

REAL ESTATE MANAGEMENT ITEM 3

DATE: February 23, 2022

TO: Mayor Jerry L. Demings

-AND-

County Commissioners

Mindy T. Cummings, Manager THROUGH:

Elizabeth Price Jackson, Senior Title Examiner Real Estate Management Division FROM:

CONTACT

PERSON: Mindy T. Cummings, Manager

DIVISION: Real Estate Management

Phone: (407) 836-7090

ACTION

REQUESTED: Approval and execution of Memorandum of Agreement between Orange

County, Florida and St. Johns River Water Management District.

PROJECT: Hal Scott Regional Preserve

District 5

PURPOSE: To allow the St. Johns River Water Management District to construct,

operate, and maintain a monitoring well and develop three wetland transects

over jointly owned lands known as Hal Scott Regional Preserve.

ITEM: Memorandum of Agreement between Orange County, Florida and St. Johns

River Water Management District.

APPROVALS: Real Estate Management Division

County Attorney's Office

Environmental Protection Division

Risk Management Division

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REMARKS:

St. Johns River Water Management District (SJRWMD) is to construct, operate, and maintain a monitoring well and develop three wetland transects (Project) over lands jointly owned by SJRWMD and County to support the Central Florida Water Initiative efforts. SJRWMD has requested permission from County and County has agreed to allow SJRWMD to work on the Project. The Memorandum of Agreement sets terms and conditions agreed upon by both SJRWMD and County to allow SJRWMD to conduct the Project.

Neither party may record this MOA or any memorandum thereof.

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA AND ST. JOHNS RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

This Memorandum of Agreement ("MOA") is made and entered as of the last date executed below ("Effective Date"), by and between the ST. JOHNS RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT, a public body existing under Chapter 373, Florida Statutes ("District"), whose address is 4049 Reid Street, Palatka, Florida 32177 and ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA, a charter county and political subdivision of the state of Florida ("County"), whose address is P. O. Box 1393, Orlando, Florida 32802-1393 (together, the "Parties"). Wherever used herein the terms "District", "County" and "Parties" include their legal representatives, successors and assigns.

RECITALS

- A. District and County each hold an undivided interest in that certain property bearing Parcel Identification Number 01-23-32-0000-00-004 (the "Property"). The Property is a portion of a larger tract of land known as Hal Scott Preserve.
- B. District and County are part of the Central Florida Water Initiative ("CFWI"), which is a collaborative water supply planning effort made up of various government agencies and stakeholder groups.
- C. District and County desire to use the portion of the Property more particularly described on Exhibit "A" attached to this MOA (collectively, the "Parcel") for the construction and operation of a monitoring well and the development of three (3) wetland transects. The data collected from the monitoring well and wetland transects will be used by District and CFWI in monitoring and assessing water resources.
- D. District and County manage the Property pursuant to an Intergovernmental Management Agreement ("Management Agreement") among the Parties, dated February 9, 2000, as amended December 15, 2005, and May 30, 2014. In District email dated July 9, 2021, attached hereto as Exhibit "B" ("Management Letter"), District Bureau of Land Resources indicates the proposed District installing and operating a monitoring well and collecting data for water supply planning, ground water modeling, and water use regulation and consumption do not conflict with any portion of the Land Management Plan.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and conditions contained in this MOA, the Parties agree as follows:

- 1. **Recitals and Exhibits**. The recitals set forth above and the attached exhibits are incorporated into this MOA and made part of this MOA by reference.
- 2. **District's Use of the Parcel**. District's use of the Parcel is subject to, and may not unreasonably interfere with, County's use of the Property. District will minimize any

interference with County's use of the Property by providing reasonable notice prior to, and cooperation in the scheduling of, all activities that may interfere with the activities of County. District will confine its operations addressed by this MOA on the Property (except as required for egress and ingress) to the areas shown on Exhibits A-1 and A-2. District will locate the monitoring well within the portion of the Parcel described on Exhibit "A-1". District will locate the wetland transects within the portion of the Parcel described on Exhibit "A-2". County reserves all rights of use not in conflict with this MOA or the Management Agreement.

