

LAND ACQUISITION EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

PROJECT: Pennsuco
COUNTY: Miami-Dade
SIZE: 2.5 acres
SELLER: Royal Palm Acres, Inc.
APPRAISED VALUE: \$45,000
PURCHASE PRICE: \$21,428

HIGHLIGHTS: Requesting approval of the purchase of land interests containing 2.5 acres, more or less, for the Pennsuco Project, in the amount of \$21,428.

CONSIDERATIONS: Pennsuco constitutes an area of approximately 13,000 acres in northwestern Miami-Dade County and is bordered to the west and north by Krome Avenue, to the south by Tamiami Trail and the east by the Dade-Broward Levee. The Pennsuco lands are within wetland prairie that is prime wildlife habitat and serves as a buffer between Miami-Dade County, to the east, and the Everglades, to the west. Acquisition of the Pennsuco wetland system was deemed to be of high priority in the "Miami Dade County Lake Belt Plan Implementation Committee Phase II Plan".

FISCAL IMPACT: The acquisition of this parcel is from a willing seller. The purchase price of the subject land is \$21,428. All costs are to be funded from the Lake Belt Mitigation Fund. Funding is available from the Lake Belt Mitigation Fund as reimbursement to the Wetland Mitigation Fund for shared restoration activities. Due to high efficiencies in conducting these restoration activities, the available funds may be used for land acquisition.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Governing Board of the South Florida Water Management District authorizes the fee acquisition of land interests containing 2.5 acres, more or less, in Miami-Dade County for the Pennsuco Project funded by the Lake Belt Mitigation Fund in the amount of \$21,428; approve declaring surplus, disposal of, and removal from the asset records, any such structures and improvements deemed unnecessary for the stated purpose of the original land acquisition; and approve the use of the Lake Belt Mitigation Fund.

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| Owner | Tract No. | Interest | Acres | Appraised Value | Purchase Price |
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| Royal Beach Acres, Inc. | W9 301-922 | Fee | 2.5 | \$45,000 | \$21,428 |

Attachments: Resolution and map

Conflicts:

Murray Felsen