

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

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

May 8, 2018
9:00 a.m.

UF/IFAS-North Florida Research & Education Center
8202 County Road 417, Live Oak, FL 32060

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Announcement of any Amendments to the Agenda by the Chair
Amendments Recommended by Staff: None
4. Public Comment
5. Consideration of the following Items Collectively by Consent:
 - Agenda Item 6 - April 10, 2018, Governing Board Meeting, Workshop and Lands Committee Meeting Minutes
 - Agenda Item 11 - Approval of March 2018 Financial Report

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6. Approval of Minutes – April 10, 2018, Governing Board Meeting, Workshop and Land Committee Meeting Minutes - **Recommend Consent**
7. Items of General Interest for Information/Cooperating Agencies and Organizations
 - A. Presentation of Hydrologic Conditions by Tom Mirti, Deputy Executive Director
 - B. Cooperating Agencies and Organizations – ***FDEP/FDOH Update on Suwannee BMAP and On-Site Wastewater Treatment***

GOVERNING BOARD LEGAL COUNSEL
Tom Reeves

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8. Update on Legal Activities / Enforcement Status Report

BUSINESS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES
Steve Minnis, Deputy Executive Director

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9. Land Acquisition and Disposition Activity Report

BCS Page 2

10. Permitting Summary Report

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11. Approval of March 2018 Financial Report – **Recommend Consent**

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12. Approval of Payment in Lieu of Taxes

BCS Page 16

13. Amendment to Contract 15/16-066 with ATKINS for FEMA FY 2014 and FY 2017 Risk MAP PMC Services

- BCS Page 18 14. Contract with Dewberry for FEMA FY 2016 Risk MAP Services
- BCS Page 19 15. Approval of Governing Board Directive 18-0002 Establishing a Policy for Annual Reporting of District Permitted Wetland Impacts and Mitigation to Local Governments
- BCS Page 23 16. Approval of Environmental Resource Permit ERP-029-214825-7, Authorizing the Temporary Placement of Fill at Bob's River Place, Dixie County

WATER AND LAND RESOURCES
Tom Mirti, Deputy Executive Director

- WLR Page 1 17. District Land Management & Twin River State Forest (TRSF) Activity Summary
- WLR Page 5 18. Fiscal Year 2018 Land Management Review Team Report
- WLR Page 17 19. Agricultural Water Use Monitoring Report
- WLR Page 19 20. Fiscal Year 2018 Prescribed Fire Services Additional Funding Authorization Request
- WLR Page 21 21. Authorization to Execute a Contract for the Sale of Timber with M.A. Rigoni Inc., for the Christian Chipping #1 Timber Sale
- WLR Page 22 22. Authorization to Execute a Contract for the Sale of Timber with North Florida Timber Dealers Inc., for the Black Tract #5 Timber Sale

ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
Darrell Smith

- 23. Springs Campaign Showcase Update
- AED Page 1 24. Authorization to Amend Agreement 17/18-013 with the City of Live Oak to Add Funding for the Scriven Avenue Drainage Improvement Project
- AED Page 2 25. Authorization to Enter into Contract with One Agricultural Producer to Provide Water Conservation Cost-Share Funding
- AED Page 4 26. Authorization to Amend Contract Number 16/17-250 for Suwannee River Partnership Cooperative Conservation Technician Services with Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

EXECUTIVE OFFICE
Hugh Thomas, Executive Director

- EO Page 1 27. District's Weekly Activity Reports
- EO Page 8 28. Approval of Resolution 2018-02, Extending Appreciation and Recognition to Donald J. Quincey, Jr., for Outstanding Service as Chairman of the Suwannee River Water Management District Governing Board

AGENDA
SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
GOVERNING BOARD WORKSHOP

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

May 8, 2018
Following Board Meeting

North Florida Research & Education Center
8202 County Road 417, Live Oak, FL 32060

- Water Supply Assessment Update
- Fiscal Year 2019 Tentative Budget Presentation
- North Florida Research & Education Center Presentation

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

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9:00 a.m., Tuesday
April 10, 2018

District Headquarters
Live Oak, Florida

Agenda Item No. 1 – Call to Order. The meeting was called to order at 9:01 a.m.

Agenda Item No 2 – Roll Call

Governing Board:

Seat	Name	Office	Present	Not Present
Aucilla Basin	Bradley Williams		X	
Coastal River Basin	Richard Schwab	Sec./Treas.	X	
Lower Suwannee Basin	Don Quincey, Jr.		X	
Santa Fe & Wacc. Basins	Kevin W. Brown		X	
Upper Suwannee Basin	Alphonas Alexander	Vice Chair	X	
At Large	Virginia H. Johns	Chair	X	
At Large	Virginia Sanchez		X	
At Large	Gary Jones		X	
At Large	Charles Keith		X	

Governing Board General Counsel

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

Executive Team

Position	Name	Present	Not Present
Executive Director	Hugh Thomas	X	
Assistant Executive Director	Darrell Smith	X	
Deputy Executive Director	Tom Mirti	X	
Deputy Executive Director	Steve Minnis	X	
Executive Office & Board Coordinator	Robin Lamm	X	

Guests:

Ken Watson, HSW Engineering	Dori Sabeh, HSW Engineering
Pamela Flores, FDEP	Terri Lowery, Jones Edmunds
Morgan Westberry, FDEP	Jack Furney, FDEP
Mike Murphy, Mott McDonald	Cody Pridgeon, City of Lake City
Brian Icerman, Jones Edmunds	Jose Cruzman, Jacobs
Lucinda Merritt, Ichetucknee Alliance	Scott Knight, Wetland Solutions, Inc.
Bob Palmer, Florida Springs Institute	Cory Mikell, H2O Mobile Lab
Mike Williams, Nutrien	Ed Booth, City of High Springs
Mike Branch, Florida Forestry Association	Cory Harris, City of Archer
Charlie Daniel, Town of Branford	Mickey Dempsey, Town of Branford
Charles Fellows, Water & Air Research	Del Bottcher, SWET
Joanne Luther, City of Live Oak	Louis Tirado, City of Live Oak
Scott Tucker, FDACS	Greg Harden, Florida Farm Bureau

John Smith, PS&M, Inc.
Fletcher Hope, City of Archer
Joe Helfenberger, City of Archer
Carolee Howe, Shenandoah Dairy
Edward Dean, Town of Greenville
Jon Dinges, Black & Veatch
Craig Varn, Manson, Bolves & Varn
Ken Waters, HSW Engineering
Carlos Herd, NFWFMD
Greg Lang, Mittauer & Associates
Kathleen Greenwood, FDACS
Jeff Hill
Wendell Hurst
Georgia Schmitz
Steve Gladin
Sara Brannon
Frank & Sue Batey
Jon Moses

Ray Hodge, Southeast Milk
Bob Knight, Florida Springs Institute
Bill Henderson, Henderson GP
Tripp Lancaster, City of Fanning Springs
Bob Milner, City of Starke
Commissioner Ronnie Richardson, Suwannee County
Ray Hodge, Southeast Milk
Officer Troy Wadford
Brett Cyphers, NFWFMD
Mike Murphy, Hatch Mott
Bill Anderson
Melvin Landerware
Robert Kasicki
Michael Roth
Linda Kasiski
Mike Tice
Glenn Biggerstaff

STAFF

John Good
Katelyn Potter
Tyler Jordan
Pat Webster
Bob Heeke
Ben Glass
Pam Shaw
Scott Gregor
Stefanie Weeks
Mark Minno

Warren Zwanka
Kevin Flavin
Keith Rowell
Tilda Musgrove
Joel Carnow
Bill McKinstry
Steve Carpenter
Justin Garland
Kris Eskelin
Edwin McCook

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

Addition:

Governing Board Legal Counsel: Supplemental 1 - Approval of Declarations of Restrictive Covenants for the Rock Bluff Springs Property.

MOTION WAS MADE BY JONES, SECONDED BY SCHWAB TO APPROVE THE ADDITION TO THE AGENDA. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Agenda Item No. 4 – Public Comment:

- Fletcher Hope, City of Archer – Support of Springs Projects.
- Bob Knight, Florida Springs Institute - Support of Springs Projects.
- Joe Helfenberger, City of Archer - Support of Springs Projects.
- John Hewitt – Concerns regarding FWC and hunting in Lafayette County.
- Wendell Hurst - Concerns regarding FWC and hunting in Lafayette County.
- Bill Anderson - Concerns regarding FWC and hunting in Lafayette County.
- Robert Kasicki - Support of Springs Projects.
- Carolee Howe, Shenandoah Dairy – Thanked the Board for supporting agriculture.
- Tripp Lancaster, City of Fanning Springs - Support of Springs Projects.
- Edward Dean, Greenville Town Manager - Support of Springs Projects.

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

- Agenda Item 6 - March 13, 2018, Governing Board Meeting, Workshop and Land Committee Meeting Minutes
- Agenda Item 9 - Approval of February 2018 Financial Report
- Agenda Item 13 - Approval of a Modification of Water Use Permit 2-047-221534-3, with a 0.1071 mgd Decrease in Allocation and a Ten-Year Permit Extension, Authorizing a Maximum 0.1941 mgd of Groundwater for Agricultural Use at the Lawton McCulley Farm in Hamilton County

MOTION WAS MADE BY SANCHEZ, SECONDED BY ALEXANDER TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Agenda Item No. 6 – Approval of Minutes – March 13, 2018 Governing Board Meeting, Workshop and Lands Committee Minutes. Approved on Consent.

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

- Tom Mirti recognized Marc Minno for his 5-Years of Service.
- Mr. Mirti gave a presentation of hydrologic conditions of the District.
- Cooperating Agencies and Organizations – None

GOVERNING BOARD LEGAL COUNSEL

Agenda Item No. 8 – Update on Legal Activities / Enforcement Status Report. Tom Reeves, Legal Counsel, provided an update on the following cases:

- Brown
- Water Supply Assessment
- Jeff Hill

SUP 1 - Approval of Declarations of Restrictive Covenants for the Rock Bluff Springs Property. Tom Reeves, Board Legal Counsel, presented this item to the Board.

MOTION WAS MADE BY JONES, SECONDED BY SCHWAB TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

BUSINESS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

Agenda Item No. 9 – Approval of February 2018 Financial Report. Approved on Consent

Agenda Item No. 10 – Consideration of Waiver of Right of First Refusal Tisdale Conservation Easement, 83 Acres +/-, Levy County. Keith Rowell, Land Acquisition/Local Government, presented this item to the Board.

MOTION WAS MADE BY SANCHEZ, SECONDED BY JONES TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Agenda Item No. 11 – Approval of Access Easement Relocation Request from Chris and Diana Topping, Lukens Tract, Levy County. Mr. Rowell presented this item to the Board.

MOTION WAS MADE BY QUINCEY, SECONDED BY ALEXANDER TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Agenda Item No. 12 – Land Acquisition and Disposition Activity Report. This report was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Agenda Item No. 13 – Approval of a Modification of Water Use Permit 2-047-221534-3, with a 0.1071 mgd Decrease in Allocation and a Ten-Year Permit Extension, Authorizing a Maximum 0.1941 mgd of Groundwater for Agricultural Use at the Lawton McCulley Farm in Hamilton County. Approved on Consent.

Agenda Item No. 14 – Permitting Summary Report. This report was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

WATER AND LAND RESOURCES

Agenda Item No. 15 - Request to Increase Fiscal Year 2018 Prescribed Fire Services Funding Amount. Bill McKinstry, Land Management Program Manager, presented this item to the Board.

MOTION WAS MADE BY JONES, SECONDED BY SANCHEZ TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Agenda Item No. 16 - Land and Facilities Operations Activity Summary. This summary was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Agenda Item No. 17 – Agricultural Monitoring Report. This report was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Agenda Item No. 18 – Approval to Enter into Contract with Land Dairy for the Construction of the Irrigation Component of the Groundwater Capture and Treatment System. Justin Garland, Engineer II, presented this item to the Board.

MOTION WAS MADE BY SCHWAB, SECONDED BY SANCHEZ TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Additional Public Comments:

- Mike Roth – Thanked the District for the Land Management Review Tour.
- Bob Milner, City of Starke - Support of Springs Projects.
- Commissioner Ronnie Richardson, Suwannee County - Support of Springs Projects.

Agenda Item No. 19 – Approval to Submit Springs Funding Applications to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection for Review and Approval for Fiscal Year 2018. Pat Webster, Chief Professional Engineer, presented this item to the Board.

Bob Milner, City of Starke, provided comments to the Board.
Mike Williams, Nutrien, provided comments to the Board.

MOTION WAS MADE BY SCHWAB, SECONDED BY ALEXANDER TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Agenda Item No. 20 – Ranking and Authorization for the Executive Director to Execute a Contract for Services for the Upper Suwannee River Regional Aquifer Recharge Project. Bob Heeke, Senior Projects Manager, presented this item to the Board.

Ken Watson and Dori Sabeh, HSW Engineering Consultants, provided comments to the Board.

MOTION WAS MADE BY SCHWAB, SECONDED BY ALEXANDER TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Agenda Item No. 21 – Approval to Enter into Agreements with Two Agricultural Producers to Implement Low Input Rotations in Selected Locations. Darrell Smith, Assistant Executive Director, presented this item to the Board.

Mike Tice, Tice Farms, provided comments to the Board.

MOTION WAS MADE BY QUINCEY, SECONDED BY ALEXANDER TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

Agenda Item No. 22 - District's Weekly Activity Reports. These reports were provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Agenda Item No. 23 – Announcements. Mr. Thomas updated the Board on various District activities.

Agenda Item No. 24 - Adjournment. Meeting adjourned at 11:58 a. m.

Chair

ATTEST:

SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
GOVERNING BOARD WORKSHOP

Workshop began at 12:25 p.m.

Public Use of District Lands Discussion

Edwin McCook, Land Management Specialist, presented a workshop presentation on public use of District lands titled *District Lands...Yours to Enjoy*. The presentation discussed fee owned District lands, lands open to recreation and hunting, and public use classifications. Discussion was held on the benefits of District lands including protecting resources and water conservation, recreation opportunities, creating economic development through ecotourism, issuing special use authorizations and partnerships.

LAND COMMITTEE MEETING

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April 10, 2018
Following Board Meeting

District Headquarters
Live Oak, FL

1. Call to Order / Committee Roll Call. Meeting began at 1:12 p.m.

Committee Members

Al Alexander
Kevin Brown
Gary Jones
Virginia Sanchez
Bradley Williams

Present

X
X
X
X
X

Not Present

Attendees:

Richard Schwab, Board Member
Virginia Johns, Board Member
Bruce Johnson, Stantec Consulting
Pam Flores, FDEP
Morgan Wetherby, FDEP
Carlos Herd, NFWFMD
Georgia Schmitz
Steve Gladin

Charles Keith, Board Member
Don Quincey, Board Member
Ken Huntington, Comprehensive Environmental
Richard Darabi, Moore Bass Consulting, Inc.
Jack Furney, FDEP
Brett Cyphers, NFWFMD Executive Director
Jim Moses

Staff

Hugh Thomas
Steve Minnis
Katelyn Potter
Tyler Jordan
Bill McKinstry
Pam Shaw

Darrell Smith
Tom Mirti
Edwin McCook
Tilda Musgrove
Keith Rowell
Warren Zwanka

2. Public Comment. None.

3. General Discussion / Updates. None

4. Land Acquisition / New Property Offers:

• Jim Moses and George Burnham Property Exchange Proposal – Suwannee and Hamilton Counties – 10 Acres +/-. Mr. Rowell presented this item to the Board.

ALEXANDER MADE MOTION, SECONDED BY WILLIAMS TO AUTHORIZE STAFF TO COMMENCE DETAILED ASSESSMENT AND BEGIN NEGOTIATIONS, MOTION CARRIED.

5. Conservation Easement Modification Requests. None

6. Regulatory Conservation Easements Requests.
 - Weyerhaeuser - North Florida Mega Industrial Park – Proposed ERP Conservation Easement, Columbia County, 94.83 Acres +/- of 2,622 Acres +/- Project Area. Mr. Rowell updated the Committee on this item.
7. Surplus Lands / Updates.
 - Surplus Lands Policy. Mr. Rowell provided an update on the policy to the Committee.
8. Adjournment. Meeting adjourned at 1:40 p. m.

