

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

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April 11, 2023
9:00 a.m.

District Headquarters
Live Oak, Florida

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Announcement of any Amendments to the Agenda by the Chair
Amendments Recommended by Staff: None
4. Public Comment
5. Consideration of the following Items Collectively by Consent:
 - Agenda Item No. 6 - March 14, 2023 Board Meeting and Lands Committee Meeting Minutes
 - Agenda Item No. 10 - Waldo Tree Farm, Alachua County
 - Agenda Item No. 12 - Vehicle Surplus
 - Agenda Item No. 13 - February 2023 Financial Report
 - Agenda Item No. 14 - Purchase Disaster Recovery as a Service from vTech IO

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6. March 14, 2023 Governing Board Meeting and Lands Committee Meeting Minutes - **Recommend Consent**
7. Items of General Interest for Information/Cooperating Agencies and Organizations
 - A. Hydrologic Conditions Report
 - B. Cooperating Agencies and Organizations

GOVERNING BOARD LEGAL COUNSEL
Tom Reeves

8. Update on Legal Activities

BUSINESS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES
Tim Alexander, Deputy Executive Director

Administration

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| BCS Page 1 | 9. Land Acquisition and Disposition Activity Report |
| BCS Page 4 | 10. Waldo Tree Farm, Alachua County – Recommend Consent |
| BCS Page 12 | 11. Resolution 2023-01, Camp and Abel Tract, Hamilton County |

BCS Page 16 12. Vehicle Surplus – **Recommend Consent**

Finance

BCS Page 17 13. February 2023 Financial Report – **Recommend Consent**

Information Technology

BCS Page 22 14. Purchase Disaster Recovery as a Service from vTech IO – **Recommend Consent**

Resource Management

BCS Page 23 15. Permitting Summary Report

OUTREACH AND OPERATIONS
Katelyn Potter, Division Director

Outreach and Operations

OPS Page 1 16. Outreach and Communications Activity Summary

Land Management

OPS Page 3 17. District Land Management and Twin Rivers State Forest Activity Summary

Hydrologic Data Services

OPS Page 6 18. Agricultural Water Use Monitoring Report

WATER RESOURCES
Amy Brown, Deputy Executive Director

19. Water Resources Division Updates

Agriculture and Environmental Projects

No Items

Minimum Flows and Minimum Water Levels

20. Cherry Lake Update, Madison County

Water Supply

No Items

Water Resources

No Items

AGENDA
SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
GOVERNING BOARD WORKSHOP

April 11, 2023
Following Board Meeting

District Headquarters
Live Oak, Florida

- Improving Internal Controls and Reducing the Risk of Fraud – District Inspector General

**SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
MINUTES OF GOVERNING BOARD MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING(S)**

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March 14, 2023
9:00 a.m.

District Headquarters
Live Oak, Florida

Agenda Item No. 1 – Call to Order. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

Agenda Item No 2 – Roll Call

Governing Board

Seat	Name	Office	Present	Not Present
Aucilla Basin	Vacant		-	-
Coastal River Basin	Richard Schwab	Vice Chair	X	
Lower Suwannee Basin	Larry K. Thompson		X	
Santa Fe & Wacc. Basins	William Lloyd		X	
Upper Suwannee Basin	Larry Sessions		X	
At Large	Virginia H. Johns	Chair	X	
At Large	Charles Keith	Sec./Treas.	X	
At Large	Harry Smith		X	
At Large	Vacant		-	-

Governing Board Legal Counsel

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

Leadership Team

Position	Name	Present	Not Present
Executive Director	Hugh Thomas	X	
Deputy Executive Director	Tim Alexander	X	
Deputy Executive Director	Amy Brown	X	
Executive Office & Board Coordinator	Robin Lamm	X	

Agenda Item No. 3 - Announcement of any Amendments to the Agenda by the Chair. None

Agenda Item No. 4 – Public Comment:

- Jerry Smalley (online comment form) – Did not respond.

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

- Agenda Item No. 6 - February 14, 2023 Board Meeting Minutes
- Agenda Item No. 11 - January 2023 Financial Report
- Agenda Item No. 20 - Amendment to Contract 20/21-172 with Southern Cross Organics & Energy, LLC., Suwannee County
- Agenda Item No. 21 - Amendment of Agreement with St. Johns River Water Management District for Surface and Groundwater Chemistry Analysis

MOTION WAS MADE BY KEITH, SECONDED BY THOMPSON TO APPROVE THE ITEM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Agenda Item No. 6 - February 14, 2023 Governing Board Meeting Minutes. Approved on Consent.

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

- A. Robbie McKinney, Chief, Office of Water Resources, gave a presentation on hydrologic conditions of the District.
- B. Cooperating Agencies and Organizations. Mr. Thomas recognized Chris Rothenberg, Florida Department of Environmental Protection.

GOVERNING BOARD LEGAL COUNSEL

Agenda Item No. 8 – Legal Activities Update. None

BUSINESS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

Administration

Agenda Item No. 9 – Land Acquisition and Disposition Activity Report. This report was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Agenda Item No. 10 – Camp & Abel Tract, Hamilton County. Steve Schroeder, Chief, Office of Administration, presented this item to the Board.

MOTION WAS MADE BY THOMPSON, SECONDED BY LLOYD TO APPROVE THE ITEM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Finance

Agenda Item No. 11 – January 2023 Financial Report. Approved on Consent.

Resource Management

Agenda Item No. 12 – Permitting Summary Report. This report was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Agenda Item No. 13 – Woodborough North Subdivision Update. Warren Zwanka, Director, Resource Management Division, provided an update to the Board.

The following attendees provided comments to the Board:

- Terri Rasmussen (provided handout to Board)
- Nancy Turner (provided handout to Board)

OUTREACH AND OPERATIONS

Communications and Outreach

Agenda Item No. 14 – Outreach and Communications Activity Summary. This summary was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Agenda Item No. 15 – Water Conservation Proclamation. Troy Roberts, Manager, Outreach and Operations Division, presented this item to the Board.

MOTION WAS MADE BY KEITH, SECONDED BY SCHWAB TO APPROVE THE ITEM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Agenda Item No. 16 – Springs Protections Proclamation. Mr. Roberts presented this item to the Board.

MOTION WAS MADE BY SCHWAB, SECONDED BY KEITH TO APPROVE THE ITEM. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Land Management

Agenda Item No. 17 - District Land Management & Twin River State Forest (TRSF) Activity Summary. This summary was provided as an informational item in the Board materials.

Hydrologic Data Services

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

WATER RESOURCES

Agenda Item No. 19 – Water Resources Division Updates. Amy Brown, Deputy Executive Director, provided updates to the Board. Leroy Marshall, Chief Professional Engineer, provided an update regarding the Coastal Resiliency Project and the Santa Fe Watershed Flood Risk Review process.

Agriculture and Environmental Projects

Agenda Item No. 20 – Amendment to Contract 20/21-172 with Southern Cross Organics & Energy, LLC., Suwannee County. Approved on Consent.

Minimum Flows and Levels

No Items

Water Supply

No Items

Water Resources

Agenda Item No. 21 – Amendment of Agreement with St. Johns River Water Management District for Surface and Groundwater Chemistry Analysis. Approved on Consent.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

Agenda Item No. 22 - Announcements. Mr. Thomas updated the Board on District activities.

Agenda Item No. 23 - Governing Board Comments. None

Agenda Item No. 24 - Adjournment. Meeting adjourned at 11:21 a.m.

Chair

ATTEST:

**SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
MINUTES OF LANDS COMMITTEE MEETING**

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March 14, 2023
Following Board Meeting

District Headquarters
Live Oak, FL

1. Call to Order / Committee Roll Call. Meeting began at 11:22 a.m.

Committee Members	Present	Not Present
Richard Schwab - Chair	X	
Charles Keith	X	
Larry Sessions	X	
Harry Smith	X	
Larry Thompson	X	

-Board members Johns and Lloyd also participated in the Lands Committee meeting.

2. Public Comment. None

General Discussion / Updates

3. California Swamp Conservation Easement, Dixie County. Mr. Schroeder presented this item to the Committee.

Kevin St. Laurent, Campbell Global, provided comments to the Committee:

MOTION MADE BY THOMPSON, SECONDED BY KEITH TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION. MOTION CARRIED.

Land Acquisition / Property Offers

4. Waldo Tree Farm, Alachua County. Mr. Schroeder presented this item to the Committee.

MOTION MADE BY SESSION, SECONDED BY THOMPSON TO APPROVE RECOMMENDATION. MOTION CARRIED.

5. Announcements: None

6. Adjournment. Meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

Chair

ATTEST:

SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board
FROM: Stephen Schroeder, Chief, Office of Administration
THRU: Tim Alexander, Deputy Executive Director, Business and Community Services
DATE: March 31, 2023
RE: Land Acquisition and Disposition Activity Report

Attached for your information is the Land Acquisition and Disposition Activity Report.

