

**Northwest Florida Water Management District  
Governing Board Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, December 12, 2024  
81 Water Management Drive  
Havana, Florida 32333**

1. Opening Ceremonies

Called to order at 1:01 p.m.

Savannah Shell called the roll and a quorum was declared present.

Present: George Roberts, Chair; Jerry Pate, Vice Chair; Nick Patronis, Secretary-Treasurer; John Alter; Gus Andrews; Kellie Ralston; Anna Upton

Absent: Ted Everett

2. Special Thanks and Recognition

Chair Roberts wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

3. Changes to the Agenda

None.

4. Consideration of the following Items Collectively by Consent:

MOTIONED BY NICK PATRONIS, SECONDED BY GUS ANDREWS, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE ITEMS A, B, C, AND D IN THE CONSENT AGENDA CONTINGENT UPON LEGAL REVIEW AND OTHER ACTIONS AS REQUIRED BY FLORIDA STATUTES. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

A. Approval of the Minutes for November 14, 2024

Approve the Minutes for November 14, 2024, Governing Board meeting.

B. Approval of the Financial Reports for the Month of October 2024

Approve the Financial Reports for the Month of October 2024.

C. Approval of the 2025 Governing Board Meeting Schedule

Approve the 2025 Governing Board meeting schedule.

D. Consideration of Satelytics Sole Source Satellite Based Water Quality Mapping Services During Fiscal Year 2024-2025

Authorize the Executive Director to approve moving forward with the sole source procurement process and execute contracts with Satelytics, Inc. for satellite-based water quality mapping services not to exceed \$400,000 during Fiscal Year 2024-2025, subject to legal counsel review.

5. Consideration of Acceptance of Audit Reports and Approval of Work Plans

MOTIONED BY JOHN ALTER, SECONDED BY JERRY PATE, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE REPORT NO. 25-01 AND APPROVE THE INSPECTOR GENERAL'S THREE-YEAR AUDIT WORK PLAN FOR FISCAL YEARS 2023-2024 THROUGH 2025-2026 AND THE ANNUAL INTERNAL AUDIT WORK PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

6. Consideration of Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Preliminary Budget

MOTIONED BY KELLIE RALSTON, SECONDED BY NICK PATRONIS, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE THE FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 PRELIMINARY BUDGET AS PRESENTED AND ALLOW STAFF TO MAKE CHANGES BASED ON COLLABORATION WITH THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR AND DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND SUBMIT THE FINAL DOCUMENT TO THE LEGISLATURE BY JANUARY 15, 2025. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

7. Consideration of Amendment No. 1 to the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Adopted Budget

MOTIONED BY KELLIE RALSTON, SECONDED BY NICK PATRONIS, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE AND ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 948 AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 BUDGET AND ALLOW STAFF TO REALIGN REVENUES AND RESERVES TO MAINTAIN THE PROPER BALANCE IN EACH FUND. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

8. Consideration of ITB 25B-003 for Cotton Landing Road Repair Services

MOTIONED BY KELLIE RALSTON, SECONDED BY JOHN ALTER, THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD APPROVE THE BIDS RECEIVED IN RESPONSE TO INVITATION TO BID 25B-003 FOR COTTON LANDING ROAD REPAIR SERVICES AND AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH CHAPEL BRANCH & LAGNIAPPE, LLC IN AN AMOUNT UP TO \$95,365.00 TO FACILITATE THIS WORK, SUBJECT TO LEGAL COUNSEL REVIEW. NO PUBLIC COMMENT WAS GIVEN. MOTION CARRIED.

9. Grant Cycles for Springs and Alternative Water Supply Development

Informational purposes only.

10. Update on Operation Outdoor Freedom Events

Informational purposes only.

11. Executive Director's Performance Evaluation

12. Legal Counsel Report

Breck Brannen provided a status update on the case referenced below.

William and Ashley Merryman v. St. Johns River Water Management District, et al., United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida (Jacksonville Division) Case No. 3:24-cv-00658-WWB-JBT

13. Executive Director Report

Meeting was adjourned at 1:50 p.m.

NORTHWEST FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
Financial Report  
Summary Statement of Receipts, Disbursements & Cash Balances  
For Month Ending November 30, 2024

Balance Forward - Operating Funds	\$38,214,946.51	
Operating Funds Received in current month:		
Revenue Receipts, Current	\$ 548,153.09	
Contracts Receivable	712,411.55	
Other Deposits/Refunds/Adjustments	88,745.77	
Transfers from Lands Accounts	<u>0.00</u>	
Total Deposits during month		<u>1,349,310.41</u>
 Total Deposits and Balance Forward		 \$ 39,564,256.92
Disbursements:		
Employee Salaries	948,901.95	
Employee Benefits	218,893.73	
Employee Flexible Spending Account	0.00	
Contractual Services (Professional)	402,044.86	
Operating Expenses - Services	187,181.06	
Operating Expenses - Commodities	38,141.09	
Operating Capital Outlay	0.00	
Grants and Aids	<u>1,807,156.31</u>	
Total Operating Expenses during month		3,602,319.00
Payables, Prior Year	762.79	
Other Disbursements or (Credits)	<u>15,834.68</u>	
Total Funds Disbursed by check during month		3,618,916.47
Bank Debits (Fees, Deposit Slips, etc.)	0.00	
Transfer to Land Acquisition Account	<u>0.00</u>	
Total Funds Disbursed		<u>3,618,916.47</u>
 Cash Balance Operating Funds at month end		 \$ 35,945,340.45
Operating Depositories:		
Petty Cash Fund	250.25	
Bank of America:		
General Fund Checking	2,433,834.95	
Payroll Account	6,000.00	8,203.49
Passthrough (EFT) Account	2,516.93	
Investment Accounts:		
Fla. Board of Administration @ 4.87%		
General Fund	13,274,644.69	
Lands Fee Fund	3,435,239.67	
Ecosystem TF	191.89	
Water Prot. & Sust. Program TF	291.29	
Okaloosa Regional Reuse	102,220.80	
Mitigation Fund	<u>16,690,149.98</u>	
 Total Operating Depositories at month end		 \$ 35,945,340.45

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Land Acquisition Funds:

Fla. Board of Administration @ 4.87%	\$	292,290.70	
Total Land Acquisition Funds			292,290.70

Restricted Management Funds:

Fla. Board of Administration Phipps Land Management Account @ 4.87%		44,290.74	
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Fla. Board of Administration Cypress Springs R&M Account @ 4.87%		876,021.91	
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Total Restricted Land Management Funds			<u>920,312.65</u>
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Total Land Acquisition, and Restricted Management Funds			<u>1,212,603.35</u>
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TOTAL OPERATING, LAND ACQUISITION, & RESTRICTED FUNDS AT MONTH END			<u>\$ 1,212,603.35</u>
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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Chairman or Executive Director

Date: January 9, 2025

**Northwest Florida Water Management District  
Statement of Sources and Uses of Funds  
For the Period ending November 30, 2024  
(Unaudited)**

	<b>Current Budget</b>	<b>Actuals Through 11/30/2024</b>	<b>Variance (under)/Over Budget</b>	<b>Actuals As A % of Budget</b>
<b>Sources</b>				
Ad Valorem Property Taxes	\$ 4,025,000	\$ 341,676	\$ (3,683,324)	8%
Intergovernmental Revenues	102,271,467	-	(102,271,467)	0%
Interest on Invested Funds	96,250	284,541	188,291	296%
License and Permit Fees	655,000	90,990	(564,010)	14%
Other	1,159,363	107,590	(1,051,773)	9%
Fund Balance	28,816,044		(28,816,044)	0%
<b>Total Sources</b>	<b>\$ 137,023,124</b>	<b>\$ 824,797</b>	<b>\$ (136,198,327)</b>	<b>1%</b>

	<b>Current Budget</b>	<b>Expenditures</b>	<b>Encumbrances <sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Available Budget</b>	<b>%Expended</b>	<b>%Obligated <sup>2</sup></b>
<b>Uses</b>						
Water Resources Planning and Monitoring	\$ 9,228,582	\$ 541,368	\$ 159,134	\$ 8,528,080	6%	8%
Acquisition, Restoration and Public Works	85,847,047	151,009	6,095,259	79,600,780	0%	7%
Operation and Maintenance of Lands and Works	10,462,419	871,834	2,671,058	6,919,527	8%	34%
Regulation	4,816,851	593,544	289,290	3,934,017	12%	18%
Outreach	165,926	28,704	499	136,723	17%	18%
Management and Administration	3,149,707	385,226	69,240	2,695,241	12%	14%
<b>Total Uses</b>	<b>\$ 113,670,532</b>	<b>\$ 2,571,684</b>	<b>\$ 9,284,481</b>	<b>\$ 101,814,367</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>10%</b>
Reserves	23,352,592			23,352,592	0%	0%
<b>Total Uses and Reserves</b>	<b>\$ 137,023,124</b>	<b>\$ 2,571,684</b>	<b>\$ 9,284,481</b>	<b>\$ 125,166,959</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>9%</b>

<sup>1</sup> Encumbrances represent unexpended balances of open purchase orders.

<sup>2</sup> Represents the sum of expenditures and encumbrances as a percentage of the available budget.

This unaudited financial statement is prepared as of November 30, 2024, and covers the interim period since the most recent audited financial statements.

NORTHWEST FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
 SCHEDULE OF DISBURSEMENTS  
 GENERAL FUND  
 NOVEMBER 2024

CHECKS	11/01/2024	\$ 218,169.58
ACH TRANSFERS	11/01/2024	100,650.81
DIRECT DISBURSEMENTS	11/01/2024	79,551.57
RETIREMENT	11/05/2024	206.79
CHECKS	11/07/2024	9,950.58
CHECKS	11/07/2024	5,906.10
VOIDED CHECK	11/07/2024	-360.00
ACH TRANSFERS	11/08/2024	1,774,074.24
ACH TRANSFERS	11/08/2024	256,776.86
DIRECT DISBURSEMENTS	11/08/2024	285.00
CHECKS	11/14/2024	8,340.55
ACH TRANSFERS	11/15/2024	48,921.32
DIRECT DISBURSEMENTS	11/15/2024	51,713.53
VOIDED CHECK	11/20/2024	-51,660.53
CHECKS	11/22/2024	43,258.05
ACH TRANSFERS	11/22/2024	34,153.67
DIRECT DISBURSEMENTS	11/22/2024	25,052.45
CHECKS	11/26/2024	5,781.57
ACH TRANSFERS	11/26/2024	10,900.41
		\$ <u>2,621,672.55</u>

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 Chairman or Executive Director