Chair

ATTEST:

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board

FROM: Warren Zwanka, P.G., Division Director, Resource Management

DATE: April 27, 2018

RE: Enforcement Status Report

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	Davis, Schnitker, Reeves and Browning, P.A.
Date sent to legal	October 30, 2008
Target Date	Ongoing
Legal Fees to date	\$25,508.03
Last Update	April 21, 2017

The violation consists of construction of a structure in the floodway, without obtaining a Works of the District permit. The case has been before the 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 in August 2013 for resolution. The District is in the process of levying on Hick's real property. **The mortgage holder has contacted Board Counsel regarding resolution.**

Respondent	Jeffrey Hill / Haight Ashbury Subdivision
Enforcement Number / County	CE04-0003 / Columbia
Violation	Not Built in Accordance with Permitted Plans
Legal Counsel	Davis, Schnitker, Reeves and Browning, P.A.
Date sent to legal	May 2006
Target Date	November 30, 2015
Legal Fees to date	\$13,209
Last Update	February 23, 2017

This enforcement activity has been ongoing for several years. At a 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.

The District and Columbia County entered into an interlocal agreement (ILA) 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 has finished the remedial work. Staff has inspected the site with the County. Staff is awaiting the as-built certifications for the site in order to close out this file. **Staff has contacted the County regarding submittal of the close-out documents. County staff has indicated that the material will be submitted shortly.**

Respondent	Jeffrey Hill / Smithfield Estates-Phase 1
Enforcement Number / County	CE04-0025 / Columbia
Violation	Not Built in Accordance with Permitted Plans
Legal Counsel	Davis, Schnitker, Reeves and Browning, P.A.
Date sent to legal	May 2006
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MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board

FROM: A. Keith Rowell, P.S.M.

DATE: April 27, 2018

RE: Land Acquisition and Disposition Activity Report

Approved for Detailed Assessment

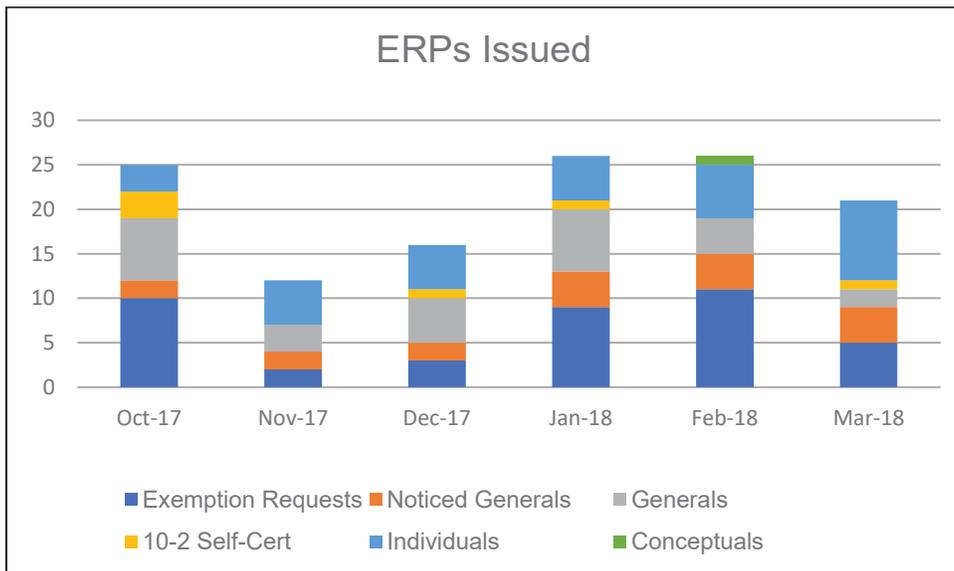
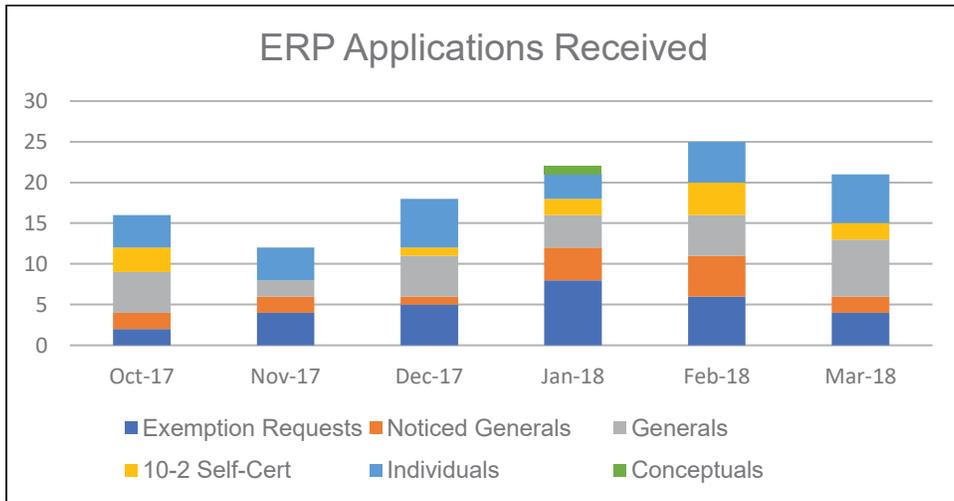
Owner	Project Name	Acres	County	Comments
Michael and Freda Shaw	Shaw Conservation Easement Exchange	1,099	Lafayette	Negotiations ongoing.
SRWMD	Sandlin Bay Sale/Exchange to U.S. Forest Service	2,023	Columbia	USFS staff received authorization to proceed with purchase March 1, 2017 subject to appraisal update. Appraisal updates expected in FY 2018.
Jerry Coker, Etal.	Lumber Camp Springs	37 +/-	Gilchrist	Title issue regarding access being resolved. Landowners evaluating access alternatives with Gilchrist County.
Tim Walker, Etal.	Tim Walker Conservation Easement	90 +/-	Lafayette	Appraisal required.

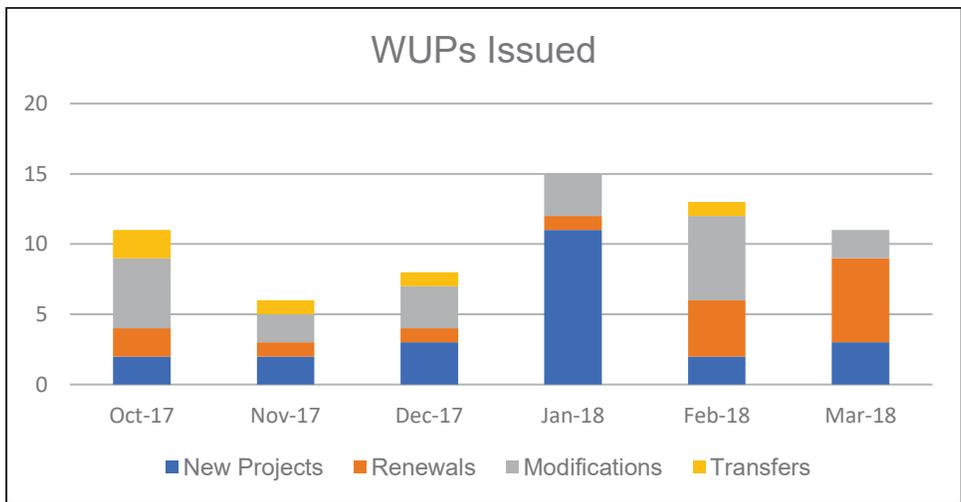
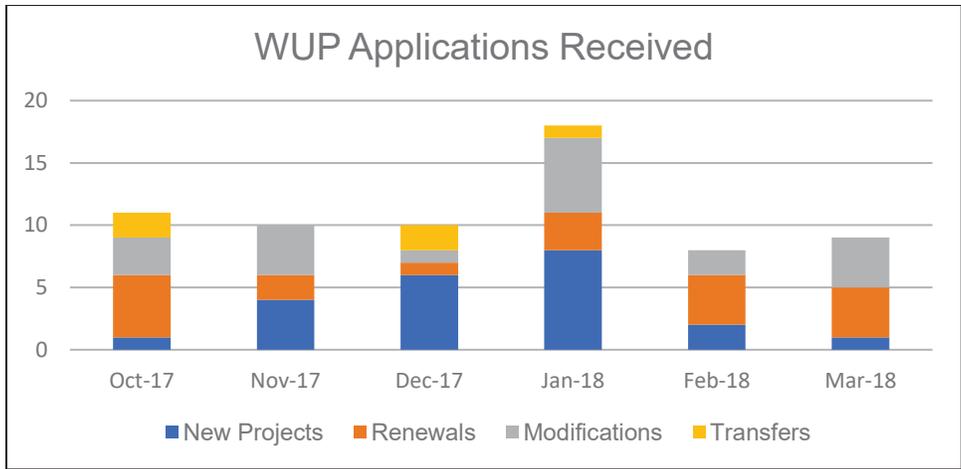
Authorized for Surplus

Tract	Acres	County	Acquired Date	Funding Source	Appraisal Date	Listing Date	Price	Comments
Alligator Lake	43	Columbia	8/10/01	P2000	N/A	N/A	N/A	As-Builts received. Property to be conveyed to County upon review.
Falmouth North (8 lots)	6	Suwannee	4/98	WMLTF	8/27/10	N/A	Fee entire tract \$34,930	Appraisal update required.
Timber River	1	Madison	3/98	WMLTF	8/5/10; Updated 7/30/14	N/A	Fee entire tract \$6,950	Appraisal update required.
Turtle Spring Surplus Tract	32	Lafayette	5/13/15	Florida Forever	5/24/15	N/A	\$85,000 (\$67,000 for Acreage Parcel, & \$18,000 for Subdivision Lot)	Appraisal update required.
Bay Creek	55	Columbia	2/01/1988	Save Our Rivers	N/A	N/A	TBD	Appraisal required.
Branford Bend	50	Suwannee	6/30/2004	Florida Forever	N/A	N/A	TBD	Appraisal required.
RO Ranch West	570	Lafayette	7/27/06	Florida Forever Bonds	N/A	N/A	To be determined by appraisal	Appraisal required.
Columbia County Surplus	78 +/-	Columbia	7/15	Enforcement Action	TBD	N/A	To be determined by appraisal	Appraisal Required. Title Commitment complete.

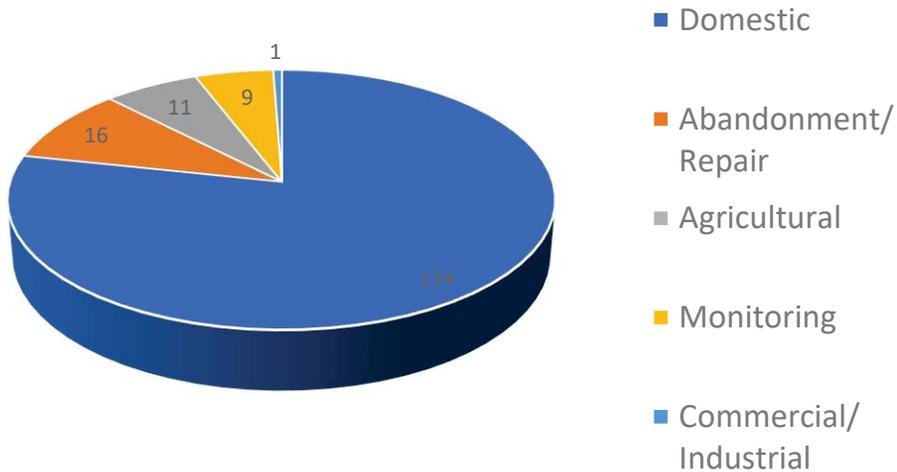
MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board
FROM: Warren Zwanka, P.G., Division Director, Resource Management
DATE: April 27, 2018
RE: Permitting Summary Report





Water Well Permits Issued Mar-18



**40B-4 (FEMA Map Amendments)
ERP/ Works of the District Permits**

GB Rule Dev. Auth.	1/9/2018
Notice of Rule Dev.	2/16/2018
GB Proposed Rule Auth.	1/9/2018
Send to JAPC/OFARR	2/8/2018
Notice of Proposed Rule	2/26/2018
Notice of Rule Change	n/a
Mail to DOS	4/2/2018
Effective Date	4/22/2018

**40B-4.400 (FEMA Map Amendments)
Environmental Resource Permitting**

GB Rule Dev. Auth.	1/9/2018
Notice of Rule Dev.	2/16/2018
GB Proposed Rule Auth.	1/9/2018
Send to JAPC/OFARR	2/8/2018
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**40B-3 (Amendments)
Water Well Permitting**

GB Rule Dev. Auth.	10/10/2017
Notice of Rule Dev.	
GB Proposed Rule Auth.	10/10/2017
Send to JAPC/OFARR	
Notice of Proposed Rule	
Notice of Rule Change	
Mail to DOS	
Effective Date	

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board
FROM: Pam Shaw, Chief Financial Officer
THRU: Steve Minnis, Business and Community Services
DATE: April 27, 2018
RE: Approval of March 2018 Financial Report

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Governing Board approve the March 2018 Financial Report and confirm the expenditures of the District.

BACKGROUND

Section 373.553(1), Florida Statutes, 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.

/tm

Attachments

**Suwannee River Water Management District
Cash Report
March 2018**

Financial Institution/Account	Monthly Interest	Interest Rate %	Closing Balance
First Federal Permit Fee	\$0.00		\$31,909.89
First Federal Accounts Payable	\$0.00		\$35,000.00
First Federal Depository	\$172.59	0.01%	\$1,189,776.97
SPIA	<u>\$54,483.06</u>	1.85%	<u>\$43,320,828.51</u>
TOTAL	<u><u>\$54,655.65</u></u>		<u><u>\$44,577,515.37</u></u>

**Suwannee River Water Management District
Statement of Sources and Uses of Funds
For the Month ending March 31, 2018
(Unaudited)**

	Current Budget	Actuals Through 3/31/2018	Variance (Under)/Over Budget	Actuals As A % of Budget
Sources				
Ad Valorem Property Taxes	\$ 5,591,837	\$ 4,949,707	\$ (642,130)	88.5%
Intergovernmental Revenues	\$ 59,873,387	\$ 9,754,888	\$ (50,118,499)	16.3%
Interest on Invested Funds	\$ 140,000	\$ 348,742	\$ 208,742	249.1%
License and Permit Fees	\$ 135,000	\$ 104,113	\$ (30,887)	77.1%
Other	\$ 1,226,100	\$ 538,903	\$ (687,197)	44.0%
Fund Balance	\$ 15,891,753	\$ -	\$ (15,891,753)	0.0%
Total Sources	\$ 82,858,077	\$ 15,696,353	\$ (67,161,724)	18.9%

	Current Budget	Expenditures	Encumbrances ¹	Available Budget	%Expended	%Obligated ²
Uses						
Water Resources Planning and Monitoring	\$ 9,322,743	\$ 1,829,099	\$ 1,879,952	\$ 5,613,692	20%	40%
Acquisition, Restoration and Public Works	\$ 65,326,091	\$ 5,818,463	\$ 25,630,187	\$ 33,877,441	9%	48%
Operation and Maintenance of Lands and Works	\$ 5,140,309	\$ 1,384,835	\$ 1,051,151	\$ 2,704,323	27%	47%
Regulation	\$ 1,392,916	\$ 602,531	\$ 9,361	\$ 781,024	43%	44%
Outreach	\$ 225,475	\$ 58,472	\$ -	\$ 167,003	26%	26%
Management and Administration	\$ 1,450,543	\$ 834,466	\$ 62,068	\$ 554,009	58%	62%
Total Uses	\$ 82,858,077	\$ 10,527,866	\$ 28,632,719	\$ 43,697,492	13%	47%

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 March 31, 2018 and covers the interim period since the most recent audited financial statements.