SS/tm
Attachments

LAND ACQUISITION AND DISPOSITION ACTIVITY REPORT

Property Offers							
Owner	Tract	Acres	County	Submittal Date	Asking Price	Acquisition Type	Comments
Approved for Detailed Assessment							
Owner	Project Name	Acres	County	Submittal Date	Asking Price	Acquisition Type	Comments
Camp and Abel	Camp and Abel	266	Hamilton	09.23.20	\$948,000	Fee	Approved for detailed assessment and negotiations 12.8.20. Property being tasked to NFLT for negotiation and assessment. Transaction will be processed in house and not contracted. ESA Phase 1 ordered. Appraisal ordered. Delayed completion due to flooding. ESA Phase 1 site visit scheduled 5.18.2022. ESA report received and reported no concerns. Appraisal pending. Appraisal received. Offer being extended to offeror. On March 2023 Board for action. Approved by GB March 2023 meeting. Contract being drafted. Resolution on April 2023 GB Agenda.
Pfleiger	Riverbend Estates	1.1	Dixie	03.20.20	\$11,000/Possible exchange	Fee	Staff recommendation to proceed with detailed assessment and negotiations. Approved by LC on 6.9.20. Approved by GB on 7.14.20. In discussions with Offeror to exchange for Timber River parcel in Madison County. Offeror has tentatively agreed to exchange. Draft contract submitted to Counsel for review on 3.3.21. Awaiting additional guidance from Counsel regarding appraisals. Contract revised and submitted to Pfleiger. Staff will order an ESA Phase 1 and appraisal of the Riverbend property; Pfleiger will order an appraisal on the District land in Timber River. Signed contract received from Pfleiger to be submitted for GB Chair signature. Satisfactory Phase 1 ESA was received. Appraisal in process. Final exchange approved by LC 1.11.22. . Approved by GB 2.8.22. Will proceed to closing. Pending Closing. Closing in process. Closing date pending - likely March 2023. Closing scheduled to be completed April 3, 2023.
Florida Department of Transportation	Quail Heights	40.63	Columbia		\$651,105	Fee	Staff review on 8.8.19 recommended purchase in partnership with FDOT. Approved by LC on 2.11.20. Approved by GB 3.10.20. Submitted for Springs Grant funding but not obtained for FY 20. Property acquired by FDOT on 9.10.20. LC approved contribution to acquisition costs 11.10.20. GB approved on consent agenda 12.8.20. FDOT contract completed. Resolution for acquisition on GB agenda 5.11.21 and was approved. Final revisions and resolution of all contingencies complete and satisfied. Funds will be distributed to FDOT before 6.1.21. Agreement with FDOT executed. Funds referred after due diligence. Staff is working on obtaining appropriate surveys and negotiating agreement with Columbia County. Interlocal agreement being drafted with Columbia County. Survey received from Columbia County. Determining next steps for completion of transaction. Staff met with County representatives 9.13.22 - MOA should be completed by 10.1.22. Still awaiting MOA from County. District has assumed responsibility for MOA anticipate completion by April 2023.
Lasky	Lasky	351.74	Gilchrist	11.2020	\$855,000	Fee	Approved for detailed assessment and negotiation by GB 4.13.21. Phase 1 ESA report received. No issues noted. Appraisal complete. Negotiations underway with owner. Offer submitted to owner 1.18.22. Potential agreed price of \$770,000 subject to GB approval. Resolution on Agenda for 4.12.22. Approved by GB. Seller is clearing up title issues to get contract completed. Seller has received title report. Working on clearing title. Title issue resolved. Contract being prepared. Contract pending legal review and approval. Sellers title agent completing title search. Closing to occur before 9.30.22. Closing delayed due to Sellers not providing all required information to closing agent. Awaiting legal documentation of authority to sell from Offerors. Anticipate closing prior to 10.31.22. Status remains unchanged 11.14.22. Closing anticipated to occur in March. Closing still pending.
Bierman	Luken's tract exchange	1 acre	Levy	8.2021	Exchange	Fee for Fee	10.12.21 LC approved staff moving forward with exchange negotiations. LC recommendation approved by GB 11.11.21. Survey completed for 1 acre parcel District will receive. Exchange agreement being reviewed by District's legal counsel. Revised Agreement being reviewed by Bierman. New 1 acre tract has been created with Property Appraiser and Deed recorded to facilitate trade. Legal description of District land being verified. Contract pending final review and signature.
Waldo Tree Farm, LLC	Waldo Tree Farm	38 +/-	Alachua	5.10.22	TBD based on appraisal	Fee	8.9.22 Lands Committee authorized staff to expend not more than \$5,000 to acquire an appraisal and negotiate a price with the sellers. Recommended acquisition price to be presented to Lands Committee when available for further approval and recommendations to the Governing Board. Quotes pending for appraisal. Appraisal pending. Anticipated completion in February 2023. Appraisal received. Proposed acquisition price being submitted to Lands Committee March 2023. Lands Committee approved acquisition price at March 2023 meeting. On April 2023 GB Agenda. Contract being prepared. ESA Phase 1 being ordered.

LAND AND DISPOSITION ACTIVITY REPORT
SURPLUS

Proposed for Surplus

Tract	Acres	County	Acquired Date	Funding	Appraisal Date	Price	Comments
None pending.							

Authorized for Surplus

Tract	Acres	County	Acquired Date	Funding	Appraisal Date	Price	Comments
Forest Woodlands	11	Gilchrist	10.11.1996	Save Our Rivers	TBD	To be determined by appraisal.	Staff recommended for surplus. Approved by Lands Committee (LC) on 10.10.19. Approved by Governing Board (GB) 11.12.19. Will be offered to adjacent property owners.
Santa Fe Oasis	1	Gilchrist	4.28.1998	Save Our Rivers	TBD	TBD by appraisal update.	Approved by LC on 4.14.20. Approved by GB 5.12.20. Offered for sale to adjacent owners, two offers received. Approved by LC 8.11.20 to accept highest offer. Withdrawn from GB on 9.8.20. Being resubmitted to LC for its 9.21.20 meeting for staff recommendation to reject all offers and offer for sale to the general public. GB approved LC recommendation on 10.13.20. All bids rejected and property will be offered for sale to the general public. Staff is trying to obtain a review appraisal to reconcile disparate appraisals received and determine minimum price for bids. Awaiting legal guidance on establishing minimum price for public notice of intent to sell.
Suwannee Run Shores	1.175	Dixie	12.30.1997	Save Our Rivers	TBD	To be determined by appraisal.	Staff recommended for surplus. Approved by LC 7.9.19. Approved by GB 8.13.19. Adjacent Property owners notified, responses/bids with appraisals due 4.15.20. No responses received, will be posted on website and offer for sale to general public.
Three Rivers Estates	1	Columbia	12.30.1997	Save Our Rivers	N/A	TBD by appraisal update.	Staff recommended for surplus. Approved by LC 7.9.19. Approved by GB 8.8.19. Adjacent Property owners notified, responses/bids with appraisals due 4.15.20. Two offers received, highest offer approved by LC 6.9.20. On GB agenda for 7.14.20 and approved. Contract being drafted.
Turtle Spring Surplus Tract	32	Lafayette	5.13.2015	Florida Forever	5.24.2015	TBD by appraisal update.	Suspended until further review. Attempting to verify final surplus status/approval by GB.
Newberry Wellfield	58.66	Alachua	1.11.2000	P-2000	N/A	\$0	3.9.21 LC recommended surplus and conveyance to the City of Newberry with specified conditions. Approved by GB 4.13.21. Conveyance documents being drafted for legal review. Conveyance on hold pending resolution of issues relating to timber operations by the District. Timber operations underway. Once complete, transaction will be closed.

SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board
FROM: Stephen Schroeder, Chief, Office of Administration
THRU: Tim Alexander, Deputy Executive Director, Business and Community Services
DATE: March 31, 2023
RE: Waldo Tree Farm, Alachua County

RECOMMENDATION

Authorize the Executive Director to enter into a contract and authorize staff to complete detailed assessment of a 44-acre +/- parcel of real property located in Alachua County.

BACKGROUND

In May 2022, the District received an offer from Waldo Tree Farms, LLC to sell the District an estimated 38-acre +/- parcel of real property located in Alachua County. At its August 2022 meeting, the Lands Committee authorized staff to expend not more than \$5,000 to obtain an appraisal on the site and negotiate a potential price for the acquisition subject to approval and recommendation of the Lands Committee. Staff spent \$1,975 for the appraisal.

An appraisal was completed in February 2023. The appraiser noted that the property is 44 +/- acres, as opposed to the previously estimated 38 +/- acres; and that the landlocked status of the property would have an adverse impact on marketing the property. The appraiser further noted that future buyers, other than the District, would be forced to expend additional money to gain property access. After discussions with the owner's representative, it was agreed that the owner would accept a total of \$35,200 or \$800 per acre for the property. This amount is below the 90% of appraised value goal of the District.

On March 14, 2023, the Lands Committee unanimously accepted the recommendation of staff that the District accept the proposed acquisition price and recommend that the Governing Board authorize the Executive Director to enter into a contract at that price, contingent on receipt of a satisfactory Phase 1 Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) and authorize staff to proceed with an ESA. Closing will be contingent upon the seller providing a clean, marketable title. A final resolution authorizing the acquisition will be brought to the Governing Board when the transaction is ready to close.

Copies of the Triage and Summary Maps are attached.

SCS/tm
File #2022-002
Attachments

**SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
PROPERTY OFFER APPLICATION**

9225 CR 49, Live Oak, FL 32060
(386)362.1001
E-Mail: acquisitions@srwmd.org

Rule 40B-9.041(1), Florida Administrative Code, requires specific information to initiate the acquisition process.

Applicant Information
Name: AFM Real Estate
Address: 13570 N.W. 101ST DRIVE ⁵⁰⁰ City: ALACHUA State FL Zip: 32615
Phone: 352-217-4233 E-Mail: Dan.Baldwin@AFMFOREST.COM
Applicant Signature: Alfred Canal Date: 5/10/22

Owner of Record (Owner is Applicant yes ___ no)
Name: WALDO TREE FARMS LLC
Address: 1553 REBECCA PLACE City: LONGWOOD State FL Zip: 32779
Phone: 407-961-3003 E-Mail: _____
Owner's Authorization: This is to advise the individual named above as applicant is the Authorized Representative of the owner(s) of the property described below. This authorization is for any communication and negotiations concerning conveyance of the property to the Suwannee River Water Management District.
Owner Signature: Alfred Canal Date: 5/10/22
Owner Signature: _____ Date: _____

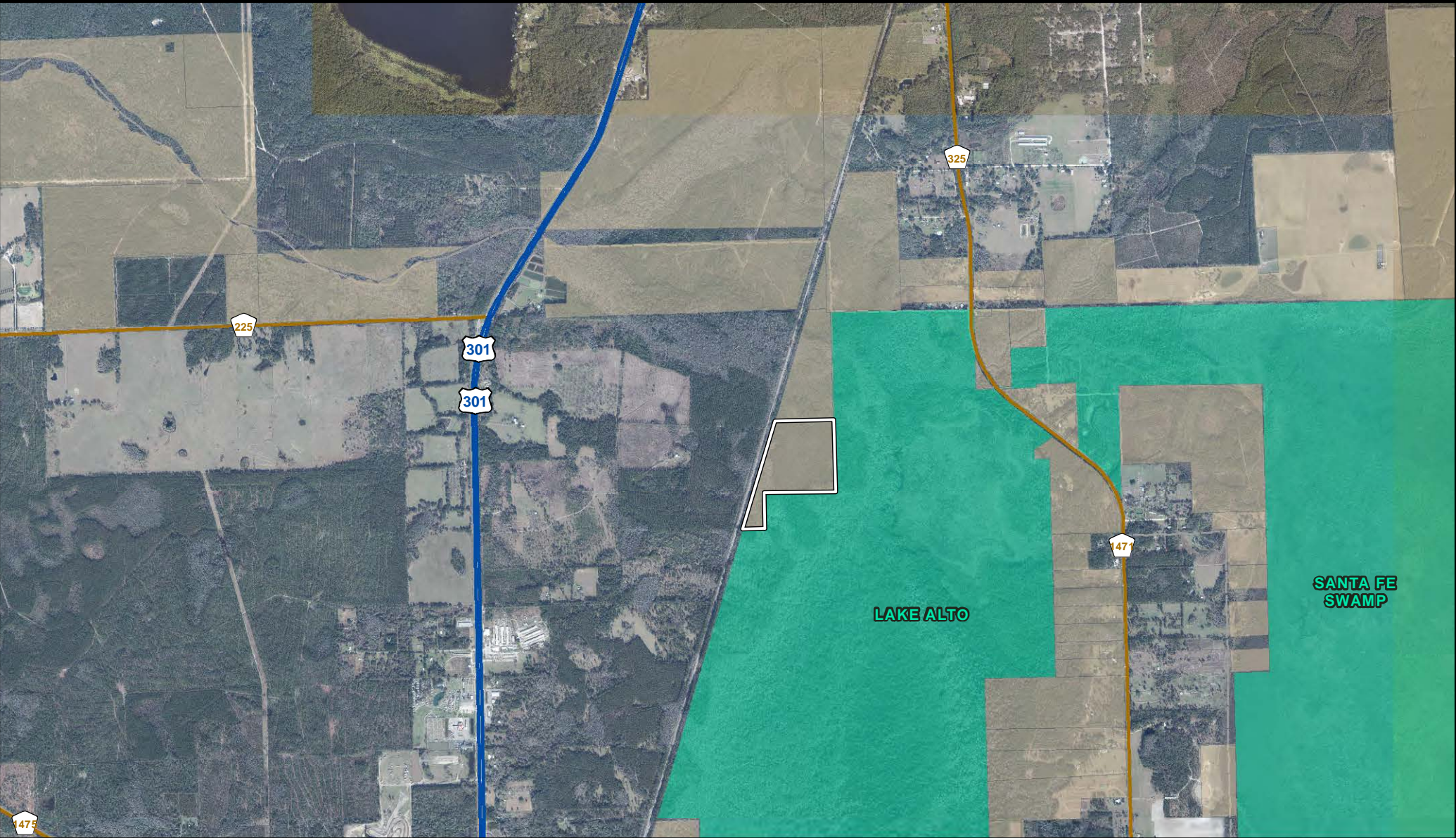
Property/Project Information
Asking Price (Fee): Appraised value (Conservation Easement) : _____
General Location (address, intersection, etc.): East of CSX Railroad Parcel # 16914-000-000
Acreage: 38 County: ALACHUA
Tax Parcel Number(s): 16914-000-000 EAST SIDE
Legal Description: EAST side of parcel # 16914-000-000 containing approximately 38 acres
Improvements: NONE
In addition, please provide an aerial, survey, or map identifying property boundaries and a copy of the Deed.

Title Condition (Deed restrictions, easements, mineral interest, rights held by others, etc.)





Agreements (Identify any existing purchase agreement, option contract, listing agreement, or any other arrangement or agreement.)

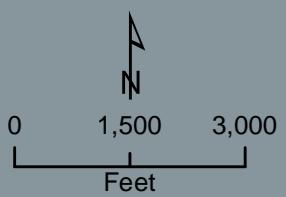
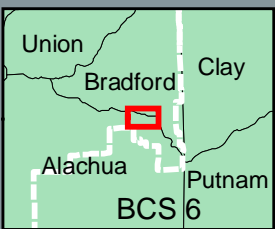
Other Pertinent Information (Please provide any other information that may be helpful in evaluating the request.)











Waldo Tree Farm
 ± 44.52 Ac
 Alachua County

-  Property Boundary
-  SRWMD Ownership
-  Other Public Ownership
-  Florida Forever

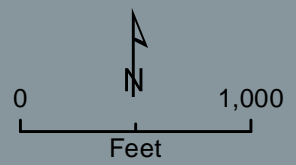
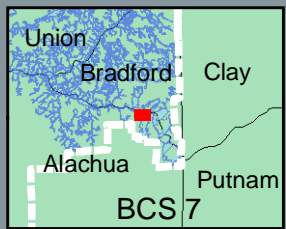


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-  Property Boundary
-  SRWMD Major Rivers
-  Priority 1
-  Priority 2
-  Other
-  Surface Waters (Riverine)



Waldo Tree Farm Property Offer Surface Water Protection

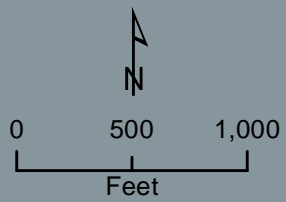
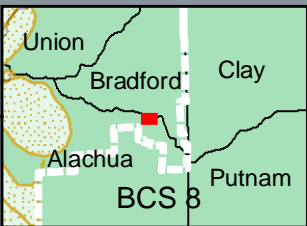


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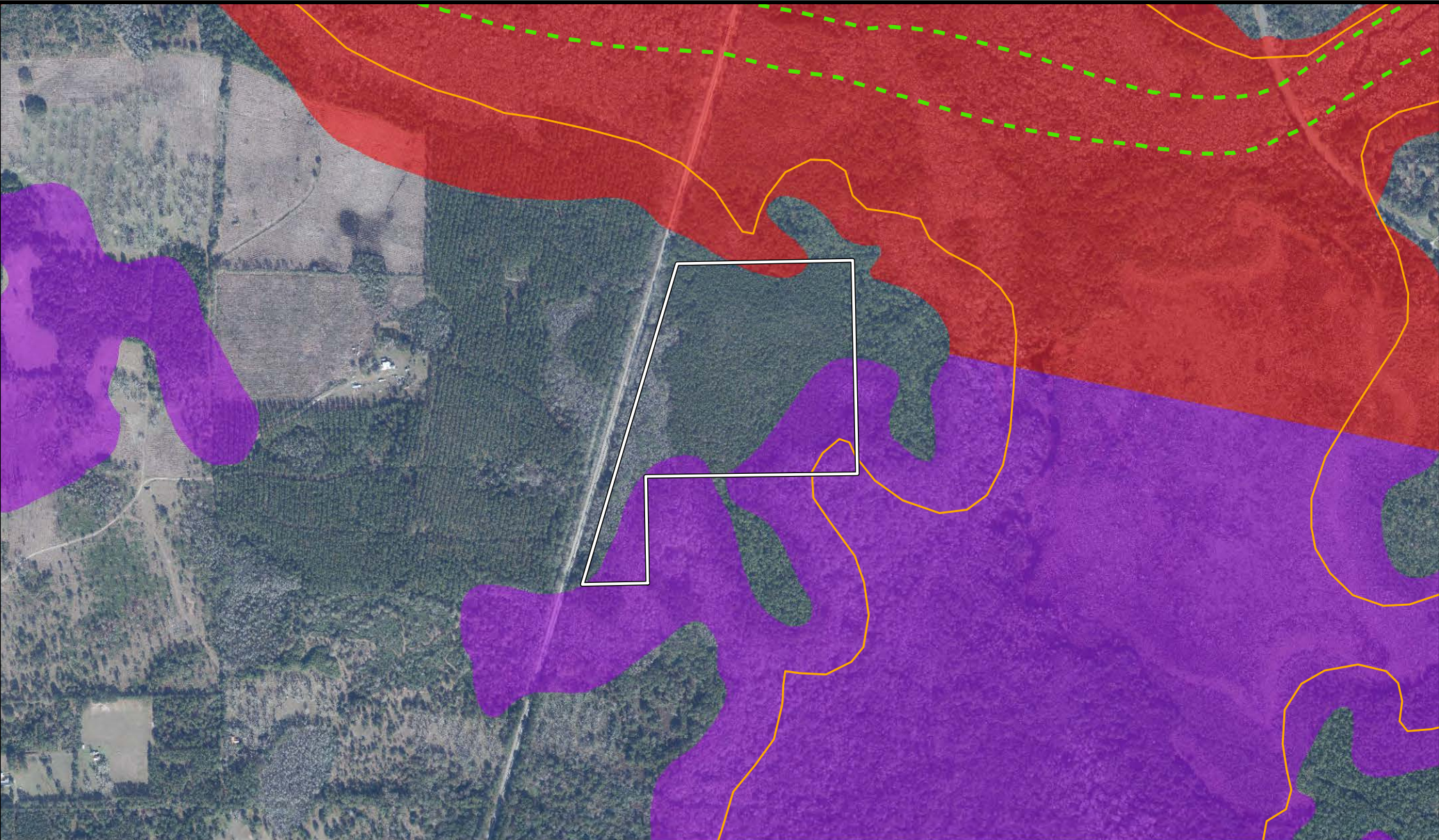


Waldo Tree Farm Property Offer Springs Protection

-  Property Boundary
-  Springs Protection

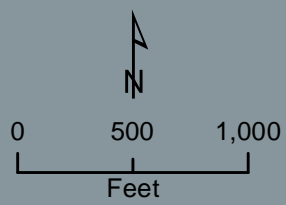
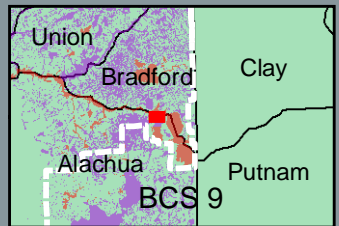


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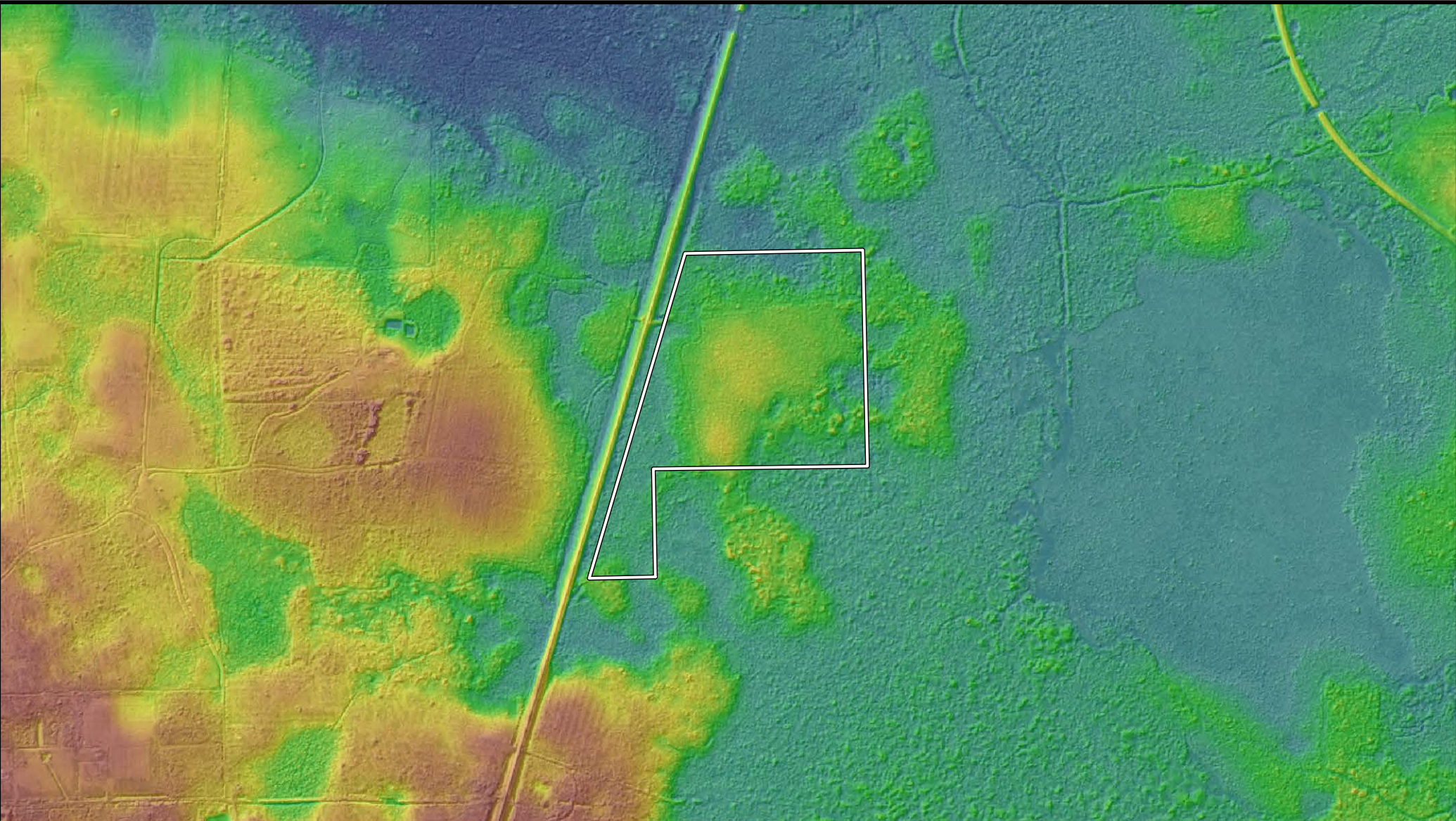


Waldo Tree Farm Property Offer Floodplain Protection

-  Property Boundary
-  10 Year Floodplain
-  Floodway
- 100 Year Floodplain**
-  Zone A
-  Zone AE



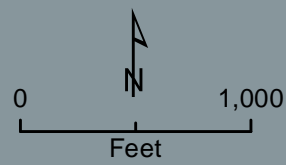
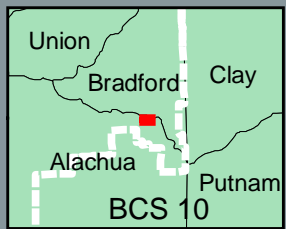
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 Property Boundary

Bare Earth Elevation
 High : 153.969
 Low : 132.484

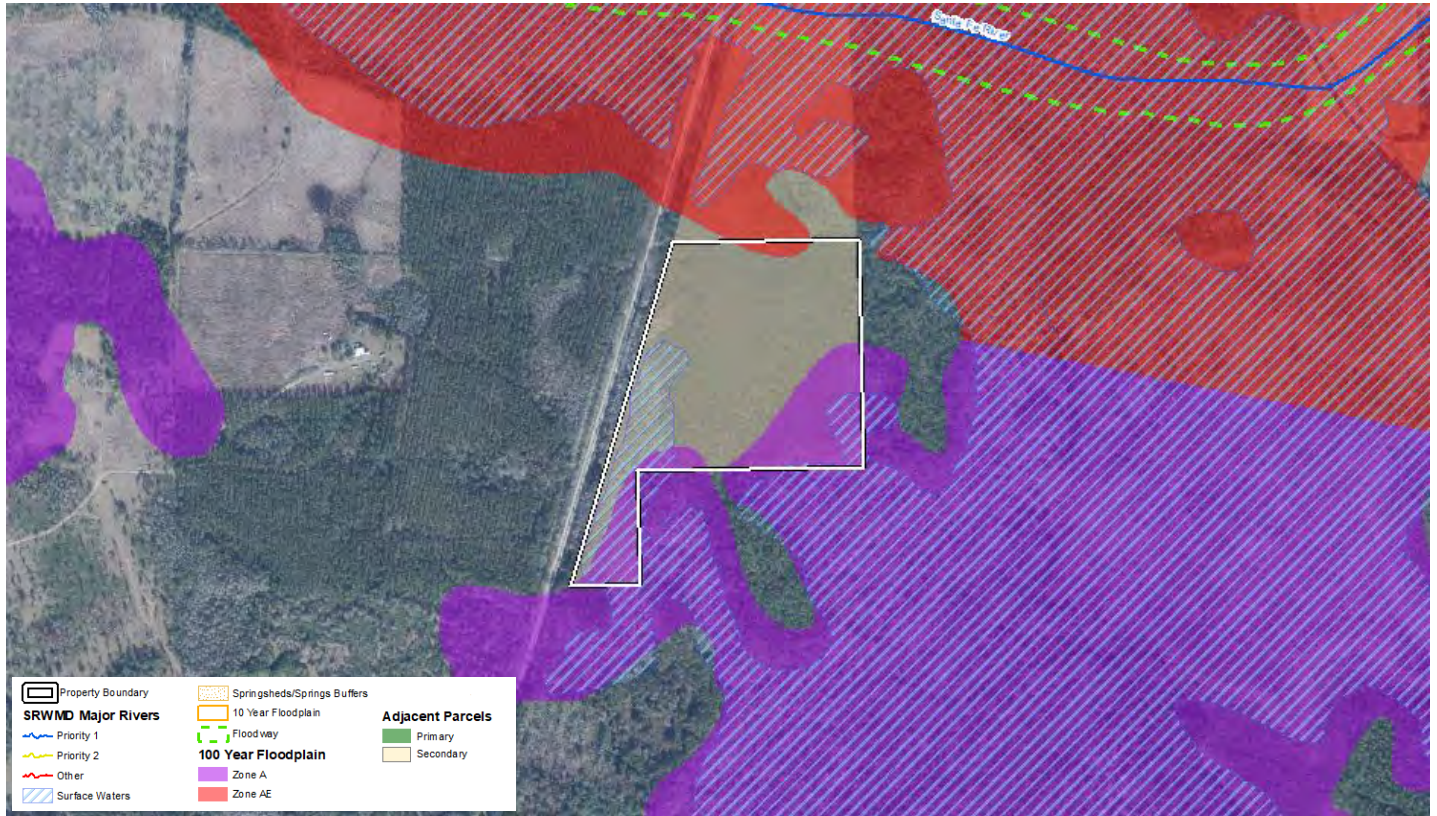
Waldo Tree Farm Property Offer LIDAR



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SUWANNEE TRIAGE ANALYSIS RESULTS



Property Name: Waldo Tree Farm

Date: 06/09/22

Acreage: ± 38 ac

County: Alachua

Transaction Type: Acquisition

Florida Forever: Yes

Surface Water Protection

Major River: (N)

Riverine Surface Waters: (Y) [± 10 ac]

Flood Protection

Floodway: (N)

10 Year Floodplain: (Y) [± 1 ac]

100 Year Floodplain: (Y) [± 12 ac]

Springs Protection

Springshed: (N)

Miscellaneous

PFA: (N)

WSPA: (Y) [Eastern]

BMAP: (Y) [Santa Fe]

SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board
FROM: Stephen Schroeder, Chief, Office of Administration
THRU: Tim Alexander, Deputy Executive Director, Business and Community Services
DATE: March 31, 2023
RE: Resolution 2023-01, Camp and Abel Tract, Hamilton County

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt Resolution 2023-01 for the final acquisition of the Camp and Abel Tract in Hamilton County for an amount not to exceed \$920,000.

BACKGROUND

On March 14, 2023, the Governing Board approved the acquisition of the Camp and Abel Tract in Hamilton County and authorized the Executive Director to enter into a contract to acquire the three parcels, comprising 266 acres +/- for the price of \$870,000. The contract has been signed by all parties and the transaction is ready to be closed.

Staff is recommending that the Board adopt Resolution 2023-01 authorizing the acquisition of the property using PCS Mitigation/Save Our Rivers funds for the acquisition price and acquisition costs, including closing costs, for an amount not to exceed \$920,000.

SCS/tm
File # 2020-012
Attachments

SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-01

AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF THE CAMP AND ABEL TRACT COMPRISED OF THREE PARCELS AND CONSISTING OF 266 ACRES +/- LOCATED IN HAMILTON COUNTY AND AUTHORIZING THE USE OF FUNDS FROM THE PCS MITIGATION/SAVE OUR RIVERS FUND FOR THE LAND PURCHASE AND ACQUISITION COSTS

WHEREAS the Suwannee River Water Management District (District) has been offered fee title to lands owned by Camp Et. Al. Ltd., a Florida Limited Partnership and Sara C. Abel Family Limited Partnership, a North Carolina Limited Partnership located in Hamilton County, Florida and consisting of three parcels totaling 266 acres +/- (the Camp and Abel Tract) A description of said lands being attached hereto as Attachment A; and

WHEREAS the Camp and Abel Tract parcels are adjacent to the Suwannee River and to other tracts currently owned by the District; and

WHEREAS the parcels lie within the floodway and floodplain for the Suwannee River; and

WHEREAS the purchase price for said lands shall be \$870,000; and

WHEREAS acquisition costs to be funded include a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment at a cost of \$10,700 and an appraisal at a cost of \$7,500; and

WHEREAS the sum of \$920,000 is being requested for use from funds on hand at the District within the PCS Mitigation/Save Our Rivers fund for the purchase price and acquisition costs; and

WHEREAS said lands are being acquired consistent with sections 373.139 and 373.199, Florida Statutes and consistent with the District's annually updated Florida Forever Five-Year Work Plan filed with the Legislature and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection; and

WHEREAS the tract shall be identified in any signage and in District publications as the John C. Camp Family Tract; and

WHEREAS said lands are being acquired in fee simple for water management purposes and the acquisition meets the goals and criteria of section 259.105, Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS the funds hereinafter requested will be used only for the purchase price of said lands and related acquisition costs; and

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

WHEREAS said lands have been appraised by a real estate appraiser and were approved for acquisition after duly noticed public meeting to inform the public of this acquisition; and

WHEREAS an environmental audit has been performed and reported no contamination or need for a Phase II Environmental Assessment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Board of the District, that:

- 1. The above statements are hereby certified and declared to be true and correct, and the acquisition of said lands are hereby further certified to be consistent with this District's plan of acquisition and Section 373.199, Florida Statutes.
- 2. The Chair and Secretary of the Governing Board, the Executive Director, the Governing Board attorney and all other officers and employees of the District are hereby authorized and directed to do all things necessary to close and complete the acquisition.
- 3. The District hereby approves the use of the PCS Mitigation/Save Our Rivers fund for an amount not to exceed \$920,000 for the purchase price, acquisition costs and closing costs.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 11th DAY OF April 2023.

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

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD:

**VIRGINIA JOHNS, CHAIR
RICHARD SCHWAB, VICE-CHAIR
CHARLES KEITH, SECRETARY/TREASURER
WILLIAM LLOYD
LARRY SESSIONS
HARRY SMITH
LARRY K. THOMPSON**

ATTEST:

ATTACHMENT A

DESCRIPTION OF THE LANDS

North of County Road 6 Tract (Parcel 1010-000):

Section 4, Township 1 North, Range 16 East, Government Lots 8 and 9 in Hamilton County

South of County Road 6 Tract (Parcel 1024-000):

Section 9, Township 1 North, Range 16 East, Government Lot 4 in Hamilton County

Jerry Branch Tract (Parcel 2770-000):

Section 36, Township 1 South, Range 14 East, Lot 1, Except the Northeast $\frac{1}{4}$ of the Northeast $\frac{1}{4}$, in Hamilton County

SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board
FROM: Stephen Schroeder, Chief, Office of Administration
THRU: Tim Alexander, Deputy Executive Director, Business and Community Services
DATE: March 31, 2023
RE: Vehicle Surplus

RECOMMENDATION

Authorize the Executive Director to declare asset number 3303 as surplus, authorize staff to dispose of the asset in the most cost-effective means as determined by staff and authorized by sections 274.05 and 274.06, Florida Statutes.

BACKGROUND

Due to high maintenance cost and wear and tear over time, staff is requesting to surplus asset number 3303, a 2014 Ford Escape. Section 274.05, Florida Statutes (F.S.), recognizes that property items become functionally obsolete over time, provides a process of declaring property items as surplus, and provides for the disposition of surplus property in a manner that is in the best interest of the District.

The vehicle's current depreciated value is \$1,841.58. In 2022, the District spent \$1,383 in repairs on the vehicle. Due to the repair costs, age, and current value, staff believe surplus and disposition of the vehicle to be in the best interest of the District.

The vehicle can be traded to Alan Jay Fleet Sales for \$3,800 towards the acquisition of a 2023 Chevy Silverado 1500 for the District. The total of the new vehicle, after trade in, is \$36,856 and will be purchased through the Florida Sheriff's Association contract.

This recommendation will authorize staff to surplus and dispose of asset number 3303 in accordance with 274.05 and 274.06, F.S.

SCS/tm

SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board

FROM: Pam Shaw, Chief, Office of Finance

THRU: Tim Alexander, Deputy Executive Director, Business and Community Services

DATE: March 31, 2023

RE: February 2023 Financial Report

RECOMMENDATION

Approve the February 2023 Financial Report and confirm the expenditures of the District.

BACKGROUND

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

PS/tm
Attachments

**Suwannee River Water Management District
Cash Report
February 2023**

Financial Institution/Account	Monthly Interest	Interest Rate %	Closing Balance
First Federal Permit Fee	\$0.00		\$500.00
First Federal Accounts Payable	\$0.00		\$35,000.00
First Federal EFT Disbursements	\$0.00		\$60,317.63
First Federal Depository	\$907.94	0.10%	\$917,961.42
Special Purpose Investment Account (SPIA)*	<u>\$65,220.45</u>	2.05%	<u>\$43,664,076.10</u>
TOTAL	<u><u>\$66,128.39</u></u>		<u><u>\$44,677,855.15</u></u>

*SPIA is part of the Treasury Investment Pool administered by Florida Department of Financial Services.

**Suwannee River Water Management District
Statement of Sources and Uses of Funds
For the Month ending February 28, 2023
(Unaudited)**

	Current Budget	Actuals Through 2/28/2023	Variance (Under)/Over Budget	Actuals As A % of Budget
Sources				
Ad Valorem Property Taxes	\$ 6,525,588	\$ 5,718,252	\$ (807,336)	87.6%
Intergovernmental Revenues	\$ 52,029,453	\$ 4,587,895	\$ (47,441,558)	8.8%
Interest on Invested Funds	\$ 130,000	\$ 251,090	\$ 121,090	193.1%
License and Permit Fees	\$ 163,000	\$ 115,260	\$ (47,740)	70.7%
Other	\$ 1,086,480	\$ 1,301,982	\$ 215,502	119.8%
Fund Balance ¹	\$ 11,358,880	\$ 461,091	\$ (10,897,789)	4.1%
Total Sources	\$ 71,293,401	\$ 12,435,569	\$ (58,857,832)	17.4%

	Current Budget	Expenditures	Encumbrances ²	Available Budget	%Expended	%Obligated ³
Uses						
Water Resources Planning and Monitoring	\$ 12,179,535	\$ 2,134,789	\$ 5,499,170	\$ 4,545,576	18%	63%
Acquisition, Restoration and Public Works	\$ 48,736,400	\$ 3,791,381	\$ 25,813,907	\$ 19,131,112	8%	61%
Operation and Maintenance of Lands and Works	\$ 6,283,343	\$ 1,599,233	\$ 1,476,436	\$ 3,207,675	25%	49%
Regulation	\$ 2,040,044	\$ 575,656	\$ 59,791	\$ 1,404,597	28%	31%
Outreach	\$ 216,027	\$ 84,838	\$ -	\$ 131,189	39%	39%
Management and Administration	\$ 1,838,052	\$ 636,373	\$ 121,151	\$ 1,080,528	35%	41%
Total Uses	\$ 71,293,401	\$ 8,822,270	\$ 32,970,455	\$ 29,500,677	12%	59%

¹ Actual Fund Balance used is recorded at the end of the fiscal year. This amount represents Fund Balance used for the Agricultural and RIVER Cost-Share, Regional Water Resource Development, and Project Effectiveness Metrics Programs.

² Encumbrances represent unexpended balances of open purchase orders, contracts, and task work assignments.

³ Represents the sum of expenditures and encumbrances as a percentage of the available budget.

This financial statement is prepared as of February 28, 2023 and covers the interim period since the most recent audited financial statements.

SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITY - REVENUE AND EXPENSE ROLLUP (UNAUDITED)
FOR 2/28/2023

	Y-T-D ACTUAL	ENCUMBRANCE	ANNUAL BUDGET
<u>Report Recap -</u>			
REVENUES			
DISTRICT REVENUES	7,386,583	0	7,905,068
LOCAL REVENUES	0	0	0
STATE REVENUES	4,061,122	0	33,901,473
FEDERAL REVENUES	526,773	0	18,127,980
FUND BALANCE UTILIZATION	461,091	0	11,358,880
TOTAL REVENUES	12,435,569	0	71,293,401
EXPENDITURES			
SALARIES AND BENEFITS	2,505,903	0	7,483,656
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	3,577,953	12,095,252	21,716,230
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	663,252	256,964	2,277,800
OPERATING CAPITAL OUTLAY	6,763	0	283,044
FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY	15,408	112,040	4,766,000
INTERAGENCY EXPENDITURES	2,052,991	20,506,199	34,766,671
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	8,822,270	32,970,455	71,293,401
EXCESS REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	3,613,299	(32,970,455)	0
<u>General Fund -</u>			
REVENUES			
DISTRICT REVENUES	6,100,746	0	5,645,906
LOCAL REVENUES	0	0	0
STATE REVENUES	986,607	0	2,740,000
FEDERAL REVENUES	0	0	0
FUND BALANCE UTILIZATION	0	0	2,018,723
TOTAL REVENUES	7,087,353	0	10,404,629
EXPENDITURES			
SALARIES AND BENEFITS	1,911,103	0	5,635,346
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	261,620	652,698	2,378,602
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	426,226	119,623	1,429,573
OPERATING CAPITAL OUTLAY	5,943	0	170,608
FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY	0	0	0
INTERAGENCY EXPENDITURES	27,500	417,380	790,500
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	2,632,392	1,189,701	10,404,629
EXCESS REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	4,454,961	(1,189,701)	0
<u>Land Management Operations -</u>			
REVENUES			
DISTRICT REVENUES	1,230,307	0	2,259,162
LOCAL REVENUES	0	0	0
STATE REVENUES	324,923	0	2,291,119
FEDERAL REVENUES	58,791	0	40,000
FUND BALANCE UTILIZATION	0	0	1,988,062
TOTAL REVENUES	1,614,021	0	6,578,343
EXPENDITURES			
SALARIES AND BENEFITS	340,275	0	959,447
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	999,823	991,471	3,089,398
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	235,324	132,128	776,227
OPERATING CAPITAL OUTLAY	820	0	112,436
FIXED CAPITAL OUTLAY	15,408	112,040	766,000
INTERAGENCY EXPENDITURES	9,704	240,796	874,835
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	1,601,354	1,476,435	6,578,343
EXCESS REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	12,667	(1,476,435)	0

SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board

FROM: Tyler Jordan, System Administrator, Office of Information Technology

THRU: Tim Alexander, Deputy Executive Director, Business and Community Services

DATE: March 31, 2023

RE: Purchase Disaster Recovery as a Service from vTech IO

RECOMMENDATION

Authorize the Executive Director to purchase disaster recovery as a service under a three-year agreement from vTech IO for an amount not to exceed \$276,638.76.

BACKGROUND

Disaster recovery as a service (DRaaS) is a cloud computing service model that allows an organization to back up its data and information technology (IT) infrastructure in a third-party cloud computing environment and provide all the disaster recovery orchestration, all through a software as a service (SaaS) solution, to regain access and functionality to IT infrastructure after a disaster. The SaaS model means that the organization itself does not have to own all the resources or oversee the management for disaster recovery. This agreement allows continuity of services currently provided by the vendor.

vTech IO has partnered with iLand secure cloud services to offer disaster recovery services. iLand is a DRaaS provider that has been helping customers transform their mission critical applications to the secure cloud for hosting, protection, and recovery for over two decades. iLand has multiple global datacenters that meet the highest standards for security, compliance, and performance.

Disaster scenarios may include natural disasters (hurricanes, tornadoes, floods, and wildfires), equipment failures, air conditioning failures, power outages, and cyber-attacks.

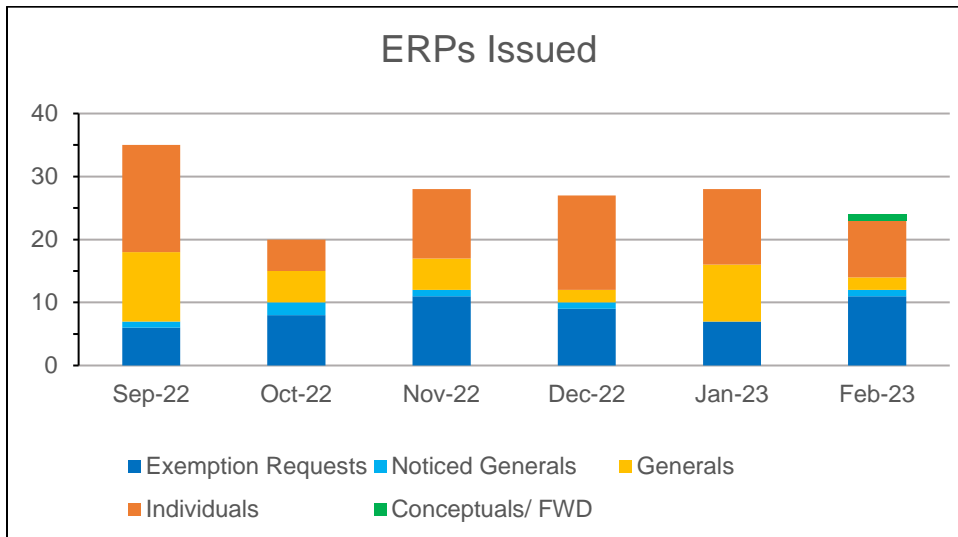
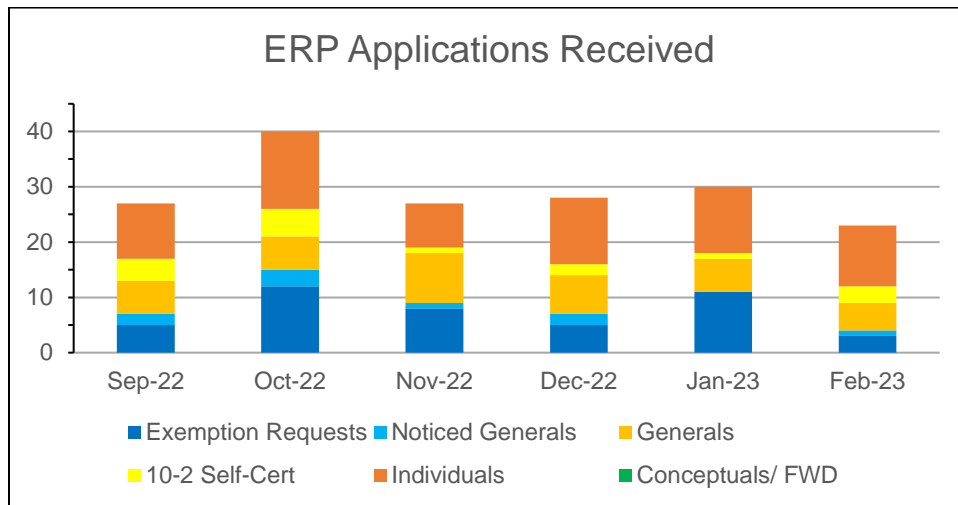
Pricing was negotiated through State of Florida Term Contract NCPA 01-97. Funding for this effort is included in the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Final Budget.

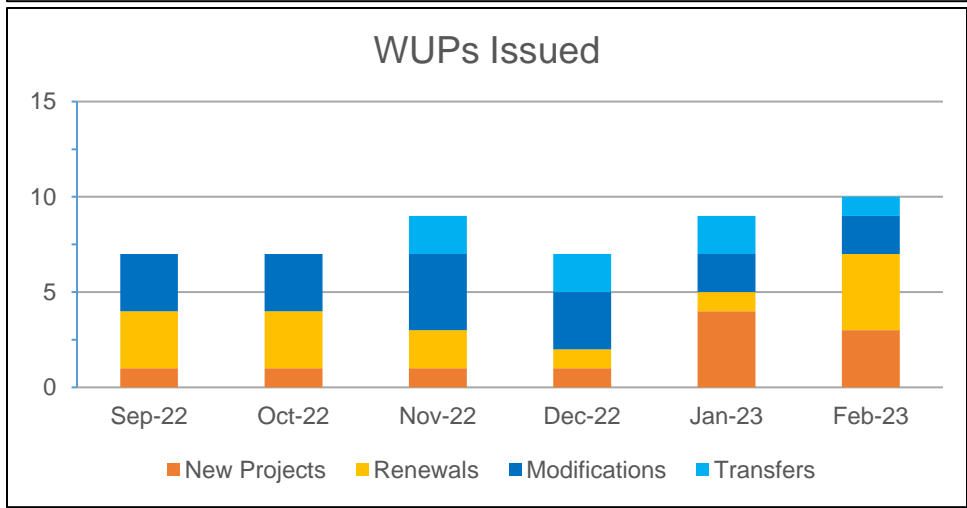
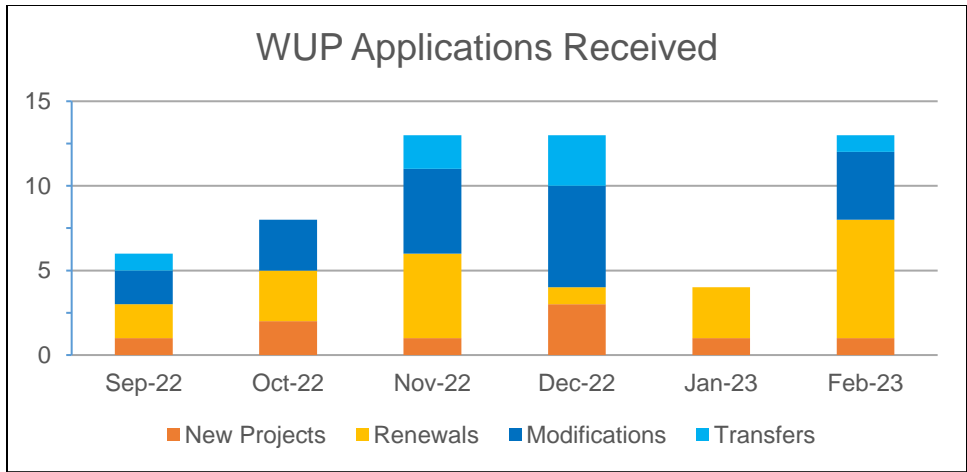
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SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

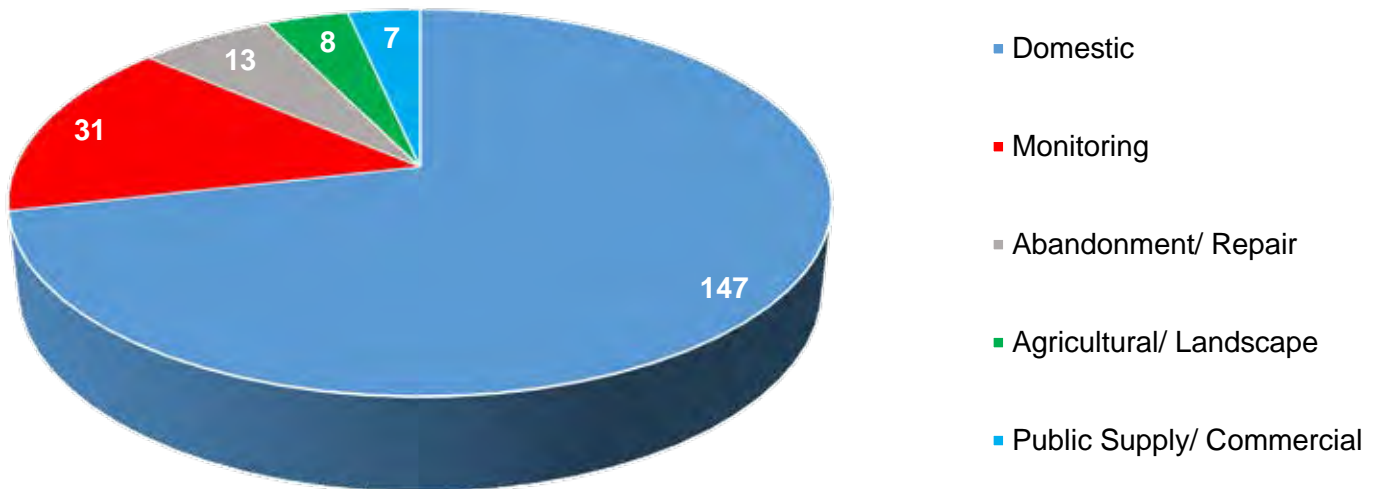
MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board
FROM: Warren Zwanka, Director, Division of Resource Management
THRU: Tim Alexander, Deputy Executive Director, Business and Community Services
DATE: March 31, 2023
RE: Permitting Summary Report





Water Well Permits Issued - February 2023



40B-8.121 Lake Santa Fe MFL

GB Authorized Rulemaking	11/8/2022
Notice of Rule Development	1/9/2023
Public Workshop	12/16/2021
Notice of Proposed Rule	1/23/2023
Notice of Correction/ Change	
File with DOS	2/20/2023
Effective Date	3/13/2023

40B-8.121 Lake Hampton MFL

GB Authorized Rulemaking	1/11/2022
Notice of Rule Development	1/9/2023
Public Workshop	1/26/2022
Notice of Proposed Rule	1/23/2023
Notice of Correction/ Change	
File with DOS	2/20/2023
Effective Date	3/13/2023

40B-3.037 Water Well Contractor Licensing

GB Authorized Rulemaking	12/13/2022
Notice of Rule Development	2/14/2023
Public Workshop	
Notice of Proposed Rule	2/28/2023
Notice of Correction/ Change	
File with DOS	3/28/2023
Effective Date	

40B-3.504 Location

GB Authorized Rulemaking	12/13/2022
Notice of Rule Development	2/14/2023
Public Workshop	
Notice of Proposed Rule	2/28/2023
Notice of Correction/ Change	
File with DOS	3/28/2023
Effective Date	

40B-3.517 Grouting and Sealing

GB Authorized Rulemaking	12/13/2022
Notice of Rule Development	2/14/2023
Public Workshop	
Notice of Proposed Rule	2/28/2023
Notice of Correction/ Change	
File with DOS	3/28/2023
Effective Date	

40B-3.902 Form and Instructions

GB Authorized Rulemaking	12/13/2022
Notice of Rule Development	2/14/2023
Public Workshop	
Notice of Proposed Rule	2/28/2023
Notice of Correction/ Change	
File with DOS	3/28/2023
Repealed	

40B-400.091 Stormwater Design Storms

GB Authorized Rulemaking	5/10/2022
Notice of Rule Development	
Public Workshop	1/10/2023
Notice of Proposed Rule	
Notice of Correction/ Change	
File with DOS	
Effective Date	

40B-400.091 Stormwater Quality (SB712)

GB Authorized Rulemaking	12/8/2020
Notice of Rule Development	12/21/2020
Public Workshop	1/26/2023
Notice of Proposed Rule	
Notice of Correction/ Change	
File with DOS	
Effective Date	

40B-1.1010 Point of Entry into Proceedings

GB Authorized Rulemaking	2/14/2023
Notice of Rule Development	
Public Workshop	
Notice of Proposed Rule	
Notice of Correction/ Change	
File with DOS	
Effective Date	

ERP/ WUP Compliance Agreements:

Shady Oaks RV Park – unpermitted fill, Item No. 144493

Black Prong Equestrian (second time extension to comply) – unpermitted development, Item No. 148846

SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board
FROM: Troy Roberts, Communications and Outreach Manager
THRU: Katelyn Potter, Director, Outreach and Operations
DATE: March 22, 2023
RE: Outreach and Communications Activity Summary

The following information summarizes Outreach and Communications activities for the month of February 2023.

Facebook	Twitter	Instagram
Total Posts: 21 Total Reach: 11,340 Total Likes: 304 Total Comments: 28 Total Shares: 49	Total Posts: 31 Total Reach: 4,293 Total Engagement: 48 Engagement Rate: 2.0 percent	Total Posts: 13 Total Reach: 1,684 Total Engagement: 183

Press Releases
<ul style="list-style-type: none">February 3 – SRWMD celebrates Florida Hiking Trails MonthFebruary 7 – February Governing Board MeetingFebruary 14 – FEMA Flood Risk MeetingsFebruary 15 – Hydrological Conditions ReportFebruary 20 – FEMA Flood Risk Meetings

Media Inquiries / Responses
<ul style="list-style-type: none">February 2 – Troy Roberts and Sarah Corbett provided an interview to WUFT to highlight wetlands for World Wetlands Day.February 3 – Troy Roberts was interviewed by John Koch with Big 98 Radio to discuss the upcoming FEMA Flood Risk review meetings.February 8 – Troy Roberts provided email responses to Our Santa Fe River for an article on LiDAR.February 20 – Troy Roberts was interviewed by Columbia County Observer for an article on FEMA Flood Risk review meetings.February 22 – Troy Roberts was interviewed by WUFT for an article on FEMA Flood Risk Review meetings.February 23 – Troy Roberts was interviewed by the Lake City Reporter for an article on the FEMA Flood Risk Review meetings.

Meetings with Vendors / Consultants / Public

- February 6 – Troy Roberts spoke at the Gilchrist County Commission meeting to highlight the upcoming FEMA Flood Risk Review meetings.
- February 7 – Troy Roberts spoke at the Bradford County Commission meeting to highlight the upcoming FEMA Flood Risk Review meetings.
- February 7 – Troy Roberts spoke at the Suwannee County Commission meeting to highlight the upcoming FEMA Flood Risk Review meetings.
- February 9 – Troy Roberts and Sara Ferson spoke at the Rotary Club of Lake City, to highlight District initiatives and Permit to Protect.
- February 10 – Troy Roberts and staff met with Atkins and WSP to discuss the FEMA Flood Risk Review meetings.
- February 13 – Troy Roberts spoke at the Raiford Town Council meeting to highlight the upcoming FEMA Flood Risk Review meetings.
- February 21 – Troy Roberts attended the FEMA Flood Risk Review meeting in Starke.
- February 22 – Troy Roberts attended the FEMA Flood Risk Review meeting in Alachua.
- February 22 – Troy Roberts spoke with Part 2 Pictures Productions to discuss and plan efforts around the upcoming PBS documentary on the Suwannee River.
- February 23 – Troy Roberts attended the FEMA Flood Risk Review meeting in Lake City.
- February 27 – Troy Roberts and Ashley Stefanik spoke at the Live Oak Rotary Club to highlight District initiatives and Permit to Protect.

February Photo Highlight:

In February, the District began restoring groundcover on 115 acres at Mattair Springs and the Gar Pond Tract. These projects enhance biodiversity, augment wildlife habitat, restore ecosystem services, reduce the risk of catastrophic wildfire, enhance aesthetic value, and heighten recreational and personal enjoyment.



SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board

FROM: Bill McKinstry, Chief, Office of Land Management

THRU: Katelyn Potter, Director, Outreach and Operations

DATE: March 18, 2023

RE: District Land Management and Twin Rivers State Forest Activity Summary

BACKGROUND

The following information summarizes land management activities for the month of February 2023 and the total for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 (FY 2023).

Natural Communities Management: The following tables represent activities which support overall natural community restoration and management across District lands.

Vegetative Management (acres)	FY 2023 Planned	Reporting Period Completed	FY 2023 Total
Herbicide	180	0	0
Roller Chop Uplands	400	0	35
Mallory Swamp Mow/Chop	700	96	1,923
Woods Mowing	2,000	430	430
Totals	3,280	526	2,388

Prescribed Fire (acres)	FY 2023 Planned	Reporting Period Completed	FY 2023 Total
SRWMD	7,000	1,302	3,055
FFS - Twin Rivers State Forest	2,000	507	820
Totals	9,000	1,809	3,875

Invasive Plant Treatment	FY 2023 Planned	Reporting Period Completed	FY 2023 Total
Treat Mapped Infestations	145	0	23
Edwards Bottomland (acres)	30	0	0
Starke Bypass (acres)	251	0	0

Ecological Services Monitoring (Locations)	FY 2023 Planned	Reporting Period Completed	FY 2023 Total
Rare Plants Surveys	50	0	0
Gopher Tortoise Surveys	3	1	1
Wading Bird Rookeries	5	0	0
Natural Community Mapping (Acres)	1,500	0	0

Timber Harvests	County	Acreage	Type	Status or Revenue
Cuba Bay #2	Madison	315	Thinning	Inactive
Steinhatchee Springs #21	Lafayette	366	Thinning	Active
Seven Bridges #1	Jefferson	224	Thinning	Active
Cabbage Grove #2	Taylor	222	Thinning	Active
Gilchrist Wellfield #1	Gilchrist	100	Thinning and Chipping	Inactive
Adams Tract #4	Lafayette	90	Thinning and Clearcut	Inactive
Bell Springs #2	Columbia	43	Thinning and Clearcut	Inactive
Sandlin Bay #9	Columbia	374	Thinning	Inactive
Dedan Loop #1	Union	60	Thinning	Inactive
Devils Hammock #2	Levy	144	Thinning	Inactive
Mill Creek South #10	Madison	124	Thinning	\$64,606.48
Falling Creek Falls #2	Columbia	42	Thinning and Chipping	Out for Bid
Steinhatchee Springs #23	Lafayette	250	Thinning	Out for Bid
Fiscal Year Revenue as of March 16, 2023 <i>*Estimated for this report only. Official accounting records have not yet been finalized.</i>				\$1,411,056.77

Land Management: The following tables represent tract and land management activities on the District's fee and less-than-fee owned properties.

Conservation Easements	FY 2023 Planned	Reporting Period Completed	FY 2023 Total
Monitor Current Easements	15	7	7

Hydrologic & Road Maintenance	FY 2023 Planned	Reporting Period Completed	FY 2023 Total
Culvert Replacements	23	2	6
Road Repairs (miles)	107	9	35

Tract Maintenance	FY 2023 Planned	Reporting Period Completed	FY 2023 Total
Mowing (miles per mowing cycle)	582	311.46	311.46
Site Maintenance (tracts visited monthly)	114	114	114
Enhanced Patrols (hours)	944		158
Sign Replacements	30		
Boundary Line Painting (miles)	119		45

Special Projects: The following information provides a status update on special projects within the Office of Land Management.

Pinehatchee Tract (Steinhatchee Springs Tract addition): Land management staff is mostly in the planning stages. Initial steps for natural community management are to have the natural communities mapped by a contractor. A RFQ has been sent out to firms in hopes to hire a contractor for this work. Road improvements is also a topic for the initial work. All the roads have been mapped and now staff is both planning future work and taking initial steps to secure a foothold for those improvements. Staff currently has a contractor roller chopping the road edges, which may take at least 2 cycles. This is to prepare the road network for a planned project to pull the ditches. The road and hydrological improvements will be a multi-year investment for public access and natural community management.

Rock Bluff: The Rock Bluff Project has four goals:

1. Design a wastewater treatment system
2. Public Supply Well
3. Park volunteer host sites
4. Upgrade electrical system.

The goals have been divided into divided into four tasks:

1. Project Kickoff
2. Design Services
3. Permitting
4. Construction Phase Services.

Jones Edmunds has submitted draft plans and have begun the permitting process for the wastewater treatment system and public supply well.

SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board

FROM: Alejandro Arteaga Garcia, Senior Data Analyst, Hydrologic Data Services Office

THRU: Katelyn Potter, Director, Outreach and Operations

DATE: March 19, 2023

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 8 inches in diameter or greater.

As of March 19, 2023, the District is monitoring 1,546 (229.2 MGD) of a total 1,634 active permitted wells (239.6 MGD). The remaining 82 active wells not yet monitored are scheduled for site visits to determine the type of monitoring that will be implemented. An additional 272 proposed wells have yet to be drilled.

The District offers three options for monitoring: electric provided by the power company, telemetry on diesel systems, and self-reporting. To date, farmer electric agreements from cooperatives are in effect on 777 (143.6 MGD) monitoring points. The District currently employs telemetry on 277 (48.6 MGD) diesel-powered systems. There are currently 8 (0.98 MGD) self-monitored points.

Additionally, there are currently 484 (36.7 MGD) sites for which monitoring is currently not feasible. Staff visit these sites each year to reevaluate the feasibility of monitoring.

The attached figures show the current well status and monitoring type for all wells with water use monitoring conditions (Figure 1), and the status of flow data collection by source within the Districts' agricultural monitoring network (Figure 2).

Agricultural Water Use Stations with Monitoring Conditions

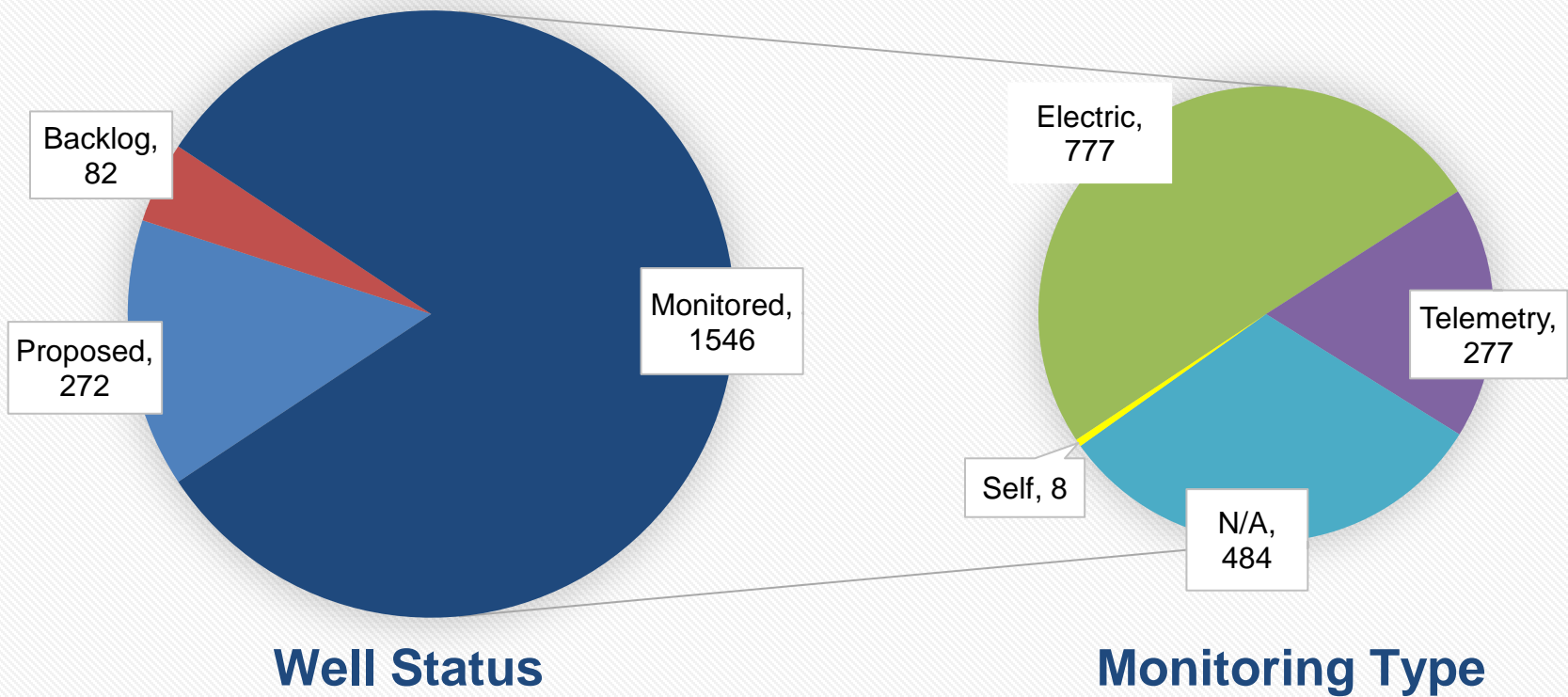


Figure 1. Well status and monitoring type for all wells with water use monitoring conditions as of March 19, 2023.

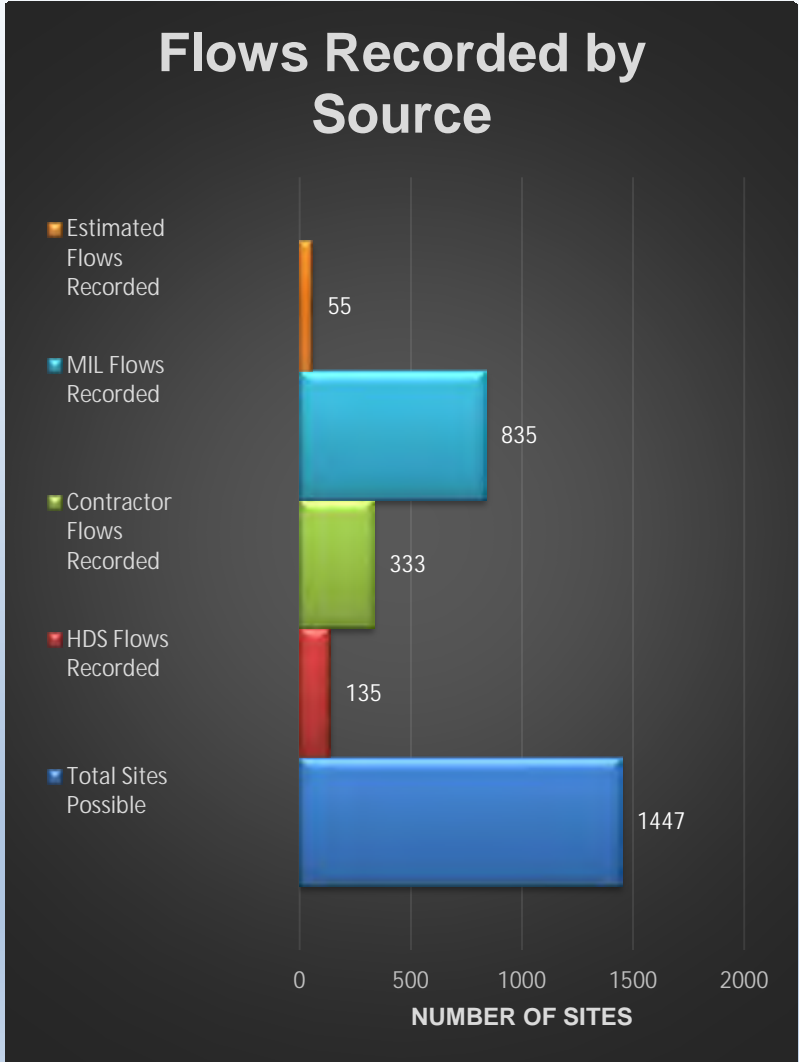
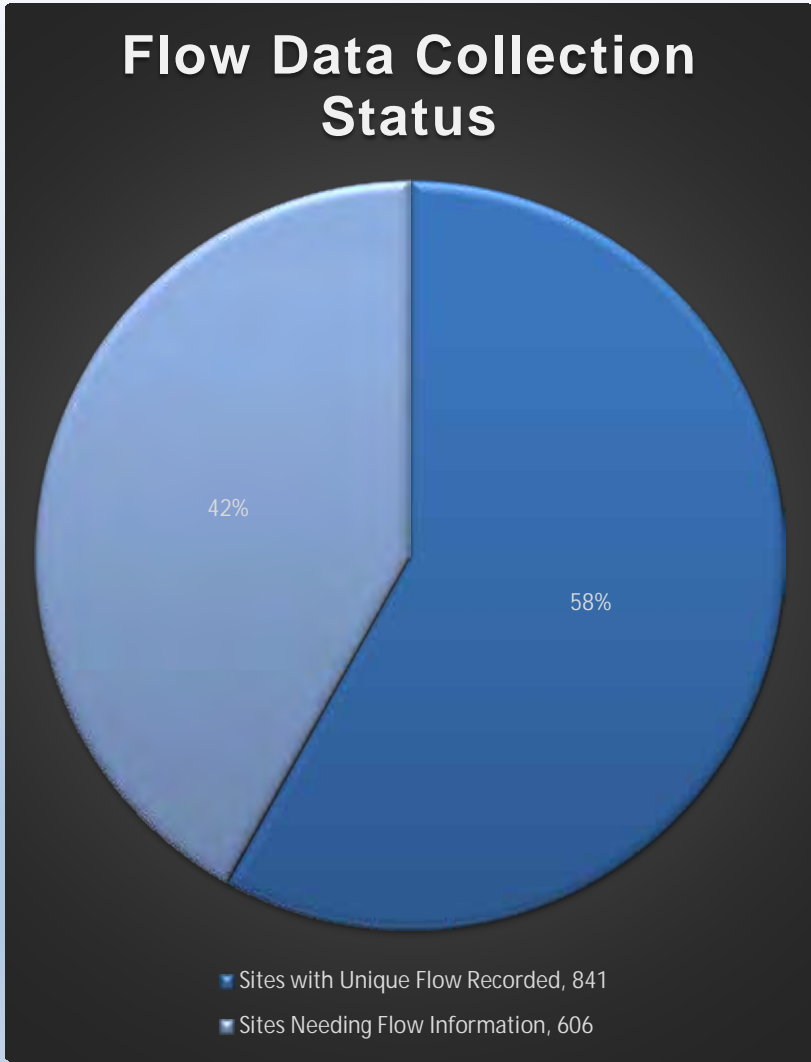


Figure 2. Status of flow data collection by source within the District’s agricultural monitoring network as of March 19, 2023.