January 9, 2025  
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 Date

**NORTHWEST FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

<b>VENDOR</b>	<b>NAME</b>	<b>CHECK DATE</b>	<b>INVOICE NET</b>	<b>INVOICE DESCRIPTION</b>
95	AT&T	11/1/2024	658.60	PHONE SERVICE EFO
1616	BLUE CROSS/BLUE SHIELD OF FLORIDA	11/1/2024	728.92	BCBS MEDICARE
2171	ESRI, INCORPORATED	11/1/2024	74,300.00	ESRI ENTERPRISE ADVANTAGE PROGRAM (EEAP)
3266	LOWE'S COMPANIES INC.	11/1/2024	238.04	LOWES ORDER
3266	LOWE'S COMPANIES INC.	11/1/2024	243.21	LOPLS SUPPLIES
624	MARPAN SUPPLY COMPANY, INC.	11/1/2024	196.90	US AND STATE FLAGS FOR HQ
3406	NEECE TRUCK TIRE CENTER INC.	11/1/2024	1,093.55	TIRES/INSTALL FOR LANDS AND POOL VEHICLES
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5933	ROGERS BROTHERS LAND CLEARING LLC	11/1/2024	25,098.10	DISTRICT ROAD REPAIR SERVICES
6010	STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE	11/1/2024	175.00	ANNUAL SPECIAL DISTRICT FEE
4832	SUN LIFE FINANCIAL	11/1/2024	5,488.46	SUNLIFE ACCT 4 - DENTAL
4832	SUN LIFE FINANCIAL	11/1/2024	46.90	SUNLIFE ACCT 5 PRE PAID DENTAL
4834	SUN LIFE FINANCIAL	11/1/2024	83.30	EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
4834	SUN LIFE FINANCIAL	11/1/2024	1,072.52	SUNLIFE ACCT 1
4834	SUN LIFE FINANCIAL	11/1/2024	2,757.67	SUNLIFE ACCT 2 VOL LIFE
4833	SUN LIFE FINANCIAL	11/1/2024	1,007.31	SUNLIFE ACCT 3 - VOL LTD
5250	SUN LIFE FINANCIAL - VISION	11/1/2024	605.08	SUNLIFE ACCT 6 VISION
5200	SUPER SIGNS	11/1/2024	1,250.00	NWFWMD LOGO DECALS FOR FLEET VEHICLES
3941	TYLER TECHNOLOGIES, INC.	11/1/2024	102,032.47	MUNIS LICENSE AND SUPPORT
<b>TOTAL CHECKS</b>			<b>\$ 218,169.58</b>	
3293	ANGUS G. ANDREWS, JR.	11/1/2024	8,125.00	DFO LEASE AGREEMENT - CONTRACT PO
3113	RAY GLASS' BATTERIES, INC.	11/1/2024	1,299.80	12V 35AH AND 12V 12AH BATTERIES
1617	CAPITAL HEALTH PLAN	11/1/2024	90,106.10	CHP MEDICAL
3492	GEOTECH ENVIRONMENTAL EQUIP, INC.	11/1/2024	972.01	SAMPLING SUPPLIES - TUBING AND FILTERS
5218	WAGeworks, INC.	11/1/2024	147.90	FLEXIBLE SPENDING ACCOUNT ADMINISTRATION
<b>TOTAL ACH DISBURSEMENTS</b>			<b>\$ 100,650.81</b>	
1616	BLUE CROSS/BLUE SHIELD OF FLORIDA	11/1/2024	77,425.82	BCBS MEDICAL
1616	BLUE CROSS/BLUE SHIELD OF FLORIDA	11/1/2024	2,125.75	BEBS RETIREE
1616	BLUE CROSS/BLUE SHIELD OF FLORIDA	10/29/2024	1,022.02	BCBS RETIREE
<b>TOTAL DIRECT DISBURSEMENTS</b>			<b>\$ 80,573.59</b>	
<b>TOTAL AP</b>			<b>\$ 399,393.98</b>	
26	FL. SECRETARY OF STATE DIV OF ADMIN SERV	11/7/2024	29.82	LEGAL ADS FOR GOVERNING BOARD
26	FL. SECRETARY OF STATE DIV OF ADMIN SERV	11/7/2024	12.04	FAR NOTICES
26	FL. SECRETARY OF STATE DIV OF ADMIN SERV	11/7/2024	59.08	FAR AD FEES FOR ITBS, RFPS & PUBLIC NOTICES FOR ASM

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3399	FLORIDA STORMWATER ASSOC., INC.	11/7/2024	850.00	FSA MEMBERSHIP
5474	HATCHER PUBLISHING INC	11/7/2024	46.60	LEGAL ADS-WATER USE PERMITS
5474	HATCHER PUBLISHING INC	11/7/2024	46.60	LEGAL ADS-WATER USE PERMITS
3266	LOWE'S COMPANIES INC.	11/7/2024	27.00	8FT STEP LADDER FOR SHOP
4358	UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA (IFAS)	11/7/2024	8,631.42	SOD BASED CROP ROTATION SYSTEM
5855	WASTE AWAY GROUP INC	11/7/2024	248.02	DUMPSTER SERVICES FOR COTTON LANDING - CHOCTAW
<b>TOTAL CHECKS</b>			<b>\$ 9,950.58</b>	
3506	THOMAS E. BROWN	11/8/2024	236.92	TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT
3771	CHOCTAWHATCHEE BASIN ALLIANCE	11/8/2024	24,099.41	ALLIANCE RESTORATION PROGRAM
771	CITY OF MARIANNA	11/8/2024	265,740.84	TARA ESTATES SEWER PROJECT
4300	DYER, RIDDLE, MILLS & PRECOURT, INC.	11/8/2024	8,150.00	SURVEYING SERVICES
3002	FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY	11/8/2024	1,128.93	OFFSITE DATA STORAGE
6045	MILTON GAZETTE LLC	11/8/2024	108.50	LEGAL ADS-WATER USE PERMITS
5947	PREVENTIA SECURITY LLC	11/8/2024	425.00	ANNUAL FIRE ALARM INSPECTION FOR DFO
4618	WAKULLA COUNTY BOCC	11/8/2024	1,474,184.64	WAKULLA COUNTY SEWER EXPANSION
<b>TOTAL ACH DISBURSEMENTS</b>			<b>\$ 1,774,074.24</b>	
<b>TOTAL AP</b>			<b>\$ 1,784,024.82</b>	
5123	ROBERT G BUSH	11/7/2024	50.00	REFUND WITHDRAWN PERMIT #319927-1
916	FPL NORTHWEST FLORIDA	11/7/2024	594.23	DEFUNIAK ELECTRIC
3003	HAVANA FORD, INC.	11/7/2024	75.24	RUNNING PO FOR MINOR REPAIRS FOR HQ VEHICLES
5993	JAMEY GILLEY	11/7/2024	162.00	TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT
3406	NEECE TRUCK TIRE CENTER INC.	11/7/2024	46.00	TIRE REPLACEMENT FOR WMD-97179
6047	NORTH AMERICAN FARMS INC	11/7/2024	3,000.00	REFUND WITHDRAWN WUP WELL PERMIT #5754-9
5629	ROAD MART OF FLORIDA, LLC	11/7/2024	404.48	FRONT END REPAIR WMD96372
4577	SOUTHERN TIRE MART, LLC	11/7/2024	306.50	REPLACEMENT TIRES FOR SEA ARK BOAT TRAILER
6086	TOTAL CLEANING OF NWFL LLC	11/7/2024	480.00	JANITORIAL SERVICES EFO
4626	WASTE PRO OF FLORIDA, INC	11/7/2024	199.10	SOLID WASTE HQ
4626	WASTE PRO OF FLORIDA, INC	11/7/2024	218.55	DUMPSTER FOR ECONFINA OFFICE AND CANOE LAUNCH
5081	WILLIAMS COMMUNICATIONS, INC.	11/7/2024	185.00	GPS INSTALL INTO FY23-24 VEHICLES
5081	WILLIAMS COMMUNICATIONS, INC.	11/7/2024	185.00	GPS INSTALL INTO FY23-24 VEHICLES
<b>TOTAL CHECKS</b>			<b>\$ 5,906.10</b>	
5985	BRIAN SCHUMANN	11/8/2024	188.00	TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT
3269	CDW GOVERNMENT, INC.	11/8/2024	19,128.18	OKTA MFA RENEWAL
5999	DOUBLE B TRUCKING LLC	11/8/2024	89,690.56	DISTRICT ROAD REPAIRS



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3942	A & W VENTURES, L.C.	11/8/2024	305.00	PORTABLE ADA TOILET FOR PHIPPS PARK
5984	JUSTIN ALBRITTON	11/8/2024	162.00	TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT
5124	CHRISTOPHER MICHAEL KENT	11/8/2024	188.00	TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT
5791	MOHAWK VALLEY MATERIALS, INC.	11/8/2024	142,175.00	DISTRICT ROAD REPAIR SERVICES
5947	PREVENTIA SECURITY LLC	11/8/2024	75.00	DEFUNIAK OFFICE FIRE/ALARM
5947	PREVENTIA SECURITY LLC	11/8/2024	75.00	DEFUNIAK OFFICE FIRE/ALARM
5651	SGS TECHNOLOGIE, LLC	11/8/2024	373.37	WEB HOSTING AND MAINTENANCE CONTRACT#19-022
4642	COAKLEY TAYLOR	11/8/2024	162.00	TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT
5884	TRE INDUSTRIES LLC	11/8/2024	50.00	LABORATORY TESTING
5218	WAGeworks, INC.	11/8/2024	254.75	FLEXIBLE SPENDING ACCOUNT ADMINISTRATION
3732	MATTHEW WHITFIELD	11/8/2024	162.00	TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT
5060	XTREME LOGISTICS GULF COAST, LLC	11/8/2024	289.00	RENTAL & SERVICE FOR PORTABLE
5060	XTREME LOGISTICS GULF COAST, LLC	11/8/2024	190.00	RENTAL & SERVICE FOR PORTABLE
5060	XTREME LOGISTICS GULF COAST, LLC	11/8/2024	487.00	RENTAL & SERVICE FOR PORTABLE
5060	XTREME LOGISTICS GULF COAST, LLC	11/8/2024	289.00	RENTAL & SERVICE FOR PORTABLE
5060	XTREME LOGISTICS GULF COAST, LLC	11/8/2024	190.00	RENTAL & SERVICE FOR PORTABLE
5060	XTREME LOGISTICS GULF COAST, LLC	11/8/2024	479.00	RENTAL & SERVICE FOR PORTABLE
5060	XTREME LOGISTICS GULF COAST, LLC	11/8/2024	289.00	RENTAL & SERVICE FOR PORTABLE
5060	XTREME LOGISTICS GULF COAST, LLC	11/8/2024	380.00	RENTAL & SERVICE FOR PORTABLE
5060	XTREME LOGISTICS GULF COAST, LLC	11/8/2024	190.00	RENTAL & SERVICE FOR PORTABLE
5060	XTREME LOGISTICS GULF COAST, LLC	11/8/2024	190.00	RENTAL & SERVICE FOR PORTABLE
5060	XTREME LOGISTICS GULF COAST, LLC	11/8/2024	390.00	RENTAL & SERVICE FOR PORTABLE
5060	XTREME LOGISTICS GULF COAST, LLC	11/8/2024	200.00	RENTAL & SERVICE FOR PORTABLE
5060	XTREME LOGISTICS GULF COAST, LLC	11/8/2024	225.00	RENTAL & SERVICE FOR PORTABLE
<b>TOTAL ACH DISBURSEMENTS</b>			<b>\$ 256,776.86</b>	
5944	REFUND NIC	11/8/2024	50.00	REFUND FOR OVERPAYMENT FOR PERMIT# 320814-1
5944	REFUND NIC	11/8/2024	50.00	REFUND WITHDRAWN WELL PERMIT # 319376-1
5944	REFUND NIC	11/8/2024	35.00	REFUND FOR OVERPAYMENT FOR PERMIT# 320717-3
5944	REFUND NIC	11/8/2024	50.00	REFUND FOR OVERPAYMENT OF WELL PERMIT #320918-1
5944	REFUND NIC	11/8/2024	100.00	321028 WILLIAM BRYAN WALKER WITHDRAWAL REFUND
<b>TOTAL DIRECT DISBURSEMENTS</b>			<b>\$ 285.00</b>	
<b>TOTAL AP</b>			<b>\$ 262,967.96</b>	
2197	A J TROPHIES & AWARDS INC	11/14/2024	74.70	PROMOTIONAL ITEMS
6090	BLUEWATER BAY DEVELOPEMENT VENTURE LLC	11/14/2024	50.00	REFUND WITHDRAWN WUP WELL PERMIT# 3011-11
319	THE COUNTY RECORD	11/14/2024	31.50	LEGAL AD - WATER USE PERMITS
4748	EAST MILTON WATER SYSTEM	11/14/2024	27.46	WATER SERVICE MILTON

