

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

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

January 14, 2014
9:00 a.m.

District Headquarters
Live Oak, Florida

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Announcement of any Amendments to the Agenda by the Chair
Amendments Recommended by Staff:
4. Public Comment
5. Consideration of the following Items Collectively by Consent:
 - Agenda Item 6 - December 10, 2013 Governing Board Meeting and Workshop Minutes
 - Agenda Item 9 - Approval of November 2013 Financial Report
6. Approval of Minutes – December 10, 2013 Governing Board Meeting and Workshop – **Recommend Consent**
7. 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

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**GOVERNING BOARD LEGAL COUNSEL
Tom Reeves**

8. El Rancho No Tengo, Inc. Informational Update

**BUREAU OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES
Dave Dickens, Manager**

9. Approval of November 2013 Financial Report – **Recommend Consent**
10. Authorization to Enter into a Negotiated Contract with AMEC Environment & Infrastructure, Inc., for Engineering Services for the Ichetucknee Springs Water Quality Improvement Project
11. Authorization to Purchase an Additional Storage Area Network (SAN)

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DIVISION OF LAND RESOURCES

Charles H. Houder, III, Director

- LR Page 1 12. **Public Hearing** for Approval and Execution of Resolution 2014-02 Authorizing the Purchase of the Bradford Timberlands Tract, 340 acres +/-, in Bradford County for Water Resource Development
- LR Page 24 13. Approval of Real Estate Brokerage Services for Fiscal Year 2013/2014
- LR Page 26 14. Land Resources Activity Summary

DIVISION OF WATER SUPPLY

Carlos Herd, P.G., Director

- WS Page 1 15. Authorization to Execute an Agreement for Surveying Services on the Middle Suwannee River and Springs Restoration and Aquifer Recharge Project

DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCES

Erich Marzolf, Ph.D., Director

- WR Page 1 16. Agricultural Water Use Monitoring Update

DIVISION OF RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

Tim Sagul, P.E., Director

- RM Page 1 17. Permitting Summary Report
- RM Page 4 18. Enforcement Status Report

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

Ann B. Shortelle, Ph.D., Executive Director

- EO Page 1 19. **Public Hearing** and Acceptance of Strategic Plan for Fiscal Years 2015-2019
- EO Page 2 20. **Public Hearing** and Acceptance of the 2014 Florida Forever Work Plan
- EO Page 3 21. Consideration of Resolution 2014-01 Requesting Partial Release of Funds from the Water Management Lands Trust Fund for Springs Protection and Restoration, Minimum Flows and Levels, Water Supply Planning, and Land Management Activities for the Period of January 1, 2014 through March 31, 2014
- EO Page 7 22. Reimbursement Request to the Department of Environmental Protection in the Amount of \$596,439 for the Period of October 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013 for District Expenditures Relating to Springs Restoration and Protection, Minimum Flows and Levels, Water Supply Planning, Preacquisition and Land Management Activities
23. Springs Projects Update
- EO Page 11 24. North Florida Regional Water Supply Partnership Stakeholder Committee Update

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26. Announcements

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

February 11, 2014 9:00 a.m. Board Meeting followed by
Workshop
District Headquarters

****Board Workshops immediately follow Board Meetings unless otherwise noted.**

27. Adjournment

Any member of the public, who wishes to address the Board on any agenda item, or any other topic, must sign up (including the completion of the required speaker forms) with the Executive Director or her designee before the time designated for Public Comment. During Public Comment, the Chair shall recognize those persons signed up to speak on agenda items first. To the extent time permits, the Chair shall thereafter recognize those persons signed up to speak on non-agenda items. Unless, leave is given by the Chair, (1) all speakers will be limited to three minutes per topic, (2) any identifiable group of three persons or more shall be required to choose a representative, who shall be limited to five minutes per topic. When recognized by the Chair during Public Comment, a speaker may request to be allowed to make his or her comments at the time the Board considers a particular agenda item. The Chair may grant or deny such request in the Chair's sole discretion.

The Board may act upon (including reconsideration) any agenda item at any time during the meeting. The agenda may be changed only for good cause as determined by the Chair and stated in the record. If, after the regular time for Public Comment, the agenda is amended to add an item for consideration, the Chair shall allow public comment on the added agenda item prior to the Board taking action thereon.

All decisions of the Chair concerning parliamentary procedures, decorum, and rules of order will be final, unless they are overcome by a majority of the members of the Board in attendance.

If any person decides to appeal any decision with respect to any action considered at the above referenced meeting and hearing, such person may need to ensure a verbatim record of the proceeding is made to include testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is made.

AGENDA

SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

GOVERNING BOARD WORKSHOP

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

January 14, 2014
Following the Governing Board Meeting

District Headquarters
Live Oak, Florida

1. Potential Revocation of Water Use Permits for Non-Use
2. Middle Suwannee River and Springs Restoration and Aquifer Recharge Project Update
3. Lower Santa Fe and Ichetucknee Rivers and Priority Springs Minimum Flows and Levels Update

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

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9:00 a.m., Tuesday
December 10, 2013

District Headquarters
Live Oak, Florida

Governing Board:

Seat	Name	Office	Present	Not Present
Aucilla Basin	George M. Cole, Ph.D.		X	
Coastal River Basin	Donald Ray Curtis, III	Sec./Treas.	X	
Lower Suwannee Basin	Don Quincey, Jr.	Chair	X	
Santa Fe & Wacc. Basins	Kevin W. Brown		X	
Upper Suwannee Basin	Alphonas Alexander	Vice Chair	X	
At Large	Virginia H. Johns		X**	
At Large	Virginia Sanchez		X	
At Large	Guy N. Williams		X	
At Large	Gary Jones			X

**Mrs. Johns arrived at 9:27 a.m.

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	Ann B. Shortelle, Ph.D.	X	
Assistant Executive Director	Jon Dinges	X	
Gov. Affairs / Communications Director	Steve Minnis		X
Administrative Services Bureau Director	Dave Dickens	X	
Land Resources Division Director	Charles H. Houder. III	X	
Water Supply Division Director	Carlos Herd	X	
Water Resources Division Director	Erich Marzolf	X	
Resource Mgmt. Division Director	Tim Sagul	X	
GB & HR Coordinator	Lisa Cheshire	X	

Guests:

Robin Lamm, SRWMD	Kevin Wright, SRWMD
Rhonda Scott, SRWMD	Megan Wetherington, SRWMD
Vanessa Fultz, SRWMD	Mark Minno, SRWMD
Christina Hilliard, SRWMD	Darlene Saindon, SRWMD
Warren Zwanka SRWMD	Neha Japtag, SRWMD
Hugh Thomas, DACS	Carolee Howe, Shenandoah Dairy
Paul Still, BSWCD	Jeff Hill, Lake City
Frank Darabi, Darabi & Associates	Rick Hutton, GRU
Corey Mikell, H2O Labs	David Lang, Gilchrist County
Todd Newton, Gilchrist County Clerk of Court	Craig Varn, Manson Bolves
Curt Williams, Florida Farm Bureau	Jason Land, Land Dairy, Inc.

Jennifer Sagan, AMEC
Angelique Bochnak, AMEC
Jacqui Sulek, Audubon Florida
Charles Fellows, Water & Air Research, Inc.
Tim Norman, Mittauer & Associates, Inc.

Mark Diblin, AMEC
Steve Gladin
James Hair
Greg Lang, Mittauer & Associates, Inc.
Rafael Vazquez, Mittauer & Associates, Inc.

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

Agenda Item No. 3 - Announcement of any Amendments to the Agenda by the Chair.

Updates:

- Executive Office – Agenda Item 31 – Consideration of Resolution 2013-24 to Classify Agricultural Cost-Share, Local Government Cost-Share and Land Acquisition Fund Balances as Committed Funds
- Executive Office – Agenda Item 32 – Approval of Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Preliminary Budget

Deletion:

- Agenda Item No. 11 - **Public Hearing for** Approval and Execution of Resolution 2013-23 Authorizing the Purchase of the Bradford Timberlands Tract, 340 acres ±, in Bradford County.

Agenda Item No. 4 – Public Comment.

- Paul Still, BSWCD – MFL Concerns
- Carolee Howe, Shenandoah Dairy – Agriculture support.
- James Hair – Agenda Item 25, Final Order granting variance.

Agenda Item No. 5 - Consideration of the Following Items Collectively by Consent:

- Agenda Item No. 6 – Approval of November 12, 2013 Governing Board Meeting and Workshop Minutes
- Agenda Item No. 8 – Approval of October 2013 Financial Report
- Agenda Item No. 19 – Approval of a Modification with a 0.1157 mgd Decrease in Allocation and a Five-Year Permit Extension for Water Use Permit Application Number 2-06-00019.002, Davis Farm, Suwannee County
- Agenda Item No. 20 - Approval of a Modification with a 0.1590 mgd Decrease in Allocation and a Five-Year Permit Extension for Water Use Permit Application Number 2-08-00069.002, David Goolsby, Jr. Farm, Hamilton County
- Agenda Item No. 21 – Approval of a Modification with a 0.9060 mgd Decrease in Allocation and a Five-Year Permit Extension for Water Use Permit Application Number 2-84-00876.003, Hines Farms, LLC, Gilchrist County
- Agenda Item No. 22 - Approval of a Modification with a 0.2714 mgd Decrease in Allocation and a Five-Year Permit Extension for Water Use Permit Application Number 2-13-00062.001, Hines Cattle, Alachua County

DR. COLE MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT ITEMS COLLECTIVELY. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. ALEXANDER. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, SANCHEZ, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

Agenda Item No. 6 – Approval of Minutes.

- November 12, 2013 Governing Board Meeting
- November 12, 2013 Governing Board Workshop

THE NOVEMBER 12, 2013 GOVERNING BOARD MEETING AND WORKSHOP MINUTES WERE APPROVED WITH THE CONSENT ITEMS.

Agenda Item No. 7 - Items of General Interest for Information/Cooperating Agencies and Organizations

- Megan Wetherington gave a presentation of hydrologic conditions of the District.
- Cooperating Agencies and Organizations

Governing Board Legal Counsel – No Items

BUREAU OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Dave Dickens, Bureau Manager, introduced new employee Christina Hilliard, Business Process Analyst.

Agenda Item No. 8 – Approval of October 2013 Financial Report. Approved on Consent.

Agenda Item No. 9 – Vehicle Purchase Recommendation. Mr. Dickens, presented staff recommendation to the Governing Board to authorize the Executive Director to purchase two vehicles at Florida Sheriffs' Contract prices not to exceed an aggregate cost of \$45,000 as provided in the Board materials.

DR. COLE MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO PURCHASE TWO VEHICLES AT FLORIDA SHERIFFS' CONTRACT PRICES NOT TO EXCEED AN AGGREGATE COST OF \$45,000. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MRS. SANCHEZ. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, SANCHEZ, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

Agenda Item No. 10 – Ranking of Engineering Design Firms for the Ichetucknee Springshed Water Quality Improvement Project. Mr. Dickens presented staff recommendation to the Governing Board for approval of the ranking of firms for engineering design for the Ichetucknee Springshed Water Quality Improvement Project and to authorize negotiations with the firms in order of ranking as provided in the Board materials.

Two engineering firms, Mittauer and Associates and AMEC, provided comments to the Governing Board. Dr. Cole requested more information on the ranking and the selection process on future proposals. General Counsel explained the ranking and negotiation process per Florida Statutes.

MR. ALEXANDER MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE APPROVAL OF THE RANKING OF FIRMS FOR ENGINEERING DESIGN FOR THE ICHETUCKNEE SPRINGSHED WATER QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT AND TO AUTHORIZE NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE FIRMS IN ORDER OF RANKING. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. CURTIS. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, SANCHEZ, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

Board Chair stated for the record that Mrs. Virginia Johns, Board Member, arrived at meeting at 9:27 a.m.

DIVISION OF LAND RESOURCES

Agenda Item No. 11 - Deleted

Agenda Item No. 12 – Authorization to Conduct a Detailed Assessment of a Proposed Conservation Easement Exchange with Michael and Freda Shaw in Lafayette County. Charlie Houser, Director, Division of Land Resources, presented staff recommendation to the Governing Board to authorize staff to commence detailed assessment and negotiations for an exchange of property interests with Michael and Freda Shaw as provided in the Board materials.

Board Chair requested the Lands Committee review future conservation easement restrictions before consideration by the Board.

MR. CURTIS MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE STAFF TO COMMENCE DETAILED ASSESSMENT AND NEGOTIATIONS FOR AN EXCHANGE OF PROPERTY INTERESTS WITH MICHAEL AND FREDA SHAW. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY DR. COLE. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, JOHNS, SANCHEZ, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

Agenda Item No.13 – Consideration of Conveyance of 120 acres ± at Otter Springs to Gilchrist County. Mr. Houser presented staff recommendation that the Governing Board approve and execute Resolution 2013-25 authorizing the conveyance of approximately 120 acres at Otter Springs to Gilchrist County as provided in the Board materials.

Gilchrist County Representatives provided comments.

MR. WILLIAMS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE AND EXECUTE RESOLUTION 2013-25 AUTHORIZING THE CONVEYANCE OF APPROXIMATELY 120 ACRES AT OTTER SPRINGS TO GILCHRIST COUNTY. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. CURTIS. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, JOHNS, SANCHEZ, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

Agenda Item No. 14 – Land Resources Activity Summary. The Land Resources Activity Summary was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

DIVISION OF WATER SUPPLY – No Items

DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCES

Agenda Item No. 15 – Procurement of Cellular Modems from Federally Approved Vendors. Erich Marzolf, Director, Division of Water Resources, presented staff recommendation to the Governing Board to authorize the Executive Director to purchase cellular modems from federally approved vendors under the U.S. General Services Administration for an amount not to exceed \$34,250 as provided in the Board materials.

MR. CURTIS MADE A MOTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO PURCHASE CELLULAR MODEMS FROM FEDERALLY APPROVED VENDORS UNDER THE U.S. GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$34,250. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. ALEXANDER. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, JOHNS, SANCHEZ, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

Agenda Item No. 16 – Contract with Water and Air Research, Inc., for Hydrologic, Water Quality and Biological Sampling. Mr. Marzolf presented staff recommendation to the Governing Board to authorize the Executive Director to enter into a contract with Water and Air Research, Inc., to provide surface and groundwater sampling, discharge measurements and biological analyses for a total cost not to exceed \$186,097.50 as provided in the Board materials.

Charlie Fellows, Water and Air Research (WAR), provided comments to the Board.

BOARD CHAIR MOVED TO AGENDA ITEM NO. 25 PRIOR TO FUTHER CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA ITEM 16.

Agenda Item No. 25 – Final Order Granting Variance, James Hair District Floodway Project, District Permit Application Number ERP06-0497M, Columbia County, Final Order Number 13-0005. Tim Sagul, Director, Resource Management, presented staff recommendation to the Governing Board to enter Final Order Number 13-0005 granting variance to subsection 40B-4.3030(13), Florida Administrative Code, for James Hair District Floodway Project, Columbia County as presented in the Board materials.

Mr. James Hair provided comments and answers to questions.

MR. WILLIAMS MADE A MOTION TO ENTER FINAL ORDER NUMBER 13-0005 GRANTING VARIANCE TO SUBSECTION 40B-4.3030(13), FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, FOR JAMES HAIR DISTRICT FLOODWAY PROJECT, COLUMBIA COUNTY. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. CURTIS. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, JOHNS, SANCHEZ, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

AFTER A SHORT BREAK, THE BOARD CHAIR RESUMED DISCUSSION OF AGENDA ITEM NO. 16.

Frank Darabi, Darabi and Associates, Inc., provided comments to the Board.

Discussion occurred.

Chair Quincey passed the gavel to the Vice-Chair Alexander who assumed the position of Chair.

MR. QUINCEY MADE A MOTION TO AWARD THE CONTRACT TO MCGLYNN LABORATORIES, INC. THE MOTION DIED FOR LACK OF A SECOND.

Discussion occurred.

Chair Quincey resumed position of Chair.

MR. WILLIAMS MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE LOWEST BIDDER, LOCKLEAR & ASSOCIATES, INC., TO PROVIDE SURFACE AND GROUNDWATER SAMPLING, DISCHARGE MEASUREMENTS AND BIOLOGICAL ANALYSES FOR A TOTAL COST NOT TO EXCEED \$107,852.70. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY DR. COLE. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, JOHNS, SANCHEZ, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

Agenda Item No. 17 – Interagency Agreement with St. Johns River Water Management District for Surface and Groundwater Chemistry Analysis. Mr. Marzolf presented staff recommendation to the Governing Board to authorize the Executive Director to enter into an Interagency Agreement with St. Johns River Water Management District to provide surface and groundwater laboratory analyses for a total cost not to exceed \$80,000 as provided in the Board materials.

DR. COLE MADE A MOTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO AN INTERAGENCY AGREEMENT WITH ST. JOHNS RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT TO PROVIDE SURFACE AND GROUNDWATER LABORATORY ANALYSES FOR A TOTAL COST NOT TO EXCEED \$80,000. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. CURTIS. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, JOHNS, SANCHEZ, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

Agenda Item No. 18 – Agricultural Water Use Monitoring Update. Agricultural Water Use Monitoring update was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

DIVISION OF RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

Agenda Item No. 19 – Approval of a Modification with a 0.1157 mgd Decrease in Allocation and a Five-Year Permit Extension for Water Use Permit Application Number 2-06-00019.002, Davis Farm, Suwannee County. Approved on Consent.

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Agenda Item No. 23 - Denial without Prejudice of Environmental Resource Permit Application Number ERP12-0131, Green Acres at the Pines, Alachua County. Tim Sagul, Director, Resource Management, presented staff recommendation to the Governing Board to authorize denial, without prejudice, of Environmental Resource Permit Application Number ERP12-0131, Green Acres at the Pines, Alachua County as presented in the Board materials.

MRS. JOHNS MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE DENIAL, WITHOUT PREJUDICE, OF ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCE PERMIT APPLICATION NUMBER ERP12-0131, GREEN ACRES AT THE PINES, ALACHUA COUNTY. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. ALEXANDER. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, JOHNS, SANCHEZ, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

Agenda Item No. 24 - Denial without Prejudice of Environmental Resource Permit Application Number ERP13-0062, Derek Browning Pond – Ashley Renee Crawford, Bradford County. Mr. Sagul presented staff recommendation to the Governing Board to authorize denial, without prejudice, of Environmental Resource Permit Application Number ERP13-0062, Derek Browning – Ashley Renee Crawford Pond, Bradford County as presented in the Board materials.

MR. CURTIS MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE DENIAL, WITHOUT PREJUDICE, OF ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCE PERMIT APPLICATION NUMBER ERP13-0062, DEREK BROWNING – ASHLEY RENEE CRAWFORD POND, BRADFORD COUNTY. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. ALEXANDER. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, JOHNS, SANCHEZ, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

Agenda Item No. 25 – Item considered during Agenda Item No. 16 discussion.

Agenda Item No. 26 – Authorization to Extend Contract 09/10-096 with AECOM for Lafayette County Digital Flood Insurance Rate Map (DFIRM) updates. Mr. Sagul presented staff recommendation to the Governing Board to extend contract 09/10-096 with AECOM to complete the Lafayette County DFIRM updates for the remaining amount of \$32,570 by February 28, 2015, as presented in the Board materials.

