

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board Members

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

DATE: December 27, 2011

SUBJECT: Approve an Interagency Agreement between the St. Johns River Water Management District (SJRWMD) and the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) authorizing the SJRWMD to issue the Environmental Resource Permits for the Florida Department of Transportation's (hereinafter "FDOT") plans for certain road reconstruction and improvements associated with US-1 located in all or parts of Section 6, Township 34S, Range 40E, St. Lucie County, Florida, and Sections 30 and 31, Township 33S, Range 40E, Indian River County, Florida (hereinafter the "Project").

RECOMMENDATION

Approve an Interagency Agreement between the SJRWMD and the SFWMD authorizing the SJRWMD to issue any Environmental Resource Permits under Part IV of Chapter 373, Florida Statutes, for certain road construction and improvements associated with US-1 that lie within the jurisdictional boundaries of SFWMD.

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 SJRWMD. 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 SJRWMD 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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