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4469	ESCAMBIA SHERIFFS OFFICE	11/14/2024	20.00	PROCESS SERVER - WELLS
916	FPL NORTHWEST FLORIDA	11/14/2024	191.98	MILTON ELECTRIC
3003	HAVANA FORD, INC.	11/14/2024	299.36	RUNNING PO FOR MINOR REPAIRS FOR HQ VEHICLES
3003	HAVANA FORD, INC.	11/14/2024	75.24	RUNNING PO FOR MINOR REPAIRS FOR HQ VEHICLES
3193	INSURANCE INFORMATION EXCHANGE	11/14/2024	85.34	BACKGROUND SCREENING
5993	JAMEY GILLEY	11/14/2024	168.00	TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT WEEK 2
5993	JAMEY GILLEY	11/14/2024	168.00	TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT WEEK 3
2446	NATIONAL GROUND WATER ASSOCIATION	11/14/2024	360.00	NGWA MEMBERSHIP
5626	NATIONAL TIRE BROKERS CORPORATION	11/14/2024	827.32	TIRES FOR WMD-96271
63	NORTHWEST FLORIDA DAILY NEWS	11/14/2024	117.15	LEGAL AD - WATER USE PERMITTING
1205	OFFICE DEPOT, INC.	11/14/2024	122.72	OFFICE SUPPLIES DFS ERP
423	OKALOOSA CO. TAX COLLECTOR	11/14/2024	1.41	PARCEL REFUND
288	OKALOOSA CO. PROPERTY APPRAISER	11/14/2024	1,717.53	1ST QTR FY 24-25
64	PANAMA CITY NEWS HERALD	11/14/2024	109.46	LEGAL AD - WATER USE PERMITS
110	TALQUIN ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.	11/14/2024	430.90	WATER/SEWER HQ
110	TALQUIN ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.	11/14/2024	2,573.98	ELECTRIC HQ
110	TALQUIN ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.	11/14/2024	88.50	SECURITY LIGHTS HQ
3711	US POSTAL SERVICE-HASLER	11/14/2024	800.00	POSTAGE FOR DEFUNIAK SPRINGS OFFICE
<b>TOTAL CHECKS</b>			<b>\$ 8,340.55</b>	
4855	ENVIRON SERVICES INCORPORATED	11/15/2024	2,162.50	JANITORIAL SERVICES FOR HQ
5925	IAN WATERS	11/15/2024	146.00	TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT WEEK 2
5925	IAN WATERS	11/15/2024	90.00	TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT
2268	INNOVATIVE OFFICE SOLUTIONS, INC	11/15/2024	837.00	PHONE SYSTEM MAINTANANCE CONTRACT 07-037
5984	JUSTIN ALBRITTON	11/15/2024	162.00	TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT WEEK 2
5984	JUSTIN ALBRITTON	11/15/2024	162.00	TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT WEEK 3
5368	KOUNTRY RENTAL NWF, INC.	11/15/2024	9,900.00	SERVICE FOR PORTABLE TOILETS-C
5802	MURPHY CASSIDY DIESEL REPAIRS	11/15/2024	127.72	MINOR REPAIRS FOR REG VEHICLES
3813	PENNINGTON, P.A.	11/15/2024	12,275.00	LEGAL COUNSEL
3104	SOUTHERN WATER SERVICES, LLC	11/15/2024	3,982.00	ECONFINA OFFICE- PS WELL IRON FILTER SYSTEM
4642	COAKLEY TAYLOR	11/15/2024	168.00	TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT WEEK 2
4642	COAKLEY TAYLOR	11/15/2024	168.00	TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT WEEK 3
4955	TERRY'S HOME & LAWN MAINTENANCE, INC.	11/15/2024	4,481.90	RECREATION SITE CLEAN UP AND M
5218	WAGeworks, INC.	11/15/2024	100.00	COBRA ADMINISTRATION
2631	WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE	11/15/2024	13,871.20	LAW ENFORCEMENT/SECURITY ON DI
3732	MATTHEW WHITFIELD	11/15/2024	162.00	TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT WEEK 2
3732	MATTHEW WHITFIELD	11/15/2024	126.00	TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT WEEK 3
<b>TOTAL ACH DISBURSEMENTS</b>			<b>\$ 48,921.32</b>	
5944	REFUND NIC	11/15/2024	50.00	REFUND WITHDRAWN WELL PERMIT #321065-1

**NORTHWEST FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

<b>VENDOR</b>	<b>NAME</b>	<b>CHECK DATE</b>	<b>INVOICE NET</b>	<b>INVOICE DESCRIPTION</b>
5944	REFUND NIC	11/15/2024	3.00	REFUND FOR OVERPAYMENT FOR PERMIT#321082-1
4605	PENNINGTON LAW FIRM TRUST ACCOUNT	11/15/2024	51,660.53	CLOSING FUNDS FOR WELCH CLOSING OKALOOSA COUNTY
<b>TOTAL DIRECT DISBURSEMENTS</b>			<b>\$ 51,713.53</b>	
<b>TOTAL AP</b>			<b>\$ 108,975.40</b>	
2992	BANK OF AMERICA	11/22/2024	442.82	ONLINE ACCESS TO BANK ACCOUNT
2992	BANK OF AMERICA	11/22/2024	1,155.71	OCTOBER 2024 ACCOUNT ANALYSIS
5954	BLU RIPPLE INC	11/22/2024	1,687.33	REPLACEMENT STEPS FOR BLUE SPRINGS RECREATION AREA
5128	CITY OF BONIFAY	11/22/2024	34,500.00	BONIFAY WATERWAY DEBRIS REMOVAL
5131	CITY OF DEFUNIAK SPRINGS	11/22/2024	244.63	CITY OF DEFUNIAK SPRINGS WATER/SEWER
2291	GULF COAST ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE,INC	11/22/2024	436.67	ELECTRIC SERVICE EFO
6089	KEY HEATING AND COOLING	11/22/2024	2,250.00	DUCT CLEANING FOR ASSET MANAGEMENT AC UNIT
698	KONICA MINOLTA BUSINESS SOLUTIONS USA	11/22/2024	264.04	KONICA MINOLTA COPIER LEASE R&M
698	KONICA MINOLTA BUSINESS SOLUTIONS USA	11/22/2024	131.45	KONICA MINOLTA COPIER LEASE R&M
698	KONICA MINOLTA BUSINESS SOLUTIONS USA	11/22/2024	91.08	KONICA MINOLTA COPIER LEASE R&M
698	KONICA MINOLTA BUSINESS SOLUTIONS USA	11/22/2024	356.28	KONICA MINOLTA COPIER LEASE R&M
698	KONICA MINOLTA BUSINESS SOLUTIONS USA	11/22/2024	193.20	KONICA MINOLTA COPIER LEASE R&M
698	KONICA MINOLTA BUSINESS SOLUTIONS USA	11/22/2024	3.89	KONICA MINOLTA COPIER LEASE R&M
698	KONICA MINOLTA BUSINESS SOLUTIONS USA	11/22/2024	102.10	KONICA MINOLTA COPIER LEASE R&M
698	KONICA MINOLTA BUSINESS SOLUTIONS USA	11/22/2024	194.57	KONICA MINOLTA COPIER LEASE R&M
698	KONICA MINOLTA BUSINESS SOLUTIONS USA	11/22/2024	153.58	KONICA MINOLTA COPIER LEASE R&M
3406	NEECE TRUCK TIRE CENTER INC.	11/22/2024	205.19	TIRES/INSTALL FOR LANDS AND POOL VEHICLES
5965	NIC SERVICES	11/22/2024	745.51	ONLINE PAYMENT CHARGES
6068	SAM GONZALEZ	11/22/2024	100.00	REFUND FOR OVERPAYMENT FOR 320811-1 & 320812
<b>TOTAL CHECKS</b>			<b>\$ 43,258.05</b>	
5340	APPLIED TECHNOLOGY AND MANAGEMENT, INC.	11/22/2024	14,969.00	ANALYSIS OF FRESHWATER & ESTUA
5450	CAITLIN BRONGEL	11/22/2024	83.37	TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT
4807	WEX BANK	11/22/2024	1,137.15	WEX GPS TRACKING
4807	WEX BANK	11/22/2024	13,861.13	OCT 2024 FUEL/SERVICE CHARGES
2702	FISH AND WILDLIFE	11/22/2024	523.23	LAW ENFORCEMENT AND SECURITY O
4961	PETER FOLLAND	11/22/2024	126.00	TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT
5294	KRONOS, INCORPORATED	11/22/2024	921.26	KRONOS RENEWAL
5614	ZACHARY J. SELLERS	11/22/2024	2,450.00	DFO JANITORIAL SERVICES
4799	STAPLES CONTRACT & COMMERCIAL, INC.	11/22/2024	82.53	REG BUSINESS CARDS
<b>TOTAL ACH DISBURSEMENTS</b>			<b>\$ 34,153.67</b>	

**NORTHWEST FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

<b>VENDOR</b>	<b>NAME</b>	<b>CHECK DATE</b>	<b>INVOICE NET</b>	<b>INVOICE DESCRIPTION</b>
2967	BANK OF AMERICA	11/22/2024	18,400.19	STAFF P-CARD CHARGES
2967	BANK OF AMERICA	11/22/2024	187.00	SAFETY BOOTS - DUKE LE - AMAZON
2967	BANK OF AMERICA	11/22/2024	99.98	PORTABLE AIR TANK FOR SHOP
2967	BANK OF AMERICA	11/22/2024	19.99	TALLAHASSEE DEMOCRAT DIGITAL SUBSCRIPTION
2967	BANK OF AMERICA	11/22/2024	19.99	PENSACOLA NEWS JOURNAL DIGITAL SUBSCRIPTION
2967	BANK OF AMERICA	11/22/2024	383.88	AMAZON - OFFICE CHAIRS FOR ASM - HQ OFFICE
2967	BANK OF AMERICA	11/22/2024	261.12	AMAZON - CALENDAR ORDERS FOR 2025
2967	BANK OF AMERICA	11/22/2024	62.30	AMAZON LAB/OFFICE SUPPLIES
2967	BANK OF AMERICA	11/22/2024	5,498.00	HONDA GENERATORS: EU7000IS AND HONDA EU2200I
5944	REFUND NIC	11/22/2024	40.00	REFUND FOR OVERPAYMENT FOR PERMIT# 319630-1
5944	REFUND NIC	11/22/2024	10.00	REFUND FOR OVERPAYMENT OF PERMIT# 321345-1
5944	REFUND NIC	11/22/2024	35.00	REFUND WITHDRAWN WELL PERMIT #321348-1
5944	REFUND NIC	11/22/2024	35.00	REFUND WITHDRAWN WELL PERMIT # 321347-1
<b>TOTAL DIRECT DISBURSEMENTS</b>			<b>\$ 25,052.45</b>	
<b>TOTAL AP</b>			<b>\$ 102,464.17</b>	
2905	ALTHA FARMERS COOPERATIVE	11/26/2024	2,596.25	BOUNDARY FIELD FENCING MATERIALS
95	AT&T	11/26/2024	658.30	PHONE SERVICE EFO
3289	CITY OF TALLAHASSEE	11/26/2024	49.75	LAKESHORE AND I10
3282	W.W. GRAINGER, INC.	11/26/2024	875.06	HOSE REEL AND STATION CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS
4577	SOUTHERN TIRE MART, LLC	11/26/2024	159.81	WMD 2429 TIRE REPLACEMENT
4557	VERIZON WIRELESS	11/26/2024	1,331.83	CELL PHONES AND JET PACKS
4038	WINDSTREAM COMMUNICATIONS	11/26/2024	110.57	800 NUMBERS AND EFO LONG DISTANCE
<b>TOTAL CHECKS</b>			<b>\$ 5,781.57</b>	
3337	FORESTECH CONSULTING	11/26/2024	400.00	LAND MANAGEMENT DATABASE
3813	PENNINGTON, P.A.	11/26/2024	10,325.00	OCTOBER 2024 LEGAL COUNSEL
4799	STAPLES CONTRACT & COMMERCIAL, INC.	11/26/2024	27.51	BUSINESS CARDS-GREEN
5218	WAGeworks, INC.	11/26/2024	147.90	FLEXIBLE SPENDING ACCOUNT ADMINISTRATION
<b>TOTAL ACH DISBURSEMENTS</b>			<b>\$ 10,900.41</b>	
<b>TOTAL AP</b>			<b>\$ 16,681.98</b>	

NORTHWEST FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
 SCHEDULE OF DISBURSEMENTS  
 PAYROLL  
 NOVEMBER 2024

DIRECT DEPOSIT	11/01/2024	\$	261,828.40
CHECKS	11/01/2024		385.66
FLEX SPENDING TRANSFER	11/01/2024		1,670.91
DIRECT DEPOSIT	11/08/2024		128,883.90
DIRECT DEPOSIT	11/15/2024		259,260.90
CHECKS	11/15/2024		385.66
FLEX SPENDING TRANSFER	11/17/2023		1,670.91
DIRECT DEPOSIT	11/26/2024		340,954.09
CHECKS	11/26/2024		2,203.49
			997,243.92
			\$ 997,243.92

APPROVED:

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Chairman or Executive Director

January 9, 2025

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Date

**NORTHWEST FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT**

**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Governing Board

THROUGH: Lyle Seigler, Executive Director  
Andrew Joslyn, Deputy Executive Director  
Caitlin Brongel, Chief of Staff  
Danny Layfield, Director, Division of Asset Management

FROM: Carol L. Bert, Chief, Bureau of Asset Management Administration

DATE: December 20, 2024

SUBJECT: Approval of Resolution No. 949 to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection for Acquisition of the Taylor Tract in the Chipola Springs Groundwater Contribution Area

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**Recommendation:**

Staff recommends approval and adoption of Resolution No. 949 to Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) for the Taylor acquisition in the Chipola Springs Groundwater Contribution Area.

**Background:**

Resolution No. 949, if approved, will assist the District in requesting funding from FDEP for the purchase of the Taylor tract. A Purchase and Sale Agreement was approved for this tract by the Governing Board on November 14, 2024. The purchase will be made with funds from the Land Acquisition Trust Fund and will also have additional acquisition related costs. These costs include, but are not limited to, appraisals, review appraisal, boundary mapping and surveying, environmental site assessment, title insurance, and legal fees.

