SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board

FROM: Leroy Marshall, Director, Resource Management/ Projects Division

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

DATE: November 28, 2025

RE: Task Work Assignment 23/24-166.02, with Black & Veatch Corporation

RECOMMENDATION
Authorize the Executive Director to approve task work assignment 23/24-166.02 with Black & Veatch Corporation for the design and permitting of two drainage wells in Hamilton County for an amount not to exceed $238,149.

BACKGROUND

The Suwannee River Water Management District (District) intends to replace two existing Class V/Group 6 drainage wells within the Tiger Creek drainage basin southwest of Jasper. The existing wells were constructed in 1946, are in dilapidated condition, and are no longer hydraulically connected to the main drainage basin following development and construction of Interstate 75. The new wells will be located within this basin and will provide aquifer recharge and flood protection.

This Task Work Assignment (TWA) authorizes Black & Veatch Corporation to provide engineering, environmental, and permitting services necessary to design and permit the replacement wells and associated conveyance infrastructure. Work includes site assessments, wetland and seasonal high-water evaluations, preparation of construction and abandonment plans, and coordination with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection for permit applications and responses to requests for additional information.

The scope of work also includes the preparation of 30%, 90%, and 100% design plans and specifications, permitting assistance, and development of bid packages for well construction and abandonment. Black & Veatch Corporation will also provide project management and meeting support throughout the 41-week duration of this assignment. Well construction and abandonment will be funded under future phases.

Funding for this agreement is included in the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 budget.

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