- 3. **Construction, Operation, and Maintenance.** The Parties agree that other than the construction of the well (including well maintenance, repair, and replacement) and the development and maintenance of the wetland transects, no construction or development activities will occur within the well and transect areas depicted on Exhibit "A." District will design, engineer, permit, construct, operate, monitor, maintain, repair, replace, and develop the monitoring well and wetland transects at District's sole cost and expense. District will monitor the wetland vegetation every five (5) years to determine if the depletion of the groundwater has negatively affected the wetlands.
- 4. **Permits and Licenses.** District, at no expense to County, will obtain any and all permits, approvals, and licenses which may be required for the District's activities described herein.
- 5. **Compliance with Applicable Laws.** District will comply with all applicable federal, state, and local rules, orders, laws and regulations pertaining to the use of the Parcel and the activities described herein.
- 6. **Term.** The term of this MOA will commence on the Effective Date and will continue for as long as District continues to use the well for monitoring and collection of ground water data pursuant to this MOA. Upon the expiration of the term of this MOA. District will, at its sole cost and expense, remove all equipment, accessories, and materials owned by the District (collectively, the "District Personal Property") from the Parcel and abandon the monitoring well in accordance with Section 40C-3.531, Florida Administrative Code, as amended from time to time.
- 7. **Parties.** The rights and obligations created by this MOA are binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Parties hereto and their successors.
- 8. **Notices.** Any notice or communication that either Party is required to give to the other hereunder must be in writing and either served personally by hand-delivery, overnight mail, next-day courier delivery, or by registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, addressed as follows:

To County: Orange County

Real Estate Management Division 400 E. South Street, 5th Floor

Orlando, Florida 32802

(407) 836-7070

With copy to: Orange County

Environmental Protection Division

Beth Jackson, Environmental Program Supervisor

Green PLACE Program

3165 McCrory Place, Suite 200

Orlando, Florida 32803

(407) 836-1481

To District: St. Johns River Water Management District

Real Estate Services Director

4049 Reid Street/Highway 100 West

Palatka, Florida 32177

(386) 329-2342

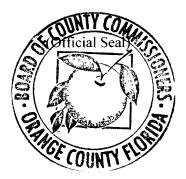
or to such other address as any of the above Parties may from time to time designate by written notice, delivered pursuant to the terms of this paragraph. All such notices delivered hereunder will be effective upon delivery.

- 9. **Entire Agreement.** This MOA constitutes the entire agreement of the Parties, and there are no understandings dealing with the subject matter of this MOA other than those contained herein. No modification of this MOA will be binding on the Parties unless reduced to writing and signed by a duly authorized representative of the Parties hereto or their successors.
 - 10. **Recording.** Neither Party may record this MOA or any memorandum thereof.
- 11. **Non-Waiver of District's Regulatory Powers.** Nothing contained in this MOA will be construed as a waiver of or contract with respect to the regulatory and permitting authority of either County or District as it now or hereafter exists under applicable laws, rules, and regulations.
- 12. **Liability and Insurance**. Each Party is responsible for all personal injury and property damage attributable to the negligent acts or omissions of that Party, its officers, employees, and agents. Nothing contained herein shall be construed or interpreted as denying to any Party any remedy or defense available under the laws of the state of Florida, nor as a waiver of sovereign immunity of the state of Florida beyond the waiver provided for in section 768.28. Fla. Stat., as amended. Each Party shall acquire and maintain throughout the term of this agreement such liability, workers' compensation, and automobile insurance as required by their current rules and regulations.