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Recap of All Funds	<u>Y-T-D</u> <u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>ENCUM.</u>	<u>ANNUAL</u> <u>BUDGET</u>
REVENUES			
TOTAL REVENUES	15,696,352.83	0.00	82,858,077.00
EXPENDITURES			
TOTAL SALARIES AND BENEFITS	2,589,211.88	0.00	6,047,222.00
TOTAL CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	3,070,367.70	8,435,586.05	32,477,909.00
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	400,099.76	138,754.34	1,370,119.00
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY	94,171.39	77,604.47	308,044.00
TOTAL FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY	3,177,767.83	0.00	8,371,848.00
TOTAL INTERAGENCY EXPENSES	1,196,246.92	19,980,774.21	34,282,935.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>10,527,865.48</u>	<u>28,632,719.07</u>	<u>82,858,077.00</u>
EXCESS REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	<u>5,168,487.35</u>	<u>(28,632,719.07)</u>	<u>0.00</u>

Fund 01: General Fund	<u>Y-T-D</u> <u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>ENCUM.</u>	<u>ANNUAL</u> <u>BUDGET</u>
REVENUES			
TOTAL REVENUES	9,678,460.30	0.00	9,492,276.00
EXPENDITURES			
TOTAL SALARIES AND BENEFITS	2,250,737.59	0.00	5,236,014.00
TOTAL CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	332,973.58	744,822.70	2,210,609.00
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	223,804.69	102,695.24	840,463.00
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY	34,952.71	7,851.83	156,290.00
TOTAL FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL INTERAGENCY EXPENSES	326,517.77	235,404.72	1,048,900.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>3,168,986.34</u>	<u>1,090,774.49</u>	<u>9,492,276.00</u>
EXCESS REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	<u>6,509,473.96</u>	<u>(1,090,774.49)</u>	<u>0.00</u>

Fund 05: Middle Suwannee	<u>Y-T-D</u> <u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>ENCUM.</u>	<u>ANNUAL</u> <u>BUDGET</u>
REVENUES			
TOTAL REVENUES	53,411.78	0.00	589,083.00
EXPENDITURES			
TOTAL SALARIES AND BENEFITS	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	53,411.78	68,820.75	589,083.00
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL INTERAGENCY EXPENSES	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>53,411.78</u>	<u>68,820.75</u>	<u>589,083.00</u>
EXCESS REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	<u>0.00</u>	<u>(68,820.75)</u>	<u>0.00</u>

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Fund 06: Springs Appropriation	<u>Y-T-D</u> <u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>ENCUM.</u>	<u>ANNUAL</u> <u>BUDGET</u>
REVENUES			
FUND TRANSFER	0.00	0.00	4,865,930.00
DEP REVENUE	1,331,220.27	0.00	43,852,235.00
TOTAL REVENUES	1,331,220.27	0.00	48,718,165.00
EXPENDITURES			
TOTAL SALARIES AND BENEFITS	61.07	0.00	0.00
TOTAL CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	709,412.94	4,101,057.70	15,494,577.00
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY - ACQUISITION	1,422,448.97	0.00	7,388,898.00
TOTAL INTERAGENCY EXPENSES	293,553.65	16,209,168.04	25,834,690.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	2,425,476.63	20,310,225.74	48,718,165.00
EXCESS REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	(1,094,256.36)	(20,310,225.74)	0.00

**Expenditures to be covered by DEP Reimbursement Grant; reimbursement requested*

Fund 07: Local Revenue	<u>Y-T-D</u> <u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>ENCUM.</u>	<u>ANNUAL</u> <u>BUDGET</u>
REVENUES			
TOTAL REVENUES	105,600.00	0.00	105,600.00
EXPENDITURES			
TOTAL SALARIES AND BENEFITS	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL INTERAGENCY EXPENSES	105,600.00	(79,200.00)	105,600.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	105,600.00	(79,200.00)	105,600.00
EXCESS REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	0.00	79,200.00	0.00

Fund 08: WMLTF / Springs	<u>Y-T-D</u> <u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>ENCUM.</u>	<u>ANNUAL</u> <u>BUDGET</u>
REVENUES			
TOTAL REVENUES	10,766.27	0.00	425,000.00
EXPENDITURES			
TOTAL SALARIES AND BENEFITS	7,795.13	0.00	0.00
TOTAL CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	0.00	0.00	275,000.00
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL INTERAGENCY EXPENSES	1,327.50	194,675.68	150,000.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	9,122.63	194,675.68	425,000.00
EXCESS REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	1,643.64	(194,675.68)	0.00

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Fund 09: Monitor Well Improvements	<u>Y-T-D</u> <u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>ENCUM.</u>	<u>ANNUAL</u> <u>BUDGET</u>
REVENUES			
TOTAL REVENUES	0.00	0.00	530,000.00
EXPENDITURES			
TOTAL SALARIES AND BENEFITS	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	198,242.89	432,052.63	500,000.00
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	0.00	0.00	30,000.00
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL INTERAGENCY EXPENSES	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>198,242.89</u>	<u>432,052.63</u>	<u>530,000.00</u>
EXCESS REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	<u>(198,242.89)</u>	<u>(432,052.63)</u>	<u>0.00</u>

**Excess to be covered by Committed Fund Balance*

Fund 10: Florida Forever & P-2000	<u>Y-T-D</u> <u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>ENCUM.</u>	<u>ANNUAL</u> <u>BUDGET</u>
REVENUES			
INTEREST REVENUE	22,143.49	0.00	0.00
FUND TRANSFERS OUT	0.00	0.00	(1,485,930.00)
STATE REVENUE - FLORIDA FOREVER *	1,485,929.61	0.00	1,800,000.00
FUND BALANCE	0.00	0.00	47,500.00
TOTAL REVENUES	1,508,073.10	0.00	361,570.00
EXPENDITURES			
TOTAL SALARIES AND BENEFITS	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	5,149.00	2,400.00	359,070.00
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	0.00	0.00	2,500.00
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY - ACQUISITION*	1,485,929.61	0.00	0.00
TOTAL INTERAGENCY EXPENSES	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>1,491,078.61</u>	<u>2,400.00</u>	<u>361,570.00</u>
EXCESS REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	<u>16,994.49</u>	<u>(2,400.00)</u>	<u>0.00</u>

**Florida Forever Funds transferred to Fund 06 for Rock Bluff acquisition*

Fund 12: DOT ETDM	<u>Y-T-D</u> <u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>ENCUM.</u>	<u>ANNUAL</u> <u>BUDGET</u>
REVENUES			
TOTAL REVENUES	316.48	0.00	10,000.00
EXPENDITURES			
TOTAL SALARIES AND BENEFITS	355.31	0.00	10,000.00
TOTAL CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL INTERAGENCY EXPENSES	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>355.31</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>10,000.00</u>
EXCESS REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	<u>(38.83)</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>

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	<u>Y-T-D</u> <u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>ENCUM.</u>	<u>ANNUAL</u> <u>BUDGET</u>
Fund 13: Land Management/Operations			
REVENUES			
TOTAL REVENUES	2,584,021.74	0.00	5,010,309.00
EXPENDITURES			
TOTAL SALARIES AND BENEFITS	323,884.79	0.00	801,208.00
TOTAL CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	819,018.46	903,261.65	2,625,691.00
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	175,581.32	36,059.10	493,656.00
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY	59,218.68	69,752.64	151,754.00
FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY - ACQUISITION	269,389.25	0.00	0.00
CONSTRUCTION	0.00	0.00	275,000.00
TOTAL FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY	269,389.25	0.00	275,000.00
TOTAL INTERAGENCY EXPENSES	600.00	40,986.40	663,000.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>1,647,692.50</u>	<u>1,050,059.79</u>	<u>5,010,309.00</u>
EXCESS REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	<u>936,329.24</u>	<u>(1,050,059.79)</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Fund 19: DOT Mitigation			
REVENUES			
TOTAL REVENUES	136,320.56	0.00	1,150,000.00
EXPENDITURES			
TOTAL SALARIES AND BENEFITS	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	391,673.87	682,413.25	1,150,000.00
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL INTERAGENCY EXPENSES	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>391,673.87</u>	<u>682,413.25</u>	<u>1,150,000.00</u>
EXCESS REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	<u>(255,353.31)</u>	<u>(682,413.25)</u>	<u>0.00</u>
<i>*Excess to be covered by Restricted Fund Balance</i>			
Fund 29: SRP			
REVENUES			
TOTAL REVENUES	38,936.43	0.00	120,500.00
EXPENDITURES			
TOTAL SALARIES AND BENEFITS	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	713.75	0.00	3,500.00
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL INTERAGENCY EXPENSES	29,250.00	87,750.00	117,000.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>29,963.75</u>	<u>87,750.00</u>	<u>120,500.00</u>
EXCESS REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	<u>8,972.68</u>	<u>(87,750.00)</u>	<u>0.00</u>

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Fund 30: Camp Blanding Buffer Lands	<u>Y-T-D</u> <u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>ENCUM.</u>	<u>ANNUAL</u> <u>BUDGET</u>
REVENUES			
TOTAL REVENUES	5,707.42	0.00	707,950.00
EXPENDITURES			
TOTAL SALARIES AND BENEFITS	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	2,384.75	0.00	0.00
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY	0.00	0.00	707,950.00
TOTAL INTERAGENCY EXPENSES	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>2,384.75</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>707,950.00</u>
EXCESS REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	<u>3,322.67</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>

Fund 33: PCS Mitigation	<u>Y-T-D</u> <u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>ENCUM.</u>	<u>ANNUAL</u> <u>BUDGET</u>
REVENUES			
TOTAL REVENUES	898.14	0.00	0.00
EXPENDITURES			
TOTAL SALARIES AND BENEFITS	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL INTERAGENCY EXPENSES	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
EXCESS REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	<u>898.14</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>

Fund 51: District Ag Cost Share	<u>Y-T-D</u> <u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>ENCUM.</u>	<u>ANNUAL</u> <u>BUDGET</u>
REVENUES			
TOTAL REVENUES	0.00	0.00	5,388,579.00
EXPENDITURES			
TOTAL SALARIES AND BENEFITS	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	317,303.22	722,837.63	5,360,579.00
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL INTERAGENCY EXPENSES	0.00	0.00	28,000.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>317,303.22</u>	<u>722,837.63</u>	<u>5,388,579.00</u>
EXCESS REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	<u>(317,303.22)</u>	<u>(722,837.63)</u>	<u>0.00</u>

**Excess to be covered by Committed Fund Balance*

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Fund 53: District RIVER Cost Share	<u>Y-T-D</u> <u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>ENCUM.</u>	<u>ANNUAL</u> <u>BUDGET</u>
REVENUES			
TOTAL REVENUES	0.00	0.00	5,605,045.00
EXPENDITURES			
TOTAL SALARIES AND BENEFITS	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	0.00	0.00	269,300.00
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL INTERAGENCY EXPENSES	439,398.00	3,291,989.37	5,335,745.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>439,398.00</u>	<u>3,291,989.37</u>	<u>5,605,045.00</u>
EXCESS REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	<u>(439,398.00)</u>	<u>(3,291,989.37)</u>	<u>0.00</u>

**Excess to be covered by Committed Fund Balance*

Fund 56: FEMA Grants	<u>Y-T-D</u> <u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>ENCUM.</u>	<u>ANNUAL</u> <u>BUDGET</u>
REVENUES			
TOTAL REVENUES	154,820.68	0.00	3,249,000.00
EXPENDITURES			
TOTAL SALARIES AND BENEFITS	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	154,820.68	606,094.31	3,249,000.00
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL INTERAGENCY EXPENSES	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>154,820.68</u>	<u>606,094.31</u>	<u>3,249,000.00</u>
EXCESS REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	<u>0.00</u>	<u>(606,094.31)</u>	<u>0.00</u>

Fund 60: Reimbursable Grants	<u>Y-T-D</u> <u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>ENCUM.</u>	<u>ANNUAL</u> <u>BUDGET</u>
REVENUES			
FDOT LAP GRANT REVENUE	1,926.91	0.00	1,000,000.00
FFWC REVENUE	0.00	0.00	250,000.00
NFWF REVENUE	85,872.75	0.00	145,000.00
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>87,799.66</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>1,395,000.00</u>
EXPENDITURES			
TOTAL SALARIES AND BENEFITS	6,377.99	0.00	0.00
TOTAL CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	85,976.53	171,825.43	395,000.00
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL INTERAGENCY EXPENSES	0.00	0.00	1,000,000.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>92,354.52</u>	<u>171,825.43</u>	<u>1,395,000.00</u>
EXCESS REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	<u>(4,554.86)</u>	<u>(171,825.43)</u>	<u>0.00</u>

**Salaries are for Union County LAP projects to be covered by DOT grant; contractual services covered by grant*

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board

FROM: Pam Shaw, Chief Financial Officer

DATE: April 30, 2018

RE: Approval of Payment in Lieu of Taxes

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Governing Board approve Payment in Lieu of Taxes in the amount of \$355,265.39 for qualifying counties.

BACKGROUND

In order to offset the effect on the tax rolls of the small counties from public acquisition of land, the Legislature enacted the Payment in Lieu of Taxes program (PILT) in 1992. Each year District staff works with each eligible county in the District's jurisdiction to prepare their applications for properties purchased or sold during the previous calendar year. The payment for a particular parcel is equal to the average of the actual taxes paid for the three years prior to the District's acquisition of the property. The reimbursement amount is only calculated one time, and that payment is now paid for as long as the District owns the property and the County qualifies for PILT. PILT only applies to fee simple properties owned by the District. Unless otherwise exempted, landowners continue to pay the taxes for lands on which the District holds conservation easements, and the parcels are still reassessed on a regular basis by the property appraiser's office.

Once the tax information is obtained from the counties, the acquired property information is sent to the Department of Revenue for certification. The District received \$352,909 in Fiscal Year (FY) 2017-18 from State Appropriations earmarked for PILT. The balance of PILT will be paid from District Funds. This year 12 counties have applied for a total of \$355,265.39. The reimbursement amounts for each county are shown in Attachment "A". Funds are available in the FY 2017-18 budget and will be coded to 13-6930-6-3100-99.

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Attachment

ATTACHMENT A

**TAX YEAR 2017 SCHEDULE FOR
PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES**

BRADFORD	\$ 21,159.28
COLUMBIA	\$ 37,803.52
DIXIE	\$ 20,965.17
GILCHRIST*	\$ 55,213.57
HAMILTON	\$ 36,615.00
JEFFERSON	\$ 9,163.13
LAFAYETTE	\$ 77,581.69
LEVY	\$ 30,401.84
MADISON	\$ 19,588.42
SUWANNEE	\$ 30,294.19
TAYLOR	\$ 15,646.87
UNION	\$ 832.71
TOTAL	\$ 355,265.39

*A portion of Gilchrist County's PILT payment in the amount of \$17,944.05 reverts back to the District for costs of Otter Springs entrance road improvements. This loan payment will discontinue in 2020.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board
FROM: Warren Zwanka, P.G., Division Director, Resource Management
DATE: April 27, 2018
RE: Amendment to Contract 15/16-066 with ATKINS for FEMA FY 2014 and FY 2017 Risk MAP PMC Services

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Governing Board authorize the Executive Director to amend contract 15/16-066 with ATKINS for the following

- **Reduce the existing contract in the amount of \$2,500 for FEMA FY 2014 Risk MAP PMC Service and**
- **Increase the existing contract in the amount of \$283,992 for FEMA FY 2017 Risk MAP PMC Service.**

BACKGROUND

The District has been a Cooperative Technical Partner (CTP) with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for over a decade. As a CTP, the District receives funding annually from FEMA through the Risk MAP program to hire engineering firms who help local governments update and improve their floodplain maps, and help increase the public's flood hazard awareness. The CTP program directly supports the District's core mission of reducing flood vulnerability.

On September 9, 2014 the Governing Board approved ATKINS as a qualified engineering firm to provide Program Management Consultant Services (PMC) for FEMA Risk MAP Grants from FY 2015 through FY 2019. The PMC firm helps the District manage all ongoing FEMA projects and is responsible for staying abreast of FEMA's changing rules and standards. They provide quality assurance and quality control for the data submitted by the Product Production Consultants (PPC), coordinate public education and outreach for all FEMA related projects, and maintain the District's Flood Report Website.

In June 7, 2016, the District executed contract 15/16-066 with Atkins for \$162,371. This amount included \$2,500 that was allocated to the District for travel to FEMA trainings. This amendment will reduce this portion of that agreement from \$162,371 to \$159,871.

In September 2017, the District was awarded a grant of \$1,018,000 to implement the FY 2017 Risk Map Mapping Activity Statement (MAS) contract 17/18-143, of which \$283,992 was allocated to ATKINS for Program Management Consultant (PMC) services. The FY 2017 MAS will provide funding for ongoing work in the Upper and Lower Suwannee Watersheds and the Santa Fe watershed.

This amendment will increase the total 15/16-066 contract amount from \$797,143 to an amount not to exceed \$1,078,635. All mapping rates are established and approved by FEMA. Firms invoice the District as they complete the work and FEMA reimburses the District by direct deposit within days of submitting the invoices.

Funding for this amendment is included in the FY 2018 budget under account code 56-2586-4-1300-17 and 56-2586-4-1300-14.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board
FROM: Warren Zwanka, P.G, Division Director, Resource Management
DATE: April 27, 2018
RE: Contract with Dewberry for FEMA FY 2016 Risk MAP Services

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Governing Board authorize the Executive Director to enter into a contract with Dewberry Inc., for an amount not-to-exceed \$700,092, for Federal Emergency Management Agency FY 2016 Product Production Risk Mapping and Planning Services.

BACKGROUND

The District has been a Cooperative Technical Partner (CTP) with Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for over a decade. As a CTP, the District receives funding from FEMA through the Risk Mapping and Planning Services (Risk MAP) program to hire engineering firms who help local governments update and improve their floodplain maps, and help increase the public's flood hazard awareness. This program directly supports the District's core mission of reducing flood vulnerability.

