

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board Members

FROM: Chip Merriam, Deputy Executive Director

DATE: June 28, 2007

SUBJECT: **Approve Environmental Resource Permit Modification Application 050228-6 for conceptual approval of a surface water management system to serve an 1160-acre residential and commercial project known as Fort Dawson and construction and operation of the surface water management system to serve a 552-acre residential phase located in Martin County.**

RECOMMENDATION

This application is a request for Modification of an Environmental Resource Permit to authorize conceptual approval of a surface water management system to serve an 1160-acre residential and commercial project known as Fort Dawson and construction and operation of the surface water management system to serve a 552-acre residential phase. Staff recommends approval with conditions.

BACKGROUND

The project proposed in this application is the conversion of approximately 1160 acres of agricultural land (pasture) to a residential and commercial development. The proposed construction consists of 109 single-family lots that range from 2.0 to 5.69 acres in size, roadways and lakes. The future construction (conceptual approval) is for 92 single-family lots that range from 1.3 to 10.89 acres in size, 47 industrial lots that range from 0.38 to 7.52 acres in size, five-acre utility parcel, and roadways.

The project is located on the north side of Citrus Boulevard, east of Indiantown in Martin County. It is the site of the Indiantown Airport. Discharge is to the Troup Indiantown Drainage District Canal D with ultimate outfall to the C-44 Canal.

CERP ISSUES

Staff is bringing this to the Governing Board's attention since the project is located adjacent to the C-44 Reservoir/STA Project. Environmental Resource Regulation staff has coordinated review of this project with the C-44 Reservoir/STA Project Section Leader, who has determined that this application is not inconsistent with future restoration goals for this CERP project as currently envisioned.

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