- 13. **Governing Law, Severability, and Interpretation.** This MOA will be construed and interpreted according to the laws of the State of Florida. Venue for any action, suit, or proceeding brought to recover any sum due under, or to enforce compliance with, this MOA shall lie in the court of competent jurisdiction in and for Orange County. Florida: each Party hereby specifically consents to the exclusive personal jurisdiction and exclusive venue of such court. Any provision found to be unlawful or unenforceable will be severable and will not affect the validity of the remaining provisions. Unless the context clearly and unmistakably requires otherwise, terms such as "a Party will take Action X" mean that the Party is required to take Action X: likewise, "a Party will not take Action Z" means that the Party is prohibited from taking Action Z.
- 14. **Attorney's Fees.** In the event of any legal action to enforce the terms of this MOA, each party will bear its own attorney's fee and costs.
- 15. **Further Documentation.** The Parties agree to cooperate with each other and to expeditiously execute, obtain and deliver any documents, approvals, or other authorizations reasonably necessary to carry out the obligations of the Parties hereunder.
- 16. **Execution.** This MOA may be executed in counterparts, each of which will be deemed an original and which taken together will constitute one and the same instrument.
- 17. **Effective Date.** This MOA will become effective on the date when the last of the Parties has executed the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this MOA on the day and year set forth below.

(SIGNATURE PAGES FOLLOW)



COUNTY

ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA By: Board of County Commissioners

Jerry L. Demings Orange County Mayor

DATE: 8 March 2022

ATTEST: Phil Diamond, CPA, County Comptroller

As Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners

BY: Emily Rivera

Emily Rivera

DISTRICT

ST. JOHNS RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT, a public body existing under Chapter 373. Florida Statutes

Michael A. Register, P.E.

Executive Director

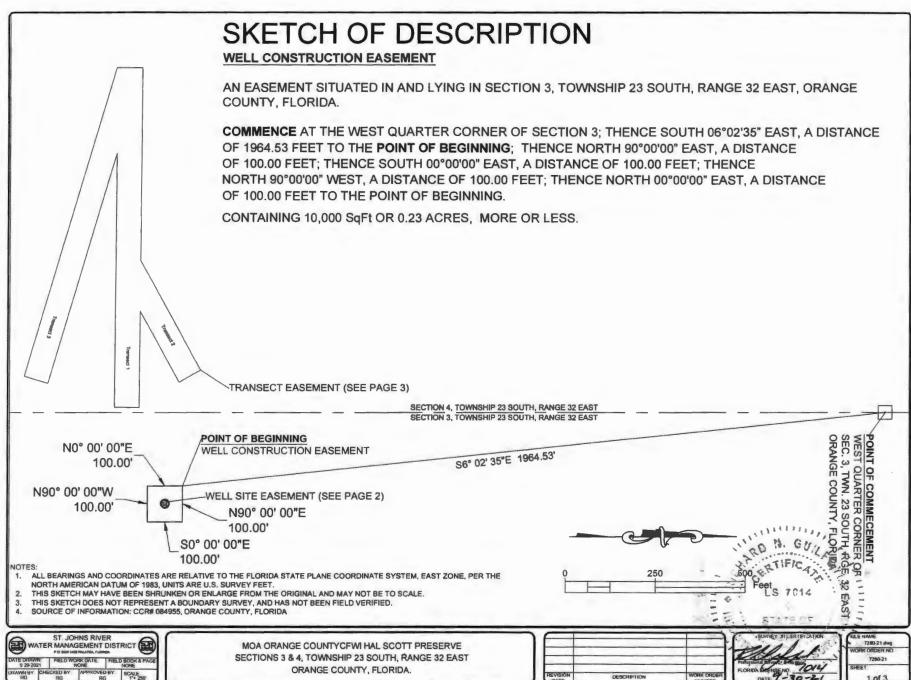
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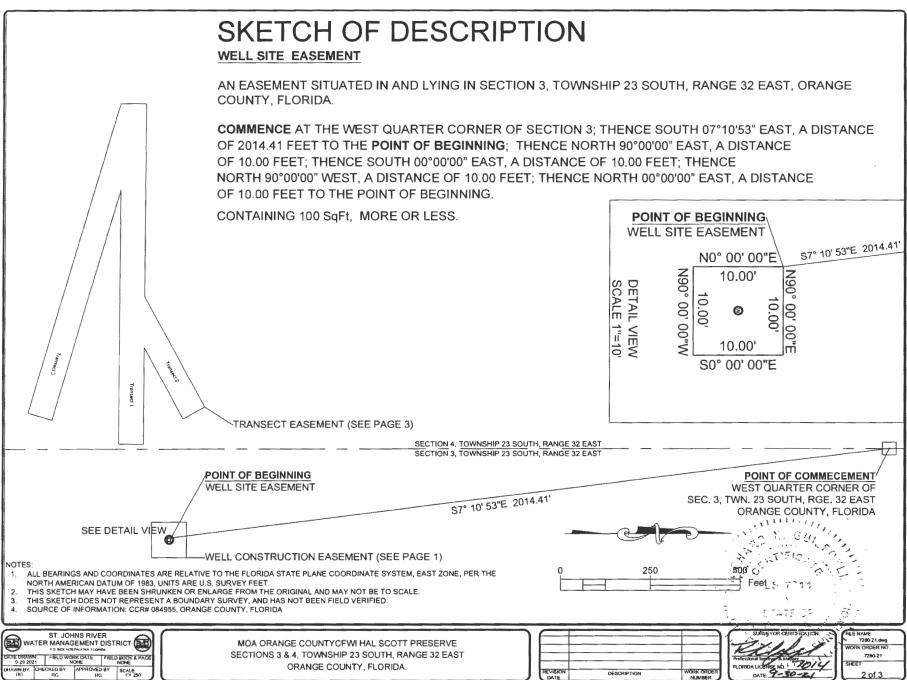
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Senior Assistant General Counsel

