

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY FOR RELEASE OF EASEMENT

PROJECT: Lake Okeechobee ASR
COUNTY: Glades
SIZE: 22.43 acres, more or less
PURPOSE: Release Easement to Underlying Fee Title Owner
APPLICANT: David Chapman

CONSIDERATIONS: In June, 2003, The Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund (TIITF) surplused certain lands in Section 23, Township 40 South, Range 32 East, Glades County, to David Chapman. As a condition of said surplus, the District requested an easement over a portion of the surplused lands to preserve the future right to build ASR wells on the property. The applicant purchased the property from TIITF at a cost of \$360,000 for 103.26+/- acres, subject to the District's easement. It has been determined that this 22.43+/- acre easement is no longer needed for District purposes.

FISCAL IMPACT: The District acquired the easement at no cost. All costs associated with this transaction shall be paid for by the Applicant, including but not limited to all recording costs.

AUTHORIZATION: The Governing Board, pursuant to Section 373.096 of the Florida Statutes may release any easement for which the District has no present or apparent future use under terms and conditions determined by the Governing Board.

RECOMMENDATION: A Resolution of the Governing Board of the South Florida Water Management District to approve releasing an easement containing 22.43 acres, more or less, Lake Okeechobee ASR Project, located in Section 23, Township 40 South, Range 32 East, Glades County, at no cost to the District; providing an effective date.

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