On September 9, 2014, the Governing Board approved Dewberry, Inc., as a qualified engineering firm to provide Product Production Consultant (PPC) services for FEMA FY 2014 through FY 2019 Risk Map projects. The primary job of the PPC firm is to develop the hydrology and hydraulic models needed to create or update maps. One firm is selected each FEMA fiscal year based on their previous work experience, knowledge of a particular geographical region and work load. The FY 2014 Mapping Activity Statement (MAS) provides funding to complete the Aucillia and Alapaha Watersheds. All mapping rates are established and approved by FEMA. The firm will invoice the District as they complete the work and FEMA will reimburse the District by direct deposit within days of submitting the invoices. The District will incur no cost other than staff time.

Funds were included in the FY 2018 budget under code 56-2586-4-1300-16-00.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board

FROM: Warren Zwanka, Division Director, Resource Management

DATE: April 27, 2018

RE: Approval of Governing Board Directive 18-0002 Establishing a Policy for Annual Reporting of District Permitted Wetland Impacts and Mitigation to Local Governments

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Governing Board approve Governing Board Directive 18-0002 establishing a policy for annual reporting of District-permitted wetland impacts and mitigation to Local Governments.

BACKGROUND

In March 2018, the Secretary of the Florida Department of Environmental Protection requested that all Water Management Districts establish a policy for annual reporting of permitted wetland impact and mitigation acres, including wetland preservation acres through District land acquisition. The report will be transmitted to the chair of the board of county commissioners, county administrators/ managers/clerks and, if applicable, city/town councils and city/town managers/clerks of local governments within their jurisdictions.

Environmental Resource Permit wetland impact and mitigation acres include Florida Department of Transportation project impacts and mitigation that have been recorded since 1996, with the most comprehensive data being available from August 2014 to present. Wetland mitigation may include creation, restoration, enhancement, or preservation acres. Wetland preservation acres from land acquisition are determined using GIS to assess acres of wetlands contained within the boundaries of District fee-owned properties and conservation easements.

A report containing the cumulative wetland impact and mitigation acres by county will be provided to local governments within the District after the end of each calendar year as set forth in Governing Board Directive 18-0002 (Attachment A), and the wetland impact and mitigation acre totals for 2017 are provided in Attachment B.

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Attachments

SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

GOVERNING BOARD DIRECTIVE



Policy Number: 18-0002

Date Approved: Date May 8, 2018

Subject: Subject: Policy for Annual Reporting of District

Permitted Wetland Impacts and Mitigation to Local Governments

Approval:

Virginia Johns, Chair

Richard Schwab, Secretary/Treasurer

1.0 Reference to Prior Policy

There are no prior versions of this Directive.

2.0 Purpose and Intent

The purpose of the directive is to establish a provision for annual reporting of permitted wetland impact and mitigation acres, and District wetland preservation acres through land acquisition to local governments within its jurisdiction pursuant to section 373.083(3), Florida Statutes (F.S.). The intent is to demonstrate to local governments the District's successes in assuring no net functional loss of wetlands or other surface waters as set forth in Part IV or Chapter 373, F.S., within its jurisdiction.

3.0 Definitions

- A. 'Creation' means the establishment of new wetlands or surface waters by conversion of other land forms.
- B. 'Enhancement' means improving the ecological value of wetlands, other surface waters, or uplands in comparison to their current condition.
- C. 'Environmental Resource Permit' (ERP) means a permit issued by the Suwannee River Water Management District pursuant to Part IV of Chapter 373, F.S., for management and storage of surface waters.
- D. 'Mitigation' means an action or series of actions to offset adverse impacts to wetlands. Mitigation usually consists of restoration, enhancement, creation, preservation, or a combination thereof.
- E. 'Preservation' means the protection of wetlands, other surface waters or uplands from adverse impacts by placing a conservation easement or other comparable land use restriction over the property or by donation of fee simple interest in the property.

- F. 'Restoration' means converting back to a historic condition those wetlands, surface waters, or uplands that currently exist as a land form that differs from the historic condition.
- G. 'Wetlands' means those areas that are inundated or saturated by surface water or ground water at a frequency and a duration sufficient to support, and under normal circumstances do support, a prevalence of vegetation typically adapted for life in saturated soils. Soils present in wetlands generally are classified as hydric or alluvial, or possess characteristics that are associated with reducing soil conditions. The prevalent vegetation in wetlands generally consists of facultative or obligate hydrophytic macrophytes that are typically adapted to areas having soil conditions described above. These species, due to morphological, physiological, or reproductive adaptations, have the ability to grow, reproduce or persist in aquatic environments or anaerobic soil conditions.

4.0 Elements of Policy

A. Permitting Wetland Impact and Mitigation Acres

Permanently impacted wetland acres by county from ERP's issued in each county will be assessed using as-built impact acres when possible and permitted impact acres at a minimum. Likewise, wetland creation enhancement, or restoration acres used to mitigate permitted impacts will be assessed. A separate accounting of Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) impact and mitigation acres will also be totaled by county.

B. Wetland Acres Preserved Through District Land Acquisition

Wetland preservation acres contained within District fee-owned lands and less-than-fee conservation easements will be assessed for each county using FDOT's Florida Land Use/ Land Cover Classification System GIS layer.

C. Annual Reporting to Local Governments

By January 31st of every year, the District shall report current cumulative totals through the end of the preceding year of permitted wetland impact and mitigation acres by county, and District wetland preservation acres through land acquisition by county. This report shall be provided to chair of the board of county commissioners, county administrators/ managers/ clerks; and, if applicable, city/town councils and city/town managers/clerks for local governments within its jurisdiction.

**2017 Cumulative Total Wetlands Impacted, Restored and Preserved **
Suwannee River Water Management District**

COUNTY *	WETLANDS PERMANENTLY IMPACTED (ACRES) +	WETLANDS CREATED, ENHANCED OR RESTORED (ACRES) ++	WETLANDS PRESERVED (ACRES) +++
ALACHUA	17.35	524.28	3571.52
BAKER***	0.50	0.00	0.00
BRADFORD	133.20	491.54	7022.37
COLUMBIA	214.96	580.17	3942.85
DIXIE	49.45	2741.42	32659.93
GILCHRIST	12.18	7.32	2790.91
HAMILTON	7.21	52.97	3703.41
JEFFERSON	21.94	184.61	6979.68
LAFAYETTE	9.90	4.60	43361.36
LEVY	40.89	432.39	25005.81
MADISON	43.78	148.71	4533.33
PUTNAM***	0	0	0
SUWANNEE	27.28	78.84	2053.24
TAYLOR	199.64	550.83	6006.48
UNION	48.44	350.46	18.53
TOTAL	826.72	6148.14	141649.42

Net Gain - Restored	5321.42
Net Gain - Preserved	146970.84

* Mitigation acres may cross county boundaries

** Mitigation may include creation, restoration, enhancement, or preservation

*** Only a small portion of Baker County and Putnam County are within SRWMD

+ ERP impact acres (includes FDOT) as permitted 1996 to present. Most comprehensive data is from 8/2014 to present for ERP and 10/2000 to present for FDOT.

++ Includes restoration and enhancement as required by ERP permit or through FDOT mitigation since 1996. Most comprehensive data is from 8/2014 to present for ERP and 10/2000 to present for FDOT.

+++ Wetlands preserved through District land acquisition

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board

FROM: Warren Zwanka, P.G., Division Director, Resource Management

DATE: April 27, 2018

RE: Approval of Environmental Resource Permit ERP-029-214825-7, Authorizing the Temporary Placement of Fill at Bob's River Place in Dixie County.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Governing Board approve Environmental Resource Permit ERP-029-214825-7 with 31 standard conditions and one special limiting conditions to Robert Hawkins, in Dixie County.

BACKGROUND

The application is for a minor Individual Environmental Resource Permit (ERP) modification for Bob's River Place project. The permit will authorize the implementation of the variance approved by the Governing Board on February 13, 2018, which authorized the temporary placement of no more than 10 cubic yards of clean fill in outside of the front 75 feet of the Suwannee River in Dixie County. This permit sequence will expire on September 16, 2018; consistent with the terms of variance Order Number 18-0002.

District staff received objections to this minor modification, therefore necessitating Governing Board issuance of the permit. Objections are related to health, safety, and welfare concerns about the unpermitted activities at this project.

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**ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCE PERMIT
STAFF REPORT
APPLICATION ERP-029-214825-7
May 08, 2018**

PROJECT: Hawkins Project

APPLICANT: Robert Hawkins
Bob's River Place
2878 NE Highway 340
Branford, FL 32008

Dates:

Date of Application: 3/27/18
Application Complete: 3/27/18
Last Day to Issue: 5/26/18

Staff Recommendation:

Staff recommends issuance of a minor individual permit modification for the project with 25 limiting conditions. The Environmental Resource Permit is attached to this staff report.

Reviewers: Warren Zwanka, P.G., Division Director
Leroy Marshall, P.E., Chief Engineer
Mary Diaz, E.I., Engineer II

Project Location:

The project is located on the riverbank of the Suwannee River, within the regulatory floodway, in Township 08 South, Range 14 East, Section 16 in Dixie County, Florida, Just downstream of Highway 340.

Project Description:

Modification consists of the addition of less than six inches of fill at three locations on the riverbank within the 75-foot setback; and onsite storage of a pile of fill, which shall be no more than 10 cubic yards, to be placed outside of the 75-foot setback. The permit shall expire September 16, 2018. The proposed work will be consistent with the temporary variance granted by the Board on February 13, 2018.

Authorized Operation and Maintenance Entity:

The landowner, Robert Hawkins, is the authorized Operation and Maintenance Entity.



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MINOR MODIFICATION

PERMITTEE:

Robert Hawkins
Bob's River Place
2878 NE Highway 340
Branford, FL 32008-8967

PERMIT NUMBER: ERP-029-214825-7**DATE ISSUED:** May 08, 2018**DATE EXPIRES:** September 16, 2018**COUNTY:** Dixie**TRS:** S16 T8S R14E**PROJECT:** Hawkins Project

Upon completion, the approved entity to which operation and maintenance maybe transferred pursuant to rule 62-330.310 and 62-330.340 or 40B-4.1130, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C) shall be:

Robert Hawkins
Bob's River Place
2878 NE Highway 340
Branford, FL 32008-8967

Based on the information provided to the Suwannee River Water Management District (District), the above-mentioned project has met the conditions of issuance as found in subsection 62-330.301, subsections 62-330.407 through 62-330.635, or subsection 40B-4.3030, F.A.C. The permit is hereby in effect for the activity description below:

This modification is for the addition of fill at the top of bank in accordance with the Variance granted on February 13, 2018 by the Districts Governing Board. The construction approved shall be in a manner consistent with the application package submitted by Robert Hawkins on or before March 27, 2018.

As the permittee and/or operation and maintenance entity, it is your responsibility to ensure that adverse off-site impacts do not occur either during or after the construction. Any additional construction or alterations not authorized by this permit may result in flood control or water quality problems both on and off site and will be a violation of District rule.

You and any other substantially affected persons are entitled to request an administrative hearing or mediation. Please refer to the enclosed notice of rights.

VIRGINIA H. JOHNS Chair
Alachua, Florida

ALPHONAS ALEXANDER Vice Chair
Madison, Florida

RICHARD SCHWAB Secretary/Treasurer
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Chiefland, Florida

BRADLEY WILLIAMS
Monticello, Florida

HUGH THOMAS
Executive Director

Conditions:

1. All activities shall be implemented following the plans, specifications and performance criteria approved by this permit. Any deviations must be authorized in a permit modification in accordance with Rule 62-330.315, F.A.C. Any deviations that are not so authorized may subject the permittee to enforcement action and revocation of the permit under Chapter 373, F.S.
2. A complete copy of this permit shall be kept at the work site of the permitted activity during the construction phase, and shall be available for review at the work site upon request by the District staff. The permittee shall require the contractor to review the complete permit prior to beginning construction.
3. Activities shall be conducted in a manner that does not cause or contribute to violations of state water quality standards. Performance-based erosion and sediment control best management practices shall be installed immediately prior to, and be maintained during and after construction as needed, to prevent adverse impacts to the water resources and adjacent lands. Such practices shall be in accordance with the State of Florida Erosion and Sediment Control Designer and Reviewer Manual (Florida Department of Environmental Protection and Florida Department of Transportation June 2007), and the Florida Stormwater Erosion and Sedimentation Control Inspector's Manual (Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Nonpoint Source Management Section, Tallahassee, Florida, July 2008), which are both incorporated by reference in subparagraph 62-330.050(9)(b)5, F.A.C., unless a project-specific erosion and sediment control plan is approved or other water quality control measures are required as part of the permit.
4. At least 48 hours prior to beginning the authorized activities, the permittee shall submit to the District a fully executed Form 62-330.350(1), "Construction Commencement Notice," [10-1-13], incorporated by reference herein (<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-02505>), indicating the expected start and completion dates. A copy of this form may be obtained from the District, as described in subsection 62-330.010(5), F.A.C. If available, an District website that fulfills this notification requirement may be used in lieu of the form.
5. Unless the permit is transferred under Rule 62-330.340, F.A.C., or transferred to an operating entity under Rule 62-330.310, F.A.C., the permittee is liable to comply with the plans, terms and conditions of the permit for the life of the project or activity.
6. Within 30 days after completing construction of the entire project, or any independent portion of the project, the permittee shall provide the following to the Agency, as applicable:
 1. For an individual, private single-family residential dwelling unit, duplex, triplex, or quadruplex — "Construction Completion and Inspection Certification for Activities Associated With a Private Single-Family Dwelling Unit" [Form 62-330.310(3)]; or
 2. For all other activities — "As-Built Certification and Request for Conversion to Operational Phase" [Form 62-330.310(1)].
 3. If available, an Agency website that fulfills this certification requirement may be used in lieu of the form.
7. If the final operation and maintenance entity is a third party:

1. Prior to sales of any lot or unit served by the activity and within one year of permit issuance, or within 30 days of as-built certification, whichever comes first, the permittee shall submit, as applicable, a copy of the operation and maintenance documents (see sections 12.3 thru 12.3.3 of Volume I) as filed with the Department of State, Division of Corporations and a copy of any easement, plat, or deed restriction needed to operate or maintain the project, as recorded with the Clerk of the Court in the County in which the activity is located.
2. Within 30 days of submittal of the as- built certification, the permittee shall submit "Request for Transfer of Environmental Resource Permit to the Perpetual Operation Entity" [Form 62-330.310(2)] to transfer the permit to the operation and maintenance entity, along with the documentation requested in the form. If available, an Agency website that fulfills this transfer requirement may be used in lieu of the form.
8. The permittee shall notify the District in writing of changes required by any other regulatory District that require changes to the permitted activity, and any required modification of this permit must be obtained prior to implementing the changes.
9. This permit does not:
 1. Convey to the permittee any property rights or privileges, or any other rights or privileges other than those specified herein or in Chapter 62-330, F.A.C.;
 2. Convey to the permittee or create in the permittee any interest in real property;
 3. Relieve the permittee from the need to obtain and comply with any other required federal, state, and local authorization, law, rule, or ordinance; or
 4. Authorize any entrance upon or work on property that is not owned, held in easement, or controlled by the permittee.
10. Prior to conducting any activities on state-owned submerged lands or other lands of the state, title to which is vested in the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund, the permittee must receive all necessary approvals and authorizations under Chapters 253 and 258, F.S. Written authorization that requires formal execution by the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund shall not be considered received until it has been fully executed.
11. The permittee shall hold and save the District harmless from any and all damages, claims, or liabilities that may arise by reason of the construction, alteration, operation, maintenance, removal, abandonment or use of any project authorized by the permit.
12. The permittee shall notify the District in writing:
 1. Immediately if any previously submitted information is discovered to be inaccurate; and
 2. Within 30 days of any conveyance or division of ownership or control of the property or the system, other than conveyance via a long-term lease, and the new owner shall request transfer of the permit in accordance with Rule 62-330.340, F.A.C. This does not apply to the sale of lots or units in residential or commercial subdivisions or condominiums where the stormwater management system has been completed and converted to the operation phase.