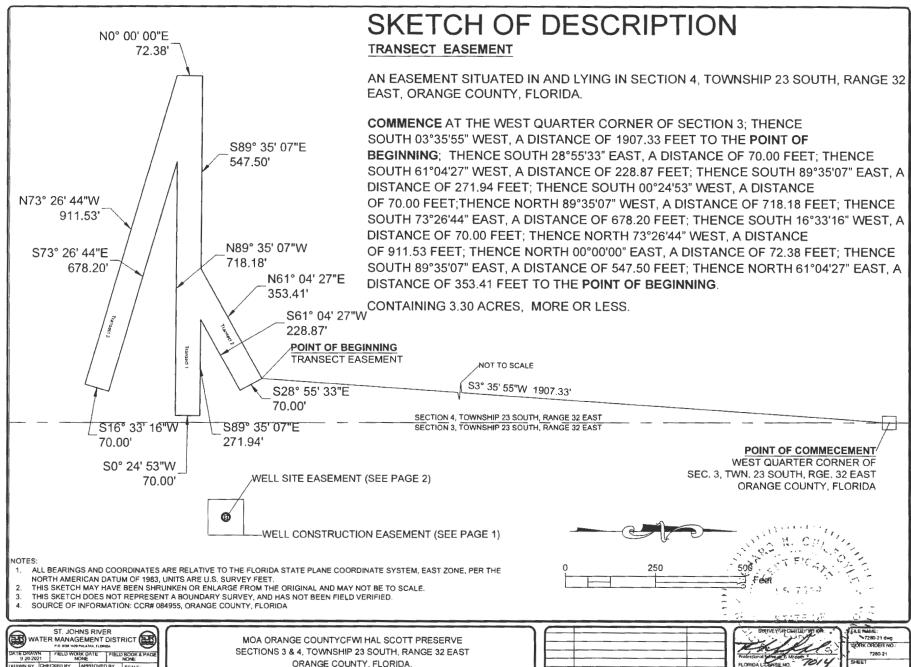




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Exhibit B

From:

Brent Bachelder

To:

Cindy Hair

Cc:

Graham Williams; Peter Henn; Erich Marzolf; Brian Emanuel

Subject:

CFWI Hai Scott Preserve

Date: Attachments: Friday, July 9, 2021 12:19:28 PM CFWI 2021.06.23 Request Form.pdf

Re CFWI monitoring well and transects in Hal Scott Preserve.msg

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Hi Cindy,

The 2013 Hal Scott Regional Preserve and Park Land Management Plan has been reviewed for any conditions that prohibit the activities outlined in the attached Central Florida Water Initiative Request for Easement or Permissive Use Agreement. It does not appear the activities outlined in the attached Request conflict with any portion of the Land Management Plan.

Please let me know if I can provide any additional information.

Sincerely,

Brent Bachelder

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Land Resource Specialist

Bureau of Land Resources

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