



South Florida Water Management District

GOVERNING BOARD WORKSHOP

This meeting is open to the public

November 12, 2008

1:00 PM

District Headquarters - B-1 Auditorium

3301 Gun Club Road

West Palm Beach, FL 33406

All or part of this meeting may be conducted as a teleconference in order to permit maximum participation of Governing Board members.

The Governing Board may take official action at this meeting on any item appearing on this agenda and on any item that is added to this agenda as a result of a change to the agenda approved by the presiding officer of the meeting pursuant to Section 120.525, Florida Statutes. The order of items appearing on the agenda is subject to change during the meeting and is at the discretion of the presiding officer. Public comment will be taken after each presentation and before any Governing Board action(s) except for Governing Board hearings that involve the issuance of final orders based on recommended Orders received from the Florida Division of Administrative Hearings.

1. **Call to Order** - Eric Buermann, Chairman, Governing Board
2. **Pledge of Allegiance** - Eric Buermann, Chairman, Governing Board
3. **Approval of Minutes**

Approval of the Minutes from the October 8, 2008, Workshop, and the October 9, 2008, Business meetings held in West Palm Beach, Florida
4. **Agenda Addendum** - Annette Carter, Director, Office of Governing Board and Executive Services
5. **Abstentions by Board Members from items on the Workshop Agenda**
6. **Pull Items for Discussion from the Consent Agenda**

Water Resources
7. **'River of Grass' Project Update** - Ruth Clements, Director, Land Acquisition Department

Executive Office

8. **Overview of Chapter 373, and Chapter 403, Florida Statutes, (Continued), Site Certifications** - Ruth Holmes, Sr. Attorney, Office of Counsel (ext. 6753)

Operations and Maintenance

9. **Final Update on Lake Okeechobee Emergency Actions for Structure Stability** - Cled Weldon, Deputy Department Director, Field Operations Central (ext. 6282)
10. **Water Conditions Report** - Susan Sylvester, Director, Operations Control Department (ext. 6152)
11. **Ecological Conditions Report** - Susan Gray, Deputy Director, Watershed Management Department (ext. 6919)

Executive Office

12. **Closed Door Session**

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19. **Public Comment**
20. **Adjourn**