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Lyle Seigler  
Executive Director

## Northwest Florida Water Management District

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**RESOLUTION NO. 949**  
**TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION FOR**  
**THE TAYLOR TRACT ACQUISITION;**  
**CHIPOLA SPRINGS**  
**GROUNDWATER CONTRIBUTION AREA**

**WHEREAS**, the Governing Board of the Northwest Florida Water Management District (hereinafter referred to as the "District") has the duty and responsibility under Chapter 373, Florida Statutes, for the management of water and related land resources and for preservation of natural resources, fish and wildlife; and

**WHEREAS**, the Legislature provided funds to the Department of Environmental Protection for distribution to Northwest Florida Water Management District in the Fiscal Year 2015-16 General Appropriations Act, line item 1639 (General Revenue and LATF), Fiscal Year 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, line item 1606 (LATF) and FY 2019-20 General Appropriations Act, Section 61 (LATF), all from the Land Acquisition Trust Fund, created pursuant to Ch. 375.041, Florida Statutes, for land acquisition of properties for spring restoration, protection and management; and

**WHEREAS**, the District has pursued the purchase of the Taylor Tract for the purposes of water management, water supply, and the conservation and protection of water resources consistent with Section 373.59, Florida Statutes, and with the District's Five Year Plan of Acquisition as filed with the Secretary of the Department of Environmental Protection and the Florida Legislature; and

**WHEREAS**, the Taylor Tract is within the Chipola Springs Groundwater Contribution Area; and

**WHEREAS**, the District entered into a Purchase and Sale Agreement dated November 14, 2024, for the District's acquisition of the Taylor Tract; and

**WHEREAS**, closing on the Taylor Tract is scheduled for January 31, 2025, or before; and

**WHEREAS**, a general location map and legal description depicting the location of the Taylor Tract is attached hereto as Exhibit A and made a part hereof by reference; and

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**WHEREAS**, the purchase price for the Taylor tract is \$1,377,688.50. Additional associated costs will be requested under this resolution at a later date with the submission of a District invoice and appropriate documentation; and

**WHEREAS**, the legal interest to be acquired is fee simple; and

**WHEREAS**, the District certifies as to the following:

- (1) That the Taylor Tract is within the Chipola Springs Groundwater Contribution Area;
- (2) That the lands acquired are consistent with the District's updated Five Year Plan of Acquisition as filed on or before February 8, 2024, pursuant to Section 373.199, Florida Statutes, and are identified for acquisition using funding from the Land Acquisition Trust Fund;
- (3) That funds are to be used only for acquisition costs and fees associated with such acquisition;
- (4) That a copy of the certified appraisals which have been approved by this Governing Board is transmitted herewith;
- (5) That the purchase price is 100 percent or less than the appraised value used to determine the value of the property; and

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Governing Board of the Northwest Florida Water Management District does hereby request payment from the Land Acquisition Trust Fund of the State of Florida for the purchase of the fee simple interest in the above-described lands and that the warrant be issued by the Department of Financial Services of the State of Florida to Northwest Florida Water Management District. Additional associated costs are not being requested under this resolution at this time, but will be requested at a later date under this same resolution with a District invoice and supporting documentation.

**ADOPTED AND APPROVED** this 9th day of January A.D., 2025.

The Governing Board of the  
**NORTHWEST FLORIDA WATER  
MANAGEMENT DISTRICT**

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George Roberts, Chair

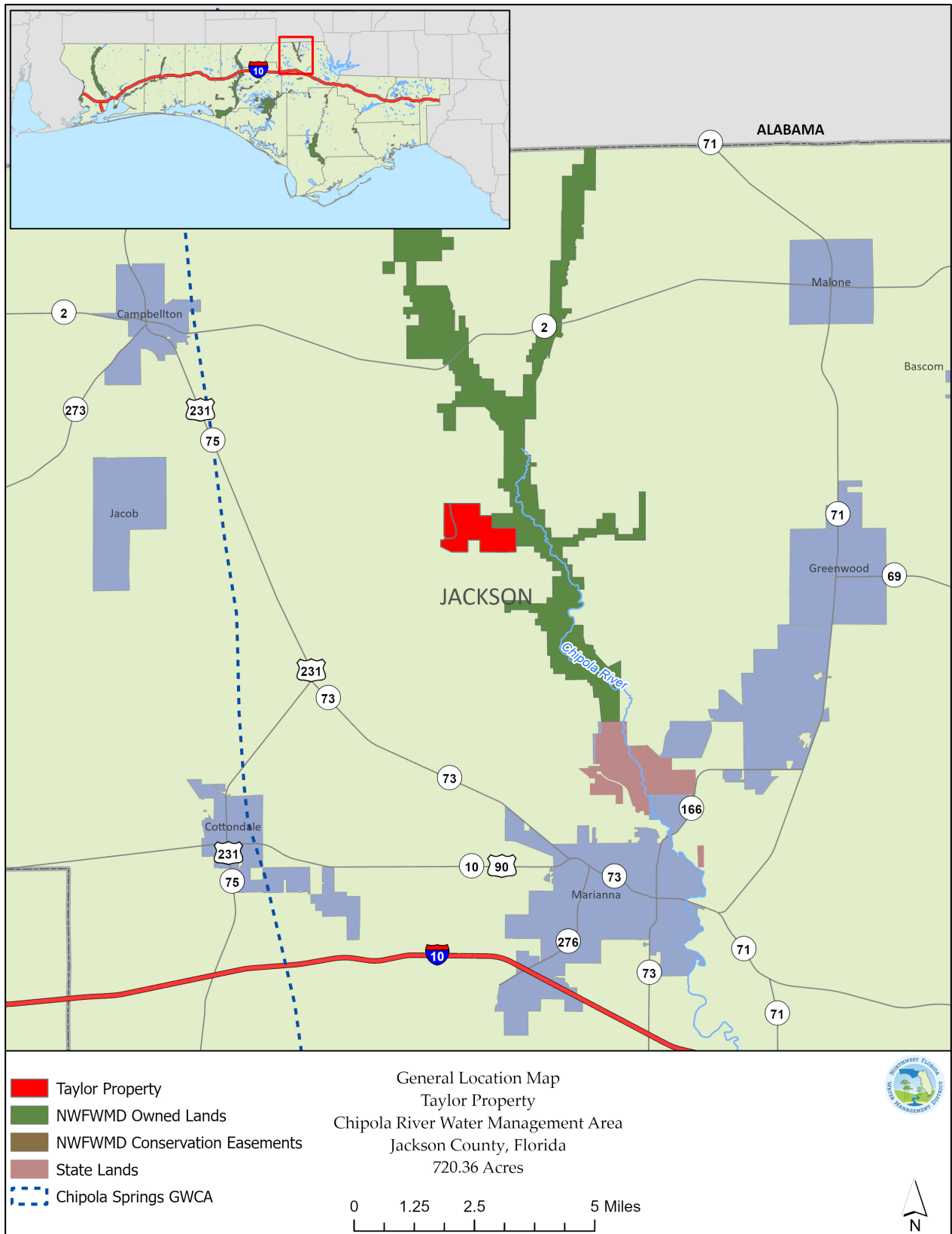
**ATTEST:**

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Nick Patronis, Secretary/Treasurer



# EXHIBIT A



The land referred to herein below is situated in the County of Jackson, State of Florida, and described as follows:

THE WEST HALF (W 1/2) OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER (NW 1/4) OF SECTION 31, TOWNSHIP 6 NORTH, RANGE 10 WEST, BEING TAX PARCEL ID 31-6N-10-0000-0010-0000.

AND

THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER (SW 1/4), AND THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER (SW 1/4) OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER (SE 1/4) OF SECTION 25, T6N, R11W, BEING TAX PARCEL ID 25-6N-11-0000-0030-0000.

AND

EAST HALF (E 1/2) OF SOUTHEAST QUARTER (SE 1/4), SECTION 26, T6N, R11W, BEING TAX PARCEL ID 26-6N-11-0000-0030-0000.

AND

NORTHEAST QUARTER (NE1/4), AND THE NORTH HALF (N 1/2) OF NORTHWEST QUARTER (NW 1/4), AND SOUTHWEST QUARTER (SW 1/4) OF NORTHWEST QUARTER (NW 1/4), SECTION 36, TOWNSHIP 6 NORTH, RANGE 11 WEST, JACKSON COUNTY, FLORIDA, BEING TAX PARCEL ID 36-6N-11-0000-0010-0000.

THE NORTHEAST QUARTER (NE 1/4) OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER (NE 1/4), AND THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER (SE 1/4) OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER (NE 1/4) LYING NORTH OF STATE ROAD NO. S-280, AND THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER (SW 1/4) OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER (NE 1/4) LYING NORTH OF STATE ROAD NO. S-280 AND LYING WEST OF DUDLEY ROAD, SECTION 35, T6N, R11W, LESS AND EXCEPT THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PARCELS:

-DUDLEY ROAD, AS DESCRIBED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 717, AT PAGE 134, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF JACKSON COUNTY, FLORIDA.

-PARCEL F: COMMENCE AT THE NW CORNER OF NE 1/4 OF SECTION 35, TOWNSHIP 6 NORTH, RANGE 11 WEST, THENCE SOUTH 0'07' WEST 1,546 FEET OR SO AS TO REACH THE NORTH RIGHT-OF-WAY OF COUNTY (FORMERLY STATE) ROAD NO. 162; THENCE SOUTH 62'0' EAST ALONG SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY 850.5 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE NORTH 0'07' EAST 256 FEET, THENCE SOUTH 62'0' EAST 256 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 0'07' WEST 256 FEET; THENCE NORTH 62'0' WEST 256 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 1.5 ACRES, MORE OR LESS AND LOCATED IN THE SW1/4 OF NE1/4 OF SECTION 35, TOWNSHIP 6 NORTH, RANGE 11 WEST;

-OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 409, PAGE 5: COMMENCE AT THE NW CORNER OF THE NE 1/4 OF SECTION 35, TOWNSHIP 6 NORTH, RANGE 11 WEST, THENCE S 0 DEGREES 7 FEET WEST 1546 FEET OR SO AS TO REACH THE NORTH RIGHT OF WAY OF COUNTY (FORMERLY STATE ) ROAD 162, THENCE SOUTH 62 DEGREES EAST ALONG SAID RIGHT OF WAY 850.5 FEET FOR POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE N 0 DEGREES 7 FEET EAST 210 FEET, THENCE N 62 DEGREES WEST 210 FEET, THENCE S 0 DEGREES 7 FEET WEST 210 TO THE NORTH RIGHT OF WAY OF SAID COUNTY ROAD 162, THENCE S 62 DEGREES EAST ALONG SAID NORTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; SAID LANDS BEING SITUATE AND LYING IN THE NE 1/4 OF SECTION 35, TOWNSHIP 6 NORTH, RANGE 11 WEST, AND CONTAINING ONE (1) ACRE, MORE OR LESS, IN JACKSON COUNTY, FLORIDA.

-OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 375, PAGE 817, PARCEL 2: COMMENCE AT THE NW CORNER OF NE ¼ OF SECTION 35, TOWNSHIP 6 NORTH, RANGE 11 WEST ; THENCE SOUTH 0°07' WEST 1,546 FEET OR SO AS TO REACH THE NORTH RIGHT OF WAY OF COUNTY (FORMERLY STATE ) ROAD NO 162; THENCE SOUTH 62°0' EAST ALONG SAID RIGHT OF WAY 324 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE SOUTH 62°0' EAST ALONG SAID RIGHT OF WAY 526.5 FEET; THENCE NORTH 0°07' EAST 256 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 62°0' EAST 256 FEET; THENCE NORTH 0°07' EAST 489 FEET ; THENCE NORTH 89°34' WEST 691 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 0°07' WEST 379 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 7.42 ACRES MORE OR LESS (LESS RIGHT OF WAY FOR EXISTING COUNTY GRADED ROAD) LOCATED IN THE SW ¼ OF NE ¼ OF SECTION 35, TOWNSHIP 6 NORTH , RANGE 11 WEST .

-ENCROACHMENT PARCEL: COMMENCING AT A 5/8 INCH IRON ROD (NO. 7070) MARKING THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 35, TOWNSHIP 6 NORTH, RANGE 11 WEST, JACKSON COUNTY, FLORIDA; THENCE PROCEED SOUTH 88 DEGREES 28 MINUTES 23 SECONDS EAST, ON THE NORTH LINE OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 35, FOR A DISTANCE OF 1,342.54 FEET TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 35; THENCE LEAVING SAID NORTH LINE, PROCEED SOUTH 01 DEGREE 36 MINUTES 25 SECONDS WEST, ON THE WEST LINE OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 35, FOR A DISTANCE OF 956.12 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE LEAVING SAID WEST LINE, PROCEED NORTH 88 DEGREES 15 MINUTES 02 SECONDS EAST, FOR A DISTANCE OF 132.67 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 01 DEGREE 36 MINUTES 25 SECONDS WEST, FOR A DISTANCE OF 208.70 FEET TO THE NORTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF DUDLEY ROAD (60' WIDE RIGHT OF WAY AS DESCRIBED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 717, PAGE 134, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF JACKSON COUNTY, FLORIDA); THENCE SOUTH 88 DEGREES 15 MINUTES 02 SECONDS WEST, ON SAID NORTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE, FOR A DISTANCE OF 132.67 FEET TO THE AFORESAID WEST LINE OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 35; THENCE LEAVING SAID NORTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE, PROCEED NORTH 01 DEGREE 36 MINUTES 25 SECONDS EAST, ON SAID WEST LINE, FOR A DISTANCE OF 208.70 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. CONTAINING 0.63 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.

**NORTHWEST FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT**

**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Governing Board

THROUGH: Lyle Seigler, Executive Director  
Andrew Joslyn, Deputy Executive Director  
Caitlin Brongel, Chief of Staff  
Danny Layfield, Director, Division of Asset Management

FROM: Carol L. Bert, Chief, Bureau of Asset Management Administration

DATE: December 20, 2024

SUBJECT: Approval of Resolution No. 950 to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection for Acquisition of the Piplack Tract in the Wakulla/Spring Creek Spring Group Groundwater Contribution Area

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**Recommendation**

Staff recommends approval and adoption of Resolution No. 950 to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) for the Piplack acquisition in the Wakulla/Spring Creek Spring Group Groundwater Contribution Area.

**Background**

Resolution No. 950, if approved, will assist the District in requesting funding from FDEP for the purchase of the Piplack tract. A Purchase and Sale Agreement was approved for this tract by the Governing Board on September 12, 2024. The purchase will be made with funds from the Land Acquisition Trust Fund and will also have additional acquisition-related costs. These costs include, but are not limited to, appraisal, review appraisal, boundary mapping and surveying, environmental site assessment, title insurance, and legal fees.

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Lyle Seigler  
Executive Director

# Northwest Florida Water Management District

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**RESOLUTION NO. 950**  
**TO THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION FOR**  
**THE PIPLACK TRACT ACQUISITION;**  
**WAKULLA/SPRING CREEK SPRING GROUP**  
**GROUNDWATER CONTRIBUTION AREA**

**WHEREAS**, the Governing Board of the Northwest Florida Water Management District (hereinafter referred to as the "District") has the duty and responsibility under Chapter 373, Florida Statutes, for the management of water and related land resources and for preservation of natural resources, fish and wildlife; and

**WHEREAS**, the Legislature provided funds to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection for distribution to the Northwest Florida Water Management District in the Fiscal Year 2015-16 General Appropriations Act, line item 1639 (General Revenue and LATF), Fiscal Year 2017-2018 General Appropriations Act, line item 1606 (LATF) and Fiscal Year 2019-20 General Appropriations Act, Section 61 (LATF), all from the Land Acquisition Trust Fund, created pursuant to section 375.041, Florida Statutes, for land acquisition of properties for spring restoration, protection and management; and

**WHEREAS**, the District has pursued the purchase of the Piplack Tract for the purposes of water management, water supply, and the conservation and protection of water resources consistent with section 373.59, Florida Statutes, and with the District's Five Year Plan of Acquisition as filed with the Secretary of the Department of Environmental Protection and the Florida Legislature; and

**WHEREAS**, the Piplack Tract is within the Wakulla/Spring Creek Spring Group Groundwater Contribution Area; and

**WHEREAS**, the District entered into a Purchase and Sale Agreement dated October 10, 2024, for the District's acquisition of the Piplack Tract; and

**WHEREAS**, closing on the Piplack Tract is scheduled for January 31, 2025, or before; and

**WHEREAS**, a general location map and legal description depicting the location of the Piplack Tract is attached hereto as Exhibit A and made a part hereof by reference; and

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Tallahassee

**WHEREAS**, the purchase price for the Piplack tract is \$40,000.00. Additional associated costs will be requested under this resolution at a later date with the submission of a District invoice and appropriate documentation; and

**WHEREAS**, the legal interest to be acquired is fee simple; and

**WHEREAS**, the District certifies as to the following:

- (1) That the Piplack Tract is within the Wakulla/Spring Creek Spring Goup Groundwater Contribution Area;
- (2) That the lands acquired are consistent with the District's updated Five Year Plan of Acquisition as filed on or before February 8, 2024, pursuant to section 373.199, Florida Statutes, and are identified for acquisition using funding from the Land Acquisition Trust Fund;
- (3) That funds are to be used only for acquisition costs and fees associated with such acquisition;
- (4) That a copy of the certified appraisals which have been approved by this Governing Board is transmitted herewith;
- (5) That the purchase price is 100 percent or less than the appraised value used to determine the value of the property; and

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Governing Board of the Northwest Florida Water Management District does hereby request payment from the Land Acquisition Trust Fund of the State of Florida for the purchase of the fee simple interest in the above-described lands and that the warrant be issued by the Department of Financial Services of the State of Florida to the Northwest Florida Water Management District. Additional associated costs are not being requested under this resolution at this time but will be requested at a later date under this same resolution with a District invoice and supporting documentation.

**ADOPTED AND APPROVED** this 9th day of January A.D., 2025.

The Governing Board of the  
**NORTHWEST FLORIDA WATER  
MANAGEMENT DISTRICT**

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George Roberts, Chair

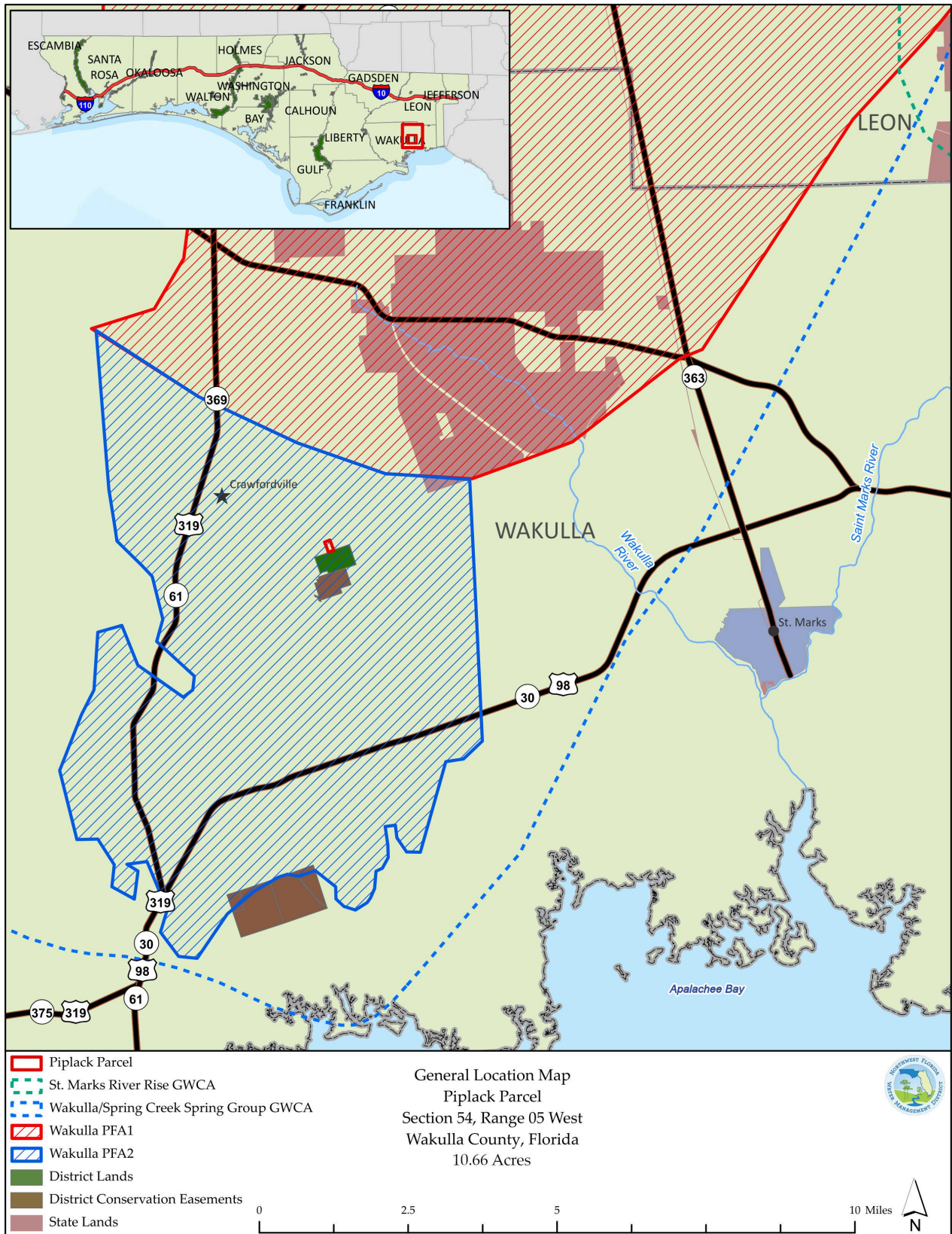
**ATTEST:**

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Nick Patronis, Secretary/Treasurer



# EXHIBIT A



The land referred to herein below is situated in the County of Wakulla, State of Florida, and described as follows:

A PARCEL OF LAND LYING IN A PORTION OF LOT 54, HARTSFIELD SURVEY AND LYING IN A PORTION OF LOT 6, PIPLACK'S SUBDIVISION UNIT NUMBER ONE AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 9 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA (ALSO BEING A PORTION OF LANDS AS DESCRIBED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 177, PAGE 572 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA) AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCE AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 9, WAKULLA HEIGHTS UNIT 2, AS PER MAP OR PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 78 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA FOR A POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID WAKULLA HEIGHTS UNIT 2, NORTH 69 DEGREES 51 MINUTES 50 SECONDS EAST FOR A DISTANCE OF 499.37 FEET TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID WAKULLA HEIGHTS UNIT 2; THENCE SOUTH 18 DEGREES 11 MINUTES 14 SECONDS EAST FOR A DISTANCE OF 941.05 FEET TO THE NORTH BOUNDARY OF THAT PARCEL OF LAND AS DESCRIBED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 1165, PAGE 635 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA; THENCE ALONG SAID NORTH BOUNDARY; SOUTH 72 DEGREES 21 MINUTES 29 SECONDS WEST FOR A DISTANCE OF 499.65 FEET TO THE WEST BOUNDARY OF LOT 6, JOHN PIPLACK'S SUBDIVISION UNIT NUMBER 1, AS PER MAP OR PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 9 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA. THENCE ALONG SAID WEST BOUNDARY OF LOT 6, NORTH 18 DEGREES 09 MINUTES 11 SECONDS WEST FOR A DISTANCE OF 919.31 FEET TO THE AFORESAID SOUTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 9, WAKULLA HEIGHTS UNIT 2, AS PER MAP OR PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 78 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA FOR A POINT OF BEGINNING.



**NORTHWEST FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT**

**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Governing Board

THROUGH: Lyle Seigler, Executive Director  
Andrew Joslyn, Deputy Executive Director  
Caitlin Brongel, Chief of Staff

FROM: Kathleen Coates, Director, Resource Management Division

DATE: December 17, 2024

SUBJECT: Consideration of Approval of the 2024 Region II Regional Water Supply Plan

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Recommendation

Staff recommends the Governing Board approve the 2024 Region II Regional Water Supply Plan for Okaloosa, Santa Rosa, and Walton counties and issue the Final Order.

Discussion

Region II (Okaloosa, Santa Rosa, and Walton counties) is the District’s largest and fastest growing water supply planning region. Water use in the region totaled 76 million gallons per day (mgd) in 2020 and is projected to increase by 40 percent to 106.8 mgd by 2045. A Regional Water Supply Plan (RWSP) has been in place since 2000 due to concerns for saltwater intrusion in the Upper Floridan aquifer. The development of inland wellfields has reduced the reliance on coastal withdrawals and enabled Upper Floridan aquifer levels to partially recover, but resource concerns remain. Florida Statutes require water management districts to re-evaluate the need for regional water supply planning every five years. Based on the findings of the 2023 Water Supply Assessment, the Governing Board determined on December 14, 2023, that regional water supply planning for Region II should continue.

The 2024 Region II RWSP provides projections of future water needs and identifies project options to meet those needs, while sustaining water resources through the 2045 planning period. A total of 114 water supply development projects were proposed by Region II utilities and self-suppliers at an estimated capital cost of \$517.5 million with the potential to develop 27.8 mgd of water. About 17.7 mgd is alternative water supply, comprised of 11.9 mgd of reclaimed water, 5 mgd of surface water, and 0.8 mgd of water conservation. An additional 3.4 mgd is proposed from the sand-and-gravel aquifer, which is anticipated to have sufficient availability through 2045. Utilities have also proposed to withdraw 6.7 mgd from the Upper Floridan aquifer, which has limited availability. The projects submitted by utilities may meet much of the future need. However, the proposed expanded use of the Upper Floridan aquifer is uncertain given the potential for increased saltwater intrusion risk.

Water resource development projects planned by the District include implementation of the Lower Floridan Aquifer Enhanced Data Collection Project to refine saltwater intrusion risks, minimum flows and minimum water levels (MFLs) technical assessments for Morrison Spring, the Shoal River, and the Upper Floridan aquifer; feasibility studies for surface water sources, managed aquifer recharge, and/or aquifer storage and recovery; continued technical support for implementation of reclaimed water and conservation projects; and continued hydrologic data collection, groundwater flow and transport modeling, and regional water supply planning. The 2024 RWSP identifies a variety of funding options but the unmet funding need is estimated to exceed \$232 million. The goals of plan implementation are that sufficient water will be available for all existing and future uses and natural systems and adverse effects stemming from competition for water supplies will be avoided.

Development of the 2024 Region II RWSP occurred in an open public process actively seeking input from local planning officials, water and wastewater utilities, state partners, and other affected and interested parties. This process began during development of the 2023 WSA Update and included public workshops during July 24-26, 2023, a virtual informational meeting in January 2024, an update at the District Governing Board meeting in October 2024, and two public workshops in Niceville on December 3, 2024. Information requests regarding planned water supply projects were sent to local governments and utilities in February 2024. The draft plan was distributed and posted on the District website on December 5, 2024, and a public comment period remained open through December 27, 2024.

The 2019 Region II RWSP is not a self-executing plan. Implementation will occur through coordination and collaboration with local governments and utilities to implement water supply development projects. Future Governing Board actions will be developed for consideration and approval for water resource development projects, with expenditures subject to budgetary appropriations, cost-sharing arrangements, and approved contracts. The proposed Final Order will be subject to public comment and any relevant petitions filed within 21 days following Governing Board action in accordance section 120.569, F.S.

#### Attachments

Final Order

BEFORE THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE  
NORTHWEST FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

Order No.: \_\_\_\_\_

IN THE MATTER OF:

Approval of the 2024  
Region II Regional Water  
Supply Plan

**FINAL ORDER APPROVING THE  
2024 REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY PLAN FOR REGION II**

The Governing Board of the Northwest Florida Water Management District (District), after considering recommendations of District staff and being fully apprised of the matter, issues this Final Order pursuant to sections 373.036, 373.083, and 373.709, Florida Statutes (F.S.), based on the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law.

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. Region II is one of seven water supply planning regions in the Northwest Florida Water Management District. Region II covers approximately 3,495 square miles and encompasses the entirety of Okaloosa, Santa Rosa, and Walton counties.
2. The traditional water supply source in Region II is groundwater. Primary resources are the Upper Floridan aquifer over most of the region, and the sand-and-gravel aquifer in central and northern portions of Santa Rosa County. In coastal portions of Region II, where population and development have been concentrated and continue growing, withdrawals from the Floridan aquifer resulted in water resource issues and concerns, including a drawdown in Floridan aquifer levels, water quality impacts, an ongoing risk of saltwater intrusion, and uncertainty regarding movement of the saltwater interface.

3. Remedial measures in coastal portions of Region II began in the 1980s with the Declaration of a Water Resource Caution Area, associated regulatory criteria, and water resource management planning.
4. The District's first Water Supply Assessment (WSA) in 1998 determined the need for a Region II Regional Water Supply Plan (RWSP). The District's Governing Board approved the first Region II RWSP in 2000 and, following subsequent WSAs in 2003, 2008, and 2018 approved RWSP updates in 2006, 2012, and 2019.
5. A major initiative during the 2000-2010 decade was the development of inland regional wellfields which now provide water supply for coastal communities and reduce reliance on coastal withdrawals in all three counties of Region II.
6. In former decades, the Floridan aquifer potentiometric surface lost as much as 185 feet of head pressure along the coast. In 2000, it was still 135 feet below sea level. Aquifer levels have since markedly improved; however, a significant cone of depression remains centered on the Okaloosa County coastal communities of Fort Walton Beach and Mary Esther. Potentiometric surface drawdown extends north to the Yellow River in Santa Rosa County, to areas north of Niceville and Valparaiso in Okaloosa County, and east of Destin into Walton County. Also, growth in and near the cities of Milton and Crestview and withdrawals northeast of Freeport have drawn down the potentiometric surface in those areas.
7. The 2023 WSA evaluated Region II water resources and related natural systems with 2020 base year water use estimates and future demand projections to the year 2045. The 2023 WSA determined that existing sources of water were not adequate and recommended continued implementation of the Region II RWSP.

8. With completion of the 2023 WSA, in December 2023 the Governing Board approved the staff recommendation to continue regional water supply planning for Region II. The purpose of this effort is to update the Region II RWSP to meet the water supply needs of all existing and future reasonable-beneficial uses and to sustain water resources and related natural systems requirements of Chapter 373, F.S., through the planning horizon to 2045.
9. Development of the 2024 Region II RWSP occurred in an open process actively seeking input from the public; local planning officials; water, wastewater, and reuse utilities; the Florida Department of Environmental Protection; the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; and other affected and interested parties.
10. An informational public meeting on the 2024 Region II RWSP was held on February 7, 2024, to discuss the technical data and modeling tools used to support the plan. Thereafter, the RWSP planning team conducted outreach to public supply utilities and other self-suppliers to develop a list of water supply development project options. The RWSP report includes these water supply development project options, water resource development projects, and a list of potential funding opportunities. On October 10, 2024, an informational item providing an update on the RWSP status was presented at the District Governing Board Meeting.
11. Two public workshops were held in Fort Walton Beach on December 3, 2024, to provide additional opportunities for participants to ask questions and provide comments and recommendations. The draft RWSP was posted on the District website on December 5, 2024, and a public comment period remained open through December 27, 2024.
12. Region II water resource development projects include minimum flows and minimum water levels (MFL) technical assessments; groundwater evaluations; hydrologic data collection and monitoring; coordination and technical support for reuse, water conservation, managed aquifer

recharge and aquifer storage and recovery (ASR) projects; and water use data, analyses, resource planning, and assessments. Water supply development project options include surface water development, reuse of reclaimed water, water conservation, and storage capacity and distribution system improvements.

13. The 2024 Region II RWSP is not a self-executing document. Implementation of the plan will occur through future Governing Board actions, including contracts, research, budgetary appropriations, cost-sharing arrangements, permitting, local agreements, intergovernmental coordination, and planning efforts. When such final decisions are made, affected persons will be offered appropriate public input opportunities and rights.
14. The 2024 Region II RWSP, Program Development Series 24-02, is attached to this Order as Exhibit A.
15. The 2024 Region II RWSP may be updated as appropriate in light of new technical information and analysis. Such updates may be due to the findings of MFL technical assessments and any required recovery or prevention strategies, or future water supply assessments, and are required to occur at no longer than five-year intervals.

### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

16. The governing boards of water management districts are authorized to undertake regional water supply planning under section 373.709, F.S. (2019). This includes the updating of existing plans, such as the Region II RWSP.
17. Section 373.709, F.S., establishes a framework for RWSP scope, analysis, implementation, and process. Each RWSP must be based on at least a 20-year planning period. Governing boards shall reevaluate the determination of the need for regional water supply planning at least once every 5 years.

18. The Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) requires water management districts to include intermediate water use projections for every five-year interval. See Rule 62-40.531(1)(a), F.A.C. Water use estimates and projections shall be provided in each RWSP for six use classes. See Rule 62-40.531(1)(b), F.A.C.
19. Water resource development projects and water supply development project options must be included in RWSPs. See Section 373.709(2), F.S. (2019).
20. The Governing Board concludes that the Region II RWSP 2019 Update meets the requirements of Section 373.709, F.S., and Rule 62-40.531, F.A.C.
21. Section 373.709(5), F.S., establishes the opportunity for administrative review of District approval of an RWSP. This provision states:

Governing board approval of a regional water supply plan shall not be subject to the rulemaking requirements of Chapter 120. However, any portion of an approved regional water supply plan which affects the substantial interests of a party shall be subject to s. 120.569.
22. Section 120.569, F.S., details the legal provisions that apply in all proceedings in which the substantial interests of a party are determined by an agency. The Notice of Rights describes the potential remedies which may exist and is attached hereto as Exhibit B.
23. The Notice of Rights shall not cover actions taken by the Governing Board in the future to implement the 2024 Region II RWSP. When implementing action is taken, the Governing Board shall offer an appropriate point of entry for such implementing action, but not the RWSP itself, to substantially affected parties.
24. The 2024 Region II RWSP may be updated or amended as new technical information and analysis becomes available. Such updates shall occur in accordance with section 373.709, F.S., at intervals no longer than five years from the date of entry of this Order.

25. The Governing Board authorizes staff to make minor changes to the 2024 Region II RWSP in response to stakeholder comments submitted to staff, or scrivener edits, that do not alter the substance of the 2024 Region II RWSP.

### **ORDER**

Based upon the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, it is hereby

ORDERED:

26. The Region II RWSP 2024 Update is hereby approved in accordance with section 373.709, F.S.

27. District staff are authorized to make minor changes to the 2024 Region II RWSP that do not alter the substance of the 2024 Region II RWSP in response to stakeholder comments submitted to staff. Such changes must occur no later than 21 days after the January 9, 2025, Governing Board meeting.

28. District staff are instructed to distribute notice of this Order by certified mail, regular mail, and/or electronic mail to persons who have participated in the plan development process and those entities identified as appropriate for implementing water supply development projects. Notice shall also be published in the Florida Administrative Register.



DONE AND SO ORDERED in Havana, Florida on this 9th day of January, 2025.

NORTHWEST FLORIDA WATER  
MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
By its Governing Board

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George Roberts  
Chair

Attest:

Legal Form Approved:

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Nick Patronis  
Secretary  
January 9, 2025

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J. Breck Brannen, Esq.

Filed on this date, pursuant to Section 120.52, F.S., with the designated District agency clerk,  
receipt of which is hereby acknowledged.

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Clerk

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Date

**NORTHWEST FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT**

**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Governing Board

THROUGH: Lyle Seigler, Executive Director  
Andrew Joslyn, Deputy Executive Director  
Caitlin Brongel, Chief of Staff  
Kathleen Coates, Director, Resource Management Division

FROM: Paul Thurman, Chief, Bureau of Water Resource Evaluation

DATE: December 20, 2024

SUBJECT: Consideration of Consultant Selections and Agreements for RFP 25-001:  
Groundwater Flow and Transport Modeling; Hydrogeological Data Collection; and  
Watershed Planning, Assessment and Program Administration

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**Recommendation**

Staff recommends the Governing Board approve the selection committees' results and authorize the Executive Director to execute agreements with the highest-ranked firms to provide as-needed services in each of the following categories: (1) Groundwater Flow and Transport Modeling, (2) Hydrogeological Data Collection and Evaluation, and (3) Watershed Planning, Assessment and Program Administration.

**Background**

On October 3, 2024, the District issued Request for Proposals (RFP) for "Groundwater Flow and Transport Modeling, Hydrogeological Data Collection, and Watershed Planning, Assessment and Program Administration (RFP 25-001)." This RFP was issued to provide as-needed technical services in the three categories to support data collection; minimum flows and minimum water levels (MFLs) evaluations; watershed planning; analysis of groundwater systems; hydrogeological evaluations; and groundwater modeling. Work will be assigned on an as-needed task order basis.

A total of fourteen (14) prospective contractors submitted proposals by the November 21, 2024, deadline and determined to be responsive for Category 1, Category 2, and/or Category 3. Proposals were evaluated by selection committees established for each category using predefined criteria. Scoring was based on the experience and qualifications of the firm and assigned project manager, experience with systems similar to those in northwest Florida, price, workload and references. The committees' scores are provided in Table 1, Table 2, and Table 3. If the staff recommendation is approved, a Notice of Final Agency Action will be published and staff will negotiate contracts with the highest ranked firms in each category. Contracts are recommended to extend for approximately five (5) years (60 months) from the Effective Term of the contract. through September 30, 2030, with an optional three-year extension.

Table 1 – Groundwater Flow and Transport Modeling

Firm	Average Score	Ranking
<b>Tetra Tech*</b>	<b>90.0</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Geosyntec Consultants, Inc.*</b>	<b>83.0</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Drummond Carpenter, PLLC*</b>	<b>78.7</b>	<b>3</b>
WSP USA, Inc.	71.0	4
Hazen and Sawyer	69.0	5
Taylor Engineering, Inc.	55.3	6
Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc.	46.0	7

**\*Highest Ranked Firms**

Table 2 – Hydrogeological Data Collection and Evaluation

Firm	Average Score	Ranking
<b>Tetra Tech*</b>	<b>90.0</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Geosyntec Consultants, Inc.*</b>	<b>85.7</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Jim Stidham and Associates, Inc.*</b>	<b>84.0</b>	<b>3</b>
Stantec Consulting, Inc.	80.0	4
SWCA Environmental Consultants	78.3	5
WSP USA, Inc.	77.0	6
Kimley-Horn and Associates	48.7	7

**\*Highest Ranked Firms**

Table 3 – Watershed Planning, Assessment, and Program Administration

Firm	Average Score	Ranking
<b>WSP USA, Inc.*</b>	<b>88.3</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Tetra Tech*</b>	<b>86.7</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>RES Florida Consulting, LLC*</b>	<b>83.0</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Hazen and Sawyer*</b>	<b>82.7</b>	<b>4</b>
Geosyntec Consultants, Inc.	81.7	5
Environmental Consulting and Technology, Inc.	81	6
Johnson, Mirmiran, and Thompson	79.3	7
Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc.	79.3	7
SWCA Environmental Consultants	78.3	8
Taylor Engineering, Inc.	77.3	9
South Florida Engineering and Consulting, LLC	75.0	10

**\*Highest Ranked Firms**

# NORTHWEST FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

## MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board

THROUGH: Lyle Seigler, Executive Director  
Andrew Joslyn, Deputy Executive Director  
Caitlin Brongel, Chief of Staff  
Danny Layfield, Director, Division of Asset Management

FROM: Benjamin Faure, Bureau Chief, Land Management Operations

DATE: January 2, 2025

SUBJECT: Consideration of ITB 25B-004 for 2025 Sand Pine and Hardwood Eradication Services

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### **Recommendation**

Staff recommends the Governing Board approve the lowest bid received in response to Invitation to Bid (ITB) 25B-004 for 2025 Sand Pine and Hardwood Eradication Services and authorize the Executive Director to execute an agreement with Sweat US, LLC in an amount up to \$105,379.70 to facilitate this work, subject to legal counsel review.

### **Background**

The District has identified 1,406 acres of sand pine and hardwood to be eradicated for the purpose of developing more open longleaf pine/wiregrass communities in eight different units/stands located in the Choctawhatchee River Water Management Area within Walton County, the Econfina Creek Water Management Area in Washington and Jackson counties, and the E.K. Phipps Park located in Leon County.

As part of the District's program to restore natural communities, offsite pine and competing native hardwood species must be removed from upland areas that are being restored to longleaf pine and wiregrass. The offsite pine and various native hardwoods compete with the longleaf pine for nutrients and sunlight. Allowing these trees to remain on site will create competition for the planted longleaf pine trees and understory vegetation and would adversely impact the District's efforts to continue restoring these natural communities.

On December 11, 2024, the District issued an ITB for the eradication of sand pine and hardwoods on 1,406 acres of reforested longleaf pine/wiregrass habitat. The ITB was advertised through the DemandStar website, the District's procurement website, the My Florida Market Place Vendor Information Portal, and posted in the Florida Administrative Register.

On January 2, 2025, at 2:00 p.m. EST, the District received 11 sealed bids in response to the ITB. The bids received are listed below for your consideration.

**Table 1- Bids Received - 2025 Sand Pine and Hardwood Eradication Services**



<b>COMPANY NAME</b>	<b>GRAND TOTAL LUMP SUM BID FOR REMOVAL OF SAND PINE AND HARDWOOD ON 1,406 ACRES</b>
Alpha Services, LLC	\$109,279.00
Amigo Forestry Service, Inc.	\$221,962.50
Attala Forest Management	\$138,946.60
Clear Zone Maintenance, Inc.	\$692,951.00
Core Ecology Group	\$395,549.98
Express Forestry Service, LLC	\$108,262.00
Garcia Forest Service	\$113,871.94
Mendiola Forestry Services, LLC	\$125,134.00
REM Forestry and Land	\$210,900.00
Scarlette Rose Farms, LLC	\$237,820.00
<b>Sweat US, LLC</b>	<b>\$105,379.70</b>

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Exhibit Map A



General Locator Map  
2025 Sand Pine and Hardwood Eradication Services  
Jackson, Walton and Washington Counties, Florida  
1405 Acres

-  Eradication Area
-  District Lands

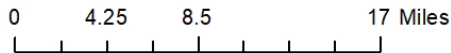


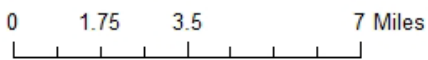


Exhibit Map B



General Locator Map  
2025 Sand Pine and Hardwood Eradication Services  
Leon County, Florida  
1 Acre

-  Eradication Area
-  District Lands



NORTHWEST FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
PUBLIC HEARING FOR REGULATORY MATTERS  
A G E N D A

District Headquarters  
81 Water Management Drive  
Havana, Florida 32333  
10 Miles West of Tallahassee  
U.S. Highway 90

Thursday  
January 9, 2025  
1:05 p.m., ET

Note: Appeal from any NFWFMD Final Agency Action requires a record of the proceedings. Although Governing Board meetings are normally recorded, affected persons are advised that it may be necessary for them to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. Persons with disabilities or handicaps who need assistance or reasonable accommodation in order to participate in these meetings should contact the District at least 72 hours in advance of these meetings to make appropriate arrangements.

PART I

• WATER USE PERMITS

A. Permit Renewal

A-1 Applicant: Monica Wallis, Destin Water Users, Inc.  
App. No.: 2B-091-5916-7  
Use: Landscape and Recreation

Authorization Statement: This Permit authorizes the Permittee to make a combined annual average withdrawal of 1.12 million gallons per day (34.72 million gallons per month maximum) of groundwater from the Sand-and-Gravel aquifer for landscape and recreation uses.

Duration Recommended: 5 years  
Staff Recommendation: Approval  
Public Comment Received: No



WATER USE TECHNICAL STAFF REPORT  
11-December-2024  
Application No.: 2B-091-5916-7

**Owner:** Monica Wallis  
Destin Water Users, Inc.  
P.O. Box 308  
Destin, FL 32540  
(850) 337-3945

**Applicant:** Monica Wallis  
Destin Water Users, Inc.  
P.O. Box 308  
Destin, FL 32540  
(850) 337-3945

**Agent:** Not Applicable

**Compliance Contact:** Logan Law  
Destin Water Users, Inc.  
14 Industrial Park Lane  
Destin, FL 32541  
(850) 337-3939

Monica Wallis  
Destin Water Users, Inc.  
P.O. Box 308  
Destin, FL 32540  
(850) 337-3945

**Project Name:** Destin Water Users, Inc. ASR  
**County:** Okaloosa  
**WRCA:** Water Resource Caution Area of Okaloosa and Walton Counties  
**ARC:** N/A  
**Objectors:** No

**Authorization Statement:**  
This Permit authorizes the Permittee to make a combined annual average withdrawal of 1.12 million gallons per day (34.72 million gallons per month maximum) of groundwater from the Sand-and-Gravel aquifer for landscape and recreation uses.

**Recommendation:** Approval  
**Reviewers:** Cindy Fischler; Scott White; Dylan Cook

**RECOMMENDED PERMIT DURATION AND COMPLIANCE REPORTING:**

Staff recommends the permit expiration date be February 1, 2030. The Permittee is required to submit and comply with all information and data pursuant to the conditions set forth in the permit.

**WITHDRAWAL INFORMATION:**

Water Use	Permitted	Requested	Recommended
Average Day (GPD)	1,120,000	1,120,000	1,120,000
Maximum Month (GAL)	75,900,000	34,720,000	34,720,000

**DESCRIPTION:**

Destin Water Users, Inc. requests renewal and modification of Individual Water Use Permit (IWUP) No. 2B-091-5916-6 for the continued authorization of groundwater withdrawals from the Sand-and-Gravel aquifer for landscape and recreation uses via an Aquifer Storage and Recovery (ASR) system located at the George F. French Water Reclamation Facility in Destin, FL. The applicant requests decreases to the maximum monthly withdrawals.

DWU has operated the ASR system since 2009 and provides public access reclaimed water to customers for the use of landscape and golf course irrigation. DWU's ASR system injects reclaimed water into the main producing zone of the Sand-and-Gravel aquifer when a surplus supply exists and withdraws stored groundwater when demand exceeds supply from the treatment plant. The cycles of injection, storage, and recovery are conducted via seven wells, ASR #1 through ASR #7.

Staff used the program DRAWDOWN to estimate potential impacts to the Sand-and-Gravel aquifer associated with the requested average daily withdrawal rate. Simulated drawdowns associated with 5 years of pumping at the recommended average daily withdrawal are approximately 20 feet and 16 feet at distances of one-half and one mile, respectively, from the center of pumping. The simulated drawdowns in the Sand-and-Gravel aquifer are conceptually mitigated by the artificial recharge of the aquifer from the injection of reclaimed water.

**PERMIT APPLICATION REVIEW:**

Section 373.223, Florida Statutes (F.S.), and section 40A-2.301, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), require an applicant to establish that the proposed use of water:

- (a) Is a reasonable-beneficial use;
- (b) Will not interfere with any presently existing legal use of water; and,
- (c) Is consistent with the public interest.

In addition, the above requirements are detailed further in the District's Water Use Permit Applicant's Handbook. District staff have reviewed the water use permit application pursuant to the above-described requirements and have determined that the application meets the conditions for issuance of this permit.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

It is the determination of the staff that the water use amounts recommended, as conditioned, are reasonable-beneficial, consistent with the public's interest, and will not interfere with any presently existing legal use of water. This determination has been made according to provisions of Chapter 373, F.S., and Chapter 40A-2, F.A.C.

Staff recommends that the applicant be granted an Individual Water Use Permit to make a combined annual average withdrawal of 1.12 million gallons per day (34.72 million gallons per month maximum) of groundwater from the Sand-and-Gravel aquifer for landscape and recreation uses. Staff also recommends that the expiration date of the permit be February 1, 2030, and that the permit be conditioned as per the "Conditions for Issuance" included in Exhibit A of the permit document.

## FACILITY INFORMATION:

**Site Name:** Destin Water Users, Inc.

Well Details								
District ID	Station Name	Casing Diameter (inches)	Casing Depth (feet)	Total Depth (feet)	Capacity (GPM)	Source Name	Status	Use Type
19173	ASR #1	16	116	166	120	Sand & Gravel	Active	Landscape/Recreation
19174	ASR #2	16	106	156	215	Sand & Gravel	Active	Landscape/Recreation
19175	ASR #3	16	108	158	215	Sand & Gravel	Active	Landscape/Recreation
19176	ASR #4	16	110	160	215	Sand & Gravel	Active	Landscape/Recreation
19177	ASR #5	16	108	158	215	Sand & Gravel	Active	Landscape/Recreation
19178	ASR #6	16	110	160	215	Sand & Gravel	Active	Landscape/Recreation
19179	ASR #7	16	110	160	215	Sand & Gravel	Active	Landscape/Recreation
19180	LA #1	4	20	40	20	Sand & Gravel	Active	Landscape/Recreation
19181	LA #2	4	20	40	20	Sand & Gravel	Active	Landscape/Recreation

Monitoring Well Details						
District ID	Station Name	Casing Diameter (inches)	Casing Depth (feet)	Total Depth (feet)	Source Name	Status
9099	SZMW #2	6	110	140	Sand & Gravel	Active
19182	SMW #1	4	25	35	Sand & Gravel	Active
19183	SMW #2	4	20	30	Sand & Gravel	Active
19184	SZMW #1	4	110	150	Sand & Gravel	Active
19185	SZMW #3	4	110	160	Sand & Gravel	Active
19186	SZMW #4	4	110	160	Sand & Gravel	Active

<b>Monitoring Well Details</b>						
<b>District ID</b>	<b>Station Name</b>	<b>Casing Diameter (inches)</b>	<b>Casing Depth (feet)</b>	<b>Total Depth (feet)</b>	<b>Source Name</b>	<b>Status</b>
339654	SZMW #5	4	110	160	Sand & Gravel	Active
339655	SZMW #6	4	110	160	Sand & Gravel	Active



**PERMIT IS CONDITIONED UPON:**

See conditions on attached "Exhibit A," dated \_\_\_\_\_.

**AUTHORIZED BY:** Northwest Florida Water Management District  
Division of Regulatory Services

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

**"EXHIBIT A"**  
**CONDITIONS FOR ISSUANCE OF PERMIT NUMBER 2B-091-5916-7**  
**Destin Water Users, Inc. ASR**  
**DATED \_\_\_\_\_**

**Specific Conditions**

1. This permit shall expire on February 1, 2030.
2. This Permit authorizes the Permittee to make a combined annual average withdrawal of 1.12 million gallons per day (34.72 million gallons per month maximum) of groundwater from the Sand-and-Gravel aquifer for landscape and recreation uses. The individual facilities authorized to make this combined withdrawal are shown in the table below in the following condition. The total combined amounts of water withdrawn by all facilities listed shall not exceed the amounts identified above.
3. Individual Withdrawal Facility Authorization

Groundwater Facility:

Facility ID #	FLUWID	Location SEC,TWN,RNG
ASR #1	AAM6231	Sec.29,T2S,R22W
ASR #2	AAN5645	Sec.29,T2S,R22W
ASR #3	AAN5646	Sec.29,T2S,R22W
ASR #4	AAN5647	Sec.29,T2S,R22W
ASR #5	AAN5648	Sec.30,T2S,R22W
ASR #6	AAN5649	Sec.30,T2S,R22W
ASR #7	AAN5650	Sec.19,T2S,R22W
LA #1	AAP1537	Sec.30,T2S,R22W
LA #2	AAP1538	Sec.19,T2S,R22W

4. The Permittee shall include the Individual Water Use Permit number and the well’s Florida Unique Identification Number (e.g. AAM6231 for ASR #1) when submitting reports or otherwise corresponding with the District.
5. The Permittee, by February 1, 2027, shall install and maintain, in working order, in-line totalizing flow meters at the well heads on wells LA #1 and LA #2. The Permittee shall also maintain, in working order, in-line totalizing flow meters at the well heads on wells ASR #1, ASR #2, ASR #3, ASR #4, ASR #5, ASR #6, and ASR #7. The meters shall be configured to allow for reporting of injection and withdrawal amounts discretely. The meters shall be maintained to be at least 95% accurate and any meter determined defective must be replaced within 30 days of its discovery. The Permittee, within 30 days of meter installation, shall provide documentation to the District that the required flow meters have been installed and report the initial meter readings.
6. The Permittee, at the time of requesting a permit modification or renewal, shall submit documentation of the flow meter calibration and accuracy ratings for all flow meters to the District using the Flow Meter Accuracy Report Form (Form 170). The Permittee, if preferred, may submit

the report electronically by downloading the correct form from the District website, filling it out properly, and e-mailing it to [compliance@nfwwater.com](mailto:compliance@nfwwater.com).

7. The Permittee, by January 31 of each year, for Injection, shall submit a water use report for the previous calendar year (January – December), even if no water is used. The Permittee shall record the data required including total water usage on Water Use Summary Reporting Form (Form 172) for each injection/recovery well (ASR #1 through ASR #7). The Permittee, if preferred, may submit the report electronically by downloading the correct form from the District website, filling it out properly, and e-mailing it to [compliance@nfwwater.com](mailto:compliance@nfwwater.com). The next report is due by January 31, 2025.
8. The Permittee, by January 31 of each year, for Recovery-Withdrawal, shall submit a water use report for the previous calendar year (January – December), even if no water is used. The Permittee shall record the data required including total water usage on Water Use Summary Reporting Form (Form 172) for all wells. Also, the Permittee shall record the meter readings on January 1 and December 31. The Permittee, prior to the installation of flow meters on the well heads of LA #1 and LA #2, shall record the water usage based on pump run time or other approved methods. The Permittee, if preferred, may submit the report electronically by downloading the correct form from the District website, filling it out properly, and e-mailing it to [compliance@nfwwater.com](mailto:compliance@nfwwater.com). The next report is due by January 31, 2025.
9. The Permittee shall withdraw no more water than is injected within a rolling 5-year period. However, with prior District approval, during periods of moderate or severe drought or exceptional demand, the Permittee may withdraw more water than is injected over a rolling 5-year period. For example, for May 2027 the rolling 5-year period would be the 5 years prior to May 2027 (May 2022 to May 2027).

The Permittee, to request District approval to withdraw more water than is injected over a rolling 5-year period, shall submit to the District a request detailing the basis for increased withdrawals, the estimated duration of increased withdrawals, and the requested duration to exceed the rolling 5-year period. The Permittee, if preferred, may submit the request electronically to [compliance@nfwwater.com](mailto:compliance@nfwwater.com) and [water.use@nfwwater.com](mailto:water.use@nfwwater.com).

10. The Permittee shall submit to the District the following information by January 31, April 30, July 31, and October 31 of each year:
  - a. Static water levels for monitor wells SZMW #1, SZMW #2, SZMW #3, SZMW #4, SZMW #5, SZMW #6, SMW #1, and SMW #2 conducted during the first two weeks of each month for the previous three months (e.g. measurements for January, February, and March shall be submitted by April 30) using a District-approved water level measuring device. Water levels shall be taken following a 24-hour non-pumping period, as much as is practicable, reported as depth-to-water below a pre-defined measuring point. All measurements shall be taken from the same measuring point. If the measuring point is different from land surface elevation, then the Permittee shall provide the measuring point distance above or below land surface. All static water level reports shall include the date and time the well was turned off, date and time the measurement was taken, method and device used, and the water level measurement to 0.01 foot for steel/electric tape and 1.0 foot precision for airline methods, respectively. The Permittee, if utilizing the airline method, shall also report airline length, gauge reading, linear distance of the airline terminus from land surface, and a description of where the airline terminates (e.g. land surface, pump base, pressure gauge, etc.).
  - b. Water quality analysis from wells ASR #1, ASR #2, ASR #3, ASR #4, ASR #5, ASR #6, ASR #7, SZMW #2, SZMW #3, SZMW #5, and SZMW #6 conducted during the first two weeks of each month for the previous three months. Prior to sampling, the Permittee shall purge a minimum of three well



volumes and report, with each set of test results: the duration of purging, purge volume, and purge rates used. All sampling and analysis methodologies used shall conform to standards established in Chapter 62-160, F.A.C., Quality Assurance. Furthermore, all water quality analysis shall be conducted by a laboratory with National Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Program (NELAP) and Florida Department of Health Rule 64E-1, F.A.C., certification for the constituents of concern. The water quality analyses shall include, at a minimum, the following constituents: Chloride, Sodium, Total Dissolved Solids (TDS), and Sulfate. Water quality analysis for injection wells is required at the frequency of the current Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Underground Injection Control Facility ID 98505 Permits.

The Permittee, for their convenience, is authorized to submit to the District copies of all reporting required by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Domestic Wastewater Facility Permit FLA010194 and Underground Injection Control Facility ID 98505 Permits upon the dates specified in the FDEP permits. These submittals will be accepted in lieu of the above water level and water quality data as long as the sampling and reporting frequencies of the FDEP permit are more stringent than those included in this condition.

The Permittee may submit the report electronically or, if preferred, by e-mailing it to [compliance@nwfwater.com](mailto:compliance@nwfwater.com). The Permittee, at the time of modification or renewal, shall submit a summary and analysis of the data collected for the wells for the entire period of record.

11. The Permittee, by October 31, 2027, shall conduct and submit to the District the results of a comprehensive evaluation of water use practices at the facility and a list of measures that provide for the enhancement of water conservation and efficiency measures, including water reuse and recycling, reducing water demand and water losses, and preventing exceedance of the authorized amounts. The list shall include, but is not limited to:
  - a. The evaluation undertaken, identifying and detecting leaks and inaccurate flow meters and verify treatment losses;
  - b. The basis of the determinations made; and
  - c. Other water conservation practices the Permittee determines are feasible to implement.

The Permittee shall include the measures implemented during the previous reporting period. If the Permittee determines that any of the listed measures are no longer feasible, the report shall describe the specific reasons they cannot be implemented.

12. The Permittee shall annually evaluate the efficiency of each of its irrigation units and undertake necessary maintenance, repairs and upgrades to provide for the proper efficiency of its equipment. The Permittee shall maintain the irrigation system to prevent wasteful runoff from the property associated with irrigation.
13. The Permittee shall equip the well and irrigation system with an anti-siphoning device if chemicals are to be applied through the irrigation system, as required by section 487.064, F.S.
14. The Permittee shall use "Florida-friendly" landscape techniques, as described in section 373.185, F.S., when designing or modifying the landscape of the irrigated sites.
15. The Permittee shall maintain rain sensing devices which will override any automatic irrigation system when adequate rainfall occurs, and shall operate its irrigation system to prevent wasteful runoff.
16. The Permittee shall enhance irrigation efficiency by restricting irrigation activity during the higher evapotranspiration period of 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

17. The Permittee shall maximize the use of reclaimed water if it is available and its use is environmentally, economically and technically feasible.
18. The Permittee shall maximize the use of reclaimed water if it is available and its' use is environmentally, economically, and technically feasible. If groundwater is withdrawn to supplement the use of reclaimed water, the Permittee shall note on the groundwater pumping report the reason reclaimed water was not sufficient. As the availability of reclaimed increases and is feasible to use, the Permittee shall utilize reclaimed water for its use and reduce its groundwater withdrawals proportionately, except as an emergency backup supply.

### **Standard Conditions**

19. All water uses authorized by this permit shall be implemented as conditioned by this permit, including any documents incorporated by reference in a permit condition. The District may revoke this permit, in whole or in part, or take enforcement action, pursuant to sections 373.136 or 373.243, F.S., unless a permit modification has been obtained to address the noncompliance.
20. The Permittee shall immediately notify the District in writing of any previously submitted information that is later discovered to be inaccurate.
21. This permit does not convey to the Permittee any property rights or privileges other than those specified herein, nor relieve the Permittee from complying with any applicable local government, state, or federal law, rule, or ordinance.
22. The Permittee shall notify the District in writing within 45 days of any sale, transfer, or conveyance of ownership or any other loss of permitted legal control of the Project and/or related facilities from which the permitted water use is made. Where Permittee's control of the land subject to the permit was demonstrated through a lease, the Permittee must either submit documentation showing that it continues to have legal control or transfer control of the permitted system/project to the new landowner or new lessee. All transfers of ownership are subject to the requirements of section 40A-2.351, F.A.C. Alternatively, the Permittee may surrender the water use permit to the District, thereby relinquishing the right to conduct any activities under the permit.
23. The Permittee, prior to the construction, alteration and/or enhancement of any surface water withdrawal, diversion, or management system, shall contact the District to determine if a permit will be required. A permit would be required by the District for activities including creek sandbagging, sump excavation, and any maintenance beyond that considered routine or custodial.
24. Nothing in this permit should be construed to limit the authority of the District to declare a water shortage and issue orders pursuant to Chapter 373, F.S. In the event of a declared water shortage, the Permittee must adhere to the water shortage restrictions, as specified by the District. The Permittee is advised that during a water shortage, reports shall be submitted as required by District rule or order.
25. With advance notice to the Permittee, District staff with proper identification shall have permission to enter, inspect, observe, collect samples, and take measurements of permitted facilities to determine compliance with the permit conditions and permitted plans and specifications. The Permittee shall either accompany District staff onto the property or make provision for access onto the property.
26. The Permittee may seek modification of any term of an unexpired permit. The Permittee is advised that section 373.239, F.S., and section 40A-2.331, F.A.C., are applicable to permit modifications.

27. The District reserves the right to curtail permitted withdrawal and diversion rates if the withdrawal or diversion causes harm to legal uses of water, offsite land use, or water resources and associated environmental features that existed at the time of permit application.
28. The Permittee shall not cause harmful saltwater intrusion. The District reserves the right to curtail permitted withdrawal rates if withdrawals cause harmful saline water intrusion.
29. The Permittee's consumptive use of water as authorized by this permit shall not reduce a flow or level below any minimum flow or level established by the District or the Department of Environmental Protection pursuant to sections 373.042 and 373.0421, F.S. If the Permittee's use of water causes or contributes to such a reduction, then the District shall modify or revoke the permit, in whole or in part, unless the Permittee implements all provisions applicable to the Permittee's use in a District-approved recovery or prevention strategy.
30. The Permittee shall mitigate any harm caused by withdrawals or diversions permitted herein on legal water uses, offsite land use, and water resources and associated environmental features which existed at the time of permit application. Mitigation may include modification of the Permittee's pumping schedule (i.e., duration, withdrawal rates, time of day, etc.), the lowering of the affected pump(s) or the replacement of the well(s) including proper plugging and abandonment of the well(s) that is replaced. The Permittee, upon receipt of an allegation of interference, shall retain the services of an appropriate licensed professional to investigate the alleged interference. The Permittee shall ensure their chosen professional investigates any alleged interference within 48 hours of the allegation being made and provides the conclusions of the investigation to the entity alleging the impact within 72 hours of the allegation being made. If it is determined that the use of a well has been impaired as a result of the Permittee's operation, the Permittee shall complete the required mitigation within 30 days. The Permittee shall be responsible for the payment of services rendered by the licensed professional. The Permittee, within 30 days of any allegation of interference, shall submit a report to the District including the date of the allegation, the name and contact information of the party making the allegation, the result of the investigation made, and any mitigation action undertaken.