13. Upon reasonable notice to the permittee, District staff with proper identification shall have permission to enter, inspect, sample and test the project or activities to ensure conformity with the plans and specifications authorized in the permit.
14. If any prehistoric or historic artifacts, such as pottery or ceramics, stone tools or metal implements, dugout canoes, or any other physical remains that could be associated with Native American cultures, or early colonial or American settlement are encountered at any time within the project site area, work involving subsurface disturbance in the immediate vicinity of such discoveries shall cease. The permittee or other designee shall contact the Florida Department of State, Division of Historical Resources, Compliance and Review Section, at (850) 245-6333 or (800) 847-7278, as well as the appropriate permitting agency office. Such subsurface work shall not resume without verbal or written authorization from the Division of Historical Resources. If unmarked human remains are encountered, all work shall stop immediately and notification shall be provided in accordance with Section 872.05, F.S.
15. Any delineation of the extent of a wetland or other surface water submitted as part of the permit application, including plans or other supporting documentation, shall not be considered binding unless a specific condition of this permit or a formal determination under Rule 62-330.201, F.A.C., provides otherwise.
16. The permittee shall provide routine maintenance of all components of the stormwater management system to remove trapped sediments and debris. Removed materials shall be disposed of in a landfill or other uplands in a manner that does not require a permit under Chapter 62-330, F.A.C., or cause violations of state water quality standards.
17. This permit is issued based on the applicant's submitted information that reasonably demonstrates that adverse water resource-related impacts will not be caused by the completed permit activity. If any adverse impacts result, the District will require the permittee to eliminate the cause, obtain any necessary permit modification, and take any necessary corrective actions to resolve the adverse impacts.
18. A Recorded Notice of Environmental Resource Permit may be recorded in the county public records in accordance with Rule 62-330.090(7), F.A.C. Such notice is not an encumbrance upon the property.
19. The permittee shall perform all construction authorized in a manner so as to minimize adverse impacts to fish, wildlife, natural environmental values, and water quality. The permittee shall institute necessary measures during construction, including riprap, reinforcement, or compaction of any fill materials placed around newly installed structures, to minimize erosion, turbidity, nutrient loading, and sedimentation in the receiving waters.
20. The operation phase of individual and abandonment permits shall not become effective until the permittee has complied with the requirements of the condition in the paragraph above. Until the permit is transferred pursuant to Rule 40B-4.1130, F.A.C., the permittee shall be liable for compliance with the terms of the permit.
21. Off-site discharges during and after construction shall be made only through the facilities authorized by the permit. Water discharged from the project shall be through structures suitable for regulating upstream stage if so required by the district. Such discharges may be subject to operating schedules established by the district.
22. Each phase or independent portion of the permitted work or development in a work of the district must be completed in accordance with the permit conditions prior to the initiation of the permitted use of site infrastructure located within the area served by that portion or

phase of the work or development. Each phase or independent portion of the work or development must be completed in accordance with the permitted plans and permit conditions prior to transfer of responsibility for operation and maintenance of that phase or portion of the work or development to an approved entity.

23. For those works or developments which will be operated or maintained by an entity requiring an easement or deed restriction in order to provide that entity with the authority necessary to operate or maintain the work or development, such easement or deed restriction, together with any other final operation or maintenance documents as are required by paragraph Part VI of the Applicants Handbook Volume II, must be submitted to the District for approval. Documents meeting the requirements set forth in these subsections of District rules will be approved. Deed restrictions, easements and other operation and maintenance documents which require recordation either with the Secretary of State or Clerk of the Circuit Court must be so recorded prior to lot or unit sales within the project served by the work or development, or upon completion of construction of the work or development, whichever occurs first. For those works or developments which are proposed to be maintained by county or municipal entities, final operation and maintenance documents must be received by the District when maintenance and operation of the work or development is accepted by the local governmental entity. Failure to submit the appropriate final documents referenced in this paragraph will result in the permittee remaining liable for carrying out maintenance and operation of the permitted work or development.
24. The permittee is hereby advised that Section 253.77, F.S., states that a person may not commence any excavation, construction, or other activity involving the use of sovereign or other lands of the state, the title to which is vested in the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund without obtaining the required lease, license, easement, or other form of consent authorizing the proposed use. Therefore, the permittee is responsible for obtaining any necessary authorizations from the Board of Trustees prior to commencing activity on sovereignty lands or other state-owned lands.
25. All transfers of ownership or transfers of a permit are subject to the requirements of Rule 40B-4.1130, F.A.C. The permittee transferring the permit shall remain liable for any corrective actions that may be required as a result of any permit violations prior to such sale, conveyance or other transfer.

WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER COMPLETION OF THE PROJECT, THE PERMITTEE SHALL NOTIFY THE DISTRICT, IN WRITING, THAT THE FACILITIES ARE COMPLETE.

AUTHORIZED BY: Suwannee River Water Management District

By: _____
Warren Zwanka, P.G.
Division Director

NOTICE OF RIGHTS

1. A person whose substantial interests are or may be determined has the right to request an administrative hearing by filing a written petition with the Suwannee River Water Management District (District), or may choose to pursue mediation as an alternative remedy under Section 120.569 and 120.573, Florida Statutes, (F.S.), before the deadline for filing a petition. Choosing mediation will not adversely affect the right to a hearing if mediation does not result in a settlement. The procedures for pursuing mediation are set forth in Sections 120.569 and 120.57 F.S. Pursuant to Rule 28-106.111, Florida Administrative Code, (F.A.C.), the petition must be filed at the office of the District Clerk at District Headquarters, 9225 C.R. 49, Live Oak, Florida 32060 within twenty-one (21) days of receipt of written notice of the decision or within twenty-one (21) days of newspaper publication of the notice of District decision (for those persons to whom the District does not mail actual notice). A petition must comply with Chapter 28-106, F.A.C.

2. If the Governing Board takes action which substantially differs from the notice of District decision to grant or deny the permit application, a person whose substantial interests are or may be determined has the right to request an administrative hearing or may choose to pursue mediation as an alternative remedy as described above. Pursuant to Rule 28-106.111, F.A.C., the petition must be filed at the office of the District Clerk at District Headquarters, 9225 C.R. 49, Live Oak, Florida 32060 within twenty-one (21) days of receipt of written notice of the decision or within twenty-one (21) days of newspaper publication of the notice of District decision (for those persons to whom the District does not mail actual notice). Such a petition must comply with Chapter 28-106, F.A.C.

3. A substantially interested person has the right to a formal administrative hearing pursuant to Section 120.569 and 120.57(1), F.S., where there is a dispute between the District and the party regarding an issue of material fact. A petition for formal hearing must comply with the requirements set forth in Rule 28-106.201, F.A.C.

4. A substantially interested person has the right to an informal hearing pursuant to Section 120.569 and 120.57(2), F.S., where no material facts are in dispute. A petition for an informal hearing must comply with the requirements set forth in Rule 28-106.301, F.A.C.

5. A petition for an administrative hearing is deemed filed upon receipt of the petition by the Office of the District Clerk at the District Headquarters in Live Oak, Florida.

6. Failure to file a petition for an administrative hearing within the requisite time frame shall constitute a waiver of the right to an administrative hearing pursuant to Rule 28-106.111, F.A.C.

7. The right to an administrative hearing and the relevant procedures to be followed is governed by Chapter 120, Florida Statutes, and Chapter 28-106, F.A.C.

8. Pursuant to Section 120.68, F.S., a person who is adversely affected by final District action may seek review of the action in the District Court of Appeal by filing a notice of appeal pursuant to the Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure, within 30 days of the rendering of the final District action.

9. A party to the proceeding before the District who claims that a District order is inconsistent with the provisions and purposes of Chapter 373, F. S., may seek review of the order pursuant to Section 373.114, F.S., by the Florida Land and Water Adjudicatory Commission, by filing a request for review with the Commission and serving a copy of the Department of Environmental Protection and any person named in the order within 20 days of adoption of a rule or the rendering of the District order.

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

11. Failure to observe the relevant time frames for filing a petition for judicial review, or for Commission review, will result in waiver of the right to review.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing Notice of Rights has been sent to:

Robert Hawkins
Bob's River Place
2878 NE Highway 340
Branford, FL 32008-8967
(352) 542-7363

This May 08, 2018

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

cc: File Number: ERP-029-214825-7

NOTICING INFORMATION

Dear Permittee:

Please be advised that the Suwannee River Water Management District (District) has not published a notice in the newspaper advising the public that it has issued a permit for this project.

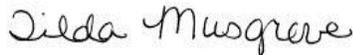
Newspaper publication, using the District's form, notifies members of the public of their right to challenge the issuance of the permit. If proper notice is given by newspaper publication, then there is a 21-day time limit to file a petition challenging the issuance of the permit.

To close the point of entry for filing a petition, you may publish (at your own expense) a onetime notice of the District's decision in a newspaper of general circulation within the affected area as defined in Section 50.011 of the Florida Statutes. If you do not publish a newspaper notice, the time to challenge the issuance of your permit will not expire.

A copy of the notice and a partial list of newspapers of general circulation are attached for your convenience. However, you are not limited to those listed newspapers. If you choose to close the point of entry and the notice is published, the newspaper will return to you an affidavit as proof of publication. In accordance with 40B-1.1010(4), F.A.C., a copy of the affidavit shall be provided to the District within 14 days of publication. A scanned copy of the affidavit may be forwarded to Tilda Musgrove by email at tjm@srwmd.org (preferred method) or send the original affidavit of publication to:

Tilda Musgrove
Resource Management
9225 CR 49
Live Oak, FL 32060

If you have any questions, please contact me at 386.362.1001.
Sincerely,



Tilda Musgrove
Business Resource Specialist
Resource Management

NOTICE OF AGENCY ACTION TAKEN BY THE
SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

Notice is given that the following permit was issued on _____:
(Name and address of applicant) _____
permit# _____. The project is located in _____ County, Section
_____, Township _____ South, Range _____ East. The permit authorizes a surface
water management system on _____ acres for
_____ known as
_____. The receiving water body is _____.

A person whose substantial interests are or may be affected has the right to request an administrative hearing by filing a written petition with the Suwannee River Water Management District (District). Pursuant to Chapter 28-106 and Rule 40BB-1.1010, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), the petition must be filed (received) either by delivery at the office of the Resource Management Business Resource Specialist at District Headquarters, 9225 CR 49, Live Oak FL 32060 or by e-mail to tjm@srwmd.org, within twenty-one (21) days of newspaper publication of the notice of intended District decision (for those persons to whom the District does not mail or email actual notice). A petition must comply with Sections 120.54(5)(b)4. and 120.569(2)(c), Florida Statutes (F.S.), and Chapter 28106, F.A.C. The District will not accept a petition sent by facsimile (fax). Mediation pursuant to Section 120.573, F.S., is not available.

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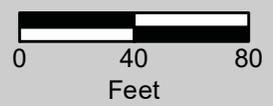
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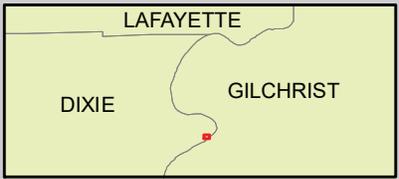
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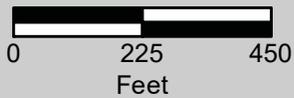
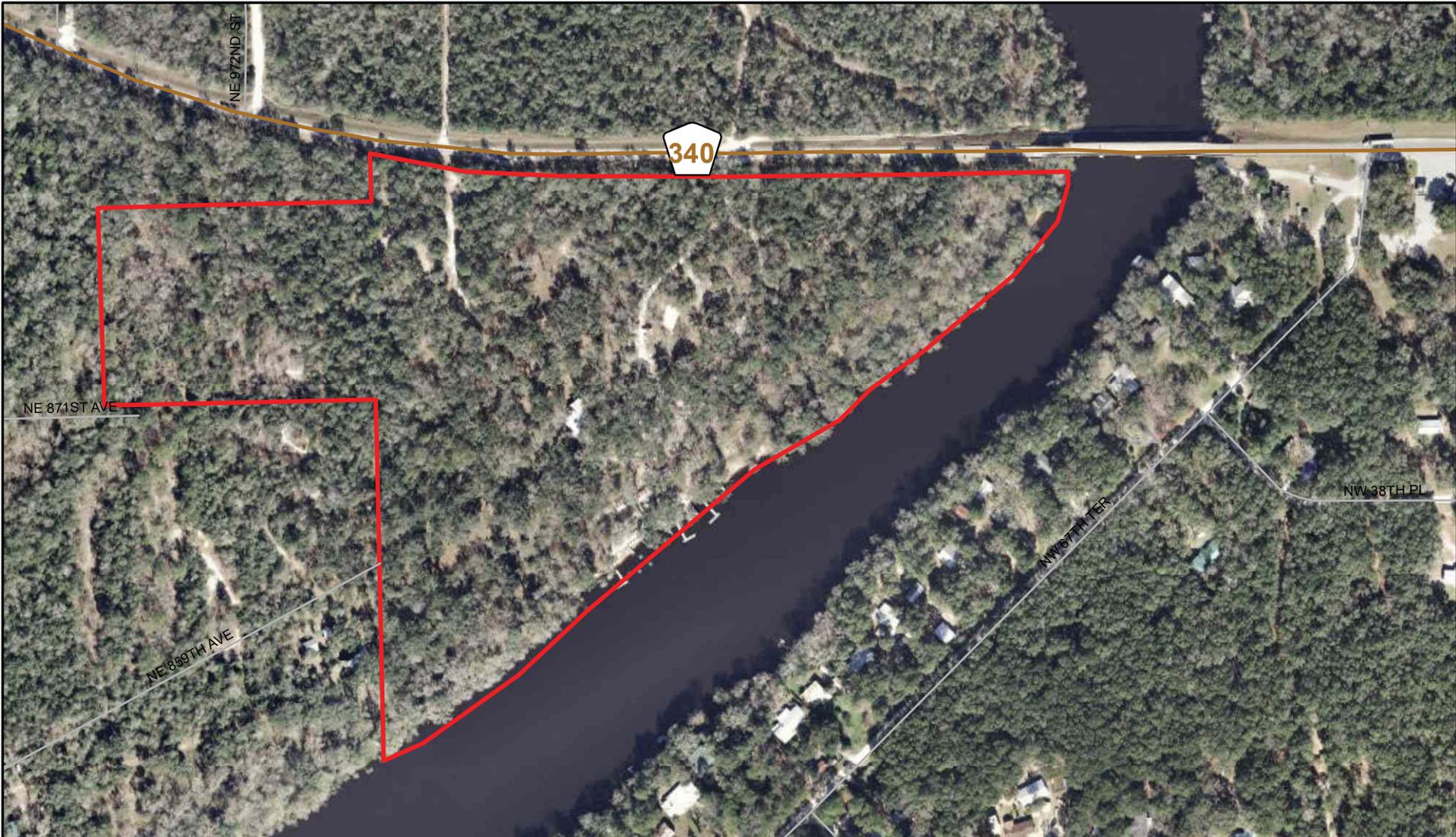


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 Hawkin's Property

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board
FROM: Tom Mirti, Deputy Executive Director, Water and Land Resources
DATE: April 30, 2018
SUBJECT: District Land Management & Twin River State Forest (TRSF) Activity Summary

Marc Minno and Scott Gregor attended the San Pedro Bay Landowners Association meeting in Perry Florida. Topics of discussion included wildfire and prescribed fire management within the San Pedro Bay area.

Edwin McCook presented an outreach presentation to a paddling group at the Holton Creek River Camp

District staff participated in the statutorily required District Land Management Review Team (LMRT) on April 3, 2018.

Bill McKinstry and Warren Zwanka participated in the statewide Water Management District emergency management meeting in Sunnyhill, Florida.

District staff met with NFWFMD staff to discuss improvements of its forest inventory program.

District staff met with Florida Park Service Park staff to begin initial discussions about the future management of the District owned Stephen Foster State Park Tract (formerly known as the Carter Camp Tract).

The mechanical site preparation work (push, rake, pile and burn) at the Mill Creek South tract is nearly complete.

Brad Ellis with the Florida Forest Service (FFS) met with Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) staff to discuss the proposed rule changes for Twin Rivers Wildlife Management Area (WMA) for next fiscal year. After this year, the trifold WMA brochures will no longer be available, but customers may view and print an online version.

The Black Tract #5 timber sale was advertised for bids on April 4, 2018. This is a 62-acre thinning of longleaf pine and an 18-acre clearcut of slash pine (on the Black Tract).

The timber marking for a prospective sale on TRSF, entailing a 60-acre thinning of loblolly pines on both the Ellaville and Anderson Springs tracts, was completed.

Brad Ellis, as an FFS representative, participated in the LMRT with other team members and SRWMD staff to overview the management activities on the Middle Suwannee River Basin area.

The attached report summarizes the status of current District and TRSF activities for the preceding month. District staff may address any items of particular interest to the Board or provide information to Board members upon request.

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District Conservation Easement Monitoring

- Completed field inspection for TSE Plantation Conservation Easement.
- Completed field inspection for Carter Estate Conservation Easement.
- Completed field inspection for Santa Fe River Hammock Conservation Easement.
- Scheduled field inspection for Tisdale Conservation Easement.
- Scheduled field inspection for Perry Quarry Conservation Easement.

