Practice programs and to assist with BMP implementation assurance, BMP follow-up, sampling assistance, record keeping assistance, and other education. To date, staff has enrolled approximately 327 farms with signed FDACS Notices of Intent to implement BMPs on 175,000 acres. Of the 327 farms, 252 have received cost share as part of the SRP BMP Tools Program.

Based on record checks and the SRP Progressive Farms Program, fertilizer savings are 50 to 80 lbs/acre. Using a 50 lbs savings, this equates to 8,750,000 pounds (4,375 tons) less fertilizer being applied in the basin because of BMP implementation and use of BMP tools. Currently there are 28 farms awaiting cost share for BMP tools representing approximately 8,500 acres.

Thank you for your attention to this summary of current activities. Please feel free to contact staff prior to the February 14, 2012, Governing Board meeting if you would like further information.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board
 FROM: Bob Heeke, Senior Land Resources Manager
 DATE: January 26, 2012
 SUBJECT: Land Management Activity Report

NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

Planting of longleaf and slash pine seedlings continues on several District tracts. Planting of longleaf remains to be done on approximately 68 acres of District-managed lands during the current planting season. All acres will be planted before January 31, 2012. Tracts completed to date are shown below:

TRACT NAME	ACRES
Jones Mill Creek	385
Mallory Swamp	71
Natural Well Branch	13
Steinhatchee Springs	194
Total Acres Planted with Slash Pine Seedlings	663
Cuba Bay	60
Goose Pasture	80
Jones Mill Creek	129
Steinhatchee Falls	119
Steinhatchee Springs	568
Total Acres Planted with Longleaf Pine Seedlings	956

Status of timber sales currently underway is shown below:

Contract #	Timber Sale Name	Consultant	Estimated Pine Tons	Harvest Completion
10/11-117	Little River #3	NRPS	2,500	100%
10/11-116	Jones Mill Creek #1	TFC	29,690	31%
10/11-120	Ellaville #13	FFS/TRSF	7,905	50%

Contractors conducting prescribed burns on Suwannee River Water Management District (District) lands this year include Wildland Fire Services (WFS) and B&B Dugger Inc. (B&BD). Also included are the acres the Florida Forest Service (FFS) burns on Twin Rivers State Forest (TRSF). The Florida Forest Service (FFS

COOP) will also provide a crew to burn additional acres on both District tracts and Twin Rivers State Forest.

District staff targeted 14,000 acres of District lands for prescribed burn activities during FY2012. Prescribed burns have been conducted by District contractors on 1,020 acres to date. Florida Forestry Service has conducted prescribed burns on 182 acres of the 2,000 acres targeted for FY2012 on Twin Rivers State Forest.

Status of prescribed burn activities is shown below:

Activity Table (Oct 2011-Jan 2012)

TRACT	COUNTY	WFS	B&BD	FFS COOP	FFS TRSF	Total Acres	Total Wildfire Acres
Withlacoochee	Hamilton	288	0	0	0	288	
Gar Pond	Columbia	129	0	0	0	129	
Little River	Suwannee	195	0	0	0	195	
Bay Creek	Columbia	408	0	0	0	408	
Ellaville	Madison				144	144	
Mill Creek South	Madison				23	23	
Mill Creek North	Madison				15	15	
Mallory Swamp (Boggy Bennett Fire)	Lafayette	0	0	0	0	0	22
Mallory Swamp (LA Bennett Fire)	Lafayette	0	0	0	0	0	428
<i>Sub-total for Period</i>		1,020	0	0	182	1,202	450
<i>Previous Acres Burned</i>		0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Acres		1,020	0	0	182	1,202	450

Extremely dry weather conditions during the report period significantly limited prescribed burning opportunities. Burning activities were limited in order to lower the chance of stress and mortality on pine trees and to limit the chance of fires escaping during volatile burning conditions.

Two wildfires occurred on District land during the report period. They were both located on the Mallory Swamp tract in Lafayette County and had a combined area of approximately 450 acres. FFS reports that both of these fires appear to have been deliberately set. Both fires are contained, and FFS will continue to conduct monitoring and mop-up operations until they are declared out. Fireline rehabilitation work will be scheduled later in the fiscal year.

FACILITY MANAGEMENT

District contractors have started on the 2011-12 boundary marking project. One of the contractors is approximately 75% complete and the second contractor will start in early February. Approximately 200 miles of boundary lines are planned for maintenance this year.