MR. CURTIS MADE A MOTION TO EXTEND CONTRACT 09/10-096 WITH AECOM TO COMPLETE THE LAFAYETTE COUNTY DFIRM UPDATES FOR THE REMAINING AMOUNT OF \$32,570 BY FEBRUARY 28, 2015. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. ALEXANDER. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, JOHNS, SANCHEZ, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

Agenda Item No. 27 – Approval to Enter Into Contracts for the 5th Round of Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Santa Fe River Basin Management Action Plan (BMAP) Agricultural Cost-Share Program. Kevin Wright, Professional Engineer, presented staff recommendation to the Governing Board to enter into contracts for the 5th round of FDEP Santa Fe River BMAP Agricultural Cost-Share Program with two applicants as presented in the Board materials.

MR. ALEXANDER MADE A MOTION TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS FOR THE 5TH ROUND OF FDEP SANTA FE RIVER BMAP AGRICULTURAL COST-SHARE PROGRAM WITH TWO APPLICANTS. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MRS. JOHNS. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, JOHNS, SANCHEZ, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

Agenda Item No. 28 – Approval to Enter Into Contracts for the 1st Round District Agricultural Cost-Share Program for FY 13/14. Mr. Wright presented staff recommendation to the Governing Board to

enter into contracts for the 1st round FY 13/14 District Agricultural Cost-Share Program with 12 applicants as presented in the Board materials.

Mrs. Sanchez, on behalf of Sanchez Farms, stated a conflict of interest and abstained from voting on Agenda Item 28. She completed a conflict of interest form and that form is hereby made a part of these minutes and filed in the permanent files of the District.

MR. CURTIS MADE A MOTION TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS FOR THE 1ST ROUND FY 13/14 DISTRICT AGRICULTURAL COST-SHARE PROGRAM WITH 12 APPLICANTS. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. ALEXANDER. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, JOHNS, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

Agenda Item No. 29 – Permitting Summary Report. The Permitting Summary Report was provided as an informational item as provided in the Board materials.

Agenda Item No. 30 – Enforcement Status Report. The Enforcement Status Report was provided as an informational item as provided in Board materials.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

The Board Chair recognized Jacqui Sulek, Audubon Florida, who commented on the Lower Santa Fe and Ichetucknee Rivers and Priority Springs Minimum Flows and Levels.

Agenda Item No. 31 – Consideration of Resolution 2013-24 to Classify Agricultural Cost-Share, Local Government Cost-Share and Land Acquisition Fund Balances as Committed Funds. Dr. Ann Shortelle, Executive Director, presented a recommendation to the Governing Board for approval and execution of Resolution 2013-24 to Classify Agricultural Cost-Share, Local Government Cost-Share, and Land Acquisition Fund Balances as Committed Funds pursuant to Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 54 as presented in the Board materials.

MR. CURTIS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE AND EXECUTE RESOLUTION 2013-24 TO CLASSIFY AGRICULTURAL COST-SHARE, LOCAL GOVERNMENT COST-SHARE, AND LAND ACQUISITION FUND BALANCES AS COMMITTED FUNDS PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENTAL ACCOUNTING STANDARDS BOARD STATEMENT NO. 54. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. WILLIAMS. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, JOHNS, SANCHEZ, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

Agenda Item No. 32 – Approval of Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Preliminary Budget. Dr. Shortelle presented a recommendation to the Governing Board for approval of the Preliminary Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Budget of \$22,468,840 as presented in the Board materials.

MR. CURTIS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE PRELIMINARY FISCAL YEAR 2014-2015 BUDGET OF \$22,468,840. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. ALEXANDER. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, JOHNS, SANCHEZ, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

Agenda Item No. 33 – Agreement for Transmittal of Electric Consumption Data with Clay Electric Cooperative, Inc. Dr. Shortelle presented a recommendation to the Governing Board to authorize the Chair to execute the Agreement for Transmittal of Electric Consumption Data with Clay Electric Cooperative, Inc. as provided in the Board materials.

DR. COLE MADE A MOTION AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT FOR TRANSMITTAL OF ELECTRIC CONSUMPTION DATA WITH CLAY ELECTIC COOPERATIVE, INC. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. CURTIS. UPON VOTE OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, THE MOTION CARRIED. (MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR: ALEXANDER, BROWN, COLE, CURTIS, JOHNS, SANCHEZ, WILLIAMS AND QUINCEY.)

Agenda Item No. 34 – North Florida Regional Water Supply Partnership Stakeholder Committee Update. A North Florida Regional Water Supply Partnership Stakeholder Committee update was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Agenda Item No. 35 - District's Weekly Activity Reports. The District's Weekly Activity Reports were provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Meeting adjourned at 12:22 p.m.

Chair

ATTEST:

SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
 MINUTES OF
 GOVERNING BOARD WORKSHOP

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Following the Governing Board Meeting
 December 10, 2013

District Headquarters
 Live Oak, FL

Governing Board:

Seat	Name	Office	Present	Not Present
Aucilla Basin	George M. Cole, Ph.D.		X	
Coastal River Basin	Donald Ray Curtis, III	Sec/Treasurer	X	
Lower Suwannee River Basin	Don Quincey, Jr.	Chair	X	
Santa Fe/Wacc. Basins	Kevin W. Brown		X	
Upper Suwannee River Basin	Alphonas Alexander	Vice Chair		X
At Large	Virginia H. Johns		X	
At Large	Virginia Sanchez		X	
At Large	Guy N. Williams		X	
At Large	Gary Jones			X

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	Ann B. Shortelle, Ph.D.	X	
Assistant Executive Director	Jon Dinges	X	
Governmental Affairs/Comm. Director	Steve Minnis		X
Admin. Services Bureau Manager	Dave Dickens	X	
Land Resources Division Director	Charlie Houder	X	
Water Supply Division Director	Carlos Herd	X	
Water Resources Division Director	Erich Marzolf	X	
Resource Mgmt. Division Director	Tim Sagul	X	
GB and HR Coordinator	Lisa Cheshire	X	

Guests:

John Good, SRWMD	Carlos Herd, SRWMD
Kevin Wright, SRWMD	Rhonda Scott, SRWMD
Carree Olshansky, SRWMD	Vanessa, Fultz, SRWMD
Darlene Saindon, SRWMD	Neha Japtag, SRWMD
Rick Hutton, GRU	Steve Gladin
Georgia Shevitz, Gilchrist County	Jacqui Sulek, Audubon Florida
Paul Still	Hugh Thomas, FDACS
Craig Varn, Manson Bolves	

Strategic Plan

The Strategic Plan was presented as six strategic priorities. Carlos Herd presented Water Supply and Minimum Flows and Levels strategic priorities. Jon Dinges presented Water Conservation strategic priority. Erich Marzolf presented Heartland Springs Initiative strategic priority. Charlie Houser presented Water Management Lands strategic priority and Tim Sagul presented Flood Control strategic priority. Each presentation was a summary of strategies, 2013 accomplishments, and Fiscal Year 2015 preliminary budget highlights.

Lower Santa Fe and Ichetucknee Rivers and Priority Springs Minimum Flows Update

Carlos Herd gave an update on the November 18, 2013, public meetings, status of the MFL technical report, draft recovery strategy, MFL peer review and public comment resolution document, statement of estimated regulatory cost document, and the updated rulemaking schedule.

The workshop ended at 3:05 p.m.

Chair

ATTEST:

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board

FROM: Dave Dickens, Administrative Services Bureau Manager

DATE: December 30, 2013

RE: Approval of November 2013 Financial Report

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Governing Board approve the November 2013 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 as attached.

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.

DD/bmp
Enclosure

**Suwannee River Water Management District
Cash Report
November 2013**

ACCOUNT	Monthly Interest	Interest Rate %	Closing Balance
Bank of America Permit Fee	-	-	\$70,046.61
First Federal Permit Fee	\$2.46	0.30%	\$10,430.14
First Federal Depository	\$154.82	0.30%	\$745,577.82
SPIA	\$36,632.12	1.12%	\$39,456,254.64
SBA Fund A	\$6.62	0.17%	\$55,900.48
SBA Fund B	-	-	\$285,277.51
TOTAL	\$36,796.02		\$40,623,487.20

**Suwannee River Water Management District
Statement of Sources and Uses of Funds
For the Month ending November 30, 2013
(Unaudited)**

	Current Budget	Actuals Through 11/30/2013	Variance (Under)/Over Budget	Actuals As A % of Budget
Sources				
Ad Valorem Property Taxes	\$ 5,384,693	\$ 598,588	\$ (4,786,105)	11%
Intergovernmental Revenues	16,721,900	177,171	(16,544,729)	1%
Interest on Invested Funds	333,794	62,757	(271,038)	19%
License and Permit Fees	171,939	18,141	(153,798)	11%
Other	216,318	60,192	(156,126)	28%
Fund Balance	6,409,874	293,963	(6,115,911)	5%
Total Sources	\$ 29,238,518	\$ 1,210,811	\$ (28,027,707)	4%

	Current Budget	Expenditures	Encumbrances ¹	Available Budget	%Expended	%Obligated ²
Uses						
Water Resources Planning and Monitoring	\$ 7,394,563	\$ 510,083	\$ 7,122	\$ 6,877,357	7%	7%
Acquisition, Restoration and Public Works	16,234,956	136,702	-	16,098,254	1%	1%
Operation and Maintenance of Lands and Works	2,522,765	170,213	2,116	2,350,437	7%	7%
Regulation	1,188,555	145,506	-	1,043,049	12%	12%
Outreach	252,952	26,004	-	226,948	10%	10%
Management and Administration	1,644,727	222,302	-	1,422,425	14%	14%
Total Uses	\$ 29,238,518	\$ 1,210,811	\$ 9,238	\$ 28,018,469	4%	4%

¹ Encumbrances represent unexpended balances of open purchase orders and contracts.

² Represents the sum of expenditures and encumbrances as a percentage of the available budget.

This financial statement is prepared as of November 30, 2013 and covers the interim period since the most recent audited financial statements.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board

FROM: Dave Dickens, Administrative Services Bureau Manager

DATE: December 30, 2013

RE: Authorization to Enter into a Negotiated Contract with AMEC Environment & Infrastructure, Inc., for Engineering Services for the Ichetucknee Springs Water Quality Improvement Project

RECOMMENDATION

District staff recommends the Governing Board authorize the Executive Director to enter into a negotiated contract with AMEC Environment & Infrastructure, Inc., for Engineering Services for the Ichetucknee Springs Water Quality Improvement Project for an amount not to exceed \$284,000.

BACKGROUND

In December 2013, the Board approved the ranking of the firms and authorized staff to negotiate a contract with AMEC Environment & Infrastructure, Inc., for engineering services for the Ichetucknee Springs Water Quality Improvement Project. This project consists of designing a conversion of Lake City's slow-rate land application wastewater effluent disposal spray fields into constructed treatment wetlands to reduce nitrogen loading and to provide beneficial recharge into the upper Floridan aquifer in this area of high recharge to the Ichetucknee springs group.

Based on the approved ranking, staff began negotiations with AMEC. The negotiations resulted in the attached proposed scope of work and fee schedule. The recommended not-to-exceed cost of \$284,000 includes a 10% contingency to cover additional tasks, such as gopher tortoise relocation, that cannot be accurately predicted. Unit costs for those tasks are included in the proposed contract.

The City of Lake City, Columbia County, and the Suwannee River Water Management District (SRWMD) are cooperating to implement this project. The project has received funding from the State of Florida with matching funds from the three project cooperators.

DD/bmp
Attachments



December 17, 2013

Mr. Dave Dickens
Bureau of Administrative Services Manager
Suwannee River Water Management District
9225 CR 49
Live Oak, FL 32060

Reference: Proposed Scope of Work
Engineering Design Services
Ichetucknee Springshed Water Quality Improvement Project

Dear Mr. Dickens

AMEC Environment & Infrastructure, Inc. (AMEC) has prepared the following proposed Scope of Work (SOW) for the Ichetucknee Springshed engineering design services project. AMEC appreciates the opportunity to work with the SRWMD team and looks forward to supporting the District with this important project. This cost proposal includes task items identified in the SOW.

Project Overview

This project consists of designing a conversion of Lake City's slow-rate land application wastewater effluent disposal spray fields into constructed treatment wetlands to reduce nitrogen loading and to provide beneficial recharge into the upper Floridan aquifer in this area of high recharge to the Ichetucknee springs group. There is a Total Maximum Daily Load and Basin Management Action Plan for the Santa Fe River already in place. Nitrogen load reductions are required throughout the basin, including the Ichetucknee spring shed, to meet water quality standards. The City of Lake City wastewater treatment plant is currently permitted to discharge up to 3.0 million gallons per day to a wastewater spray field located in a highly karst area. The Basin Management Action Plan identifies improved wastewater management for the City of Lake City as a project.

The City of Lake City, Columbia County, and the Suwannee River Water Management District (SRWMD) are cooperating (referred to here after as cooperators) to implement this project. The project has received funding from the State of Florida with matching funds from the three project cooperators.

Project Kickoff Meeting

AMEC staff will attend a project kick-off meeting with project cooperators to review the site-specific objectives, scope of work, project schedule, meeting schedule, and to receive information available from the cooperators (i.e., reports, available data, etc.). The project kick-off meeting will be a face-to-face meeting located at the District's Live Oak offices. Detailed minutes of the kick-off meeting will be prepared by AMEC and provided to SRWMD's Project Manager within five (5) business days of the meeting.

Phase 1 Data Collection

Task 1.1 – SRWMD will supply AMEC with all available data to be used for project design including aerial photographs, LiDAR, effluent data, as built surveys, groundwater sampling data, property surveys, and geotechnical data including the plans from the construction of the reuse system, "The Lake City Supplementary 201 Site-Specific Study for Spray irrigation" (has soil boring logs,

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geohydrology data, Verification of SCS Soil Series and more), Contract Bid documents Schedule B Bid Work Vol. 2, Schedule B Drawings, O&M for the Sprayfield Operations, LiDAR data for the area, 2012 imagery, and 10 years of effluent data. AMEC will identify data gaps/project uncertainties needed to complete the design of the wetland treatment system.

Task 1.2 – Hydrologic Evaluation: A list of hydrologic data needs has been identified based on the evaluation of potential data gaps and includes those items identified through a preliminary evaluation of project goals that warrant further detailed consideration.

- **Infiltration Rates:** AMEC will conduct eight Double Ring Infiltrometer (DRI) tests in general accordance with ASTM D3385-09 in both the shallow sandy soil and underlying clayey profile to estimate the expected sustainable infiltration rate across the Project Area. This information will be used to refine model estimations of treatment performance and site design.
- **Existing Infrastructure:** AMEC will conduct a visual assessment of existing infrastructure to determine what can be incorporated into the proposed treatment wetland design. The Team recognizes that the integration of existing infrastructure, as appropriate, could represent substantial cost savings. Furthermore, a modular approach will potentially allow for accommodation of existing infrastructure layout with minimal modification.
- **Hydrologic:** Utilizing data collected from the DRI testing and previously collected data, AMEC will develop a hydrologic model of the existing land-application effluent disposal system to estimate the quantity of water currently being recharged to the Floridan Aquifer and lost through evapotranspiration. AMEC will use a combination of desktop techniques and hydrologic models such as POUNDS or MODFLOW to perform this analysis. This model will be refined during the design process to further quantify the anticipated recharge rate to the Floridan Aquifer of the final proposed wetland system.

Task 1.3 – Water Quality and Soil Nutrient Evaluation: An additional concern identified by the AMEC Team is the potential of legacy nutrient release from the sandy soils overlaying the Hawthorn layer upon flooding of the treatment wetland. Experience has shown that areas that have been utilized for soil adsorption of nutrients or land application of fertilizer may release significant levels of nutrients and other contaminants upon flooding. The AMEC Team recommends collecting and analyzing soils cores throughout the project area for nutrient storages and release rates. If high levels of nutrients are observed, measures can be taken to block initial discharge to the Floridan aquifer to allow for re-adsorption of these nutrients to the soils or uptake by vegetation

- **Future Water Quality Variability and Availability:** Estimation of future water quality and flow variability identified by discussions with City staff will be evaluated further. AMEC will evaluate the full period of record of water quality data collected for the effluent of the WWTF and identify non-typical peaks and out of the norm events. This information will be taken into consideration during the development of the design to maximize the treatment potential of the treatment wetland not only under normal operating conditions but also under major storm events that could result in unusually high water quality outflow events.
- **Background Nutrient Concentrations:** The project goal specifies an effluent N concentration of 1 mg/L or less. Total N of natural soil organic matter (or accumulation of organic matter within the wetland over time) may represent a natural background TN concentration that limits effluent concentrations from reaching the target concentration. AMEC will collect a minimum of 12 composite soil samples to analyze for bulk density, organic matter content, TN, TC, and TP to determine background nutrient conditions. AMEC will calculate the stoichiometric ratios of carbon-nitrogen-phosphorus (C:N:P) to estimate nitrogen availability. Carbon-nitrogen (C:N) ratios greater than 20 and nitrogen-phosphorus (N:P) ratios greater than 14 indicate high levels of available nitrogen are likely and could result in internal loading of nitrogen.
- **Available Nutrients and Release Rates:** If background nutrient conditions are high (i.e. C:N greater than 20 and N:P greater than 14), then AMEC recommends a follow up soil investigation that takes a closer look at the available forms of nutrients and their potential for release into the

surface waters and outflows of the treatment wetland. A minimum of 3-5 detailed available nutrients analysis are recommended if background nutrients are determined to be high in the above sub-task.

Task 1.4 – AMEC’s Authorized Gopher Tortoise Agent will conduct a gopher tortoise survey within the north parcel and permit them for relocation. This survey will cover 15% of the north parcel and must be conducted 90 days prior to submittal of the relocation permit. As required by the permit, a 100 percent survey will be conducted no more than 90 days prior to relocation. This survey and relocation (either on-site or off-site) prior to construction is addressed in the construction management services Task 2.6. The engineering firm will conduct data collection meetings with cooperators, compile all available data and prepare a brief report summarizing all available data.

Task 1.5 – AMEC biologists will conduct a wetland assessment and delineation and threatened and endangered species survey within the first phase of the project (north parcel) for existing wetlands. The wetland lines will be incorporated into the plan for existing conditions for the permit application.

Task 1.6 – AMEC will conduct field surveying operations to collect information in sufficient detail to perform hydrologic and hydraulic modeling, address permit requirements and prepare the final engineering design and construction plans. All survey data will be made relative to the North American Datum of 1983/ 2011 Adjustment (NAD83/11) and/or the North American Vertical Datum of 1988 (NAVD88) based on existing National Geodetic Survey (NGS) survey monumentation and related published data sheets for said monumentation. Two project control monuments will be set, one for the construction of the inflow into the wetland and the second at the outfall from the wetland.

Survey will be performed to collect detailed information for existing drainage structures along County Road 341 (SW Sisters Welcome Road), County Road 242, SW Kicklighter Terrace and SW Cannon Creek Drive as well as collecting finished floor elevation data of adjacent property owner structures. Drainage structure information to be obtained include: pipe size, inverts, type of material, diameter of pipe and dimensions of riser (if applicable), condition of structure (opinion and documentation as to whether the structure is fully functioning or needs to be replaced), and indicate if the structure has any attached appurtenances. A photo of each structure shall be taken and included in file. This information will be used in the development of the hydrologic and hydraulic modeling.

Task 1.7 – Regulatory Coordination and Permitting

- **Regulatory Acceptance:** The District, City, and County have had preliminary discussions with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP). Concurrent with the evaluation of technical data gaps, the project team will initiate the permitting process to identify regulatory constraints and to develop creative solutions for implementing the project. The AMEC Team and Cooperating Team members will conduct pre-application meetings with the regulatory agencies to discuss their concerns.
- **Pre-Application Meeting:** Permitting for the proposed project will require a major modification to the City’s domestic wastewater permit, a State Environmental Resource Permit, and a Federal Section 404 Permit if there are impacts to jurisdictional wetlands. While any permitting activities have the potential to negatively impact the project design and schedule, it will be of critical importance to identify regulatory constraints with FDEP related to the continued use of existing karst features or proposed enhancement of infiltration on the site.

Evidence of completion of the deliverable will be a summary report of known data gaps and summary of the available data to be used in the design, permitting and construction phases written to the satisfaction of the project cooperators’ staffs.

Phase 2: Design Phase

Task 2.1 – AMEC with assistance from WSI, Inc. will prepare a conceptual design in spray field 1 for the proposed wetland treatment system.

- Pre-design Workshop: AMEC will conduct a workshop with District staff, the City of Lake City, and Columbia County with the following objectives: to confirm overall project goals relevant to each partnering entity; to clearly establish the City's design preferences related to system design and operation; to transfer operational "institutional knowledge" to the design team to avoid miscommunication or misunderstanding during the design process; and to identify questions and concerns related to wetland O&M requirements that can be addressed during the preparation of the project O&M manual.
- Water Quality Modeling and Performance Estimates: WSI, Inc., under the guidance of AMEC's senior scientist, will develop a site specific water quality model using the P-k-C* model (Kadlec and Wallace, 2009) to determine performance estimates and wetland size that will be used to develop the conceptual design. This will be an iterative process that will ultimately lead to the final design concept that is developed in great detail in later tasks. AMEC will work closely with WSI, Inc. during this task using all available data compiled and collected in Phase I.
- Hydrologic and Hydraulic Analysis: AMEC will conduct hydrologic analysis, using ICPR, for criteria to be used in designing the wetland system and to assure no offsite impacts will occur due to the design of this project. AMEC will create a node/link network in GIS for existing and proposed conditions entailing onsite areas of importance and connections at the boundary where there is potential for on/offsite flow interactions, and will transition this node/link network into ICPR to represent the areas of concern in the model. This model will include key onsite and offsite infrastructure, channels, weirs, culverts and infiltration areas. Information to be determined for implementation into the model includes watershed and sub-basin delineation to be developed from the existing DEM and collected survey information; land use; time of concentration analysis; and soils and percolation analysis. AMEC will perform a pre/post analysis to determine critical points along the boundary and assure the proposed design and associated storm water stages are equal or less than existing conditions. The 100-year critical duration storm event will be used to evaluate offsite impacts. In addition, the mean annual and 25-year 24-hour events will be analyzed to ensure that no adverse offsite impacts occur during low flow events. A hydrology report will be prepared for the permit that details the model setup and analysis, and presents the pre/post findings.

Task 2.2 – AMEC will prepare materials for display and attend the Cooperators meeting. Following the Cooperators meeting the conceptual plans will be updated and submitted electronically for acceptance of the concept to the Cooperators Team.

Task 2.3 – AMEC will update materials for display, participate in and assist with a public meeting to vet the project concept. SRWMD and the Cooperators team will provide direction to AMEC for finalization of the conceptual plans.

Evidence of completion of the deliverable will be: 1) a project design concept report written to the satisfaction of the project cooperators' staffs and 2) participation in the project concept public meeting.

Task 2.4 – AMEC will develop the conceptual plans into 30 percent design plans. AMEC will submit the plans to the Cooperators Team and hold a review meeting to discuss the plans. Cooperators will provide questions at or before review meeting. AMEC will respond to the questions and update the plans in accordance with the guidance from the Cooperators Team. The responses to questions will be provided to the Cooperating Team within 5 business days of receiving the questions or the meeting date, whichever is later.

Evidence of completion of the deliverable will be: 1) an electronic copy of the 30 percent design plans and responses to the questions, submitted to the Cooperator Team.

Task 2.5 – The AMEC Geotechnical Team field exploration will consist of 14 standard penetration test (SPT) borings to 20 feet deep along the center line of the proposed perimeter berm, eight SPT borings to 25 feet deep at the four proposed inflow and outflow structures, three SPT borings to 20 feet deep near the proposed outflow recharge location, and 10 SPT borings to 10 feet deep spaced throughout the proposed wetland treatment area. Boring locations will be selected to support the design elements. The soil/geologic borings shall be made at critical locations along the berms, areas where earthfill will be obtained for the installation of structures and berms and where structures will be installed for the wetland treatment system. These borings are intended to provide sufficient locations, quantity and depth (below natural ground) needed to design the components of the wetland system. Soils will be identified and classified by means of the Unified Soil Classification System. A log of each test hole will be recorded. Each boring will be classified for soil type and a subset of the soil samples will be analyzed in a geotechnical laboratory for grain size, moisture content, and plasticity. One stability analysis will be performed to provide design information related to slope stabilization to reduce the risk of flooding impacts to off-site residents.

Evidence of completion of the deliverable will be: AMEC will supply field notes, boring logs, and laboratory test results for field and lab tests performed on field samples collected. Field notes will include the estimated subsurface profile to illustrate subsurface conditions including standard penetration test resistance test data and groundwater levels. Testing will be performed in general accordance with established ASTM or other industry accepted standards. AMEC will develop preliminary estimates of shallow foundation settlement potential for inflow and outflow structures and incorporate recommendations for site preparation and construction of compacted or backfilled soils into the final plans and specifications.

Task 2.6 – AMEC's Authorized Gopher Tortoise Agent will permit the relocation of Gopher Tortoises within the area to be impacted by the proposed north wetland block. In accordance with FWC's Gopher Tortoise Permitting Guidelines, a gopher tortoise survey, covering 100 percent of the project area, will be conducted within 90 days of the proposed relocation. Active and inactive burrows will be mapped by use of a handheld GPS unit, and documented by digital photography. This information will be provided to FWC in accordance with the permit requirements. Once authorization is provided by FWC, AMEC will capture gopher tortoises via bucket traps, live traps, hand capture, or excavation (whichever method is most appropriate). All tortoises will be individually marked, measured, and weighed. Gopher tortoises will then be relocated to an approved site.

The project cooperators will be responsible for the permit application fee and recipient site fees.

Evidence of completion of the deliverable will be an electronic copy of 1) the Gopher Tortoise Relocation Permit Application; 2) the FWC executed permit; and 3) the Final Gopher Tortoise Relocation Report including a map identifying the relocated tortoise submitted to each member of the Cooperator Team.

Task 2.7 – AMEC will develop the 30 percent design plans into 60 percent construction bid documents. These plans will include survey, piping modifications, outfall and overflow structures, site civil drawings, structural detail sheets, erosion and sediment control sheets, typical cross sections for berm construction, and vegetative planting plans for permitting and construction. AMEC will submit the 60 percent plans to the Cooperator Team for review. AMEC will hold a review meeting with the Cooperator Team to discuss their comments on the 60% design plans. AMEC will submit meeting minutes of the review meeting and responses to the Cooperators' questions within 5

business days of receiving questions or the meeting, whichever is later. AMEC will finalize the 60 percent plan set and use them for inclusion in the permit application.

Evidence of completion of the deliverable will be: 1) an electronic copy of the 60 percent plan set for each Cooperator Team member.

Task 2.8 – Permits:

- AMEC will utilize the wetland assessment, Threatened and Endangered survey results, the hydrologic and water quality calculations and the 60 percent design plans to prepare the ERP permit application. The project cooperators will be responsible for the permit application fee. AMEC will respond to 1 request for additional information to obtain the wetland construction permit.
- The AMEC team will prepare a modification application package for the City's existing wastewater treatment permit. The City will be responsible for all permitting fees and processing of the application.

Evidence of completion of the deliverable will be: 1) an electronic copy of the ERP application and approved permit for each Cooperator Team member. 2) an electronic copy of the modification application package for to the City's existing wastewater treatment permit.

Task 2.9 – During the permitting process, AMEC will prepare the Construction Bid Package documents which include the plans, specifications, estimated material quantities, Soils Investigation report and an engineer's construction cost estimate. Final Construction plans shall include the following: bid solicitation package, construction schedule, estimates for clearing and grubbing, earth work (cut and fill) estimates, planting plans, pumping, construction sequencing and plans for maintenance of effluent flows during construction, and Best Management Practices Plan. Construction drawings will include locations of soil tests holes on a plan view, as well as test hole logs showing the USCS field classification of the soil in appropriate depth increments. Construction drawings and technical specifications will have adequate detail for contractors to confirm bid quantities and shall have adequate detail for construction layout of all works of improvement, quality assurance requirements, and compliance with the specifications. Electronic copies of plans will be provided by the engineering firm for GPS assisted equipment, and all necessary bid specifications for construction phase.

Evidence of completion of the deliverable will be: 1) an electronic copy of the final construction plans and specifications for bidding.

Task 2.10 – Operation and Maintenance (O&M) Plan: AMEC will prepare an O&M Plan which will address all works of the wetland system. The O&M Plan will provide a source of reference for specific design requirements. The O&M Plan will include information such as sketches, descriptions, location plans, instructions, maintenance schedules, checklists and recommended inspections to facilitate its use and maintain its function. The O&M Plan will also include the maintenance and control of non-native invasive plant species.

Evidence of completion of the deliverable will be: 1) an electronic copy of the final O&M Plan.

Phase 3: Construction Services

Task 3.1 – AMEC will attend a pre-bid conference meeting with the District staff to answer technical questions from prospective bidders regarding bid documents. AMEC will respond to questions from perspective bidders as required to assist the District in clarifying the bid documents. AMEC will attend the preconstruction meeting scheduled by the District with the successful bidder. AMEC will review the contractors schedule, shop drawings, erosion and turbidity control plan and other contractor submittals required to satisfy the permit requirements.

Task 3.2 – AMEC will conduct weekly site visits subsequent to the contractor’s mobilization for the purpose of making site observations and to answer questions the Contractor or the District may have regarding the project’s design. AMEC will notify the District immediately of any discrepancies or deviations from the approved plans or environmental permits. AMEC will assist the District resolving utility or other unforeseen conflicts during construction. AMEC will assist in determining the Contractor’s percent completeness of work for approval of invoices.

Task 3.3 – AMEC will participate in a Substantial Completion Inspections of the project with the District staff and prepare a check list which needs to be addressed by the Contractor. AMEC will participate in a final inspection of the project with District staff. Based on the final inspection and the As-Built drawings, AMEC will prepare record documents for the project and will submit final certifications for the project as required pursuant to the environmental permits issued for the project.

Schedule:

The cooperating Team will have 5 work days to review the submittals and return comments to the AMEC Team. The AMEC Team will have 5 work days to resolve and respond to comments.

Meetings:

AMEC will submit biweekly updates via email to the Cooperating Team on the progress of the project. The AMEC and the Cooperating Team will meet via conference call or in person on a monthly basis to discuss questions and update the team on the project’s progress.

Deliverables:

All deliverables will be submitted electronically, unless otherwise stated to all Cooperating Team members.

Closing

Thank you again for the opportunity to provide this Scope of Work and associated costing. We look forward to working with SRWMD and the Cooperating Team members on this important project. I am available at your convenience to discuss any aspect of this submittal. We can be reached at 352-332-3318.

Respectfully submitted,

AMEC Environment & Infrastructure, Inc.

Charlene Stroehlen, PE
Senior Project Manager

Mark C. Diblin, PG
Vice President, Office Manager

Proposed Fee Schedule
Engineering Services for the Ichetucknee Springs Water Quality Improvement Project

Deliverable	Projected Fees
Project Kickoff Meeting	\$2,807.00
Task 1 Data Collection	\$50,720.00
Task 2 Design Phase	\$172,057.00
Task 3 Construction Services	\$32,835.00
Total	\$258,419.00

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board
FROM: Dave Dickens, Administrative Services Bureau Manager
DATE: December 30, 2013
RE: Authorization to Purchase an Additional Storage Area Network

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Governing Board authorize the Executive Director to purchase an additional Storage Area Network (SAN) for State Contract price not to exceed \$44,000.

BACKGROUND

The District purchased and installed a SAN in 2005 to consolidate storage management, improve performance, and provide greater efficiency in managing data for staff use. In 2010, the original SAN was replaced with a higher-performance version to take advantage of technology improvements over the intervening years. The SAN has proved to be an invaluable tool for the District's Information Technology activities by concentrating virtual servers and most of the District's data storage into one device for efficient management and fast performance.

The current SAN has a useable capacity of 21.3 terabytes with 18.5 terabytes in use. That leaves 2.8 terabytes for expansion. Most of the storage is used for GIS data. With more datasets coming in, the extra storage will soon be filled. The District needs to add capacity to keep existing data on line and add more accurate data in the future.

Dell has offered an additional SAN with a total, non-formatted capacity of 96 terabytes for State Contract pricing. The SAN will integrate seamlessly into the current storage environment to provide plenty of room for growth with minimal impact on staff during installation.

Funds are available in the Capital Outlay - Computer Equipment account in the Information Technology Project budget.

DD/bmp

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board

FROM: Charlie Houder, Director, Division of Land Resources

DATE: December 27, 2013

RE: Public Hearing for Approval and Execution of Resolution 2014-02 Authorizing the Purchase of the Bradford Timberlands Tract, 340 acres +/-, in Bradford County

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Governing Board approve and execute Resolution 2014-02 authorizing the purchase of 340 acres ± from Bradford Timberlands, LLC in Bradford County and requesting funds from the National Guard Bureau.

BACKGROUND

In accordance with Section 373.139 (3)(a), F.S. a public hearing is scheduled for January 14, 2014 to take comments on the purchase of 340 acres ± owned by Bradford Timberlands, LLC in Bradford County. A public hearing summary of the exchange is attached.

The acquisition of this property will support the implementation of flood abatement and water resource development projects. Being adjacent to Camp Blanding, the purchase is eligible for funding available through the Department of Defense and the National Guard Bureau aimed at securing buffers around military installations. The Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) administers the funds for this program. Funds will be made available to the District under a Letter of Assignment executed by DEP, the National Guard, and the District. In addition, staff anticipates developing an agreement with the Florida Department of Military Affairs that would turn routine land management over to Camp Blanding.

While matching funds are not strictly required from the District for this acquisition, the staff at Camp Blanding must report the District's contribution as part of the funding authorization request. There is a program-wide target of 25 percent. Including the project feasibility study, appraisals, and staff time, the District's contribution amounts to approximately \$51,865.

Subject to comment received through the public hearing, staff recommends that the Governing Board approve and execute Resolution 2014-01 authorizing the purchase of the property and requesting funds from the National Guard Bureau.

CHH/pf

**BRADFORD TIMBERLANDS, LLC
PUBLIC HEARING SUMMARY**

TRACT: Camp Blanding Buffer / Bradford Timberlands

SELLER: Bradford Timberlands, LLC, William Agricola, Managing Member

LOCATION: The E ½ of Sec. 1 and the NE ¼ of the NE ¼ of Sec. 12, T6S, R22E, Bradford County

ACREAGE: 340 ±

WATER RESOURCE PROTECTION:

River Frontage: none

Surfacewater Protection: 21% (75.3 acres)

FEMA Floodzone A: 27% (98 acres)

Aquifer Recharge: none

Springs Protection: none

TRACT DESCRIPTION: The property lies on the east line of Bradford County, adjacent to Camp Blanding. It has been mined by E. I. DuPont de Nemours and Company and is reported being reclaimed at the present time. The property is split between the Lawtey Alligator Creek and Water Oak Creek basins.

ACCESS: The property is bisected by County Road 225.

TITLE ISSUES: E. I. DuPont de Nemours and Company hold a mineral reservation.

PRICE: \$360,000, approximately \$1,059 per acre. Two fair market appraisals valued the property: Richard Hale (\$720,000 or \$2,000 per acre) and Rob Nolan (\$684,000 or \$1,900 per acre). The appraisal reports have been reviewed and recommended for acceptance by Michael Candler.

CLOSING COSTS: The Seller will pay for the documentary stamps and title insurance. The District will pay for the survey, environmental audit and recording fees. Each party will pay its own attorney fees. Closing costs are estimated to be approximately \$20,000 and may be eligible for payment from funds from the National Guard Bureau.

MANAGEMENT: Subject to the development of a flood abatement and water resource development project by the District, Camp Blanding will provide management for the property under an agreement with the Florida Department of Military Affairs.

requirements of Chapter 472, Florida Statutes, (3) delineate the coastal construction control line as defined in Section 161.053, Florida Statutes, (the "CCCL") on the PROPERTY or affirmatively show that no part of the PROPERTY is located either partially or totally seaward of the CCCL, (4) provide a "meets and bounds" legal description of the PROPERTY, and (5) show the SURVEYED ACRES.

SURVEYED ACRES shall mean the actual number of acres of the PROPERTY, excluding public road rights of way, railroad rights of way, cemeteries, and any lands below the ordinary high water line or mean high water line of any river, lake or stream, if any.

TITLE COMMITMENT shall mean a commitment to issue a title insurance policy for the PROPERTY, purchased from and issued by SELLER's attorney as agent for Fidelity National Title Insurance Company.

2. SALE OF PROPERTY: The SELLER shall sell the PROPERTY to the DISTRICT and the DISTRICT shall buy the PROPERTY from the SELLER.
3. PRICE: The DISTRICT shall pay the PURCHASE PRICE to the SELLER for the PROPERTY. The PURCHASE PRICE shall be paid in cash at closing.
4. BINDER: No binder has been posted.
5. EXPENSES: The expenses of closing this transaction shall be paid, at closing, as follows:

SELLER shall pay for:

- Preparation of the deed of conveyance
- Documentary stamp tax on the deed of conveyance
- Owner's title insurance policy (including the TITLE COMMITMENT, search, examination and related charges)
- All recording costs for document to clear title to the PROPERTY such as satisfactions of mortgages
- SELLER's attorneys' fees

DISTRICT shall pay for:

- Charges to record the deed of conveyance
- Costs of environmental audit.
- Cost of the SURVEY
- DISTRICT's attorneys fees

6. AD VALOREM TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS ON THE PROPERTY:

6.1 For the year of closing, the SELLER shall be responsible for and pay at closing all unpaid ad valorem taxes and assessments on the PROPERTY, so as to discharge the lien of such ad valorem taxes and assessments. Provided that the SELLER may take advantage of all legal procedures for discharging such lien by paying an estimated, prorated amount into escrow with the applicable tax collector(s) as provided by Section 196.295, Florida Statutes, Rule 12D-13.016, Florida

Administrative Code and other applicable provisions of law.

- 6.2 For all years prior to the year of closing, the SELLER shall be responsible for and pay at closing all unpaid ad valorem taxes and assessments on the PROPERTY, so as to discharge the lien of such ad valorem taxes and assessments.
7. CLOSING: The closing of this transaction shall be conducted at or through the offices of the CLOSING AGENT. The CLOSING DATE shall be on April 10, 2014.
8. CONVEYANCE: The SELLER shall convey to the DISTRICT, at closing by special warranty deed, title to the PROPERTY, free and clear of all liens and encumbrances except for those matters expressly allowed herein. The deed of conveyance shall utilize the "meets and bounds" legal description of the PROPERTY from the SURVEY. The matters expressly allowed herein (the "permitted title exceptions") are:
- (i) those matters listed in Schedule B to Title Insurance Policy No. FL6924-10, provided that reference in Item 1 shall be "2014" rather than "2013" and Item 3 may be revised in accordance with the new survey provided by the DISTRICT; it is noted that a copy of the "Master Agreement" referred to in Item 5 has previously been furnished to the DISTRICT and the DISTRICT agrees that there shall be no requirement to record the Master Agreement; and
 - (ii) the "Grant of Easements for Access and Utilities" by SELLER in favor of EPC Holdings 811 LLC dated August 2, 2013, recorded August 7, 2013 at OR 1496, page 490, public records, Bradford County, FL.

The DISTRICT acknowledges that it has been furnished with copies of the title insurance policy and the Master Agreement.

9. CLOSING DOCUMENTS: In addition to the deed of conveyance, the SELLER shall execute and furnish at or prior to closing the following:
- 9.1 An Affidavit of Non-Foreign Status, Notice of Non Recognition, or Withholding Certificate, establishing that no foreign income tax is required to be withheld under the Foreign Investment and Real Property Tax Act of 1980 "FIRPTA". Any such documents supplied by the SELLER must comply with the provisions of FIRPTA and any regulations or rules promulgated thereunder, and the DISTRICT must not have actual knowledge or have received notice that such document is false. If the SELLER fails to deliver such document or the DISTRICT has actual knowledge or has received notice that such document is false, then the DISTRICT shall be entitled to withhold "10% of the amount realized" by the SELLER (as defined in the FIRPTA regulations) and shall remit to the IRS at closing the amount so withheld along with the properly completed remittance form.

- 9.2 A standard closing affidavit attesting to, among other things: (a) the absence of any financing statements, claims of lien or potential lienors known to the SELLER affecting the PROPERTY, (b) that there have been no improvements or repairs to the PROPERTY for which payment has not been made, and (c) that no one other than the SELLER is in possession of or has a right to possession of the PROPERTY (with any needed exception for the rights of E.I. Du Pont de Nemours and Company as the holder of mineral interests).
- 9.3 IRS 1099 Form, if required.
- 9.4 Incumbency Certificate, Resolution and Affidavit, in form acceptable to the closing agent, from the SELLER if the SELLER is other than a natural person.
- 9.5 When requested by the SELLER, the DISTRICT shall provide signatures for the “Donee Acknowledgment” section of the Federal Internal Revenue Service Form(s) 8283 (Noncash Charitable Contributions). However, the DISTRICT has made no representations concerning, and assumes no responsibility for, the tax consequences of the use or non-use of such forms or any other tax matters concerning this transaction.
10. **TITLE EVIDENCE:** No later than **February 15, 2014**, SELLER shall obtain and furnish to the DISTRICT the TITLE COMMITMENT. If the TITLE COMMITMENT reflects: (a) someone other than the SELLER has an ownership interest in any portion of the PROPERTY, (b) any defects in the title to any portion of the PROPERTY, (c) that any portion of the PROPERTY has no legal access, and/or (d) any unpermitted title exceptions that are unacceptable to the DISTRICT, other than those matters which shall be discharged by the SELLER at or before closing (collectively the “Title Defects”), and the DISTRICT gives written notice to the SELLER of the Title Defects on or before **March 1, 2014**, then the SELLER shall have thirty (30) days after the date of such notice to correct or remove the Title Defects. In that event, the CLOSING DATE shall be extended thirty (30) days after the date of such notice (the “Extended CLOSING DATE”). If the SELLER is unable or unwilling to correct or remove the Title Defects within the thirty (30) day time period, the DISTRICT may either: (a) accept the Title Defects and close this transaction according to the terms of the CONTRACT no later than the end of the Extended CLOSING DATE, or (b) terminate the CONTRACT by written notice to the SELLER, and thereupon the DISTRICT and the SELLER shall be relieved of all further obligations under the CONTRACT excluding only the DISTRICT’s obligations under Sections 17 and 20.3. Any Title Defects to which the DISTRICT fails to object or accepts as set forth herein shall become exceptions to the warranties of title given by the SELLER in the deed of conveyance. Notwithstanding anything else herein to the contrary, the SELLER shall, at closing, pay off, fully satisfy and remove all encumbrances on the title to the PROPERTY which can be paid off and discharged from the sale proceeds, including without limitation, mortgages, judgments, claims of lien and similar items.

11. SURVEY: No later than **February 28, 2014**, the DISTRICT shall obtain the SURVEY. If the SURVEY reflects any encroachments or other defects that would adversely affect marketability of any portion of the PROPERTY that are unacceptable to the DISTRICT (collectively the "Survey Defects"), and the DISTRICT gives written notice to the SELLER of the Survey Defects prior to **March 7, 2014**, then the SELLER shall have thirty (30) days after the date of such notice to correct or remove the Survey Defects. If the SELLER is unable or unwilling to correct or remove the Survey Defects within the thirty (30) day time period, the DISTRICT may either: (a) accept the Survey Defects and close this transaction according to the terms of the CONTRACT no later than the end of the Extended CLOSING DATE, or (b) terminate the CONTRACT by written notice to the SELLER, and thereupon the DISTRICT and the SELLER shall be relieved of all further obligations under the CONTRACT excluding only the DISTRICT's obligations under Sections 17 and 20.3. Any Survey Defects to which the DISTRICT fails to object or accepts as set forth herein shall become exceptions to the warranties of title given by the SELLER in the deed of conveyance.

12. ENVIRONMENTAL: SELLER has previously furnished to the DISTRICT a copy of the Phase I Environmental Assessment obtained by SELLER when SELLER acquired title and that showed no recognized environmental condition. No later than **February 28, 2014**, the DISTRICT may, at the DISTRICT's option and expense, have an environmental audit performed on the PROPERTY. If the results of such environmental audit or the Environmental Reports furnished to the DISTRICT from the SELLER reveal that any portion of the PROPERTY is contaminated or violates applicable federal, state or local laws, ordinances, codes, rules, orders or regulations relating to pollution or protection of the environment or to threatened any endangered species (collectively the "Environmental Defects"), and the DISTRICT objects to the Environmental Defects by written notice to the SELLER prior to **March 7, 2014**, then the SELLER shall have thirty (30) days after the date of such notice to correct or remove the Environmental Defects. In that event, the CLOSING DATE shall be extended thirty (30) days after the date of such notice (the "Extended CLOSING DATE"). If the SELLER is unable or unwilling to correct or remove the Environmental Defects within the thirty (30) day time period, the DISTRICT may, within **ten (10) Business Days** of SELLER's notice that SELLER is unwilling to cure, elect either: (a) to accept the Environmental Defects and close this transaction according to the terms of the CONTRACT no later than the end of the Extended CLOSING DATE, (b) to close on and purchase only that portion of the PROPERTY which does not contain the Environmental Defects according to the terms of the CONTRACT provided that, unless otherwise waived by SELLER, the excluded parcel has access for ingress-egress and utilities and must have sufficient acreage, mutually agreed upon within 15 days following notice by the DISTRICT, so that it is usable under land-use codes for a dwelling, such Closing to occur no later than the end of the Extended CLOSING DATE, except that the PURCHASE PRICE would be reduced by the number of excluded acres multiplied by the PURCHASE PRICE PER ACRE, or (c) to terminate the CONTRACT by written notice to the SELLER, and thereupon the DISTRICT and the SELLER shall be relieved of all further obligations under the

CONTRACT other than obligations under Sections 17 and 20.3. If SELLER fails to make an election, the foregoing paragraph (c) shall apply. Should the DISTRICT exclude a portion of the PROPERTY and close on the remainder as set out above, the DISTRICT or SELLER, as applicable, shall be granted an easement for access and utilities over the excluded lands in the event the exclusion shall cause the remaining tracts of PROPERTY to be landlocked.

13. CASUALTY LOSS: In the event any portion of the timber or improvements located on the PROPERTY is damaged or destroyed by wind, fire, casualty, disease, or by any other means or act of God, prior to closing, to an extent greater than Five Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$5,000.00) in value, then the DISTRICT may either: (a) accept such loss and close this transaction according to the terms of the CONTRACT, or (b), terminate the CONTRACT by written notice to the SELLER, and thereupon the DISTRICT and the SELLER shall be relieved of all further obligations under the CONTRACT except for obligations under Sections 17 and 20.3 below. The parties acknowledge that there are no improvements on the Property. Provided, however, if the DISTRICT proceeds to closing, the SELLER shall be obligated to repair all damage to the improvements to the extent such damage is covered by insurance maintained by SELLER, regardless of the amount of such damage.
14. PERSONAL PROPERTY: The SELLER shall remove all abandoned personal property, refuse, garbage, junk, rubbish, trash and debris from the PROPERTY prior to closing, provided that the cost of any such removal does not exceed \$2,500. If such costs are estimated to exceed \$2,500 and SELLER is unwilling to pay them, the DISTRICT shall have the right to terminate this Agreement.
15. CONTINGENCY: The parties' obligation to close this transaction are contingent on:
 - 15.1 Approval of this transaction by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (In the event of the failure of such approval, the DISTRICT may terminate the CONTRACT by written notice to the SELLER, and thereupon the DISTRICT and the SELLER shall be relieved of all further obligations under the CONTRACT.); and,
 - 15.2 Availability of funds from the United States of America and/or the State of Florida to purchase the PROPERTY. The parties agree that the DISTRICT may delay the closing until funds are available. In the event that closing is delayed more than 120 days due to the availability of funding, either party may terminate the CONTRACT by written notice to the other party, and thereupon the DISTRICT and the SELLER shall be relieved of all further obligations under the CONTRACT.
16. REMEDIES FOR DEFAULT. Notwithstanding anything else herein to the contrary, the parties' sole and exclusive remedies for default of any of the terms of the CONTRACT shall be as follows:

- 16.1 Should the SELLER default on any terms of the CONTRACT, then the DISTRICT shall be entitled to either: (a) specific performance (except specific performance is not available as a remedy for failure to cure (i) title problems which cannot be cured by payment of a portion of the sale proceeds at closing, (ii) failure to cure survey problems or (iii) failure to cure environmental matters), or (b) cancel the CONTRACT, in which event both parties shall be relieved of all further obligations to the other.
- 16.2 Should the DISTRICT default on any terms of the CONTRACT, then the SELLER may cancel the CONTRACT, and retain the PROPERTY in which event both parties will be relieved of all further obligations to the other except for obligations under Sections 17 and 20.3.
17. ACCESS TO PROPERTY FOR INVESTIGATION. The DISTRICT and its officers, employees, agents and contractors are hereby granted access to the PROPERTY from the EFFECTIVE DATE until closing for all lawful purposes connected with the CONTRACT. Such lawful purposes shall include, without limitation, surveying, photographing, appraising, cruising timber, conducting environmental audits and taking soil, water and plant samples using borings, probes and test wells. Such access by the DISTRICT shall be subject to the rights of E.I. du Pont de Nemours and Company (“DuPont”) as the holder of the outstanding mineral interests and shall be coordinated with DuPont. The DISTRICT indemnifies and holds SELLER harmless from any injury to persons or property arising out of actions or omissions of the DISTRICT or its agents, employees or contractors while on the Property, and the DISTRICT shall pay any costs or expenses of SELLER (including reasonable attorneys’ fees) in defending any such claims or in enforcing the provisions of this Section.
18. REALTORS. Each party represents to the other party that no realtor nor broker has been involved in this transaction (and thus owed any commission). The SELLER agrees to hold harmless and indemnify the DISTRICT for any commission owed to any realtor or broker contacted the SELLER claiming a commission on this transaction. The DISTRICT agrees to hold harmless and indemnify the SELLER for any commission owed to any realtor or broker contacted by the DISTRICT claiming a commission on this transaction.
19. THE SELLER’S REPRESENTATIONS. The SELLER warrants and represents to the DISTRICT that:
- 19.1 Except for those matters which will be discharged at closing and the permitted encumbrances, to the best of SELLER’s knowledge (without limiting the warranties in the special warranty deed to be given) the SELLER, and only the SELLER, holds fee simple title to the PROPERTY.
- 19.2 The persons executing the CONTRACT for the SELLER are either the SELLER

or have the legal authority to execute the CONTRACT and bind the SELLER to it.

- 19.3 Other than in compliance with all applicable environmental laws, rules and regulations, the SELLER has not disposed of nor dumped any hazardous waste or other environmental pollutants onto the PROPERTY, and the SELLER has no actual knowledge, without inquiry, that any third party has dumped any hazardous waste or other environmental pollutants onto the PROPERTY.
- 19.4 To the best of the SELLER's actual information and belief, without inquiry, the PROPERTY has never been used as a dump, land-fill or garbage disposal site.
- 19.5 To the best of the SELLER's actual information and belief, without inquiry, the PROPERTY is presently in compliance with all applicable environmental laws, rules and regulations.
- 19.6 The SELLER is unaware, without inquiry, of any previous violations of applicable environmental laws, rules and regulations regarding the PROPERTY.
- 19.7 The SELLER has not received actual notice, without inquiry, from any government agency that the PROPERTY is in violation of any federal, state or local laws, ordinances, codes, rules, orders or regulations or that any remedial action is required on the PROPERTY.
- 19.8 The SELLER is not aware that there are any endangered species (as defined by state or federal law) on the PROPERTY.
- 19.9 The SELLER is not a "foreign person" as that term is defined in 26 U.S.C.A. § 1445(f)(3), nor is the sale of the Property subject to any withholding requirements imposed by the Internal Revenue Code, including, but not limited to 26 U.S.C.A. § 1445.
- 19.10 There are no parties in possession of any part of the PROPERTY other than the SELLER and DuPont as the holder of mineral interests.
- 19.11 SELLER has no knowledge of any claims of adverse title or other disputes or pending or threatened litigation with respect to the PROPERTY.
- 19.12 SELLER is not subject to any bankruptcy proceeding, assignment for benefit of creditors, receivership or similar proceedings and that the conveyance of the PROPERTY as set out herein will not result in the SELLER becoming bankrupt or insolvent.

SELLER indemnifies and holds the DISTRICT harmless from and against any loss, liability, cost or expense arising from any material falsity of the SELLER's representations and warranties this

Section 19.

20. DOCUMENTS AND INFORMATION TO BE FURNISHED BY THE SELLER AND THE DISTRICT. The SELLER shall furnish, by the following deadlines, the following documents and information:

20.1 Within seven (7) days after the EFFECTIVE DATE, the following:

20.1.1 Copies of all title insurance policies, commitments, abstracts, opinions, searches and/or reports for any portion of the PROPERTY within SELLER's possession.

20.1.2 Copies of all surveys of any portion of the PROPERTY in the SELLER's possession or control.

20.1.3 Copies of all environmental audits and reports, and all correspondence relating to environmental matters on any portion of the PROPERTY (the "Environmental Reports") in the SELLER's possession or control.

20.1.4 Copies of all leases, contracts, options, easements, licenses, mortgages, financing statements, security agreements, judgments, liens, claims of lien, and all similar documents, known to the SELLER, which are then in effect and may affect the title to the PROPERTY or the SELLER's ability to convey good title to the PROPERTY.

20.1.5 A completed Beneficial Interest and Disclosure Affidavit as required by Sections 286.23(1), and 380.08(2), Florida Statutes. (A form for such purposes shall be provided by the DISTRICT and used by the SELLER.)

20.1.6 The SELLER's social security or Federal Tax ID number.

20.2 Upon request and from time to time, the following:

20.2.1 Copies of payoff and estoppel letters from lenders and others holding liens on the property. (It shall also be the obligation of the SELLER to demand the same from all lenders and similar parties upon the request of the DISTRICT.)

20.3 If the DISTRICT decides not to proceed with Closing, the DISTRICT shall furnish to SELLER all surveys and environmental reports received by the DISTRICT, provided that if any final survey or environmental reports have not been obtained, the DISTRICT shall upon request furnish any drafts thereof that have been furnished to the DISTRICT.

21. NO ALTERATIONS PRIOR TO CLOSING. After the EFFECTIVE DATE and until

this Agreement is terminated, the SELLER will not, without the DISTRICT's prior written consent:

- 21.1 Execute or enter into any lease, contract, option, easement, license, mortgage, financing statement, security agreement, or similar document concerning or affecting the PROPERTY;
- 21.2 Alter the PROPERTY in any way; or,
- 21.3 Cut any timber from the PROPERTY, except as provided in that certain TIMBER SALE CONTRACT (hereinafter the "TIMBER SALE CONTRACT") a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A". Provided that, the parties understand that the TIMBER SALE CONTRACT has been extended under its wet weather clause (Article III(2)) and that as of the EFFECTIVE DATE timber is still being cut under the TIMBER SALE CONTRACT. A condition precedent to the DISTRICT's obligation to close shall be the completion of all timber cutting under the TIMBER SALE CONTRACT and the DISTRICT's inspection of the PROPERTY and acknowledgment that the PROPERTY has not been materially altered by the activities under the TIMBER SALE CONTRACT except for the removal of the timber. The SELLER shall retain all proceeds from the TIMBER SALE CONTRACT. The PURCHASE PRICE shall not be affected by the cutting of timber under the TIMBER SALE CONTRACT.

22. EMINENT DOMAIN. The SELLER has no knowledge of any threatened or pending eminent domain proceedings affecting the PROPERTY. In the event eminent domain proceedings are pending (without SELLER's knowledge) or instituted after the EFFECTIVE DATE, to acquire all or any part of PROPERTY, the parties agree that:

- 22.1 The SELLER shall, upon discovery, immediately notify the DISTRICT of such threatened or pending eminent domain proceedings and provide to the DISTRICT copies of all written correspondences, pleadings or other papers concerning the eminent domain proceeding as they are received by the SELLER.
- 22.2 The DISTRICT may either:
 - 22.2.1 Terminate the CONTRACT by written notice to the SELLER, and thereupon the DISTRICT and the SELLER shall be relieved of all further obligations under the CONTRACT, or,
 - 22.2.2 The DISTRICT may elect to keep the CONTRACT in full force

and effect and assume sole control and direction (including settlement authority) of the eminent domain proceedings. In such event the DISTRICT shall receive the eminent domain award and the PURCHASE PRICE shall not be reduced thereby. The SELLER will execute whatever assignments or other documents are necessary to accomplish the same.

23. NOTICES. Any and all notices required or permitted under the CONTRACT shall be made or given in writing and shall be delivered in person or sent by postage, pre-paid, United States Mail, certified or registered, return receipt requested, or by a recognized overnight carrier (i.e., Federal Express or UPS), or by facsimile or email transmission, to the other party at the addresses set forth below:

To the SELLER: Name: William L. Agricola
 Address: 914 Atlantic Avenue, Suite 2-A
 Fernandina Beach, FL 32034-3600
 Fax Number: (904) 277-2207
 Email address: wagricola@aol.com

To the DISTRICT: Name: Charles H. Houder, III
 Address: Suwannee River Water Management District
 9225 County Road 49
 Live Oak, FL 32060
 Fax Number: (386) 362-1056
 Email Address: chh@srwmd.org

The above addresses may be changed by a party by giving notice thereof to the other party using the methods set out above. All notices shall be deemed given when sent as set out above or if delivered in person upon receipt.

24. RECORDING. This contract shall not be recorded.
25. ASSIGNMENT OF THE CONTRACT. Neither party may assign its rights under the CONTRACT without the prior written consent of the other party. Provided that, at closing, the SELLER shall deed the PROPERTY, or any part or parts thereof, to any persons or entities as directed by the DISTRICT.
26. TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE. Time is of the essence of the CONTRACT.
27. DEFERRED EXCHANGE. If the CONTRACT is exercised, the SELLER may structure this transaction in such manner that it shall qualify as a "like kind exchange", under § 1031 of the Internal Revenue Code, and the DISTRICT agrees to execute the documents reasonably requested to accomplish such exchange, provided that the exchange does not (1) delay the closing of this transaction, (2) result in any additional cost to the

DISTRICT, or (3) otherwise affect this transaction.

28. GOVERNING LAW. The CONTRACT shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida, without regard to its conflict of laws rules.
29. NON-MERGER CLAUSE. The terms of the CONTRACT shall survive the closing.
30. VENUE AND JURISDICTION OF LITIGATION. The exclusive venue and jurisdiction for any litigation enforcing, construing or relating to the CONTRACT shall be the State of Florida, Circuit Court or County Court in and for the Florida county where the PROPERTY is located, or if the PROPERTY is located in more than one Florida county, in any of them. If under applicable law, exclusive jurisdiction over any such matters is vested in the federal courts, then exclusive jurisdiction and venue shall be in the United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida, Jacksonville Division.
31. WAIVER OF JURY TRIAL. The parties mutually and forever waive any and all right to trial by jury in any legal proceeding arising out of or relating to the CONTRACT or this transaction. The parties agree to have any such actions decided by a judge alone, without a jury.
32. NO WAIVER OF SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY. Notwithstanding anything else herein to the contrary, nothing herein shall be construed to waive or to otherwise affect the DISTRICT's sovereign immunity and/or the protections given the DISTRICT under Section 768.28, Florida Statutes.
33. NO THIRD PARTY BENEFICIARIES. The provisions of the CONTRACT are for the sole and exclusive benefit of the SELLER and the DISTRICT. No provision of the CONTRACT will be deemed for the benefit of any other person or entity, and no other person or entity shall acquire any rights under the CONTRACT.
34. ENTIRE AGREEMENT. The CONTRACT supersedes all previous agreements, oral or written, between SELLER and the DISTRICT, and represents the whole and entire agreement between the parties. Neither party has entered into the CONTRACT in reliance upon any fact or representation not expressly provided in the CONTRACT.
35. AMENDMENT, REVOCATION OR ABANDONMENT OF THE CONTRACT. The CONTRACT may not be amended, revoked, or abandoned except through a written agreement executed by the parties with the same formalities as the CONTRACT.
36. CONTRACT NOT TO BE CONSTRUED AGAINST EITHER PARTY. The CONTRACT is the product of negotiation between the parties, thus the terms of the CONTRACT shall not be construed against either party as the drafter.
37. FURTHER ASSURANCES. The parties shall execute such further documents and do

any and all such further things as may be necessary to implement and carry out the intent of the CONTRACT.

38. REQUIRED STATUTORY NOTICES. The following notices are given as may be required by law:

COASTAL EROSION NOTICE

THE PROPERTY BEING PURCHASED MAY BE SUBJECT TO COASTAL EROSION AND TO FEDERAL, STATE, OR LOCAL REGULATIONS THAT GOVERN COASTAL PROPERTY, INCLUDING THE DELINEATION OF THE COASTAL CONSTRUCTION CONTROL LINE, RIGID COASTAL PROTECTION STRUCTURES, BEACH NOURISHMENT, AND THE PROTECTION OF MARINE TURTLES. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, INCLUDING WHETHER THERE ARE SIGNIFICANT EROSION CONDITIONS ASSOCIATED WITH THE SHORELINE OF THE PROPERTY BEING PURCHASED.

PROPERTY TAX DISCLOSURE SUMMARY

BUYER SHOULD NOT RELY ON THE SELLER'S CURRENT PROPERTY TAXES AS THE AMOUNT OF PROPERTY TAXES THAT THE BUYER MAY BE OBLIGATED TO PAY IN THE YEAR SUBSEQUENT TO PURCHASE. A CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP OR PROPERTY IMPROVEMENTS TRIGGERS REASSESSMENTS OF THE PROPERTY THAT COULD RESULT IN HIGHER PROPERTY TAXES. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS CONCERNING VALUATION, CONTACT THE COUNTY PROPERTY APPRAISER'S OFFICE FOR INFORMATION.

RADON GAS NOTICE

RADON GAS: RADON IS A NATURALLY OCCURRING RADIOACTIVE GAS THAT, WHEN IT HAS ACCUMULATED IN A BUILDING IN SUFFICIENT QUANTITIES, MAY PRESENT HEALTH RISKS TO PERSONS WHO ARE EXPOSED TO IT OVER TIME. LEVELS OF RADON THAT EXCEED FEDERAL AND STATE GUIDELINES HAVE BEEN FOUND IN BUILDINGS IN FLORIDA. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING RADON AND RADON TESTING MAY BE OBTAINED FROM YOUR COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

LEAD BASED PAINT HAZARD

EVERY PURCHASER OF ANY INTEREST IN REAL PROPERTY ON

WHICH A RESIDENTIAL DWELLING WAS BUILT PRIOR TO 1978 IS NOTIFIED THAT SUCH PROPERTY MAY PRESENT EXPOSURE TO LEAD FROM LEAD BASED PAINT THAT MAY PLACE YOUNG CHILDREN AT RISK OF DEVELOPING LEAD POISONING. LEAD POISONING MAY PRODUCE PERMANENT NEUROLOGICAL DAMAGE, INCLUDING LEARNING DISABILITIES, REDUCED INTELLIGENCE QUOTIENT, BEHAVIORAL PROBLEMS, AND IMPAIRED MEMORY. LEAD POISONING ALSO POSES A PARTICULAR RISK TO PREGNANT WOMEN. THE SELLER OF ANY INTEREST IN RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY IS REQUIRED TO PROVIDE THE PURCHASER WITH INFORMATION ON LEAD BASED PAINT HAZARDS FROM RISK ASSESSMENTS OR INSPECTIONS IN THE SELLER'S POSSESSION AND NOTIFY THE PURCHASER OF ANY KNOWN LEAD BASED PAINT HAZARDS. A RISK ASSESSMENT OR INSPECTION FOR POSSIBLE LEAD BASED PAINT HAZARDS IS RECOMMENDED PRIOR TO PURCHASE.

NOTICE BY LICENSED BROKER UNDER CHAPTER 375

THE BENEFICIAL OWNER OF SELLER, WILLIAM L. AGRICOLA, II, IS A LICENSED REAL ESTATE BROKER AND IS ACTING FOR HIS OWN ACCOUNT.

39. BINDING EFFECT. The CONTRACT shall be binding on the parties hereto, and their respective heirs, successors and assigns, and estates, as the case may be.
40. MISCELLANEOUS. The CONTRACT may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument. The CONTRACT may be executed and delivered by facsimile and/or email transmission, with the intention that such facsimile and/or email signature and delivery shall have the same effect as an original signature and actual delivery. In the event a day of performance falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday under the laws of the State of Florida, the day of performance shall be automatically extended to the next day which is not a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday.
41. CONTRACT CONTINGENT ON GOVERNING BOARD APPROVAL: Notwithstanding anything else herein to the contrary, this CONTRACT shall not be binding on any party and shall have no effect unless and until this CONTRACT is fully executed and approved by written resolution of the Governing Board of the DISTRICT.

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EXECUTED this _____ day of January, 2014, by the SELLER, Bradford Timberlands, LLC, Florida limited liability company.

Bradford Timberlands, LLC, Florida limited liability company

By: _____
William L. Agricola
As its managing member and authorized representative

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF _____

Acknowledged before me this ____ day of January, 2014, by William Agricola, as the managing member and authorized representative of and on behalf of Bradford Timberlands, LLC, Florida limited liability company, who is personally known to me or who produced _____ as identification.

Notary Public

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EXECUTED on this _____ day of January, 2014 by the Executive Director of the SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT.

SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

By: _____
Ann B. Shortelle, Ph.D.
As its Executive Director

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF _____

Acknowledged before me this _____ day of January, 2014, by ANN B. SHORTELE, PHD, as Executive Director of and on behalf of SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT, who is personally known to me or who produced _____ as identification.

Notary Public

APPROVED AS TO
FORM AND LEGALITY

GEORGE T. REEVES
Governing Board Counsel

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SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-02

**RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ACQUISITION OF LANDS OWNED
BY BRADFORD TIMBERLANDS LLC, THE EXECUTION OF AN
AGREEMENT TO PURCHASE AND THE REQUEST OF FUNDS FROM
THE NATIONAL GUARD BUREAU.**

WHEREAS, the Suwannee River Water Management District (District) has been offered fee title to lands owned by Bradford Timberlands LLC, consisting of approximately 340 acres in Bradford County, Florida. A legal description and a map of said lands being attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, the purchase price for the said lands shall be \$360,000.00; and

WHEREAS, said lands shall be used for flood abatement, water resource development, and other water management purposes; and

WHEREAS, the acquisition is consistent with Section 373.139, Florida Statutes (F.S.); and

WHEREAS, said lands are adjacent to Camp Blanding and are eligible for purchase through programs dedicated to securing military base buffers; and

WHEREAS, the funds hereinafter requested will be used only for the acquisition costs of said lands and that the acquisition costs of said lands shall include fees for survey, appraisal, and legal activities necessary for the proper transfer of title to said real property; and

WHEREAS, said lands will be maintained in an environmentally acceptable manner compatible with the resource values for which acquired and, to the extent practical, in such a way as to restore and protect their natural state and condition; and

WHEREAS, said lands have been appraised by at least one real estate appraiser and were approved for acquisition after duly noticed publicly noticed meeting to inform the public of this exchange and noticed public hearing thereon; and

WHEREAS, an environmental audit shall be performed prior to closing, and, before the purchase of any land found to be contaminated a remediation plan will be submitted to the Department; and

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

(1) The purchase of the described lands owned by Bradford Timberlands, LLC, and its successors or assigns is approved, and the Executive Director is authorized to execute an

agreement to purchase and related documents on behalf of the District.

(2) The above statements are hereby certified and declared to be true and correct, and the acquisition of said parcel is hereby further certified to be consistent with this District's plan of acquisition and Section 373.199, F. S.

(3) The District hereby requests \$360,000.00 and related closing costs from the National Guard Bureau from funding for the purchase of military base buffers.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 14TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2014 A.D.

**SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
BY ITS GOVERNING BOARD**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD:

**DON QUINCEY, CHAIR
ALPHONAS ALEXANDER, VICE CHAIR
RAY CURTIS, SECRETARY/TREASURER
KEVIN BROWN
GEORGE COLE
VIRGINIA JOHNS
GARY JONES
VIRGINIA SANCHEZ
GUY N. WILLIAMS**

ATTEST:

Attachment "A"

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

Lands Owned by Bradford Timberlands, LLC, in Bradford County, Florida

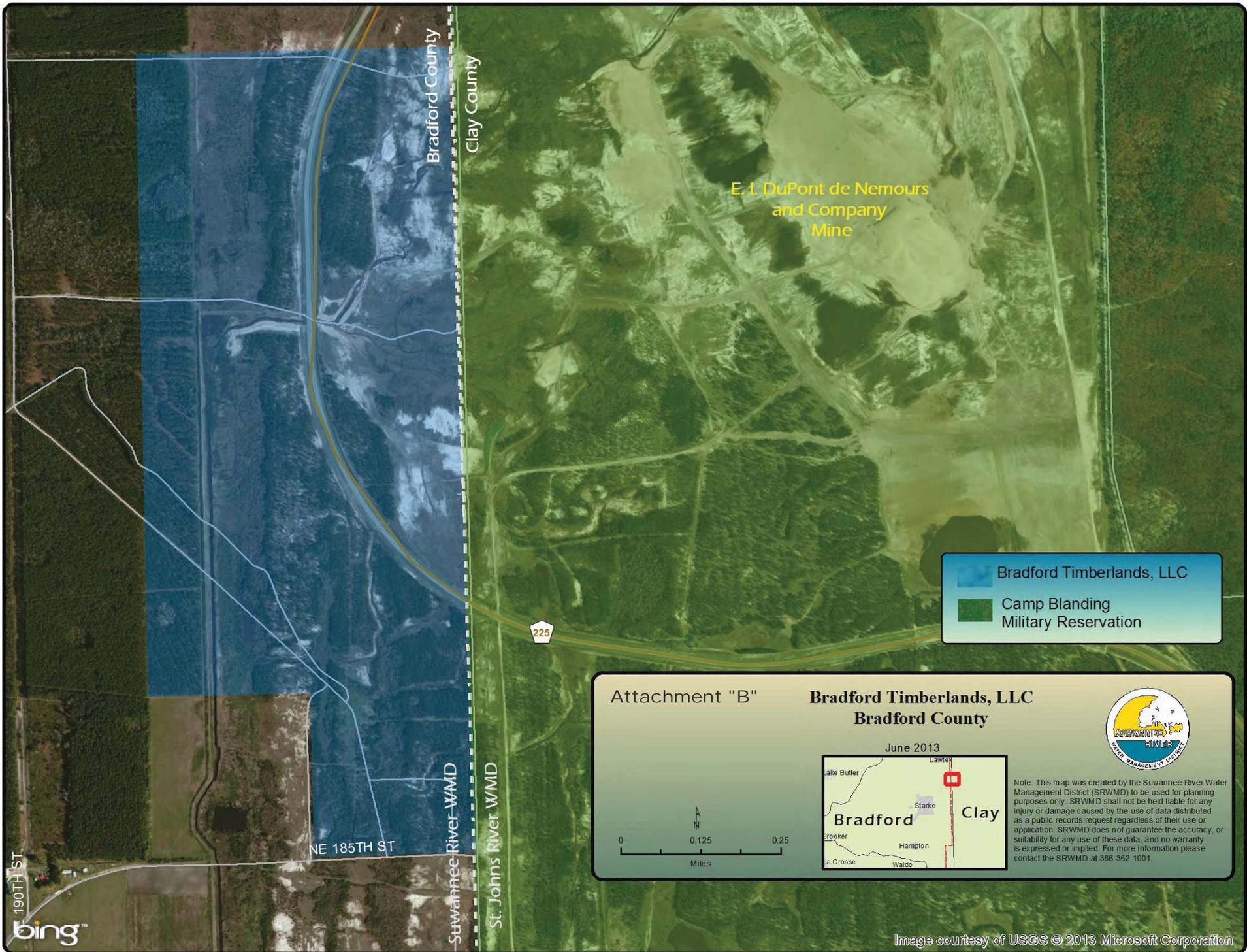
Township 6 South, Range 22 East

Section 1

The East half (W 1/2), less and except those lands within the right of way of County Road 225

Section 12

The Northeast one-quarter (NE 1/4) of the Northeast one-quarter (NE 1/4)



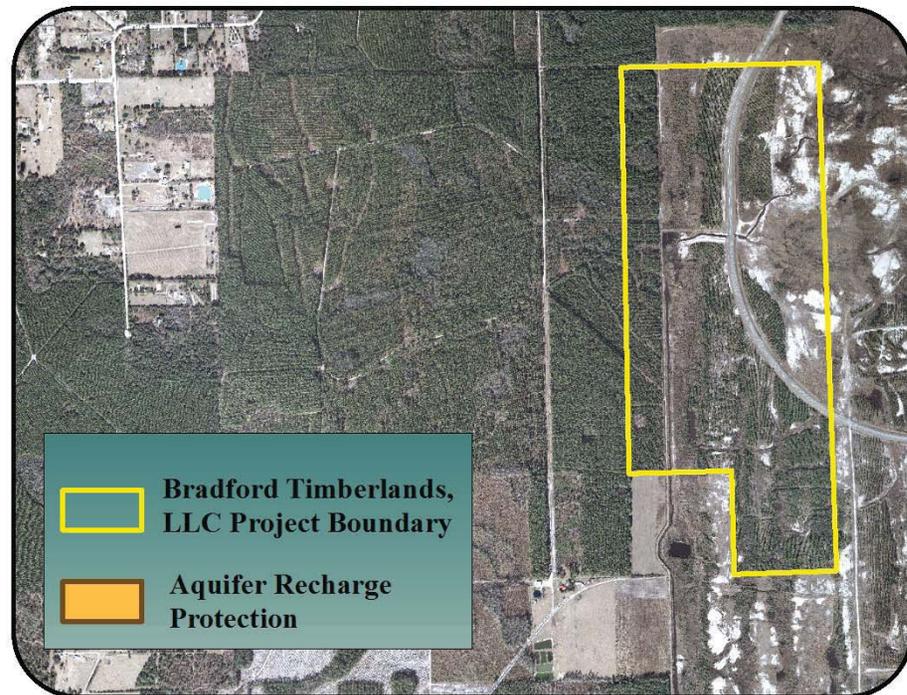
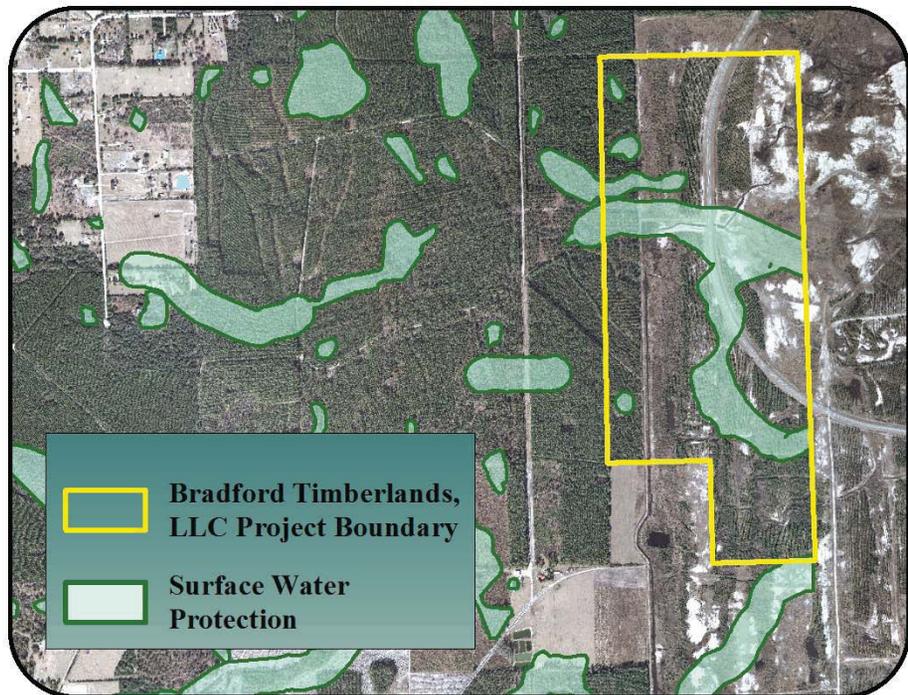
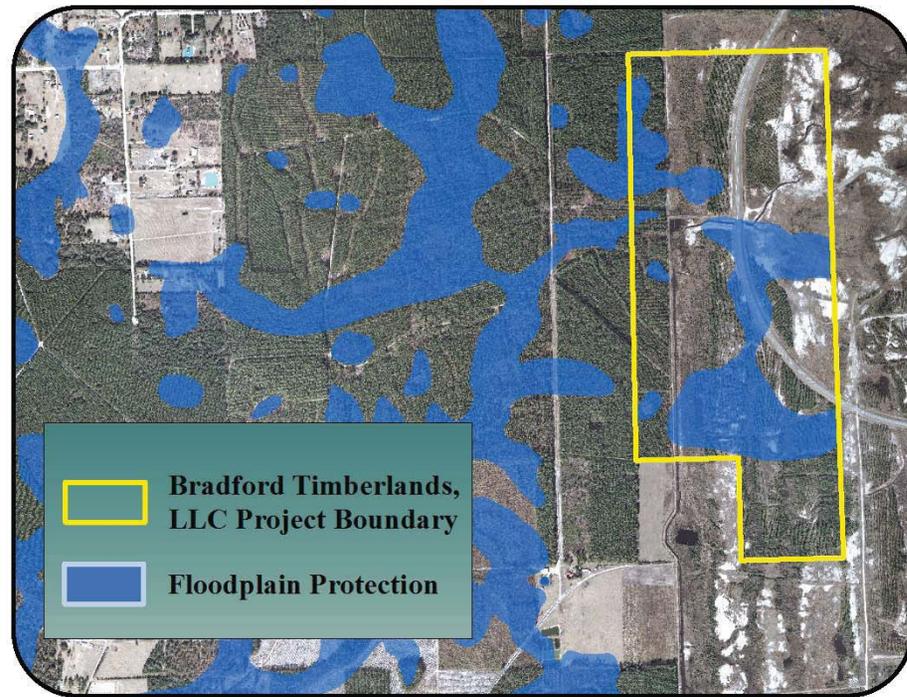
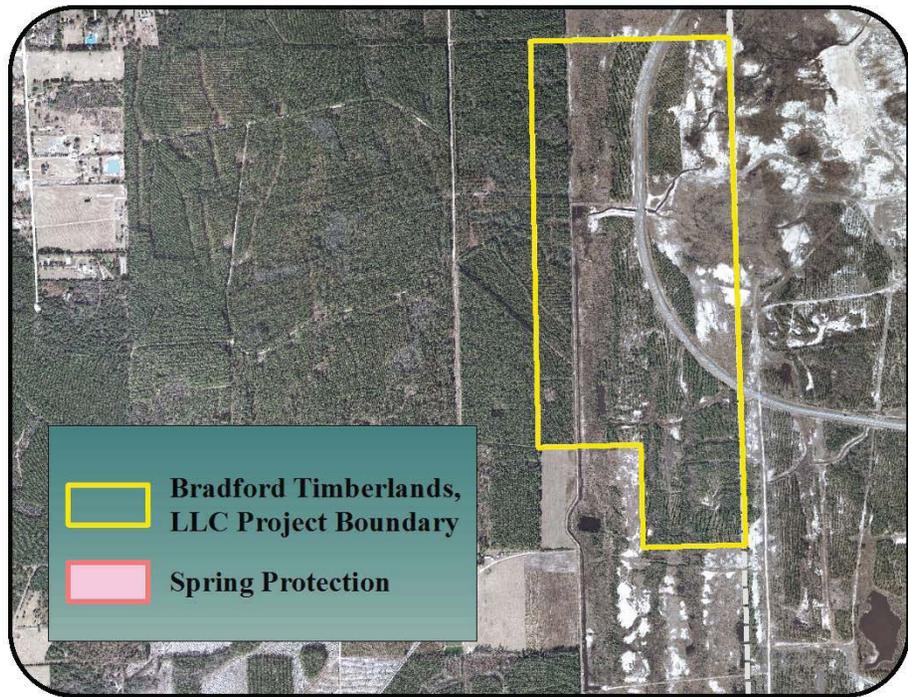
Bradford Timberlands, LLC
 Camp Blanding Military Reservation

Attachment "B" **Bradford Timberlands, LLC**
Bradford County

June 2013

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 Miles

Note: This map was created by the Suwannee River Water Management District (SRWMD) to be used for planning purposes only. SRWMD shall not be held liable for any injury or damage caused by the use of data distributed as a public records request regardless of their use or application. SRWMD does not guarantee the accuracy, or suitability for any use of these data, and no warranty is expressed or implied. For more information please contact the SRWMD at 386-962-1001.



MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board
FROM: Charlie Houder, Director, Division of Land Resources
DATE: December 27, 2013
RE: Approval of Real Estate Brokerage Services for Fiscal Year 2013/2014

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Governing Board authorize the Executive Director to execute contracts to provide real estate brokerage services for Fiscal Year 2013/2014 with Daniel Crapps Agency, Inc., Poole Realty, Inc. and Searcy Realty and Appraisals, Inc. as detailed below.

BACKGROUND

To ensure consistent service, reduce administrative costs and expedite sale of lands declared surplus, the Suwannee River Water Management District has advertised and accepted Requests for Proposals (RFP) for the services of Real Estate Brokers for exclusive right of sale listing agreements in a non-representative capacity. The lands to be offered for sale will be in diverse locations throughout the District's 15-county region and may vary from less than 20 acres to hundreds of acres.

Three proposals were received by the December 6, 2013, deadline:

Firm	Address	City
Searcy Realty and Appraisals, Inc.	148 East Base Street	Madison
Poole Realty, Inc.	127 E. Howard Street	Live Oak
Daniel Crapps Agency, Inc.	2806 W. US Hwy 90	Lake City

The staff Selection Committee met on December 18, 2013 to review and rank the proposals in each of four regions identified in the request for proposals. It was the consensus of the committee that the top two ranked firms in each region should be recommended to the Governing Board.

Recommended Firms by Region

Counties	Firm
Jefferson, Madison, and Taylor counties	Poole Realty, Inc. Searcy Realty and Appraisals, Inc.
Columbia, Hamilton, Lafayette, Suwannee and Union	Daniel Crapps Agency, Inc. Poole Realty, Inc.
Dixie, Gilchrist and Levy	Daniel Crapps Agency, Inc. Poole Realty, Inc.
Alachua and Bradford	Daniel Crapps Agency, Inc. Poole Realty, Inc.

Subsequent to the recommendation of the Committee, the principal of each firm was contacted to discuss terms for a master agreement including fees, the division of fees with co-brokers, and the minimum marketing standards. The Request for Proposals specifies that listing agreements for individual parcels will be awarded based on the lowest cost to the District. Where there is no difference in cost to the District, listings contracts will be offered on a rotating basis.

Firm	Daniel Crapps Agency, Inc.	Poole Realty, Inc.	Searcy Realty and Appraisals, Inc.
Fee	5%	6%	6%
Fee Split with Co-brokers	3%/2%	3%/3%	3%/3%
Marketing Standards	<p>MLS listings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> North Florida Dixie, Gilchrist Gainesville/Alachua <p>Website listings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> danielcrapps.com FloridaAcreage.com GeorgiaAcreage.com Cooperative real estate websites <p>On-site signage</p> <p>Print advertising</p> <p>Contact with adjacent owners</p> <p>Direct email marketing</p>	<p>MLS listings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> North Florida Dixie, Gilchrist Levy Gainesville/Alachua Tallahassee <p>Website listings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Poolerealty.com Cooperative real estate websites <p>On-site signage</p> <p>Print advertising</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Suwannee Democrat Homes & Land Florida Farm Bureau magazine North Florida Home Seller <p>Flyers mailed to nearby owners</p>	<p>MLS listings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Madison, Jefferson, Hamilton, Lafayette, Leon, Suwannee and Taylor, Brooks, Lowndes, and Thomas counties. <p>Website listings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> unitedcountry.com <p>On-site signage</p> <p>United Country</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Print publications Toll-free buyers hotline Direct mail program

The initial contract term shall end on September 30, 2014 with the potential for two subsequent one-year renewals with Governing Board approval for each renewal based upon the prior year's performance by the Broker, the same terms and conditions or terms more favorable to the District, and mutual agreement of the District and the Broker.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board
FROM: Charlie Houder, Director, Division of Land Resources
DATE: December 18, 2013
SUBJECT: Land Resources Activity Summary

Staff has been monitoring the location of 407 invasive plants. Monitoring information will be entered into a database to help with future chemical treatment plans.

Staff performed four conservation easement reviews during the past month:

- Loncala – Alapha in Hamilton County
- Loncala – Gilchrist in Gilchrist County
- Loncala – Montecha Creek in Alachua County
- Bascom Southern LLC (formely The Campbell Group)

No burning activities were conducted during the report period.

Because of the saturated soil the Steinhatchee Rise #1 timber sale has been placed on hold.

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

REAL ESTATE

Conservation Easement Review

Owner	Project Name	Acres	County	2013-2014 Monthly Inspection Date												
				O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	
Bailey, Donald and Margaret	Bailey/Cuba Bay Exchange	164	Jefferson													
Bailey Brothers	Bailey Brothers Steinhatchee	16,522	Dixie													
Champion, Roger and Donna	Mount Gilead	180	Madison													
Chinquapin Farm, L.L.C.	Chinquapin Farm	6,350	Columbia, Suwannee													
City of Newberry	Newberry Wellfield	40	Alachua													
Davidson, Dr. C. Linden	Davidson	225	Jefferson													
Drummond, Graham	Lower Suwannee	543	Levy	X												
Feagle, Ronald and Dorothy	Bonnet Lake	433	Columbia													
Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches, Inc.	Youth Ranches (I and II)	550	Suwannee													
Livingston Foundation	Dixie Plantation	8,902	Jefferson													
Hale and McDaniel	Carter	1,232	Columbia		X											
Harrell, Curtis and Matthew	Falmouth Addition	912	Suwannee													
Jackson, Kevin and Patrice	Jackson	171	Lafayette													
Layman Law Firm	Layman Aucilla	167	Jefferson													
Loncala Inc.	Loncala Alapaha	1,141	Hamilton			X										
Loncala, Inc.	Loncala Gilchrist	913	Gilchrist			X										
Loncala, Inc.	Monteocha Creek	951	Alachua			X										
Mann, Jack & Loy Ann	Manatee Springs Addition	590	Levy													
McEnany , Michael	Waccasassa	1,104	Levy													
Meeks, David & Sarah	Manatee Springs Addition	370	Levy													
Moore, Madeline	Moore	115	Jefferson													

Conservation Easement Review (continued)

Owner	Property Name	Acres	County	2013-2014 Inspection Date												
				O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	
Plantations at Deep Creek, L.L.C.	Deep Creek Exchange	1,192	Columbia													
Platt, Cody and Carol	Aucilla Addition	274	Jefferson													
Plum Creek Timberlands	Gainesville Wellfield	3,084	Alachua													
Plum Creek Timberlands	Waccasassa Gulf Hammock	21,300	Levy													
Plum Creek Timberlands	Manatee Springs Addit. Oak Hammock	4,588	Levy													
Plum Creek Timberlands	Manatee Springs Addit. Suwannee Swamp	12,797	Levy													
Ragans Hoyt and Betty	Aucilla	755	Jefferson Madison													
Red Hills Land Company	Foster	163	Jefferson													
Sanders, Thomas and Sylvia	Mill Creek	339	Hamilton													
Sante Fe River Hammock, L.L.C.	Santa Fe River Hammock	167	Bradford													
Sheppard, Derwood and Susan	Manatee Springs Addition	120	Levy													
Strickland Field, L.P.	Strickland Field	3,822	Dixie													
Suwannee River Development LLC	Ace Ranch	260	Lafayette													
The Campbell Group-Bascom Southern LLC	California Swamp	32,134	Dixie			X										
Tisdale Robert	Tisdale	83	Levy													
Usher Family Trust	Usher	2,023	Levy													
Zellwin Farms, Inc.	Jennings Bluff	362	Hamilton													

Shading denotes month inspection is scheduled to take place. An "X" denotes completed inspection. Inspection will be rescheduled if not completed during its designated month.

Approved for Detailed Assessment

OWNER	PROJECT NAME	ACRES	COUNTY	COMMENTS
Milton C. Hitson	Holton Creek In Holding	10	Hamilton	Mr. Hitson has withdrawn his offer.
Bradford Timberlands, LLC	Camp Blanding Addition	360	Bradford	An offer has been made and accepted. A public hearing on a proposed contract is scheduled for the December Governing Board meeting.
El Trigal Farms, Floyd Family	El Trigal Farms Conservation Easement	371	Jefferson	The appraisals have been received and are being reviewed.
Douglas Andersosn	Anderson/Pine Landing Conservation Easement Exchange	98/122	Dixie	Appraisal tour is scheduled for December 23, 2013
SRWMD	Florida Gateway College	16.25	Columbia	A proposal has been received from FGC.

Status of Exchange

Tract Name	Acres	County	Acquired Date	Funding Source	Proposal	Status
Ellaville Exchange for Damascus Peanut Company	986	Madison	5/1998	WMLTF	Proposed as Exchange	Governing Board approved the exchange agreement with the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund.
Lamont/Mt. Gilead for Aucilla Land Partners Conservation Easement	114	Madison and Jefferson	9/1998	WMLTF	Proposed as Conservation Easement Exchange	Closing occurred on November 6, 2013

Surplus Lands

Tract Name	Acres	County	Acquired Date	Funding Source	Appraisal Date	Listing Date	Listing Price	Comments
Alligator Lake	43	Columbia	8/10/2001	P2000	Approved in July			Governing Board approved on August 13, 2013 conveyance contingent upon the inter-local agreement with Columbia County

Surplus Lands (continued)

Tract Name	Acres	County	Acquired Date	Funding Source	Appraisal Date	Listing Date	Listing Price	Comments
Blue Sink	79	Suwannee	12/1988	WMLTF	6/14/2010	7/12/2010	Fee entire parcel \$281,600 40-acre parcel \$154,400	The survey is completed. Closing has been postponed.
Chitty Bend East	20	Hamilton	12/1988	WMLTF	11/2/11	11/29/11	Fee two 10-acre tracts for \$26,400 each	Governing Board approved a reinstatement of the listing agreement through December 10, 2013.
Chitty Bend West	121	Madison	12/1988	WMLTF	11/2/11	11/29/11	Fee entire tract \$279,510	Governing Board approved a reinstatement of the listing agreement through December 10, 2013.
Cuba Bay	22	Jefferson	02/1996	P2000	8/10/2011	11/10/2011	Fee or Conservation Easement (same price) \$42,350	Governing Board approved a reinstatement of the listing agreement through December 10, 2013.
Falmouth North (8 lots)	6	Suwannee	04/1998	WMLTF	8/27/2010	11/18/2010	Fee entire tract \$52,030	Governing Board approved a reinstatement of the listing agreement through December 10, 2013.
Hunter Creek	120	Hamilton	09/2002	P2000		11/18/2010	Fee (3 parcels) \$343,200 CE (3 parcels) \$243,100	Governing Board approved a reinstatement of the listing agreement through December 10, 2013.
Jennings Bluff	70	Hamilton	02/1989	WMLTF	7/30/2010	8/16/2010	Fee entire tract \$215,600	Negotiations continue with Hamilton County
Levings	69	Columbia	02/1998	WMLTF	6/14/2010	5/11/2011	Fee entire tract \$135,860	Governing Board approved a reinstatement of the listing agreement through December 10, 2013.
Perry Spray Field	248	Taylor	9/2001	WMLTF	6/6/2012		CE \$225,000	An offer has been received from Dixie County.
Steinhatchee Rise	43	Dixie	02/1996	P2000	8/27/2010	11/18/2010	Fee entire tract \$114,000 conservation easement \$97,020	The survey is completed. Closing will occur in December.

Timber River	1	Madison	03/1998	WMLTF	8/27/2010	11/18/2010	Fee entire tract \$10,780	Governing Board approved a reinstatement of the listing agreement through December 10, 2013.
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LAND MANAGEMENT

Prescribed Fire - No activity for the month

Summary Table FY 2014	2013 Target Acres	Acres Complete
Suwannee River Water Management District	9,841	0
Florida Forest Service burns on Twin Rivers State Forest	2,000	0
TOTAL	11,841	0

Prescribed Burn Activity

TRACT	COUNTY	B&B DUGGER	TFC	WFS	FFS TRSF	TOTAL ACRES	TOTAL WILDFIRE ACRES
<i>Sub-total for Period</i>							
<i>Previous Acres Burned</i>							
Total Acres		0	0	0	0	0	0

Timber

Timber Sales – No activity for the month

Contract #	Fiscal Year	Timber Sale Name	Oversight	Contract Date	Estimated Start Date	Estimated Pine Tons	Harvest Completion
12/13-057	2013	Steinhatchee Rise # 1	SR	3/5/2013	4/5/2013	13,647	50%

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board

FROM: Carlos Herd, P.G., Division Director, Water Supply

DATE: December 27, 2013

RE: Authorization to Execute an Agreement for Surveying Services on the Middle Suwannee River and Springs Restoration and Aquifer Recharge Project

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Governing Board authorize the Executive Director enter into a contract for surveying services with the top-ranked firm.

BACKGROUND

As part of the Middle Suwannee River Springs Restoration and Aquifer Recharge Project, a number of wells and gages have been established. Preliminary reconnaissance in the field has identified numerous areas where structures can be installed to manage the water in the vicinity of Mallory Swamp.

This surveying project will collect locations and elevations on 16 wells, locations and elevations on 13 gages or well inverts, and 51 locations for planned work or to locate existing hydrologic facilities. Two private roads in Dixie County will be surveyed for centerline elevations and two ditches in Lafayette County in the Adams/Picket Lake area will be surveyed.

The Request for Proposals was sent to 17 surveying firms qualified by the Governing Board at the October 2013 Governing Board meeting. Their proposal responses were due to the District on December 23, 2013, at 10:00 am. The District received six responses. The Staff Selection Committee will meet to rank the responses on January 8, 2014, and this recommendation will be updated.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board
FROM: Erich Marzolf, Ph.D., Division Director, Water Resources
DATE: December 27, 2013
RE: Agricultural Water Use Monitoring Update

Update on Agricultural Water Use

BACKGROUND

District permits for agricultural water use contain requirements for water use monitoring to estimate the actual volumes of water usage. Staff has determined that estimating water use with electrical data is the least costly method.

A letter dated September 3, 2013, from Mr. Quincey, the Governing Board Chair, was sent to each member of the Board of Directors of Suwannee Valley, Tri-County, Central Florida and Clay Electric Cooperatives requesting assistance with agricultural water use monitoring.

Central Florida Electric Cooperative signed an agreement with the District to transmit electrical consumption data on October 15, 2013, which the Governing Board approved on November 12, 2013. On November 14, 2013, Jon Dinges, Megan Wetherington and Glenn Horvath had a productive meeting with Central Florida staff to begin implementation of the agreement.

Clay Electric Cooperative, Inc., signed an agreement with the District to transmit electrical consumption data on November 21, 2013, which the Governing Board approved on December 10, 2013. Staff and Legal Counsel continue to negotiate agreements with Tri-County and Suwannee Valley Electric cooperatives.

Staff are scheduling meetings with growers who are customers of Central Florida and Clay electrical coops. Staff met with Alliance Dairy on December 12th about using electrical consumption to monitor their water use. Their situation will be more complicated due to a mix of wells with and without the monitoring requirement and due to the fact that they generate a portion of their power via a methane digester-powered generator.

As of December 17, 2013, there have been 172 units deployed. This is approximately 42 percent of the operational wells identified with monitoring conditions since 2011 when the Governing Board first included a monitoring condition.

Staff has also set up and is refining the processes for receiving and quality-assuring the data, and has been field-testing power supplies, back-up sensors, and new-generation modems.

EM/dd

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board

FROM: Tim Sagul, P.E., Division Director, Resource Management

DATE: December 27, 2013

RE: Permitting Summary Report

Environmental Resource Permitting (ERP) Activities

Permit Review

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

Recieved					
ERP	General	Individual	Conceptual	Exemption Requests	Extension Requests
	2	10	0	3	0
Issued					
	General	Individual	Conceptual	Exemptions Granted	Extensions Granted
	2	4	0	0	0

Inspections and as-built certification

The following chart shows staff activity on projects that have been permitted from January 1, 2010 to November 30, 2013.

	Issued	Under Construction	Operation & Maintenance*	Construction Inspections	As-built Inspections
Permit Type				November 2013	November 2013
Exempt	211	175	36	0	0
Noticed General	462	309	153	1	0
General	405	224	181	8	3
10-2 Self Certifications	41	28	13	0	0
Individual	70	46	24	0	0
Conceptual	6	6	0	0	0
TOTAL	1195	788	407	9	3
PERCENT		66%	34%		

*O& M includes permits that have expired and were not constructed.

Water Use Permitting and Water Well Construction

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

November 2013	Received		Issued
Water Use Permits	12		17
Water well permits issued: 124			
Abandoned/destroyed	16	Livestock	0
Agricultural Irrigation	8	Monitor	23
Aquaculture	0	Nursery	0
Climate Control	0	Other	1
Fire Protection	0	Public Supply	4
Garden (Non Commercial)	0	Self-supplied Residential	71
Landscape Irrigation	1	Drainage or injection	0
Commercial or Industrial	0	Test	0

Rulemaking Schedule

40B-1, 40B-2 CUPcon

GB Rule Dev. Auth.	5/29/12
Notice of Rule Dev.	7/20/12
GB Notice of Proposed Rule Auth.	5/16/13
GB Notice of Proposed Rule Auth.	11/12/13
Rule revision crosswalk and SERC worksheet	11/22/13
Send to OFARR	12/9/2013
Send to JAPC	12/16/2013
Mail to DOS (tentative)	1/14/2014
Effective Date (tentative)	2/1/2014

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board
 FROM: Tim Sagul, P.E., Division Director, Resource Management
 DATE: December 27, 2013
 RE: Enforcement Status Report

Matters Staff is attempting to gain compliance without enforcement action

Respondent	Justin M. Fitzhugh
Enforcement Number / County	CE05-0046 / Columbia
Violation	Non-Functioning Stormwater Management System & Failure to Submit As-Builts
Legal Counsel	Brannon, Brown, Haley & Bullock
Date Sent to Legal	July 1, 2010
Target Date	Ongoing
Legal Fees to date	\$2,111 (approximate)

This violation is for a non-functioning surface water management system and failure to submit as-built certification forms.

Staff inspected site on March 7, 2013. Vegetation cleared, the retention pond is still not in compliance. Staff contacted new owner, Joe Peurrung. **Staff has requested that the current attorney cease work on the enforcement file. In the event that the current owner does not follow through with correcting the violation, staff will have the file reopened.**

Respondent	Richard Oldham
Enforcement Number / County	CE10-0024 / Bradford
Violation	Unpermitted Pond & Deposition of Spoil Material
Legal Counsel	Brannon, Brown, Haley & Bullock, P.A.
Date sent to legal	October 13, 2011
Target Date	Ongoing
Legal Budget / Legal Fees to date	\$5,000 / \$2,473

This violation is for construction of a pond without a permit and deposition of spoil material in a flood area.

Richard Oldham and Diana Nicklas were served with an Administrative Complaint and Order and the time for filing a petition for hearing lapsed.

Counsel filed a Petition for Enforcement in the Circuit Court for Bradford County and had Oldham and Nicklas personally served. **The file was transferred from Brannon, Brown, Haley & Bullock, P.A., to Board Counsel for resolution.**

Respondent	Larry R. Sigers
Enforcement Number / County	CE08-0072 / Columbia
Violation	Unpermitted Dredge & Fill
Legal Counsel	Robinson, Kennon & Kendron, P.A.
Date sent to legal	October 5, 2011
Target Date	March 12, 2012
Legal Budget / Legal Fees to date	\$7,500 / \$7,517.00

A Consent Agreement was entered into with Mr. Sigers as a result of violations of District Rules. The replanting has failed and staff has contacted Mr. Sigers. To date there has been no response from Mr. Sigers. **Staff to follow up with this before the next board meeting.**

Respondent	Cannon Creek Airpark
Enforcement Number / County	CE05-0031/ Columbia
Violation	Unpermitted Construction
Legal Counsel	Tommy Reeves
Date sent to legal	February 2006
Target Date	In Permit Process
Legal Fees to date	\$7,048.50

This enforcement action has been on-going for a number of years. This involves work that was done within the subdivision to alleviate flooding. The work was done without a permit. Columbia County officials are working on a stormwater project that may alleviate the practical need to obtain compliance with the existing District permit, but instead would require that the permit be modified to reflect the system as constructed.

District staff is currently reviewing an ERP application to implement one phase of the County's master stormwater plan that includes the Cannon Creek area, which should address the remaining drainage problems for this project. The District is waiting for Columbia County to respond to the mitigation offer before taking further action on the permit application.

Columbia County responded to the request for additional information. Staff is reviewing the submittal in regards to the proposed wetland mitigation offer.

District staff met with Columbia County on February 28, 2012, to discuss outstanding RAI items and expect to soon receive additional information from the County. Columbia County proposes to "bundle" the wetland mitigation required for this project with mitigation being provided for a Home Depot project. Staff plans to discuss this approach with the District's Governing Board.

A permit for this project was issued on August 6, 2012. Staff is still working with Columbia County on the associated Interlocal Agreement.

Matters the Governing Board has directed staff to take enforcement

Respondent	Charlie Hicks, Jr.
Enforcement Number / County	CE07-0087 / Madison County
Violation	Unpermitted Construction in Floodway
Legal Counsel	Brannon, Brown, Haley & Bullock, P.A
Date sent to legal	October 30, 2008
Target Date	Ongoing
Legal Fees to date	\$21,536.50

The violation consists of construction of a structure in the floodway, without obtaining a Works of the District permit. The case has been before this court several times.

The nonjury trial on damages was conducted on April 3, 2012. The Court entered its Final Judgment awarding the District a total amount of \$31,794.07, which consisted of a \$10,000 penalty, an award of attorneys' fees of \$19,454.50, and legal and investigative costs totaling \$2,339.57. **The file was transferred from Brannon, Brown, Haley & Bullock, P.A., to Board Counsel for resolution.**

Respondent	EI Rancho No Tengo, Inc.
Enforcement Number / County	CE05-0017 / Columbia
Violation	Unpermitted Construction
Legal Counsel	Tommy Reeves
Date sent to legal	January 2006
Target Date	April 30, 2012
Legal Fees to date	\$253,160.50

This enforcement matter has been ongoing since 2006. After multiple court hearings, and in accordance with Court rulings, a Notice of Sheriff's Sale was sent to the parties by certified mail.

The Sheriff's Sale of Defendant's real property pursuant to two writs of execution occurred on May 3, 2011. The Executive Director and Counsel were present at the sale. After an opening bid by Jeffrey Hill of ten dollars, Mr. Still bid \$390,000, which was also the highest bid. Twenty-two minutes prior to the sale, Jeffrey Lance Hill, Sr., filed a chapter 12 case with the U.S. Bankruptcy Court in Jacksonville, Florida. Counsel has since consulted with Lance Cohen, a bankruptcy attorney in Jacksonville, whom the District retained in 2008 when EI Rancho No Tengo, Inc., filed a bankruptcy case. Mr. Cohen is of the opinion that because Mr. Hill filed for bankruptcy prior to the Sheriff's Sale, the District's interest in quieting title would best be served in bankruptcy court. Therefore, Staff has directed Counsel to work with Mr. Cohen again to efficiently and expeditiously secure title to the land in the District.

On March 22, 2012, the Bankruptcy Court granted the District's motion to dismiss the Chapter 12 bankruptcy case filed by Jeffrey Hill. On March 28, 2012, District staff recorded the Sheriff's deed with the Columbia County Clerk's Office.

On May 16, 2012, Mr. Hill filed a Notice of Appeal of the Bankruptcy Court's May 3rd Order. The District's bankruptcy counsel, Lance Cohen, is responding to the appeal. Staff was directed to meet with the newer Board members individually to bring them up to date and after this was done to schedule a meeting with Mr. Hill, Mr. Williams and Mr. Reeves to discuss possible settlement. The parties have met, but a settlement was not reached.

The District's bankruptcy counsel, Lance Cohen, filed an Answer Brief on September 10, 2012, in Jeffrey Hill's appeal of the Bankruptcy Court's dismissal of his Chapter 12 case. The case is now fully briefed and, therefore, either oral argument or a written decision should occur or be issued before the end of the year. A mediation meeting was held July 29 at the Federal Courthouse in Jacksonville. The judge gave an October 15, 2013 deadline for resolution. Mr. Quincey, at the direction of the board, is working with Mr. Hill and will bring back a proposed settlement to the Board. **No settlement was reached at the October 2013 Governing Board meeting. Counsel was directed to pursue a quiet title action.**

Plaintiff	Jeffrey L. Hill, Sr. and Linda P. Hill
Enforcement Number / County	CE11-0045 / Columbia
Violation	NA
Legal Counsel	SRWMD Insurance Legal Counsel
Date sent to legal	August 2011
Target Date	Ongoing
Legal Fees to date	\$9,550

This is not a District enforcement matter, but appears to have been prompted by one. This matter concerns a circuit court complaint recently filed against the District by Jeffrey and Linda

Hill arising out of the District's enforcement litigation against El Rancho No Tengo, Inc. In summary, the Complaint alleges that the District has violated Plaintiffs' personal and property rights, acted with recklessness and malice, taken Plaintiffs' personal and property, forced Mr. Hill into bankruptcy, and caused Plaintiffs psychological and emotional harm. The request for relief includes returning all real and personal property taken, permanently enjoining the District from taking Plaintiffs' property, damages in the amount of \$1,000,000.00, renewal and reinstatement of a writ dated August 4, 1991, and costs and attorney's fees. District Counsel has responded by filing a motion to dismiss, strike and for more definite statement. Counsel is currently researching whether a judgment on the merits may also be available at this stage of the proceeding. In any event, Counsel will soon request a hearing on the District's motion(s).

On October 20, 2011, Plaintiffs served an Amended Complaint to which Counsel responded by serving an Amended Motion to Dismiss and Strike. Counsel also provided a draft Motion to Award [§57.105, F.S.] Attorney's Fees to Plaintiffs on November 17, 2011. Counsel attended a hearing on the District's amended motion to dismiss and strike the amended complaint on December 9, 2011. The Court dismissed three counts of Hills' amended complaint and struck three more, but also gave the Hills 30 days from the date the order is signed to file a second amended complaint.

Counsel drafted and delivered an order to the Hills for review and comment on December 19, 2011. Comments on the draft order are due from the Hills to Counsel on December 22, 2011, at which time Counsel will send a proposed order to Judge Parker. Once a second amended complaint is filed by the Hills, Counsel will prepare an answer with affirmative defenses.

Rather than commenting to Staff Counsel on the District's draft proposed order, Plaintiff's filed their "Objection to Proposed Order," but not before Staff Counsel submitted the District's proposed order to Judge Parker on December 26, 2011. Thereafter, the District's proposed order was entered and Plaintiffs filed a timely motion for rehearing. On January 25, 2012, this case was transferred from Staff Counsel Jennifer Springfield to Staff Counsel Lindsey Lander. In February, this case was transferred to the District's Insurance Claim Services.

A hearing was set for October 5, 2012, regarding the Plaintiffs Motion for Rehearing on the Court's order dismissing and striking the amended complaint and allowing Plaintiffs 30 days leave to file a second amended complaint. Mr. Quincey, at the direction of the Board, is working with Mr. Hill and will bring back a proposed settlement to the Board. **No settlement was reached at the October 2013 Governing Board meeting.**

Respondent	Jeffrey Hill / Haight Ashbury Subdivision
Enforcement Number / County	CE04-0003 / Columbia
Violation	Not Built in Accordance with Permitted Plans
Legal Counsel	Tommy Reeves
Date sent to legal	May 2006
Target Date	Ongoing
Legal Fees to date	\$13,176

This enforcement activity has been ongoing for several years. At the hearing on January 31, 2011, the Court granted the District's motion for summary judgment in this case. The judge's order requires Mr. Hill to comply with the corrective actions specified in the District's final order, imposes a civil penalty, and awards the District its costs and attorney's fees.

Since the Bankruptcy Court's automatic stay is no longer in effect due to the dismissal of Jeffrey Hill's Chapter 12 case (see above discussion under Suwannee River Water Management District v. El Rancho No Tengo, Inc.), Counsel intends to ask the Court to schedule another case management conference, as well as a hearing to determine the civil penalty amount and the amount of the District's costs and attorney's fees, all of which have already been awarded. During the pendency of the bankruptcy proceeding, Staff Counsel drafted an agreement between the District and the County setting forth the County's offer to obtain the necessary legal access and perform the correction action required on the stormwater management system. Thereafter, the District would transfer the permit to the County as the perpetual operation and maintenance entity. In exchange for the County's assistance, and other actions agreed to by the County to help the District resolve two other long-standing ERP violations, the District contemplates donating an approximate 42-acre parcel of land on Alligator Lake that adjoins County-owned property.

Columbia County Attorney, Marlin Feagle, has reviewed the draft interlocal agreement (ILA) and County Manager is still interested in pursuing this approach. Staff from the District and County are editing the agreement and expect to present it to the Governing Board at their August meeting.

The Governing Board approved the ILA, but the Columbia County Commission chose not to pass the agreement. They wish to continue working with the District on a revised agreement. Staff is waiting to hear back from Columbia County staff.

Respondent	Jeffrey Hill / Smithfield Estates-Phase 1
Enforcement Number / County	CE04-0025 / Columbia
Violation	Not Built in Accordance with Permitted Plans
Legal Counsel	Tommy Reeves
Date sent to legal	May 2006
Target Date	June 30, 2012
Legal Fees to date	\$13,176

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board

FROM: Ann Shortelle, Ph.D., Executive Director

DATE: December 27, 2013

RE: **Public Hearing** and Acceptance of Strategic Plan for Fiscal Years 2015-2019

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Governing Board accept the Strategic Plan for Fiscal Years 2015-2019.

BACKGROUND

In accordance with Subparagraph 373.036(2)(e)3, Florida Statutes (F.S.), the District is required to hold at least one public meeting for its annual strategic plan development.

In lieu of the District developing a water management plan and the water management plan annual report pursuant to Section 373.036(2), F.S., the District has selected the option to develop an annual strategic plan pursuant to Subsection 373.036(2)(e), F.S.

The District's Strategic Plan for Fiscal Years 2015-2019 meets the minimum requirements established in Subparagraphs 373.036(2)(e)1-4, F.S. In summary, the minimum requirements are:

1. The strategic plan must establish strategic priorities for a future 5-year period.
2. The strategic plan identifies goals, strategies, success indicators, funding sources, deliverables, and milestones.
3. The development of the strategic plan includes a publicly noticed meeting to allow public participation.
4. The strategic plan identifies progress in addressing success indicators, deliverables, and milestones.

The strategic priorities established in the Strategic Plan for Fiscal Years 2015-2019 are Sustainable Water Supply, Water Conservation, Minimum Flows and Levels, Heartland Springs Initiative, Water Management Lands, and Non-Structural Flood Protection.

District staff reviewed the strategic priorities at the December 2013 Governing Board workshop.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board

FROM: Ann B. Shortelle, Ph.D., Executive Director

DATE: December 27, 2013

RE: **Public Hearing** and Acceptance of the 2014 Florida Forever Work Plan

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Governing Board accept the 2014 Florida Forever Work Plan.

BACKGROUND

An annual update of the Florida Forever Workplan is required by Section 373.199 (7), F.S. A public hearing regarding the 2014 Florida Forever Work Plan will be noticed for the January 14, 2014, 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 changes and additions for the upcoming period. The Work Plan must be approved by the Governing Board and is included in the Comprehensive Annual Report submitted to Tallahassee by March 1 each year.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board

FROM: Ann B. Shortelle, Ph.D., Executive Director

DATE: December 27, 2013

RE: Consideration of Resolution 2014-01 Requesting Partial Release of Funds from the Water Management Lands Trust Fund for Springs Protection and Restoration, Minimum Flows and Levels, Water Supply Planning, and Land Management Activities for the Period of January 1, 2014 through March 31, 2014

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval and execution of Resolution 2014-01, requesting the Department of Environmental Protection release to the District from the Water Management Lands Trust Fund (WMLTF) the amount of \$2,769,603 for Springs Protection and Restoration, Minimum Flows and Levels, Water Supply Planning, and Land Management Activities for the Period of January 1, 2014 through March 31, 2014.

BACKGROUND

Chapter 2013-41, Laws of Florida, amended Section 373.59, Florida Statutes, in part, allocating to the District springs restoration and protection and operational funding from the Water Management Trust Fund (WMLTF).

The District is requesting the release of \$2,769,603 for the period of January 1, 2014 through March 31, 2014. This request will make a total of \$5,539,206 or approximately 70% of the total state appropriations contained in Chapter 2013-41, Laws of Florida to fund forthcoming expenses relating to springs protection and restoration, minimum flow and levels, water supply planning, and land management activities.

Springs restoration and protection activities include priority springshed delineations, priority springs nutrient investigation and analysis, springs data collection and analysis, springs and water supply enhancement projects, Otter Springs restoration project, hydrological and water quality restoration projects, and denitrifying bioreactor projects.

Minimum flows and levels (MFLs) activities include developing recovery and prevention strategies for the Lower Santa Fe River, Ichetucknee River, and Priority Springs MFLs, technical work for the Upper and Middle Suwannee River and Priority Springs and Lake Butler, initiating

development of MFLs for the Aucilla River, Alapaha River, Withlacoochee River, and the priority springs.

Also, MFL development for Lake Santa Fe, Lake Hampton, and Lake Alto will be initiated. Water supply planning activities include developing the North Florida Regional Water Supply Partnership regional water supply plan; water storage and aquifer recharge feasibility studies, water supply demand and projections, completing development of the North Florida-Southeast Georgia Groundwater Regional Flow Model and data collection and analysis.

Land management activities include prescribed burning, reforestation, natural community management, invasive plant management, and maintenance of recreational sites and roads.

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SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2014-01

**RESOLUTION REQUESTING RELEASE OF FUNDS
FROM THE WATER MANAGEMENT LANDS TRUST FUND
TO FUND FORTHCOMING EXPENSES RELATING TO SPRINGS PROTECTION AND
RESTORATION, MINIMUM FLOWS AND LEVELS, WATER SUPPLY PLANNING, AND LAND
MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES**

WHEREAS, the Florida Families Budget for Fiscal Year 2013-2014 appropriated \$7,913,150 to the Suwannee River Water Management District for springs restoration and protection and operations from the Water Management Lands Trust Fund consistent with Chapter 2013-41, Laws of Florida; and

WHEREAS, the Suwannee River Water Management District is requesting the release of \$2,769,603 from the Water Management Lands Trust Fund for activities relating to springs protection and restoration, minimum flows and levels, water supply planning, and land management for the period of January 1, 2014 through March 31, 2014 and consistent with Section 373.59, Florida Statutes (F.S.); and

WHEREAS, the Suwannee River Water Management District second quarter release will make a total request of \$5,539,206 or approximately 70% of the total state appropriations contained in Chapter 2013-41, Laws of Florida to fund forthcoming expenses relating to springs protection and restoration, minimum flow and levels, water supply planning, and land management activities; and

WHEREAS, the Suwannee River Water Management District has budget funds and is or will be committing funds for activities relating to springs protection and restoration, minimum flows and levels, water supply planning, and land management for the period of January 1, 2014 through March 31, 2014; and

WHEREAS, said funds are and will be used, consistent with Section 373.59, F.S., for springs restoration and protection and for operations to restore and protect water resources; and

WHEREAS, Springs restoration and protection activities include priority springshed delineations, priority springs nutrient investigation and analysis, springs data collection and analysis, springs and water supply enhancement projects, Otter Springs restoration project, hydrological and water quality restoration projects, and denitrifying bioreactor projects; and

WHEREAS, moneys are and will be expended for establishing minimum flows and levels, and developing recovery and prevention strategies consistent with Section 373.042, F.S.; and

WHEREAS, minimum flows and levels (MFLs) activities include developing recovery and prevention strategies for the Lower Santa Fe River, Ichetucknee River, and Priority Springs MFLs, technical work for the Upper and Middle Suwannee River and Priority Springs and Lake Butler, initiating development of MFLs for the Aucilla River, Alapaha River, Withlacoochee River, and the priority springs. Also, MFL development for Lake Santa Fe, Lake Hampton, and Lake Alto will be initiated; and

WHEREAS, moneys are and will be expended for land management activities consistent with Section 373.059, F.S.; and

WHEREAS, land management activities include prescribed burning, reforestation, natural community management, invasive plant management, and maintenance of recreational sites and roads; and

WHEREAS, moneys are and will be expended for water supply planning consistent with Section 373.709, F.S; and

WHEREAS, water supply planning activities include developing North Florida Regional Water Supply Partnership regional water supply plan, water storage and aquifer recharge feasibility studies, water supply demand and projections, completing development of the North Florida-Southeast Georgia Groundwater Regional Flow Model, and data collection and analysis; and

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

(1) The above statements are hereby certified and declared to be true and correct.

(2) The District hereby requests the Secretary of the Department of Environmental Protection to release from the Water Management Lands Trust Fund to District the sum of \$2,769,603 to fund forthcoming expenses relating to springs protection and restoration, minimum flow and levels, water supply planning, and land management activities for the period of January 1, 2014 through March 31, 2014.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 14th DAY OF JANUARY 2014, A.D.

**SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
BY ITS GOVERNING BOARD**

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ATTEST:

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board

FROM: Ann B. Shortelle, Ph.D., Executive Director

DATE: January 3, 2014

RE: Reimbursement Request to the Department of Environmental Protection in the Amount of \$596,439 for the Period of October 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013 for District Expenditures Relating to Springs Restoration and Protection, Minimum Flows and Levels, Water Supply Planning, Preacquisition and Land Management Activities

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Governing Board authorize the Executive Director to request reimbursement from the Department of Environmental Protection in the amount of \$596,439 for the period of October 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013, for District expenditures relating to Springs Restoration and Protection, Minimum Flows and Levels, Water Supply Planning, Preacquisition and Land Management activities.

BACKGROUND

The Governing Board approved Resolution 2013-21 (Attachment 1) at its October, 2013 meeting. The Resolution authorizes the District to request reimbursement from the Department of Environmental Protection for springs protection and restoration, minimum flows and levels, water supply planning, preacquisition and land management activities for the period of October 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013.

Section 373.59, F.S., allows the payment of preacquisition, land management, and water supply planning expenditures from the Water Management Land Trust Fund.

The District has incurred expenses for springs protection and restoration, minimum flows and levels, water supply planning, preacquisition and land management activities totaling \$596,439 during the period of October 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013.

The following table summarizes eligible expenses for reimbursement by category.

Category	Amount
SALARIES AND BENEFITS	\$441,318
LEGAL SERVICES	\$14,972
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	\$133,649
PUBLICATION OF NOTICES	\$776
REGISTRATION & TRAINING	\$353
TRAVEL EXPENSE	\$783
FIELD SUPPLIES	\$1,953
BOOKS & DOCUMENTS	\$248
ACQUISITION	\$2,387
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$596,439

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SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2013-21

**RESOLUTION REQUESTING RELEASE OF FUNDS
FROM THE WATER MANAGEMENT LANDS TRUST FUND
TO FUND FORTHCOMING EXPENSES RELATING TO SPRINGS PROTECTION AND
RESTORATION, MINIMUM FLOWS AND LEVELS, WATER SUPPLY PLANNING, AND LAND
MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES**

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

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PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 10th DAY OF OCTOBER 2013, A.D.

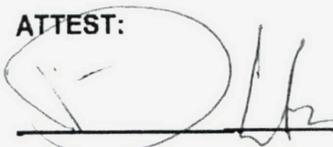
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BY ITS GOVERNING BOARD**



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ATTEST:


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MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board

FROM: Carlos Herd, P.G., Division Director, Water Supply

THRU: Ann B. Shortelle, Ph.D., Executive Director

DATE: December 16, 2013

RE: North Florida Regional Water Supply Partnership Stakeholder Advisory
Committee Update

December 16, 2013, Stakeholder Advisory Committee (SAC) Meeting:

This SAC meeting was dedicated to discuss committee members comments and recommendations regarding the Lower Santa Fe and Ichetucknee Rivers and Priority Springs Recovery Strategy. The SAC discussed each members recommendations for clarification prior to the development of the SAC recommendations to both districts Governing Boards and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (Department) at the scheduled January 27, 2014, SAC meeting. The SAC was updated on the revised rule making schedule which includes a second rule development workshop on January 22, 2014.

This summary is intended as an update to the technical information presented to the SAC as it relates to the joint regional water supply planning process between the St. Johns River and Suwannee River 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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MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board
FROM: Ann B. Shortelle, Ph.D., Executive Director
DATE: December 27, 2013
RE: District's Weekly Activity Reports

Attached are the weekly District activity reports for the month of December.

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Attachments



Weekly Activity Report to Governing Board November 25-27, 2013

Water Supply

- Ann Shortelle, Jon Dinges, Carlos Herd, John Good, Dale Jenkins, and Tommy Kiger participated in a conference call with staff from DEP to provide updates to the Lower Santa Fe and Ichetucknee Rivers and Priority Springs MFL.

Resource Management

- Leroy Marshall participated in a conference call with representatives from DEP and the other WMDs regarding the new NOAA Rainfall Curves and Data. The call was to discuss recommendations for implementing the new rainfall data.

Land Resources

- Bob Heeke and Patrick Webster worked with Florida Fill and Grading, Inc. regarding restoration construction of Bell Springs in Columbia County.
- Charlie Houser participated in a Society of American Foresters Communications Committee conference call.

Communications

- Vanessa Fultz conducted a site visit at Suwannee Country Club to conduct an interview and take photos and video in preparation for a press release on the golf course's upcoming connection to the City of Live Oak's reuse line.

Announcements for Week of December 2, 2013:

- The R.O. Ranch Board of Directors Monthly Meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. on December 5 in Mayo.



Weekly Activity Report to Governing Board December 2-6, 2013

Executive/Management

- Ann Shortelle and Drew Bartlett from DEP met with representatives of the North Florida Utility Group in Orlando.
- Steve Minnis participated in the Florida Regional Council Association Partners meeting.
- Steve Minnis participated in the Office of Policy and Budget/WMD/DEP Legislative conference call.

Water Supply

- Ann Shortelle, Jon Dinges, Carlos Herd, Dale Jenkins, John Good, Tommy Kiger, and Warren Zwanka participated in a teleconference with staff from DEP and SJRWMD to discuss the Lower Santa Fe, Ichetucknee Rivers, and Priority Springs MFL.
- Jon Dinges, Carlos Herd, Tommy Kiger, and John Good participated in a teleconference with staff from DEP and SJRWMD to discuss Median Flow Metrics for the Lower Santa Fe, Ichetucknee Rivers, and Priority Springs Recovery Strategy.

Resource Management

- Ann Shortelle, Jon Dinges, Charlie Houder, Patrick Webster, and Vanessa Fultz conducted a site visit at Bell Springs to observe progress of restoration efforts.
- Warren Zwanka participated in a teleconference with staff from DEP and the other water management districts to discuss proposed amendments to multiple sections of DEP's rule 62-40.
- Tim Sagul, Leroy Marshall, Brian Kauffman, and Alejandra Rodrigues participated in the quarterly teleconference with staff from DEP to discuss environmental resource permitting, sovereign submerged lands permitting and related projects.
- Tim Sagul, staff from DEP and other state agencies participated in the Coastal Managers Forum telephone conference to update the other agencies on the coastal activities being conducted within their jurisdictions.

Ag Team/Suwannee River Partnership

- Kevin Wright and Hugh Thomas attended the NRCS state Technical Advisory meeting in Gainesville. During the meeting, new practices were proposed for inclusion in federal cost-share programs.
- Kevin Wright, Hugh Thomas, and Joel Love attended the Suwannee Valley Watermelon Institute's annual meeting in Gainesville. Kevin Wright presented District cost-share opportunities.

Water Resources

- Erich Marzolf participated in a webinar titled: Catalog of Monitoring Networks Workgroup, and a webinar (by the National Academy of Science's Gulf Research Program) on its research agenda development in response to the RESTORE Act.

- Erich Marzolf, Marc Minno, and Darlene Saindon hosted the quarterly meeting on springs management with staff from the WMDs, DEP and FDACS.

Land Resources

- Charlie Houder attended the R. O. Ranch Board of Directors meeting in Cooks Hammock.
- Charlie Houder attended the University of Florida School of Forest Resources and Conservation Advisory Board meeting in Gainesville.
- Bob Heeke conducted the annual inspection of the California Swamp conservation easement in Dixie County.

Administrative Services

- Steve Minnis, Dave Dickens, Sara Alford, and Christina Hilliard met with Jeff Porter from DEP to review the proposed Preliminary FY 2015 Budget spreadsheets.

Communications

- Communications staff distributed press releases about the Suwannee Golf Course reuse project and to announce an erosion and sedimentation control course hosted by the District.
- Vanessa Fultz participated in the weekly Press Office conference call with DEP and the other WMDs.

Announcements for Week of December 9, 2013:

- The Governing Board Meeting will be held at 9 a.m. on December 10 at District Headquarters.
- Interim Legislative Committee Week will be held in Tallahassee the week of December 9.



Weekly Activity Report to Governing Board December 9-13, 2013

Executive/Management

- Ann Shortelle and Jon Dinges participated in the DEP/WMD bi-weekly teleconference.
- Ann Shortelle and Steve Minnis met with Frank Matthews and Bo Taff, of Foley Timber and Land Company, concerning recharge and storage as it relates to large land owners.
- Steve Minnis attended the Alachua County Board of County Commissioners Meeting.
- Ann Shortelle, Steve Minnis, and Carlos Herd participated in a conference call with Chris Bird, of Alachua County Environmental Protection Department, and his staff regarding the Lower Santa Fe and Ichetucknee Rivers and Priority Springs MFLs.
- Steve Minnis participated in the Office of Policy and Budget/WMD/DEP Legislative conference call.

Water Supply

- Ann Shortelle, Jon Dinges, Carlos Herd, John Good, Clay Coarsey, and Tommy Kiger participated in a conference call with staff from DEP to discuss the Lower Santa Fe and Ichetucknee Rivers and Priority Springs recovery strategy.
- Carlos Herd attended the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council meeting in Lake City.
- Dale Jenkins participated in a conference call with staff from SJRWMD for the North Florida Water Supply Plan monthly progress meeting.
- Ann Shortelle, Jon Dinges, Steve Minnis, Tim Sagul, Carlos Herd, Erich Marzolf, Dave Dickens, Kevin Wright, Bob Heeke, Hugh Thomas, Bill Mckinstry, and Dale Jenkins met with consultants Woody Wodraska and Benita Whalen to discuss dispersed water storage.

Resource Management

- Patrick Webster, Steve Minnis, Tim Sagul, and Charlie Houser met with staff from Bradford County, Bradford Soil and Water Conservation District, DOT, FWC, and the District's FEMA consultants to discuss flood mitigation projects in Bradford County.
- Leroy Marshall participated in a webinar, sponsored by Department of Homeland Security and Florida Division of Emergency Management, to discuss implementation of a national registry of impoundments.
- Tim Sagul, Jon Wood, Warren Zwanka, and Glenn Horvath participated in a conference call with staff from SJRWMD to discuss progress on the E-Reg and ePermitting systems for the ERP and CUP modules.
- Tim Sagul and Gloria Hancock attended the North Central Florida Water Well Association meeting in Lake City.
- Tim Sagul and Patrick Webster met with staff from DOT to discuss Jasper Stormwater issues.
- Ale Rodriguez, Lindsey Marks, Leroy Marshall, and John Good attended the Erosion and Sediment Control Inspectors training course hosted by the District.

- Leroy Marshall, Brian Kauffman, Ale Rodriguez, and James Link attended a water quality software presentation given by David Sua, an engineering consultant.

Land Resources

- Charlie Houser attended the Silviculture BMP Technical Advisory Committee in Tallahassee.
- Bob Heeke inspected the Loncala Conservation Easement in Hamilton County.

Administrative Services

- Dave Dickens participated in a conference call with staff from Florida Department of Emergency Management concerning the State Hazard Mitigation Plan Advisory Team meeting.

Communications

- Vanessa Fultz distributed press releases about the District-wide agriculture cost-share recipients approved by the Governing Board, to announce the next North Florida Regional Water Supply Partnership Stakeholder Advisory Committee meeting, and to announce the District's new employee, Christina Hilliard.
- Vanessa Fultz participated in the weekly Press Office conference call with DEP and the other WMDs.
- Vanessa Fultz, Carree Olshansky, Gloria Hancock, and Joel Love manned the District's booth at Christmas on the Square in downtown Live Oak.

Announcements for Week of December 16, 2013:

- The North Florida Regional Water Supply Partnership Stakeholder Advisory Committee will meet at 1 p.m. on Dec. 16 at Florida Gateway College in Lake City.
- Taylor County Legislative Delegation Meeting will be held at 5:30 p.m. on Dec. 16 at the County Commission Chambers.
- Jefferson County Legislative Delegation Meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Dec. 16 at the County Courthouse Annex.



Weekly Activity Report to Governing Board December 16-20, 2013

Executive/Management

- Ann Shortelle attended The Ichetucknee Partnership executive committee meeting.
- Ann Shortelle and Steve Minnis met with Alachua County Commissioner Robert Hutchinson regarding the Lower Santa Fe and Ichetucknee Rivers and Priority Springs MFLs.
- Steve Minnis attended the Taylor County Legislative Delegation meeting.
- Governing Board Member George Cole and Steve Minnis attended the Jefferson County Legislative Delegation meeting.
- Steve Minnis participated in the Office of Policy and Budget/WMD/DEP Legislative conference call.
- Steve Minnis attended the Nature Coast Regional Water Authority meeting in Fanning Springs.

Water Supply

- Jon Dinges, Carlos Herd, Carree Olshansky, Tommy Kiger, and Hugh Thomas attended the North Florida Regional Water Supply Partnership Stakeholder Advisory Committee meeting.
- Jon Dinges, Carlos Herd, and Tommy Kiger participated in a teleconference with staff from the DEP to discuss updates to the Lower Santa Fe and Ichetucknee Rivers and Priority Springs MFLs.
- Ann Shortelle participated in a teleconference with Drew Bartlett from DEP and representatives of the North Florida Utility Group to discuss the Lower Santa Fe and Ichetucknee Rivers and Priority Springs MFLs.

Ag Team/Suwannee River Partnership

- Ann Shortelle, Tim Sagul, Kevin Wright, Warren Zwanka, Darlene Saindon, Marc Minno, and Lindsey Marks attended the Evans Sturgeon Farm Tour in Pierson, FL.

Water Resources

- Erich Marzolf, Marc Minno, and Megan Wetherington met with staff from Locklear to discuss their beginning water quality and flow measurements for the District as a new contractor.
- Erich Marzolf attended a webinar titled: Important Spatial Data Sources Part 2.
- Jon Dinges and Erich Marzolf, along with staff from the other WMDs participated in a teleconference led by DEP to discuss risk management strategies for sea level rise.

Land Resources

- Bob Heeke conducted the annual review of the Loncala Conservation Easements in Gilchrist and Alachua counties.

Communications

- Vanessa Fultz coordinated with the Gainesville Sun to obtain a retraction due to misinformation printed in the Sun.
- Vanessa Fultz participated in the weekly Press Office conference call with DEP and the other WMDs.

Announcements for Week of December 23, 2013:

- The District office will be closed on December 24-25 to observe Christmas.



Weekly Activity Report to Governing Board December 23-27, 2013

Land Resources

- Charlie Houser, Jon Dinges, and Scott Gregor conducted a Mallory Swamp site visit to discuss upcoming prescribed burning efforts.
- Charlie Houser participated in the Anderson Conservation Easement Exchange appraisal inspection tour in Dixie County.

Communications

- Vanessa Fultz distributed a press release about the partnership between the District and FWC to restore Bell Springs.
- Vanessa Fultz handled an inquiry from the Suwannee Democrat as to whether Integrated Waste Management Systems has applied for any permits recently.
- Jon Dinges fielded questions from the Levy County Journal regarding the Nature Coast water line extension to Dixie County.

Announcements for Week of December 23, 2013:

- The District office will be closed on January 1 to observe New Year's Day.

NOTE: The District office was closed two days this week in observance of the Christmas Holiday and many staff were on leave.