District Timber Sales

- White Springs #1: Harvesting is complete. Sale will be finalized after roads are repaired by the buyer.
- Troy Springs Addition #1: Harvesting completed on March 27th.
- Osteen Tract Salvage: Harvesting was completed on March 16th.

Sale	Contract	Acres	Tons Harvested	Revenue	Status	Contract End Date
Steinhatchee Springs #17 (Osteen amendment)	16/17-085	303 12	1,471	\$24,657.94	Harvest Inactive	December 20, 2018
Steinhatchee Springs #18	16/17-086	208			Harvest Inactive	December 20, 2018
Stephen Foster #1	16/17-226	376	11,011	\$193,595.91	Harvest Inactive	June 20, 2018
White Springs #1	16/17-228	94	7,313	\$125,181.66	Harvesting Complete	June 19, 2018
Ellaville #15	17/18-026	256			Harvest Inactive	November 30, 2018
Santa Fe River Ranch #1	17/18-038	35			Harvest Inactive	November 30, 2018
Troy Springs Addition #1	17/18-140	76	9,910	\$219,437.34	Harvest Complete	March 30, 2018

District Prescribed Fire Program:

- Contractors conducting prescribed burns on Suwannee River Water Management District (District) lands this year include B&B Dugger (B&B), Natural Resource Planning Services (NRPS), Schmidt Reforestation Services (SRS) and Wildland Fire Services (WFS). Also included in this report are the acres the Florida Forest Service burns on Twin Rivers State Forest (FFS TRSF). When available, the Florida Forest Service (FFS COOP) will also provide a crew to burn additional acres on both District tracts and Twin Rivers State Forest.
- The following table provides information on the Prescribed Burn Program through April 13, 2018. **3,789 additional acres were burned during the report period.**

Summary Table FY 2018

	2018 Target Acres	Acres Complete
SRWMD	13,000	12,303
FFS TRSF	2,000	4,062
TOTAL	15,000	16,365

FY 2018 Activity Table (3/13/2018 - 4/13/2018)

		B&B	NRPS	WFS	SRS	FFS COOP	FFS TRSF	Total Acres	Total Wildfire Acres
TRACT	COUNTY								
Allardt	Suwannee				83				
Little River	Suwannee			832					
Adams	Lafayette		398						
Owens	Lafayette		126						
Steinhatchee Springs	Lafayette	691							
Grady	Lafayette				70				
47 Bridge	Gilchrist		136						
Big Shoals	Hamilton				375				
Cuba Bay	Madison			306					
Ellaville	Madison						376		
Hopewell	Hamilton				171				
McAlpin Landing	Hamilton			225					
<i>Sub-total for Period</i>		691	660	1,363	699	0	376	3,789	0.00
<i>Previous Acres Burned</i>		4,645	893	2,461	891	0	3,686		0.00
Total Acres		5,336	1,553	3,824	1,590	0	4,062	16,365	0.00

District Vegetation Management Projects:

During the report period, approximately 40 acres were chemically treated on the Mattair Springs Tract. The work was done for fuel reduction and natural community restoration purposes.

On TRSF, 100 acres on Ellaville Tract is undergoing foliar and basal bark treatments (Triclopyr) to remove undesirable hardwood species and improve wild turkey habitat. Funding for this project was provided by the National Wild Turkey Federation (NWTF).

Foliar and basal bark treatments (Triclopyr and Imazapyr) were used to control hardwood encroachment along a mile swath just outside the powerline easement on Black Tract.

FY 2018 Activity Table - Vegetation Management (3/13/2018 - 4/13/2018)

Fiscal Year	Tract/ Project Area	Herbicide (Acres/Miles)		Roller Chop (Acres)		Ditch Mow (Miles)		Woods Mow (Acres)	
		Planned	Complete	Planned	Complete	Planned	Complete	Planned	Complete
2018	Mattair Springs	373	40	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Mallory Swamp	192	28	1,500	190	0	0	0	0
	Steinhatchee Springs	0	0	0	0	24	24	0	0
	Ruth Springs	0	0	0	0	0	0	46	46
	Little Shoals	0	0	0	0	0	0	41	41

District Invasive Plant Management Program:

Since the beginning of FY 2018, 54 invasive plant infestations have been monitored and 35 have been treated with herbicides. **No additional infestations were monitored/treated during the report period.**

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board

FROM: Tom Mirti, Deputy Executive Director, Water and Land Resources

DATE: April 30, 2018

RE: Fiscal Year 2018 Land Management Review Team Report

BACKGROUND

The Land Management Review Team (LMRT) process is required by Florida Statutes, 373.591. The process allows the public and other participants an opportunity to determine whether District land management activities were deficient, meeting, or exceeding the goals adopted by the Governing Board. The LMRT also scores the District on determining whether actions are in compliance with statutes (section 259.036, F.S.).

The review focused on land management activities that were conducted in Fiscal Year 2017 which is summarized in the 2017 Annual Land Management Report. The 2017 Land Management Report was presented to the Governing Board during the January 9, 2018 meeting.

On April 3, 2018, staff led a field tour of District owned lands in the Middle Suwannee River basin which is located in portions of Suwannee and Lafayette counties. The review area consists of approximately 15,571 acres. District lands toured included the Little River, Peacock Slough and Troy Springs Addition Tracts. The main area of emphasis on the tour was the protection of surface and ground water resources, managing natural communities and public use.

The Review Team process continues to provide an opportunity for dialogue between the staff, members of our communities and other agencies regarding the management of District lands. Findings by the Review Team varied depending on the land management plan objective. The 2018 Land Management Review Team Report is attached for your information.

WM/pf
Attachment

**Suwannee River Water Management District
Land Management Review Team Report
FY 2018**

Executive Summary

District staff conducted a Land Management Review Team (LMRT) meeting and site inspection on April 3, 2018. The review focused on land management activities that were conducted in Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 District wide. Program areas reviewed include water resources, natural resource management, public use and facilities on representative areas. The field tour focused on the 15,571 acres of fee lands located in the Middle Suwannee River basin. The review team visited Little River, Peacock Slough and Troy Springs Addition Tracts.

The LMRT was asked to score whether the District was achieving its objectives using the following scores:

- 0 – not meeting objectives;
- 1 – meeting objectives; and
- 2 – exceeding objectives.

The review team scored the nine objectives from the District Land Management Plan (DLMP). Scores ranging from a low of 1.12 for rare species resources to a high score of 1.76 for public use. Water resource objectives were scored 1.71. The overall average score of the nine objectives was 1.58 signifying that the activities were both meeting and exceeding the Governing Board's objectives.

The overall average score of 1.58 was the same as last year's LMRT. The average score for "managed for purposes acquired" was slightly lower than last year (1.65 compared to 1.68). The average score for "in accordance with Management Plan" was also lower than last year (1.65 compared to 1.80).

The scores indicate substantial acceptance with the programmatic achievement of the objectives set by the Governing Board and Florida Statutes. The LMRT approves land management plans and methods used in managing lands owned by the District.

Introduction

Florida Statutes 373.591 requires that the District annually establish Land Management Review Team(s) (LMRT) to determine if lands titled to the Governing Board are being managed for the purposes for which they were acquired and in accordance with land management objectives. Staff reports the LMRT's findings to the Governing Board by October 1 of each year. This report is prepared for that purpose.

Background

The LMRT was provided with the District's "2017 Land Management Report" which summarized all activities conducted during Fiscal Year 2017. The Report is provided to give the LMRT a programmatic summary of projects and activities.

A field inspection was led by staff and included lands in the Middle Suwannee River basin. This inspection allows the LMRT to see the conditions on the ground and personally inspect the properties and management activities to assist in developing scores for the DLMP objectives.

Middle Suwannee River Basin

On April 3, 2018, staff led a field tour of lands in the Middle Suwannee River basin in Suwannee and Lafayette counties. The review area totals about 15,571 acres of fee lands. The main area of emphasis on the tour was the protection of surface and ground water resources, managing natural communities and public use.

Eighteen individuals representing private landowners, interest groups, local government and agencies participated in the tour. Seventeen participants completed the scorecard. Staff provided the “2017 Land Management Report” for all District-owned lands, the SRWMD “Land Management Review Team April 3, 2018” tour booklet, and the blank SRWMD Land Management Review Team “Excellence in Land Management Scorecard” to the members for their information and use before and during the inspection.

Staff conducted the tour on multiple areas to indicate to the LMRT the natural hydrology, actions taken by the District to preserve and buffer these resources, natural community management techniques and public use facilities.

The District “Excellence in Land Management” (ELM) program was established to quantify land management operations in meeting the objectives set forth by the Governing Board in the DLMP. The LMRT was provided with the ELM Scorecard to document their determination on whether the activities they saw or discussed were deficient, meeting, or exceeding the objectives adopted by the Governing Board. The LMRT also scored, using the same criteria, whether actions were in compliance with statutes (259.036, F.S.).

The ELM scorecard is annually calculated based on completed District land management operations from the prior year(s). LMRT members score District land management efforts on the following scale:

- 0 – District is not meeting the objectives of the DLMP;
- 1 – District is meeting the objectives of the DLMP; and
- 2 – District is meeting and exceeding the objectives outlined in the DLMP.

The ELM scores represent the average totaled from all participating member’s scores.

Results

Nine objectives from the DLMP were scored on the inspection ranging from a low of 1.12 for rare species resources to a high score of 1.76 for public use. Water resource objectives were scored 1.71. The overall average score of the nine objectives was 1.58 signifying that the activities were both meeting and exceeding the Governing Board’s objectives.

In terms of the statutory requirements; is the land being “managed for the purposes for which it was acquired” and “in accordance with Management Plan” both scored a 1.65, indicating the efforts were meeting and exceeding these requirements. The scores represent an overall acceptance by the LMRT efforts being made on the ground to consistently meet or exceed the statutory requirements.

The overall average score of 1.58 was the same as last year's LMRT. The average score for "managed for purposes acquired" was slightly lower than last year (1.65 compared to 1.68). The average score for "in accordance with Management Plan" was also lower than last year (1.65 compared to 1.80). The scores indicate substantial acceptance with the programmatic achievement of the objectives set by the Governing Board.

SRWMD

Excellence in Land Management Scorecard

**2018 Land Management Review Team Report
Middle Suwannee River Basin
April 3, 2018**

District Land Management Plan Objectives

1. Water Resource Objectives **Score: 1.71**

- Minimize structural floodplain management on District-owned lands.
- Maintain surface and groundwater quantity and quality during land management activities by using enhanced Silviculture BMPs.
- Restore hydrologic regimes to the Desired Future Condition (DFC) where possible.
- Maintain water control structures so they achieve their intended function.

Water Resource Comments

All staff clearly have an appropriate “water first” attitude.
The team seems to be aligned and on the same page – restoration goals and efforts seems in sync.
Participation in basic research on forest hydrology is admirable.
District goes above and beyond by taking care to use BMPs 100% of the time.
Keep up the good work.
Keep doing a great job of burning.

2. Soils, Topography, Natural Community & Groundcover Objectives **Score: 1.65**

- Minimize soil degradation (erosion, compaction).
- Manage and/or restore historic natural communities for a given site DFC levels.
- Reduce degradation of the existing native groundcover.
- Monitor the grass, herbaceous and shrub layers to detect if the resource falls outside the DFC parameter range.
- Reintroduce or supplement current native ground covers with local stock from District lands or cooperating land management agencies.
- Update and maintain reference data.

Soils, Topography, Natural Community, Groundcover Objectives Comments

More native grasses could be restored, but it takes funding and time.
Areas that can be restored by fire and limited inputs are being kept up, but some areas in need of groundcover restoration are not receiving much attention currently.
Exotic groundcovers (pasture grasses) merit more attention and control.
Since slash and loblolly pine is being planted on some sites the management and restoration objectives of those sites is not being met because the fire return intervals of 2 to 4 or even 5 years cannot be met. I was told that sites planted to slash pine will not be burned until after the first thinning (± 18 year). If this is the case, degradation by shrub encroachment and loss of desirable groundcover will be so great that restoration of that community will probably never be accomplished.
Based on presentations, objectives are being met.
Emphasis is on soils and trees.
Efforts toward groundcover restoration seem included in long-range efforts; necessarily depend upon natural system restoration
Example pictures of Steinhatchee and the new stairs were a good example of going above and beyond.

3. Forest Resource Objectives

Score 1.59

- Manage for natural community heterogeneity to attain a multi-aged and vertically diverse forest, including select dominant and/or old growth trees and snags.
- Maintain the dominant and co-dominant tree species within the DFC parameter range.
- Reforest within DFC parameters using techniques that minimize damage to other natural community resources.
- Ensure that commercial harvests provide the maximum financial returns that are possible with the consistent attainment of natural resource values.
- Maintain an accurate and current forest resource inventory.

Forest Resource Comments

More longleaf.
Forestry program has improved considerably over the last 10 years with greater emphasis on longleaf and heavier first thinning.
Inventory cycle (10 Years) may be longer than necessary to make it useful.
Fire return interval in most communities, especially the flatwood is not frequent enough to restore or maintain those communities.
As presented, objectives are being met.
Management is geared toward sites, and different approaches are tried where appropriate.

Monitoring/inventory seems adequate “+”; work toward eventual “end state” seems to be on track – better than the public is likely aware!

Would be great to see some wiregrass seeding: I know this would likely need grant money. TNC is a leader of this at the Apalachicola Bluffs and Ravines Preserve.

4. Rare Species Resource Objectives

Score: 1.12

- Identify and monitor rare species on District lands
- Protect and manage biodiversity on District lands.
- Provide District staff with the most current rare species locations, status, and Rare Species Best Management Practices (BMP).
- Maintain and/or increase existing rare and imperiled species populations.

Rare Species Comments

Rare and impending species would benefit from increased survey and monitoring efforts.

Good to learn that re-survey is underway.

Again, more frequent fire is needed to maintain the habitat of most rare plant and animal species. Any areas planted to slash or loblolly pine are lost as habitat to many of these species.

Seems to be a relatively young project – having biologists in the field looking and cataloging is a great initiative.

Attention to the areas is increasing.

Would need additional data to know whether objectives are exceeded. I look forward to more detailed report in this regard next year.

Good to learn about efforts and hear promise up more reporting of rare species next year.

5. Cultural and Historic Resource Objectives

Score: 1.47

- Document location of significant cultural and historical resources on District-managed lands and share information with the Division of Historic Resources within the Department of State.
- Protect and prevent negative impacts to cultural and historical resources during all activities.
- Monitor the condition of cultural and historical resources on District-managed lands.

Cultural and Historic Resource Comments

Good efforts, being handled appropriately.

Seems well thought out.

Emphasis on monitoring and protection where feasible.

Keep up the work! Consider a reporting mechanism on website for reporting finds or vandalism? (include rare species reporting etc.)? Public users may provide “eyes” beyond District’s resources.

Noted both monitoring of condition and how they were following up with negative impacts.

6. Aesthetic and Visual Resource Objectives

Score: 1.71

- Maintain or enhance overall visual quality of District lands.
- Minimize or mitigate short-term negative appearances of land management activities.

Aesthetic and Visual Resource Comments

Not emphasized but staff are clearly aware of the need.

Some of the public areas look outstanding.

Absence of trash – improvement of trails are notable.

Good job! Major improvement in Mallory Swamp!

The quality of the District lands was visually appealing along with the recreational activities.

7. Public Use Objectives

Score: 1.76

- Provide opportunities for resource-based recreation compatible with water resource protection.
- Protect health and safety of visitors.
- Use cooperating agencies and volunteers whenever possible.

Public Use Comments

Great recreation and hunting program.

Good work in combining public access with resource protection.

Nice job making public areas accessible and comfortable.

Opportunities always seem to be expanding and diversifying.

District goes above and beyond in making lands available for the enjoyment of the public and rightfully so.

8. Communications Objectives

Score: 1.65

- District land management is operating under a current Board approved DLMP.
- District staff held an annual Land Management Review Team meeting to review the previous fiscal year's activities and showcase land management operations.
- District land management staff represented the District to the public and peers through articles in District Newsletter, Public Workshops, Training Opportunities, Presentations, etc.

Communications Comments

Nice improvement is event notification signing on website?
Could be enhanced – District is doing some nice work but not selling itself.
Staff involved in review team is good but all white males.
There may have been public information efforts of which I am unaware. Perhaps report on them in the review.

9. Fiscal Responsibility Objectives

Score: 1.59

- Protect and manage resources on District lands in an efficient manner within the limits of the annual operating budget.
- Revenues generated from land management will be from operations conducted to achieve resource objectives.
- The District will implement the Payment In lieu of Taxes program for eligible counties.