PUBLIC RECREATION SERVICES

A total of 23 special use authorizations were issued during the last month: 21 for recreation and 2 for temporary ingress and egress.

The new trails at the Fox Trail Tract have been added to the District's trail system.

The Spirit of Suwannee Music Park had their annual New Year's Trail Ride. Riders used trails on the District's Fox Trail, Suwannee Springs, Linville and Mattair Springs Tracts.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board
FROM: Brian Kauffman, Senior Professional Engineer
DATE: January 26, 2012
RE: Resource Projects Program Activity Report

Edwards Road Bottomlands Wetlands Restoration Project, Bradford County:

Based on interest from FDOT, the District has received Governing Board approval to enter into agreements with FDOT and the City of Starke to begin the process of expanding this project in order to provide wetland mitigation for FDOT. Draft agreements with FDOT and with the City of Starke are being reviewed. A meeting with FDOT to discuss project permitting was held on December 23, 2011, with a follow-up meeting scheduled for January 18, 2012. The agreement with the City of Starke is scheduled for approval at the February 7, 2012, Starke Commission Meeting.

In addition, the District has received approval to begin the appraisal process in order to obtain the back 14 acres of the KOA property. Staff and appraiser met to look at the site on December 15, 2011. Appraisal should be completed by mid February 2012.

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Map Modernization and Risk MAP:

Levy County: The appeals and protests resolutions have been submitted to FEMA for review and will then be delivered to the communities.

Bradford County: The Letter of Final Determination was issued on November 2, 2011, to notify the communities in Bradford County of the final flood hazard determination in compliance with Title 44, Chapter I, Part 67, Code of Federal Regulations. Prior to May 2, 2012, communities are required, as a condition of continued eligibility in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), to adopt or show evidence of adoption of floodplain management regulations that meet the standards of Paragraph 60.3(c) of the NFIP regulations (44 CFR, etc.).

Fiscal Year 2009 projects: Detailed studies in Live Oak, Lafayette County, Dixie County, and Gilchrist County are ongoing. LiDAR data has been delivered for use in the Lafayette, Dixie, and Gilchrist study areas. Preliminary FIRM panels and Flood Insurance Study were issued on December 8, 2011, to the City of Live Oak and Suwannee County for areas affected by the Live Oak study.

Fiscal Year 2010 projects: The Discovery Meetings for the Lower Suwannee River Basin were held September 7 and 8, 2011. A draft scope of work has been developed, and Governing Board authorization to proceed will be requested.

Lake Sampson Water Control Structure:

A scope of work is being drafted for a contract with URS Corporation to run scenarios of a new fixed weir control structure in the existing computer model that is accepted in the Bradford County Flood Insurance Study. The proposed structure will be designed with a fixed control elevation with the ability to draw down the lake at Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission's recommended times while potentially decreasing Lake Sampson's flooding hazard.

Algal Turf Scrubber Pilot System at Boston Farm:

The results of the pilot study conducted by Hydromentia were presented to the District on October 13, 2011. IFAS is still working on their final report, so a contract extension was granted until January 31, 2012. The algal turf scrubber system on the Santa Fe River at Boston Farm is currently being demobilized. On December 5, 2011, Hydromentia submitted a Phase I proposal to the District, to build a full size algal turf scrubber project on the Suwannee River.

Water Quality Compensatory Treatment:

FDOT provided the District with \$46,640 for water quality compensatory treatment for the US 98 Bridge Replacement project over the Aucilla River as part of ERP10-0057. District staff has identified and implemented water quality improvements at two of the District's river access locations on the Mt. Gilead Tract. Restoration included the regrading and stabilization at these locations to prevent further erosion into the river and to relocate parking away from the river bank. Additional water quality improvements were conducted at locations at the Mt. Gilead and Cabbage Grove Tracts within the Aucilla River basin during the month of November 2011. Construction at both sites is complete. Vegetative improvements are planned at these sites in January 2012.

Bell Springs Restoration

The Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) has applied for grant money to restore Bell Springs on District land in Columbia County. In March 2012, FWC will hear if the grant was approved for this project. FWC has requested project management assistance from the District. A meeting has been scheduled for February 8, 2012, with the original owner to discuss the history of the spring.

Home Depot/Cannon Creek Wetland Mitigation

The District is preparing a draft agreement with Columbia County to outline the responsibilities as it relates to the mitigation of wetlands at the Home Depot site

in Lake City. A meeting is scheduled with the Army Corps of Engineers (ACOE) to discuss the project on January 26, 2012.

Water Conservation Program:

District staff met with the Florida Rural Water Association (FRWA) to discuss a partnership involving the water use assessments of public facilities. The information gained from these assessments will aid in defining specific areas in need of water conservation efforts and will serve as a foundation for the overall program. In addition, staff met with Jerry Scarborough, Superintendent of Suwannee County schools, to gain insight as to how schools might be included and benefit from the program. A draft agreement is be reviewed in-house and will be presented to the FRWA. This contract will enlist the FRWA's aid in performing water audits and presenting an evaluation of select public supply utilities. District staff will organize meetings with water supply and other public institutions to introduce its new water conservation program.

Lake City Stormwater:

Staff toured stormwater problem areas with the Public Works Director of Lake City on December 6, 2011. This year the City wants to make improvement to several problem areas that were identified a few years ago during a previous city-wide study. However, with limited funds, the City needs help implementing the remediation plan. A draft of a new interlocal agreement with Lake City to provide cost share assistance for the stormwater improvements is being reviewed in house.

District Headquarters Reuse Program:

The District is in the process of connecting to the City of Live Oak's reuse supply line. The reuse water will be integrated into the District's existing system, thereby removing the need of potable water for irrigation.

City of Fanning Springs:

The District has executed an Interlocal Agreement with the City to provide economic aid for the expansion of an existing water reuse line. The project is expected to be completed on or before December 31, 2013.

Please feel free to contact staff prior to the February 14, 2012, Governing Board meeting if you would like further information.

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Compliance

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<i>CE #</i>	<i>County</i>	<i>Discovery Date</i>	<i>Date Action Required</i>	<i>Violation Summary</i>	<i>Respondent</i>	<i>Comments</i>	<i>Staff</i>
CE06-0058	LEVY	8/2/2006	3/12/2012	Unpermitted construction.	Douglas McKoy	Permit denial was removed from May 2010 Governing Board agenda. Spoke with engineer 8/2/10; has received information from Mr. McCoy. Plans and calculations should be submitted by 9/1/10. 11/1/10; engineer stated that the response submittal was in the mail. RAI response received 1/3/11. RAI sent 1/25/11. Response due 4/24/11. Received a 30 day request for an extension on 4/21/11. Extension granted until 6/2/11. District called engineer on 5/31/11 requesting the status of application. 6/8/11; received RAI information. Reviewed applicant's submittal and sent out another RAI with a response deadline of 8/10/11. Received RAI responses from applicant on 8/5/11. 9/2/11; RAI sent. 45 days to respond. Meeting 9/22/11; working on revising mitigation plan. As of 11/16/11, no response received. Sent email out to find out status on 12/6/11. January 2012 Board for denial & enforcement proceedings. Received additional information concerning the wetland mitigation plan which involves a conservation easement on 1/4/12. Received environmental audit on 1/9/12. The Governing Board has given him 60 days to complete the application.	Webster, Patrick
CE10-0016	JEFFERSON	2/9/2010	2/17/2012	Unpermitted construction.	Judy Miller	Compliance Agreement mailed 11/29/10. Received signed agreement 12/6/10. Returned executed agreement to Ms. Miller 12/9/10, which requires fees for a settlement penalty and staff costs to be paid no later than 12/19/10. RAI sent 1/14/11. 3/21/11; received fee & penalty check for \$2,305.65 and RAI material. 4/8/11; permit issued. Staff to monitor Compliance Agreement stipulations. 9/12/11; letter sent. 18 days to complete construction & 30 days to submit as-builts. 9/22/11; received extension request to complete construction until 12/31/11. Staff declined request. November 2011 Board for initiation of legal action to enforce the terms of the compliance agreement. 11/8/11; Board put this item on hold until 12/31/11 to see if Respondent could complete work & resolve violation. Ms. Miller informed District that the surveyor are scheduled to survey the site on 01/10/12, to determine if earthwork has been completed as planned/designed. This information will be relayed to the engineering consultant for as-built verification to be completed.	Hastings, John

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CE10-0026	COLUMBIA	4/20/2010		Unpermitted construction.	Sam Oosterhoudt-Lake City Developers, LLC.	SWO had delivered 4/20/10. NOV sent 4/26/10. 14 days to contact District. File sent to legal 5/21/10. Call from Mr. Oosterhoudt on 5/26/10. Engineer has been hired and no other work to be done until permit is modified. Informed legal to hold enforcement. Email to legal, no contact from owner since 5/26/10. Received ERP application 7/26/10. Sent RAI 8/11/10. 18 day letter sent 11/15/10. Meeting scheduled with applicant. Extension letter sent 1/11/11. Staff met with applicant on 2/4/11. 2/25/11; Compliance Agreement sent to Mr. Oosterhoudt for signature. Executed Compliance Agreement sent to Mr. Oosterhoudt 3/14/11. Awaiting monthly payments beginning 3/31/11 and ending 5/31/11. 5/18/11; received admin cost of \$317.01 & partial penalty of \$382.99. 5/31/11; final payment not received. Respondent has defaulted on Compliance Agreement. June 2011 Board for initiation of legal action to reach resolution. Board directed legal to contact Mr. Oosterhoudt to try and reach resolution. 7/12/11; Board contacted Mr. Oosterhoudt. Staff to follow up by 7/29/11. As of 8/5/11; no information received. August 2011 Board for initiation of legal action to reach resolution. 8/8/11; paid balance of Compliance agreement, submitted application fee & sent in as-builts. 8/8/11; close file. 9/12/11; enforcement file reopened. 9/1/11; \$5,000 surety check returned for stop payment. 10/4/11; 14 days to pay for returned check.10/18/11; no payment received. November 2011 Board for revocation of permit and initiation of legal action. 11/8/11; Board deferred action until December 2011 meeting. Received Letter of Credit on 11/8/11 at meeting for legal review. 11/16/11; received call from Capital City Bank that Letter of Credit is valid. Presenting at January 2012 Board for revocation of permit & enforcement proceedings. 1/10/12; Mr. Oosterhoudt called and said that he would fix the issues. Enforcement action placed on hold.	Marshall, Leroy
CE10-0046	LEVY	9/23/2010		Unpermitted road construction.	Donny Crews / Levy County Road Department	Please refer to CE10-0045 (McNulty) for updates regarding this enforcement file.	Mantini, Louis
CE08-0022	SUWANNEE	3/3/2008		Construction without a permit.	Donald Edwards	5/17/11; meeting with NFLG attorney and finance company. 5/26/11; site visit. Retention pond retrofitted to stop the increase of flood hazards offsite. 8/4/11; staff inspected pond. Vegetation is established on constructed overflow. 8/19/11; staff is waiting on foreclosure proceedings to conclude. Bank will contact District when proceedings are final.	Marshall, Leroy

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CE11-0031	TAYLOR	6/6/2011	1/31/2012	No as-builts.	Fred Shore - Gulf Breeze Partners, LLC.	20 days to contact District. Contact from Mr. Shore on 06/17/11. An on-site meeting was held 7/13/11 to discuss alternatives with the parties concerned. Respondent proposes to modify the permit to correct the deficiencies. 09/13/11; E-mail sent requesting update. 10/13/11; call from Engineer; as-built to be submitted by 10/31/11. 10/27/11 call from Phil Bishop (engineer) owners will not modify permit at present. Owners will submit corrected as-builts on or before 11/15/11. The delay is due to survey problems. 11/21/11 Telephone conversation with Phil Bishop to discuss as-built drawings. Initial as-built review indicates detention ponds are not adequate. Suggested that Phil submit sealed as-builts along with a plan to bring project into compliance. Jennifer is out of town on a medical family emergency and will not return until mid December. At engineer and owners request extended deadline until 12/27/11. 01/05/12; telephone with engineer and owner. As builts are completed and engineer is updating project drawings to bring permit into compliance. Meeting scheduled for 1/31/12.	Bowden, Jerry
CE12-0001	LAFAYETTE	1/3/2012	1/23/2012	Permit criteria not met.	Tim & Linda McCoy / G.W. & Sharon Monette	20 days to contact District.	Robinson, Vince
CE12-0002	LAFAYETTE	1/4/2012	2/1/2012	Unpermitted fill in floodway.	Mrs. Chris Mahn	20 days to contact District.	Robinson, Vince
CE10-0042	UNION	10/10/2010	2/28/2012	Unpermitted construction.	John Rimes, III - New River Forest Villas	Received sketch from Scott Britt on 04/04/11. Letter sent 5/11/11; 30 days submit compliance deadline. Received a letter on 05/26/11, an engineer had been hired on behalf of the Town & will comply with the District. 6/29/11; staff met on-site to review the site - determine wetland impacts and locating culverts. Engineers are going to propose a phased approach to permit application in order for Mr. Rimes to be able to obtain funding from the City of Worthington Springs. The engineers sent a contract proposal on 7/1/11, and Mr. Rimes to meet with the City 7/6/11. 7/26/11; letter received stating that engineer had been hired and resolution should be reached soon. 9/22/11; meeting with Worthington Springs Council President. 10/5/11; sent letter to Mr. Rimes. 30 days to submit ERP application & supporting documentation. 11/4/11; received ERP application. 11/30/11; RAI sent.	Mantini, Louis

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CE11-0005	BRADFORD	2/24/2011	2/17/2012	Unpermitted dredge & fill in wetlands.	Jacob Hake	20 days to contact District. Mr. Hake contacted the District on 2/26/11 and a site visit conducted on 3/11/11 with staff. Draft Compliance Agreement delivered 4/1/11. Meeting 4/8/11 to discuss agreement. A field visit with FPL was conducted downstream on 05/31/11; and upstream issues were addressed regarding DuPont properties and stormwater management. Meeting 6/24/11 to discuss watershed. Meeting 7/1/11 with County to determine ditch maintenance. Site visit conducted on 9/14/11 identifying current source of flooding concerns as DuPont - Staff to follow-up with another discussion with DuPont and site visit by 10/12/11. 10/20/11; updated compliance agreement mailed. 10/24/11; received returned (refused) certified compliance agreements. Compliance Agreement re-sent on 10/31/11 by first class mail. Staff inspected on 11/25/11, and remedial actions have not been performed which consist of restoring a berm adjacent to the ditch that traverses the property and drains towards the west. Presented at January 2012 Board for approval of enforcement proceedings. Received signed CA agreement 1/19/12. Enforcement placed on hold. Staff to inspect by 2/17/12.	Mantini, Louis
CE11-0006	GILCHRIST	1/12/2011	2/1/2012	Unpermitted dredge & fill in wetlands.	Donald Barselou	20 days to contact District. Mr. Barselou contacted the District within the 20-day deadline, and a site visit was conducted with staff on 3/21/11. Compliance Agreement mailed 3/29/11 for signatures. Staff to meet on-site with Mr. Barselou and his consultants on 04/26/11. 5/2/11; received signed Compliance Agreements & penalty (\$1,716.93). An ERP application is due 6/16/11, according to the Consent Agreement. As of 7/6/11, application not received. 7/21/11; received ERP information. 8/16/11; RAI sent. 11/29/11; received RAI information on 11/27/11. Extension granted until 02/01/12.	Mantini, Louis
CE11-0007	GILCHRIST	2/9/2011	1/30/2012	Unpermitted structure in floodway.	Richard & Rebecca Tenaglia	20 days to contact District. Received WOD application 3/2/11. 3/30/11; sent RAI. District staff met with Mr. Tenaglia on 4/8/11 to discuss draft compliance agreement (CA).CA mailed for signature 4/13/11. RAI mailed 4/15/11. CA returned unclaimed 5/2/11. 5/2/11; remailed regular mail per Respondent's request. CA received by Respondent but Respondent cannot return it at this time. 9/20/11; sent letter requesting return of CA by 10/11/11. 10/7/11; received mail from Mr. Tenaglia stating sudden health issues.10/28/11; sent email extending his execution of the compliance agreement to 11/30/11. Meeting to be scheduled by 1/30/12.	Robinson, Vince

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CE11-0010	GILCHRIST	3/17/2011	2/19/2012	Unpermitted development.	Richard Roberts	20 days to contact District. 3/22/11: Compliance Agreement being prepared & RAI sent. Mr. Roberts contacted the District on 3/22/11. Compliance Agreement received by Mr. Roberts on 3/21/11. 4/5/11; meeting at District. Executed the compliance agreement and paid penalty. 4/11/11; mailed executed Compliance Agreement. Conducted site inspection on 4/15/11, fill was removed and regraded but large mounds of cleared vegetation must still be removed from the floodway. RAI responses received on 4/21/11. Permit issued 4/28/11. Owner has requested a burn permit to burn vegetative piles. Has not been able to burn because of drought conditions. 7/19/11; Respondent came in and reported that he will work on burning the vegetative debris. Site visit 8/18/11 & 9/1/11. 9/7/11; letter sent. 45 days to remove vegetation debris. 10/7/11; Mr. Roberts informed District that due to health conditions, he has stopped debris removal. As of 1/17/12, Mr. Roberts has been given clearance to do some light work activity. He has been slowly working on removing the piles. Staff will keep monitoring his progress.	Webster, Patrick
CE11-0019	COLUMBIA	3/24/2011		Erosion & sediment control issues.	Palmer Daughtry - Emerald Cove Subdivision	21 days to contact District. Developer contacted the District within the allotted time and has scheduled a meeting for 6/22/11. At the 6/22/11 meeting, the developer agreed to request Columbia County take over operation and maintenance since he is no longer financially capable of providing such services. 8/23/11; letter sent stating 18 days to transfer to O&M to County or complete corrective action. 9/14/11; letter sent informing Mr. Daughtry staff is referring to Governing Board for initiation of legal proceedings. Staff to work with Columbia County to resolve maintenance issues.	Link, James
CE11-0036	TAYLOR	8/24/2011		Unpermitted construction.	Oscar M. Howard, III/RT 207 Properties/Iron Horse Mud Ranch	Site visit 9/7/11. 9/13/11; NOV sent. 20 days to contact District. 9/16/11; received fax. Staff awaiting RAI response to proceed with Compliance Agreement.	Mantini, Louis

Suwannee River Water Management District

Governing Board Materials

Executive Office

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

Director of Governmental Affairs

Assistant Executive Director

Executive Director

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board

FROM: Charlie Houder, Assistant Executive Director

DATE: January 26, 2012

RE: Reappointment of Coleen Agner to the R. O. Ranch Board of Directors

RECOMMENDATION

The R. O. Ranch, Inc. Board of Directors recommends the Governing Board reappoint Coleen Agner to serve a four-year term on the R. O. Ranch Board of Directors ending in February 2016.

BACKGROUND

Members of the R. O. Ranch, Inc. Board of Directors serve four year terms which begin in February, concurrent with the annual meeting prescribed in the R. O. Ranch, Inc. bylaws. The terms of Ms. Agner and Ms. Annette Land expire in 2012.

Ms. Agner has been a very active and effective member of the Board of Directors and serves as the Board's Treasurer. She is seeking to continue her service to the R. O. Ranch and the Suwannee River Water Management District.

Ms. Agner resides in Greenville, Florida. She is a special education teacher in Taylor County and an accomplished equestrian. As a volunteer leader for the Taylor County 4-H horse program, Ms. Agner runs an equine program that includes a horse club, horse camps, horse shows, and judging. She also volunteers with the Live Oak Hounds Pony Club in Thomasville, Georgia.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board

FROM: Charlie Houder, Assistant Executive Director

DATE: January 26, 2012

RE: Appointment of Lyndal Odom to the R. O. Ranch Board of Directors

RECOMMENDATION

The R. O. Ranch, Inc. Board of Directors recommends the Governing Board appoint Lyndal Odom to serve a four-year term on the R. O. Ranch Board of Directors ending in February 2016.

BACKGROUND

Ms. Odom is being recommended to succeed Annette Land who resigned in December 2011, just prior to the expiration of her term.

Ms. Odom is a resident of Taylor County. She has a Bachelor's degree in Health Systems Management from Ferris State College in Michigan and recently retired from the medical field after forty-six years in the Imaging Services Department.

Ms. Odom is an accomplished equestrian. She has raised, trained and shown Arabian, Paint and Pinto horses at the national level in Breed and Open shows. She participated in Team Roping and Team Penning. She is currently a member and judge in the American Competitive Trail Riding Association.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board

FROM: David Still, Executive Director
Charlie Houder, Asst. Executive Director
Steve Minnis, Governmental Affairs Director

DATE: January 26, 2012

RE: Activity Report, Executive Office

The following is a brief summary of activities during the past month by David Still, Charlie Houder, and Steve Minnis.

David, Charlie, and Steve:

- Participated in the bi-weekly call with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP).

David and Charlie:

- Attended an American Water Resources Association (AWRA) meeting in Jacksonville Beach.

David:

- Attended a North Florida Utilities Coordination Group meeting with St. Johns River Water Management District (SJRWMD).
- Participated in the SRWMD-SJRWMD Interagency quarterly meeting in Palatka.
- Met with Gilchrist County Board of County Commissioners regarding Misty Farms.
- Participated in an Agricultural Water Policy meeting with Florida Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services in Tallahassee.
- Participated in a Tri-County Water Supply Working Group meeting in Lake City.
- Attended a presentation on variable rate irrigation at District headquarters.

Charlie:

- Participated in the R. O. Ranch monthly meeting with Governing Board Member Ray Curtis presiding.
- Participated in a Conserved Forest Ecosystems: Outreach and Research (CFEOR) Outreach Subcommittee meeting.

Steve:

- Participating in the 2012 Florida Legislative Session.