

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board Members

FROM: Sharon M. Trost, P.G., AICP, Director, Regulation Division

DATE: February 16, 2012

SUBJECT: Approve an Interagency Agreement between the St. Johns River Water Management District (SJRWMD) and the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) authorizing the SFWMD to issue the Environmental Resource Permits for the Orlando-Orange County Expressway Authority (hereinafter "OOCEA") plans for certain road reconstruction and improvements associated with State Road 528 located in all or parts of Sections 29, 30, 31, 32, Township 23S, Range 30E, Orange County, Florida, (hereinafter the "Project").

RECOMMENDATION

Approve an Interagency Agreement between the SJRWMD and the SFWMD authorizing the SFWMD to issue any Environmental Resource Permits under Part IV of Chapter 373, Florida Statutes, for certain road construction and improvements associated with State Road 528 that lie within the jurisdictional boundaries of SJRWMD.

BACKGROUND

The Project is located within the jurisdictional boundaries of both the SFWMD and SJRWMD. However, the majority of the Project is within the jurisdictional boundaries of the SFWMD. Section 373.046(6), Florida Statutes, authorizes a water management district to designate, through an interagency agreement, regulatory responsibility to another water management district over a project which crosses the jurisdictional boundaries of both districts. For efficiency and effectiveness, both districts desire to designate SFWMD as the water management district with all regulatory responsibilities under Part IV of Chapter 373, Florida Statutes for the Project. Each District will retain its own regulatory responsibilities to issue any Consumptive Use Permits under Part II of Chapter 373, Florida Statutes.

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