Fiscal Responsibility Comments

SRWMD does so much with not a lot of funding, very efficient.
Staff are paying appropriate attention to fiscal objectives and managing resources accordingly.
Not sure about PILT – Discussions indicate that the entire team is sensitive to financial propriety.
Fiscal policies seem to be appropriate.
Yes 97% of lands are open to the public. Those that aren't have issues or are conservation easements.
Exceptional land management considering the limited staffing. Due to the limited staff some needs may be neglected or projects delayed.
Excellent job overall. Thanks to committed staff. Adding a full-time biologist would be very helpful.
Needs more fire. Not enough fire to maintain habitat for several rare species.
Based on presentations, management of District lands is consistent with objectives. Again, staff seems consistent with each other and aligned with the plan.
Good job! More issues than resources.
Land Managers appear to be attaining substantial achievement with limited resources. All present the District well!

Florida Statute 259.036, states that the Land Management Review Teams shall evaluate the extent to which the existing management plan provides sufficient protection to threatened or endangered species, unique or important natural or physical features, geological or hydrological functions, or archaeological features. The review shall also evaluate the extent to which the

land is being managed for the purposes for which it was acquired and the degree to which actual management practices, including public access, are in compliance with the adopted management plan.

Please answer the following questions using the same scoring process as in the ELM Scorecard (0, 1, or 2):

- **Are District lands being managed in a manner consistent with the purpose for which they were acquired, including public access?**

Comments **Score:** 1.65

Yes 97% of lands are open to the public. Those that aren't have issues or are conservation easements.
Exceptional land management considering the limited staffing.
Excellent job overall. Thanks to committed staff.
Needs more fire.
Based on presentations, management of District lands is consistent with objectives.
Good job!
Conservation easements do not generally include public access. This is fine as long as it is not excessive us buying the land.

- **Are District land managers implementing the District Land Management Plan? This includes sufficient protection to threatened or endangered species, unique or important natural or physical features, geological or hydrological functions, and/or archaeological features.**

Comments **Score:** 1.65

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Not enough fire to maintain habitat for several rare species.
Adding a full-time biologist would be very helpful.
Again, staff seems consistent with each other and aligned with the plan.
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Land Managers appear to be attaining substantial achievement with limited resources. All present the District well!

General Comments

Great LMRT meeting! Saw some great properties! Keep up the great work.

Land managers do a great job on a limited budget. But they risk getting behind on management objectives. They need and merit a larger budget.

Just wanted to let you know that I appreciate the opportunity to participate in your review team. I hope that you accept my comments as being both supportive and constructive.

On the return trip I stopped by my property on the Middle Aucilla. On the way drove through the Mt. Gilead Tract. I was pleased to see that it recently burned. It looked like a very good burn. A little hot in some spots, but that is to be expected in palmetto flatwoods, especially if the fire return interval is to great. I would like to mention that if a timber sale is ever done on this tract is would be desirable to remove slash pine, leaving the longleaf and pond pine. No one manages for pond pine, so it is becoming quite rare over most of its range. So, it would be good to protect any that is on public lands.

Driving through the SRWMD land adjacent to my property, I noted that the slash pine (with some longleaf mixed) are large enough that they could be burned in the winter without significant mortality. Scott mentioned that District policy is not to burn slash pine plantations until after the first thinning. For the sake of good land management, I wish this policy could be revisited. It is a shame to let communities that depend upon fire for their very existence go twenty years without fire. This is contrary to the stated goals of restoring and maintaining healthy ecosystems and managing for rare species and wildlife. I saw a covey of Bobwhite Quail in the road when driving through it. That was a reminder of the need for fire on this parcel. Quail came back after the timber harvest and have persisted. However, the height and density of the shrub midstory and pine overstory will soon eliminate this as habitat if not burned.

The SRWMD along the river, above and below my property desperately needs burning. I would like to burn mine, but am hesitant to do so with the heavy fuel accumulation next door. I would very much appreciate it if this were given priority for burning.

As for the younger planted pine stand, would you support making an exception to the policy of not burning until after the first thinning and burn that as well. Let me know what you think.

You mentioned that it would not be out of the question for Scott to come over and see my efforts to control Lygodium (climbing fern). It is a 160-mile drive over here so, it may not happen, but both of you would be most welcome. I would even be glad to put you up for the night so that we would have the time to look around at various properties and discuss land management in general and have a beer afterward.

It was good to meet you and see Scott and the others again. I do applaud the efforts that all of you are making and understand the challenges.

I was surprised and impressed by the amount of thought, commitment and zeal of the land management team. Thank you for the invite – I'd like to participate next year!

District does an outstanding job of managing a resource with seemingly infinite stakeholders pulling it in seemingly infinite direction and finding a good middle ground in protecting the resources.

<p>I believe that overall land managers are implementing the DLMP as well as they can with the budget they're given. I have seen some great action in the 4 years I've been working in partnership with SRWMD.</p>
<p>This land management review team meeting was highly informative. District staff did an excellent job.</p>
<p>Thank you for inviting us. We look forward to our continued partnership. Keep up the good work.</p>
<p>Continue to find opportunities to cooperate with not only public but also private partners where objectives align.</p>
<p>Thank you! Great jobs overall!</p>
<p>The areas visited were in great condition.</p>

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board

FROM: Tom Mirti, Deputy Executive Director, Water and Land Resources

DATE: April 30, 2018

RE: Agricultural Water Use Monitoring Report

BACKGROUND

In September 2012, the District began a program of water use monitoring for agricultural water use reporting on wells of 8" diameter or greater. Where possible, agricultural water use is estimated using monthly power consumption records provided by the electrical power provider. Estimation by power use is the most cost-effective method of water use reporting. To date, farmer agreements authorizing the District to receive power usage reports directly from the cooperatives are in effect on 606 (115.5 MGD) monitoring points.

Not all withdrawal points are suitable for estimation using power consumption. Diesel-powered pumps and complex interconnected irrigation systems still require direct methods of monitoring. The District employs telemetry to conduct water use monitoring on diesel-power systems. There are currently 293 (53.4 MGD) telemetry (only) systems installed by the District for this purpose. There are another 41 telemetry systems installed at electric use monitoring sites in order to QA the monthly power consumption records, for a total of 334 telemetry systems installed.

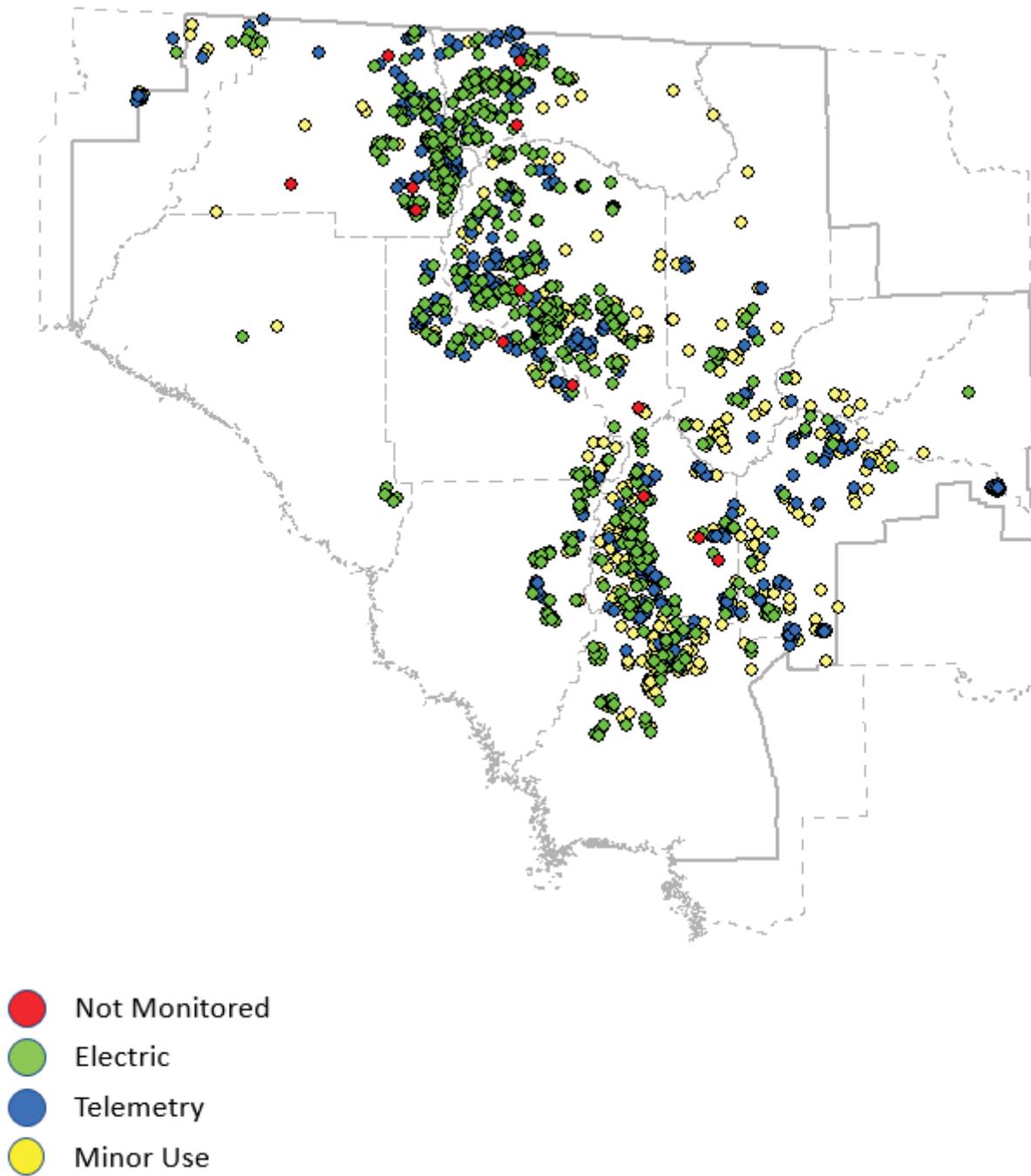
Some withdrawal points have very limited use and are monitored by individual site visits. There are currently 349 (26.0 MGD) limited use monitoring points in the District. Some users monitor their own water use and report that data to the District. There are currently three (0.4 MGD) self-monitored points.

To date, the District has permitted 1,548 (226.6 MGD) irrigation wells which include a water use monitoring condition, of which 1,286 (200.5 MGD) wells are active, i.e., the wells have been drilled already. Of the 1,286 active wells, 1,251 (195.2 MGD) are being monitored as of April 13, roughly 97.3% of existing active wells (97.4% of allocation) with water use permit monitoring conditions.

Of the remaining estimated 35 (5.3 MGD) active stations that currently will require water use monitoring, four (0.8 MGD) are diesel- or gas-powered systems requiring District telemetry, 22 (3.2 MGD) are electric systems, and nine (1.3 MGD) system still requires identification. There are 250 (25.8 MGD) proposed stations (that is, the wells are yet to be drilled); 58 (3.7 MGD) are expected to be diesel or gas, 144 (18.1 MGD) are expected to be electric, and 48 (4.0 MGD) are yet to be determined.

TM/pf
Attachment

Figure 1. Current Agricultural Irrigation Wells with a Monitoring Requirement



MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board
FROM: Tom Mirti, Deputy Executive Director, Water and Land Resources
DATE: April 30, 2018
RE: Fiscal Year 2018 Prescribed Fire Services Additional Funding Authorization Request

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Governing Board authorize the Executive Director to increase the Fiscal Year 2018 Prescribed Fire authorized funding amount by \$150,000, from \$513,000 to \$663,000, to provide additional funding for prescribed fire and vegetation management work with approved District contractors.

BACKGROUND

Prescribed fire and other vegetation management treatments are instrumental in helping the District meet its natural community restoration and fuel reductions goals.

At the August 2017 board meeting, the Governing Board approved the renewal of contracts for Prescribed Fire Services with the firms listed in Table 1 for a total amount not to exceed \$488,000.

Table 1. Request for Proposals 15/16-013 AO Respondents

NAME OF FIRM	FIRM'S LOCATION
B&B Dugger Inc.	Crawfordville, Florida
Natural Resource Planning Service	Lake City, Florida
Schmidt Reforestation Services	Perry, Florida
Wildlands Fire Service	Tallahassee, Florida

At the April 2018 Governing Board meeting, the board authorized the Fiscal Year (FY) 2018 Prescribed Fire budget to be increased from \$488,000 to \$513,000 to reallocate \$25,000 in unused prescribed fire funds from the Florida Forest Service to approved District prescribed fire contractors.

To date, approximately 90% of this amended FY 2018 Prescribed Fire budget has been expended. Current weather patterns have been providing optimal burning conditions and the remaining amount is expected to be expended by the end of June.

The \$150,000 in additional funding will be applied primarily to growing season burns on the Mallory Swamp tract but may also be used for prescribed burning on other tracts. If weather conditions do not permit prescribed burning to be used, this funding will be used in areas where mechanical treatments such as mowing and roller chopping are needed to help meet natural community restoration and/or fuel reduction goals.

Funding for this additional funding request is available from District funds and will require a budget modification.

SG/pf

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board
FROM: Tom Mirti, Deputy Executive Director, Water and Land Resources
DATE: April 30, 2018
RE: Authorization to Execute a Contract for the Sale of Timber with M.A. Rigoni Inc.,
for the Christian Chipping #1 Timber Sale

RECOMMENDATION

District staff recommends the Governing Board Authorize the Executive Director to Execute a Contract for the Sale of Timber with M.A. Rigoni, Inc., for the Christian Chipping #1 Timber Sale.

BACKGROUND

On March 23, the District issued an Invitation to Bid (17/18-014WL) for timber located on on the Christian Tract in Suwannee County. The timber offered for sale is 121 acres of sandhill and upland pine restoration area that requires hardwood harvest and chipping within the sale boundary. Chipping of un-merchantable hardwood and hardwood tops is required for this sale.

The bids for the sale were received on April 5, 2018. Bids were received from the following companies. The per ton estimates are based on the composite product of hardwood biomass and better and pine pulpwood and better.

Bidder	City	Hardwood	Pine Pulpwood
M.A. Rigoni, Inc.	Perry, Fl	\$6.82	\$12.00
Columbia Timber	Gainesville, Fl	\$3.05	\$10.05

SC/pf

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board
FROM: Tom Mirti, Deputy Executive Director, Water and Land Resources
DATE: April 30, 2018
RE: Authorization to Execute a Contract for the Sale of Timber with North Florida Timber Dealers for the Black Tract #5 Timber Sale

RECOMMENDATION

District staff recommends the Governing Board Authorize the Executive Director to Execute a Contract for the Sale of Timber with North Florida Timber Dealers Inc., for the Black Tract #5 Timber Sale.

BACKGROUND

On April 4, the District issued an Invitation to Bid (17/18-021WL) for timber located on the Black Tract in Madison County. The timber offered for sale is 61 acres of 1994 planted longleaf pine and 17 acres of 1986 planted slash pine and natural hardwood. The harvest plan is a marked 1/5 row select thinning of planted longleaf pines (61 acres) and clearcutting of slash pines/hardwoods (17 acres) within the applicable sale boundaries. The harvest plan of the sale is to reduce the density of the pines to approximately 40-60 sq. ft. of basal area per acre. This will reduce the number of diseased or suppressed trees and allow the best trees to grow. Reduction of pine density will also improve habitat by allowing more sunlight penetration to the forest floor, enhancing production of grasses.

The bids for the sale were received on April 19, 2018. Bids were received from the following companies. The total revenue are based on the District estimated volumes of pine topwood, pine pulpwood, hardwood pulpwood, pine sawtimber and pine chip-n-saw.

Bidder	City	Bid Calculation Revenue
North Florida Timber Dealers Inc.	Lake City, Fl	\$51,604.00
Flatwoods Forest Products, Inc.	Lake Park, Ga	\$49,632.90
Genesis Timber	Madison, Fl	\$49,308.30

North Florida Timber Dealers Inc., bid was \$15.50/ton for topwood, \$17.00/ton pine pulpwood, \$8.50/ton hardwood pulpwood, \$34.00/ton saw timber and \$26.00/ton for chip-n-saw.

SC/pf

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board
FROM: Darrell Smith, Assistant Executive Director
DATE: April 27, 2018
RE: Authorization to Amend Agreement 17/18-013 with the City of Live Oak to Add Funding for the Scriven Avenue Drainage Improvement Project

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Governing Board authorize the Executive Director to amend an existing agreement 17/18-013 with the City of Live Oak to add funding for the Scriven Avenue Drainage Improvements Project, for an amount not to exceed \$7,600.

BACKGROUND

In August 2017, the Governing Board authorized the Executive Director to enter an agreement with the City of Live Oak (City) for one of the projects approved under the Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 RIVER Cost-Share program. The City was awarded \$81,656 in funding for the surveying, design, permitting and construction of improvements associated with the Scriven Avenue Drainage Improvements Project. The grant is to be utilized to reduce flood vulnerability in a residential area of Live Oak and to increase the amount of runoff volume that is treated in a stormwater management facility by replacing and relocating a Class V injection well. Recently, the City went out to bid and the lowest responsible bid came in \$15,200 over the budget.

To offset the \$15,200 additional construction costs, the City is requesting the District split the cost overrun. Therefore, the City and the District would each fund an additional \$7,600 to come up with the budget shortfall so that project construction can move forward.

Funds are included in the FY 2017 budget under code: 56-6930-7-2202-17-01.

PW/rl

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board
FROM: Darrell Smith, Assistant Executive Director
DATE: April 27, 2018
RE: Authorization to Enter into Contract with One Agricultural Producer to Provide Water Conservation Cost-Share Funding

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Governing Board authorize the Executive Director to enter into contract with one applicant as part of the Florida Department of Environmental Protection and District Agricultural Cost-Share Program totaling \$80,700.

BACKGROUND

At the January 2015 Governing Board meeting, the Board authorized the Executive Director to execute an agreement with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) for agricultural water conservation, nursery water conservation, and nutrient management cost-share totaling \$3,660,000. The District is providing agricultural cost-share funds as match in conjunction with this program to agricultural producers. In addition, participating agricultural producers provide a cost-share match of 25 percent or more to this program.

The Reid Family Partnership, LTD.

This cost-share project is with Reid Family Partnership on parcels located in western Hamilton County. The project will install a centralized remote-control system, twenty-one remote controls, four upgraded controller panels, and five GPS End-gun Shutoffs. These tools reduce groundwater use by allowing enhanced management of irrigation scheduling events as well as notifying the producer of mechanical malfunctions and system failures.

The upgrades to these irrigation systems are expected to result in 0.05 million gallons per day of water savings at a cost of \$0.41 per thousand gallons over the estimated life of the equipment (life span of ten years equates to approximately 195 million gallons of water conserved). This project is located within the Upper Suwannee River Basin.

The total project cost is \$107,600.00, FDEP will contribute \$51,250.00 through Agreement No. S0796 – Suwannee River Water Management District Springs Protection Projects – the District will contribute \$29,450.00 through the Agricultural Cost-Share Program to make up the \$80,700 recommended for Governing Board approval.

The applicant's portion of these items will be \$26,900.00. Exhibit A shows the proposed cost share items, proposed funding amount, and water conservation tools. Exhibit B shows the breakdown of the items being cost-shared.

Funding for this project is included in the Fiscal Year 2018 budget under account codes 06-2586-7-2400-07-06, and 51-2586-7-2400-06-07.

JG/rl

Exhibit A – Project Overview

Owner Name	County	Improved Water Conservation	Advanced Nutrient Management	Project Description
Reid Family Partnership	Hamilton	\$80,700	-	1 Centralized Remote-Control System, 4 Controller Panel Upgrades, 5 GPS End-Gun Shutoffs, and 21 Remote Controls
Total		\$80,700	-	\$80,700

Exhibit B – Itemized List

Producer	Item	Maximum Cost Share Amount	Quantity	FDEP & SRWMD Total	Producer Share
Reid Family Partnership	Centralized Remote-Control System	\$9,000	1	\$9,000	\$3,000
	Remote Controls of Equipment	\$2,200	21	\$46,200	\$15,400
	Upgraded Controller Panels	\$4,500	4	\$18,000	\$6,000
	GPS End-Gun Shutoff	\$1,500	5	\$7,500	\$2,500
Total				\$80,700	\$26,900

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board

FROM: Darrell Smith, Assistant Executive Director

DATE: April 30, 2018

RE: Authorization to Amend Contract Number 16/17-250 for Suwannee River Partnership Cooperative Conservation Technician Services with Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Governing Board authorize the Executive Director to amend the contract with Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to co-fund six Suwannee River Partnership Conservation Technician positions for a period of twelve months. The District's cost for all six positions will not exceed \$147,000.

BACKGROUND

The Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (FDACS) and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP), as well as the Suwannee River Water Management District (District), through the Suwannee River Partnership (SRP) have recognized the need to provide technical support services to agricultural producers to implement Best Management Practices (BMPs). These services have been critical to the SRP mission to help farmers conserve water and improve water quality in the District.

FDACS, FDEP, and the District have co-funded this effort in the past with FDACS entering into separate agreements with the Gilchrist County Soil & Water Conservation District, Suwannee County Conservation District, and Madison County Soil & Water Conservation District for these positions. The Conservation Districts employ five conservation technicians who work under the direction of FDACS to assist producers with BMPs in fertilization, irrigation, and waste management. The technicians provide significant assistance to District staff regarding water use permitting, water related issues, and cost share outreach. The technicians and associated areas of responsibility are:

Ryan Lawson – Suwannee, Hamilton, and Lafayette counties
William Hart – Suwannee, Hamilton, and Lafayette counties
John Stubblefield – Gilchrist, Dixie, Levy, and Alachua counties
Scott Tucker - Alachua, Columbia, Gilchrist, Union, and Bradford counties
Buck Carpenter - Jefferson, Taylor, and Madison counties

The SRP agencies are requesting to develop a new position to help coordinate SRP Steering Committee and other activities as well as partnership education initiatives at the UF-IFAS research center and throughout the District. This position will be co-funded by FDEP, FDACS, and the District.

Funds for the existing five technicians have been included in the District's Agricultural Team Program budget for Fiscal Year 2017 and 2018 under account code 29-6930-7-2201-05-02. Funds are available for the additional requested position in the SRP fund. The contract period will align with FDACS Fiscal Year of July 1st through June 30th.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board
FROM: Hugh Thomas, Executive Director
DATE: April 27, 2018
RE: District's Weekly Activity Reports

Attached are the weekly District activity reports.

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

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Attachments



Weekly Activity Report to Governing Board for March 25 - 31, 2018

Executive / Management

- Hugh Thomas and Darrell Smith attended the Suwannee Valley Ag Bus Tour sponsored by IFAS.
- Hugh Thomas attended the Ichetucknee Alliance Meeting in High Springs.
- Darrell Smith and Tom Mirti presented while Amy Brown, Dave Christian, John Good, and Greg Trotter attended a meeting of the Florida Section of the American Water Resources Association held at SJRWMD headquarters in Palatka.

Legislative and Community Affairs

- No reporting activity.

Finance

- Tammie Girard met with a FEMA representative regarding reimbursement of damages sustained in the District during Hurricane Irma.
- Ashley Spivey attended an online webinar by Fleetio, the District's fleet management software vendor.
- Pam Shaw attended online webinars on recent accounting pronouncements and small business deduction overview.

Land Management

- District contractors completed the timber harvest on the Troy Springs Addition tract.
- District Staff completed a conservation easement inspection on Echo Plantation.
- District Staff completed forest inventory on the White Springs tract after the recent timber harvest.

Resource Management

- Leroy Marshall presented while Ashley Stefanik attended the FEMA Conference in Atlanta.

Water Resources

- No reporting activity.

Minimum Flows and Minimum Levels

- John Good, Tom Mirti, Amy Brown, Dave Christian, Warren Zwanka, and Stephanie Weeks met with representatives of the North Florida Utility Coordination Group in Live Oak to discuss MFLs under development over the next year.
- Tom Mirti, John Good, Dave Christian, Greg Trotter, Paul Buchanan, and Kevin Flavin met with consultants from AMEC-Wood to discuss a plan for the Sampson River System modeling project.

Water Supply

- No reporting activity.

Hydrological Data

- No reporting activity.

Agriculture and Environmental Projects

- Pat Webster and Kevin Flavin conducted site inspections at the Edward Bottom Lands Project.
- Bob Heeke conducted site inspections along the Middle Suwannee Project.

Communications

- The District is celebrating April as Springs Protection Awareness month which kicked off a three-month strategic outreach initiative. My Home My Springs is a Partnership effort with DEP and other WMDs to bring awareness and attention to springs and springs issues.

Announcements for the week of April 8 – 14.

- The District will hold its monthly Governing Board Meeting and Workshop on April 10th at the District Office beginning at 9:00 a.m.



Weekly Activity Report to Governing Board for April 1 - 7, 2018

Executive / Management

- Hugh Thomas attended the Floridan Aquifer Collaborative Engagement for Sustainability (FACETS) Workshop in Albany, GA.
- Hugh Thomas and Darrell Smith attended 2018 Twilight Carrot Field Day at the IFAS/UF North Florida Research & Education Center.
- Hugh Thomas and Darrell Smith attended the Suwannee River Partnership Steering Committee Meeting at IFAS/UF North Florida Research & Education Center.

Legislative and Community Affairs

- Keith Rowell participated on the 2018 Land Management Review Team Meeting.

Finance

- Pam Shaw attended the Land Management Review meeting to learn more about the Land Management Plan and visit lands owned and managed by the District staff.
- Ashley Spivey met property maintenance contractors at R.O. Ranch to arrange for necessary maintenance and repairs.
- Tammie Girard met with a representative from FEMA to update application for reimbursement of damages sustained in the District during Hurricane Irma.

Land Management

- Land Management staff completed Santa Fe River Hammock and Bonnet Lake Conservation Easement inspection.
- Land Management staff conducted the statutorily required annual review of land management practices: 2018 Land Management Review Team Meeting.
- District contractors conducted a prescribe burn on the Little River tract.

Resource Management

- No reporting activity.

Water Resources

- No reporting activity.

Minimum Flows and Minimum Levels

- John Good, Tom Mirti, Amy Brown, Trey Grubbs, and Mr. Reeves met at SRMWD with staff from the Office of Water Policy and the SJRWMD to discuss MFL planning.
- John Good participated in the monthly CUP Anti-drift conference call with the Office of Water Policy and the other WMDs.
- John Good, Trey Grubbs, and Dave Christian participated in a conference call with the SJRWMD regarding MFLs coordination.

Water Supply

- No reporting activity.

Hydrological Data

- No reporting activity.

Agriculture and Environmental Projects

- Pat Webster and Kevin Flavin met with FDOT on the CR 241 project.
- Kevin Flavin conducted a site inspection of the Edward Bottomlands Project.
- Ben Glass attended the Cultiva grand opening in Hamilton County.

Communications

- The District kicked off its three-month My Home, My Springs Outreach Initiative.
- The District also created an Instagram and YouTube channel to share photos and videos.
- Kris Eskelin represented the District at the Oleno Springs Chili Cookoff.
- Edwin McCook did an outreach presentation to a paddling group at the Holton Creek River Camp.

Announcements for the week of April 15-21.

- No announcements.



Weekly Activity Report to Governing Board for April 8 - 14, 2018

Executive / Management

- Hugh Thomas attended the Florida Natural Resources Leadership Institute (NRLI) and FDEP tour at Land Farms in Lafayette County.
- Hugh Thomas attended the Association of Florida Conservation Districts Area 2 Annual Meeting held at IFAS/UF Center in Live Oak.
- Darrell Smith attended Certified Crop Advisor training in Gainesville.
- Darrell Smith attended the Suwannee CARES Planning Meeting at IFAS/Suwannee Valley Farm and Conference Center in Live Oak.

Legislative and Community Affairs

- Ben Glass attended the Madison County Board of County Commissioners Meeting regarding the Water Conservation Proclamation and the Madison Blue Springs Aquifer Recharge Project.

Finance

- Steve Minnis, Pam Shaw, Christina Green, and Tammie Girard met with FDEP Office of Water Policy staff regarding budgetary processes and procedures.
- Ashley Spivey worked with Cindy Chandler of Property360 to prepare a survey of the District's Facility for ADA.
- Pam Shaw, Gwen Lord, Christina Green, and Tammie Girard met with NFWFMD staff to discuss financial processes and procedures.

Land Management

- District staff completed the Carter Estate Conservation Easement inspection.
- Edwin McCook present a program at Suwannee River Regional Library's Lunch & Learn Program on "A Journey Down the Suwannee River".
- District conducted prescribed burns on Hatchbend, Grady, and 47 Bridge.

Resource Management

- Warren Zwanka presented on the Geology of SRWMD at the Florida Trail Association meeting held at the District.
- Leroy Marshall attended the Florida Floodplains Manager Association (FFMA) meeting in Orlando.
- Chrissy Carr attend Hazardous Materials Handling training at SJRWMD.

Water Resources

- Marc Minno presented a Hydro Report at the San Pedro Bay Land Owners Association meeting in Perry.

Minimum Flows and Minimum Levels

- No reporting activity.

Water Supply

- No reporting activity.

Hydrological Data

- No reporting activity.

Agriculture and Environmental Projects

- Pat Webster and Kevin Flavin conducted site inspections of the Edward Bottomlands Project.
- Pat Webster and Kris Eskelin met with representatives from the City of Newberry regarding the City's RIVER Project.
- Bob Heeke conducted site inspections along the Middle Suwannee Project.

Communications

- The District continues its Springs Outreach Initiative and began promoting highlight videos of the springs and springs science. The District recently jumped to more than 2200 followers and page likes of Facebook and continues to grow its new Instagram and YouTube communities.

Announcements for the week of April 22-28.

- No announcements.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board

FROM: Hugh Thomas, Executive Director

DATE: April 27, 2018

RE: Approval of Resolution 2018-02, Extending Appreciation and Recognition to Donald J. Quincey, Jr., for Outstanding Service as Chairman of the Suwannee River Water Management District Governing Board

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Governing Board approve Resolution Number 2018-02, extending appreciation and recognition to Donald J. Quincey, Jr., for outstanding service as Chairman of the Suwannee River Water Management District Governing Board.

BACKGROUND

Mr. Quincey joined the Governing Board of the Suwannee River Water Management District in May 2008. Mr. Quincey was elected Chair in March 2009 and served in this capacity until he voluntarily resigned as Chair at the March 2018 Governing Board Meeting.

Mr. Quincey has provided important leadership to protect the District's water resources to benefit our citizens and environment, and has worked diligently to implement the District's mission. During his leadership as Chair, Mr. Quincey advocated for the efficient use of taxpayers' money, promoted the acquisition of highly unique lands to protect and preserve for future generations, oversaw the implementation of the District's Agriculture and Regional Initiative Valuing Environmental Resources (RIVER) Cost-Share Programs and the Springs Grant Program.

Chair Quincey encouraged the effective and efficient use of District operations to restore and protect water and water-related resources, and supported the development and implementation of North Florida Regional Water Supply Plan, and fostered partnerships to help accomplish the District's mission.

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SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-02

**FOR THE SERVICE OF DONALD J. QUINCEY, JR., AS CHAIRMAN OF THE
SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD**

WHEREAS, the Water Resource Act passed by the Florida Legislature in 1972 grants Florida's five water management districts core mission responsibilities consisting of water supply, water quality, flood protection, and natural systems management; and

WHEREAS, each water management district is governed by a governing board whose members are appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate; and

WHEREAS, the Suwannee River Water Management District was organized and held its first Governing Board meeting on November 29, 1973; and

WHEREAS, the Suwannee River Water Management District's adopted mission statement is to protect and manage water resources to support natural systems and the needs of the public; and

WHEREAS, Donald J. Quincey, Jr., was appointed to the Governing Board of the Suwannee River Water Management District in May 2008; and

WHEREAS, Donald J. Quincey, Jr., was elected as Governing Board Chair of the Suwannee River Water Management District in March 2009; and

WHEREAS, Donald J. Quincey, Jr., served on the Governing Board as Chair of the Suwannee River Water Management District from March 2009 to March 2018; and

WHEREAS, Donald J. Quincey, Jr., provided leadership in the protection and management of our water resources to the benefit of our citizens and our environment; and

WHEREAS, Donald J. Quincey, Jr., worked diligently to promote the mission and ensure the efficiency and effectiveness of operations at the Suwannee River Water Management District; and

WHEREAS, Donald J. Quincey, Jr., continued to be an outstanding and steadfast advocate for ensuring an adequate water supply for all users throughout the District while protecting natural resources of the District and the State of Florida; and

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Governing Board of the Suwannee River Water Management District commends and extends its appreciation to Donald J. Quincey, Jr., for dedicated service and leadership to the citizens of the Suwannee River Water Management District.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 8TH DAY OF MAY 2018
SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
BY ITS GOVERNING BOARD**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD:

**VIRGINIA H. JOHNS, CHAIR
ALPHONAS ALEXANDER, VICE CHAIR
RICHARD SCHWAB, SECRETARY/TREASURER
KEVIN W. BROWN
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ATTEST:
