



South Florida Water Management District

GOVERNING BOARD MONTHLY MEETING AGENDA

November 13, 2025

9:00 AM

District Headquarters, B-1 Auditorium
3301 Gun Club Road
West Palm Beach, FL 33406

FINAL - REVISED*

*Consent Agenda revised, item 27 was added.

1. Call to Order - Chauncey Goss, Chairman, Governing Board
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Employee Recognitions
 - November 2025 Employee of the Month: Gregory Nolte, Project Management, Section Lead
 - November 2025 Team of the Month: Central Florida Water Initiative Regional Water Supply Team
 - 30-Year Service Award: Renee Hammett, Principal IT Security Analyst
 - 35-Year Service Award: Mark Elsner, P.E., Water Supply Bureau Chief
4. Agenda Revisions
5. Agenda Item Abstentions by Board Members
6. Big Cypress Basin Board Report - Charlette Roman, Chair
7. Consider Approval of the Minutes for the October 9, 2025 Meeting
8. Executive Director's Report - Drew Bartlett
9. General Public Comment

10. Board Comment
11. Move Consent Agenda Items to Discussion Agenda
12. Public Comment on Consent Agenda Items
13. Board Vote on Consent Agenda

Consent Agenda

14. Hybrid Wetland Treatment Technology Project Lease, Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Okeechobee County (Staff contact, Ray Palmer)

Agenda Item Background:

The District and the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (FDACS) entered into a lease agreement on October 16, 2015 for the purpose of conducting research for the Hybrid Wetland Treatment Technology Project. The current lease includes two tracts; parcel NB100-007 which was donated to the District and HF100-005 that was acquired on July 2, 2001. These parcels are located within the Lake Okeechobee Watershed Restoration Project. The current lease is set to expire on October 15, 2025. Both the District and Lessee wish to extend the lease for ten years.

Staff is seeking Governing Board authorization to extend the lease located in Okeechobee County for ten years with FDACS. The lease agreement will have the standard provision for termination by the District for convenience of 180 days. The District will not be charging rent to FDACS.

Recommended Action:

Resolution No. 2025-1101 Authorize entering into a ten-year lease extension with the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, on 159.09 acres, more or less, in Okeechobee County as more particularly described herein. (Contract No. 4600003259-A01)

[Resolution No. 2025-1101](#)

[Exhibit A](#)

[Exhibit B](#)

15. Release of Reservations (Staff contact, Ray Palmer)

Agenda Item Background:

The District has certain reserved rights to construct canal and road rights of way. Applications requesting release of these reservations are received as they constitute a defect on title which must be resolved prior to a property sale, especially when financing is involved. Applications are reviewed to determine if there is a present or future need for the reservations. If it has been determined there is no present or future need, the reservations may be released for a reasonable and appropriate payment based on the value of the land and may require such other terms and conditions determined by the Board.

In 2022, the District released reservations on a portion of the golf course property contiguous to the current request in Release of Reservation No. 18917.

Staff evaluated the properties' size and location for future flood control and reclamation purposes related to water storage and conveyance. It has been determined that there is no present or apparent future need for the reservations listed below, therefore staff asks the Board to consider approval of the following:

Miami-Dade County

- Release reservations for Trump Endeavor 12, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company over a 253.40+/- acre parcel, (Map 1) (File No. 18973); District canal and road reservations - 128.85+/- acres) (Map 2); subject to payment of release value of \$205,033.76; and release of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund (TIITF) canal reservations - 253.40+/- acres (Map 3).

Recommended Action:

Resolution No. 2025-1102 Authorize release of certain canal and road reservations.

[Memorandum Exhibit A](#)

[Resolution No. 2025-1102 with Exhibit A
Maps](#)

16. Request for Right of Way Occupancy Permit (Staff contact, Rich Virgil, P.E.)

Agenda Item Background:

Broward County Parks and Recreation Division (Applicant) requests a Standard Right of Way Occupancy Permit Number 17435-R (ROW Permit) to authorize an ADA-accessible floating dock and gangway ramp within the north right of way of the Hillsboro Canal (G-08) approximately 600 feet upstream (northwest) of the Intracoastal Waterway. The purpose of the facility is to provide handicapped-accessible access for users traveling by boat to Deerfield Island Park which is owned and maintained by Broward County. A waiver of District criteria is required because the facility will extend into the canal more than 25 percent of the canal width. Granting of the requested waiver will allow the Applicant to construct a facility that meets the needs of park users with disabilities.

Applicant has demonstrated a substantial hardship that supports granting of the waiver. The hardship results from Applicant's need install an ADA-accessible ramp for the park. The proposed gangway and floating dock will be attached to an existing wood walkway. For the gangway to comply with ADA requirements, the slope must not exceed 1-foot horizontal for every 12 feet of vertical length. This shallow slope drives the design which extends the entire facility to its proposed length of 74 feet. Without the waiver, the Applicant would be unable to construct a facility that meets the needs of park users with disabilities. There are no other docks on the island that comply with the Florida Accessibility Code.

The application has been reviewed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the U.S. Coast Guard. Neither agency objects to the length of the proposed facility or finds that the facility will obstruct navigable waters. Granting of the waiver will not adversely

impact the District's ability to perform routine or emergency operations, maintenance, or future construction activities. In addition, granting of the waiver will not adversely impact the ability of landowners on the south side of the canal to install a dock in the future.

Recommended Action:

Approve issuance of Standard Right of Way Occupancy Permit 17435-R and the order granting the associated petition for waiver to authorize an ADA-Accessible floating dock and gangway ramp to extend into the canal more than 25 percent of the canal width (Application No. 240703-44602).

[Backup Presentation](#)

17. Department of the Army Section 408 Agreement - Amendment No. 3 (Staff contact, Lucine Dadrian, P.E.)

Agenda Item Background:

As part of District Engineering and Construction projects, the District submits Section 408 Requests to the Department of the Army represented by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Jacksonville District, for review, comment and approval for projects that alter Federal civil works projects, including alterations to the original Central and Southern Florida System, new cost-share projects proceeding ahead of the execution of Project Partnership Agreements, and Federally authorized and constructed restoration projects.

The Section 408 Agreement addresses the need to expedite Section 408 review and approval for specific projects. The Agreement covers 21 ongoing and upcoming Section 408 requests. Amendment No. 3 increases the total amount by \$314,000, for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$870,000, for projects spanning from 2022 through 2026.

Recommended Action:

Resolution No. 2025-1103 Authorize entering into an amendment to the Agreement with the Department of the Army, represented by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Jacksonville District, to provide expedited Section 408 reviews of priority projects; in an amount not to exceed \$314,000, for a total contract amount of \$870,000, for which \$314,000 in dedicated funds (State Appropriations) and Ad Valorem funds are budgeted in Fiscal Year 2025-2026; providing an effective date. (Agreement No. 4600004655-A03)

[Resolution 2025-1103](#)

[Presentation Backup](#)

18. S-9 and S-9A Trash Rake and Pump Station Refurbishments, Critical Flood Control Infrastructure Project Change Order No. 12, Broward County (Staff contact, Lucine Dadrian, P.E.)

Agenda Item Background:

As part of the Operations and Maintenance Critical Flood Control Infrastructure Capital Program, the S-9 and S-9A Trash Rake and Pump Station Refurbishments Project, located in Broward County, consists of a new trash rake bridge and rake system, new generator building, fuel system upgrades, refurbishment of Main Pump No. 3 and

miscellaneous site and building upgrades and repairs. The upgrades are needed to maintain the pump station's operating efficiency and reliability by replacing or refurbishing equipment that is near its end-of-life cycle. The S-9 and S-9A pump stations were originally constructed in 1956 and 2002, respectively.

On November 10, 2021, the Governing Board awarded the S-9 and S-9A Trash Rake and Pump Station Refurbishments Project contract to Harry Pepper & Associates, Inc., for \$27,492,651.00 (Contract No. 4600004514). On July 11, 2024, the Governing Board approved Change Order No. 8 (Contract No. 4600004514-CO08) that revised the contract cost to \$40,307,006.14.

Change Order Nos. 9, 10, and 11 were previously approved for a combined total of \$957,950.09. These changes were for various items including relocation of the S-9 emergency disconnect, site erosion prevention, removal of bar screens embedded in concrete, installation of a new 480V circuit breaker panel, and adjustment of the fuel oil lines in location to eliminate having overhead supply lines within the new generator building.

Upon removal and inspection of the existing impeller from Pump Unit No. 2, it was discovered that the impeller was manufactured with a unique stub shaft that connects the existing shaft with the impeller. This Change Order No. 12 is to install a new, custom machined 410 stainless steel bar stub shaft for Pump No. 2 at the cost of \$93,784.88. Change Order Nos. 9 through 12 result in an increase to the contract price by \$1,051,734.97 for a revised total contract value of \$41,358,741.11 and no changes to the contract time.

Recommended Action:

Resolution No. 2025-1104 Authorize Change Order No. 12 with Harry Pepper and Associates, Inc., for the construction of the S-9 and S-9A Trash Rake and Pump Station Refurbishments critical flood control infrastructure Project, for an additional amount not to exceed \$93,784.88, for which Ad Valorem funds are budgeted in Fiscal Year 2025-2026. (Contract No. 4600004514-CO12)

[Resolution No. 2025-1104](#)

[Presentation Backup](#)

19. Microwave Tower Project, St. Lucie County (Staff contact, Lucine Dadrian, P.E.)

Agenda Item Background:

As part of the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan, the Indian River Lagoon South Microwave Tower Project, located in St. Lucie County, includes a 350-foot tall tower with a 20-foot tall antenna, Information Technology Equipment and Generator Building, access road and site drainage improvements, and power utility connections. This tower supports a microwave network system that communicates with the water management system at headquarters.

On October 17, 2024, the Governing Board awarded the Indian River Lagoon South Microwave Tower Project contract to Expert Construction Managers, Inc., for \$15,345,000 (Contract No. 4600005103). To support the new infrastructure being constructed in the region, this change order adds the construction of improvements to meet long-term operations and needs for District staff. Scope includes installation of

culverts for drainage and access, shell rock, asphalt, and security fencing. Five change orders have been issued to Expert Construction Managers, Inc., for a total sum of \$31,206.01. Change Order No. 6 results in an increase to the Contract price by \$1,230,180.29 for a revised total contract value of \$16,606,386.30.

Recommended Action:

Resolution No. 2025-1105 Authorize Change Order No. 6 with Expert Construction Managers, Inc., for the construction of the Indian River Lagoon South - Microwave Tower Project, for an additional amount not to exceed \$1,230,180.29, for which dedicated funds (State Appropriations) are budgeted in Fiscal Year 2025-2026, providing an effective date. (Contract No. 4600005103-CO06)

[Resolution No. 2025-1105](#)
[Presentation Backup](#)

20. Lake Okeechobee Watershed Restoration Project - Aquifer Storage and Recovery, Okeechobee, Highlands, and Glades Counties (Staff contact, Lucine Dadrian)

Agenda Item Background:

As part of the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan - Lake Okeechobee Watershed Restoration Project (LOWRP), Aquifer Storage and Recovery (ASR) supports exploratory/test well construction and testing to provide hydrogeologic data that will support the design of the ASR pumping systems, provide additional information of the properties of the Floridan Aquifer System (FAS) for the construction of ASR wells. This includes the drilling of exploratory test wells and associated monitoring wells. The testing will include conducting geophysical logs, collection of lithologic and water quality samples to determine the feasibility of completion of ASR facilities at multiple locations around Lake Okeechobee. Additional programs may also utilize the findings from this program to determine the feasibility of implementing ASR technology at other locations within the northern everglades area.

LOWRP is designed to improve water levels in Lake Okeechobee, improve the quantity and timing of discharges to the St. Lucie and Caloosahatchee estuaries, increase the spatial extent and functionality of wetlands, and improve water supply for all existing legal water users. The project includes construction of up to 55 ASR wells located in clusters in various locations throughout the Lake Okeechobee watershed.

On March 11, 2021, the Governing Board authorized District staff to allocate funding for the ASR Program to construct test wells and testing, execute change orders as necessary and initiate new solicitations in support of the ASR Program for a total amount not-to-exceed \$50,000,000. To date, C-38S Test Wells 1 and 2, C-38N Test Wells 1 and 2, and L-63N Test Wells 1 and 2 are complete, and C-38S Test Wells 3 and 4 are under construction for a total Governing Board Authority allocation of \$42,017,929.57 leaving a balance of \$7,982,070.43.

This item is requesting \$50,000,000 in additional authority to continue constructing test wells and testing around Lake Okeechobee in Okeechobee, Highlands, and Glades Counties, approve change orders as necessary, exploratory coring and monitoring wells, purchase of long lead items, associated storage and other necessary activities to continue moving LOWRP ASR forward.

Recommended Action:

Resolution No. 2025-1106 Authorize District staff to approve contract change orders, contracts for test well construction and testing and exploratory coring and monitoring wells, and purchase of materials, equipment and associated storage for the Lake Okeechobee Watershed Restoration Project, Aquifer Storage and Recovery Program, for an additional amount not to exceed \$50,000,000, for which dedicated funds (State Appropriations) are budgeted in Fiscal Year 2025-2026.

[Resolution 2025-1106](#)

[Presentation Backup](#)

21. El Maximo Ranch Project Amendment (Staff contact, Jennifer Reynolds)

Agenda Item Background:

Staff seeks Governing Board approval on a proposed amendment to the Lease and Project Agreement for the El Maximo Ranch Project originally approved by the Governing Board on May 09, 2019. The Lease and Project Agreement with Garcia Land Management, LLC, includes construction and just over nine years of operation for the project located in Osceola County and the Lake Okeechobee Watershed. The El Maximo Ranch project diverts waters from the Kissimmee River and Blanket Bay Slough for treatment in a 7,030-acre impoundment consisting of five pump stations, 19 water control structures, and almost 30 miles of earthen berms. The project is now fully constructed and operational. Staff requests Governing Board approval to include an additional \$3,500,000 for Contract No. 4600004608 in order to reflect the final construction costs and legislative appropriations. The revised Lease and Project Agreement totals \$63,052,531.71, including \$19,791,774.77 for construction and \$43,260,756.94 for just over nine years of project operation.

Recommended Action:

Resolution No. 2025-1107 Authorize an additional \$3,500,000 for the Lease and Project Agreement with Garcia Land Management, LLC, for the El Maximo Ranch Project for a revised contract total of \$63,052,531.71; of which \$8,125,354.46 in dedicated funds (State Appropriations) was provided by the Florida Legislature and is budgeted in Fiscal Year 2025-2026, and the remainder is subject to future legislative funding and Governing Board approval of future years' budgets. (Contract No. 4600004608-A03)

[Resolution No. 2025-1107](#)

[Project Summary](#)

22. ServiceNow Service Management and Asset Management Subscription Service (Staff contact, Akintunde Owosina, P.E.)

Agenda Item Background:

In Fiscal Year 2024-2025, the District transitioned to ServiceNow's integrated service management (help desk and change control) and asset management subscription service. Following implementation and a true up of actual usage, the District identified a higher number of active users and managed assets than originally estimated under the initial subscription.

This request is to authorize amending the contract with Carahsoft Technology Corporation to true up ServiceNow subscription licensing and associated implementation services for enhancements in the amount of \$290,381.32 through December 19, 2029, for a revised contract total of \$3,128,171.28.

Recommended Action:

Resolution No. 2025-1108 Authorize amending a contract with Carahsoft Technology Corporation for additional ServiceNow integrated service management and asset management subscription service licenses, and implementation services in the amount of \$290,381.32 through December 19, 2029, for a revised contract amount of \$3,128,171.28 for which \$114,377.56 in Ad Valorem funds are budgeted in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 and the remainder is subject to Governing Board approval of future years' budgets. (Contract No. 4600005124-A04)

[Resolution No. 2025-1108](#)

23. SAP Cloud Enterprise Resource Planning Private Solution Purchase (Staff contact, Akintunde Owosina, P.E.)

Agenda Item Background:

The Information Technology Division will transition the District's on-premises SAP S/4HANA system to the cloud through the SAP Cloud Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) Private Solution. This initiative represents a strategic modernization of the District's ERP environment to align with SAP's long-term direction toward cloud-based ERP delivery. The SAP Cloud ERP Private Solution provides a complete, managed cloud environment encompassing the SAP S/4HANA software, underlying infrastructure, technical operations, system monitoring, security, and ongoing updates under a single subscription agreement. By migrating to SAP's managed cloud, the District will gain enhanced system resiliency, scalability, and cybersecurity posture while reducing the internal workload required to maintain on-premise servers and software components. This transition enables continued compliance with SAP's supported platforms and ensures access to evolving capabilities such as artificial intelligence, analytics, and process automation. It also positions the District to improve operational efficiency, cost predictability, and business continuity through a standardized, modern ERP platform.

Migrating SAP to the Cloud will ensure continued payroll compliance and system support (out to 2040) beyond the District's current payroll license expiration in January 2026. Remaining on the aging on-premises platform would create a widening technical gap with SAP's cloud-based architecture; one that would become increasingly costly and complex to bridge as future updates and integrations move exclusively to the Cloud. By transitioning SAP to the Cloud, the District avoids a projected \$3-5 million expenditure required to replace the end of life on-premises server hardware and secures a \$2.1 million SAP incentive credit that directly offsets the initial implementation licensing cost of the cloud migration.

This request is to enter into a five-year contract with SAP Public Services for the SAP Cloud ERP Private Solution in the amount of \$5,915,093.54.

These cloud services will be obtained as an exemption to competitive solicitation for proprietary software pursuant to Sec. 155-6 of the District's Procurement Policy.

Recommended Action:

Resolution No. 2025-1109 Authorize entering into a five-year contract with SAP Public Services for the SAP Cloud Enterprise Resource Planning Private Solution in the amount of \$5,915,093.54, as an exception to competitive solicitation for proprietary computer software pursuant to Sec. 155-6 of the District's Procurement Policy, of which \$58,762.87 of Ad Valorem funds are budgeted in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 and the remainder is subject to Governing Board approval of future years' budgets. (Contract No. 4600005276)

[Resolution No. 2025-1109](#)

24. SAP Cloud Enterprise Resource Planning Private Implementation Services (Staff contact, Akintunde Owosina, P.E.)

Agenda Item Background:

The Information Technology Division will transition the District's on-premises SAP S/4HANA system to the cloud through the SAP Cloud Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) Private Solution and will procure contractual services for the implementation.

This request is to issue a purchase order to Phoenix Business Inc. to provide one-time implementation services (design, configuration, testing, data migration, training, cutover support) to assist the District in executing the migration to the SAP Cloud ERP Private Solution in the amount of \$864,750. These services will be procured using a special procurement pursuant to Sec. 155-6 of the District's Procurement Policy using Phoenix Business, Inc. Contract Number 250106 with Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS), a government purchasing cooperative and Department of Texas Region 8 Education Service Center.

Recommended Action:

Resolution No. 2025-1110 Authorize issuing a purchase order to Phoenix Business Inc., for the SAP Cloud Enterprise Resource Planning Private Solution implementation services, in the amount of \$864,750, for which Ad Valorem funds are budgeted in Fiscal Year 2025-2026, using Phoenix Business, Inc. Contract Number 250106 with Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS), a government purchasing cooperative and Department of Texas Region 8 Education Service Center. (Purchase Order No. 4500158735)

[Resolution No. 2025-1110](#)

25. Publish a Notice of Proposed Rule in the Florida Administrative Register and Adopt Amendments to Rule 40E-1.607 F.A.C. (Staff contact, Simon Sunderland)

Agenda Item Background:

Under the District's permit fee rule contained in 40E-1.607 F.A.C., the District currently charges \$300 to transfer a consumptive use permit (CUP) to a new property owner. However, there is no transfer fee for an environmental resource permit (ERP) to a new owner. Further, when a CUP applicant withdraws their application, they lose their processing fee. Current ERP rules allow for the credit of the processing fee to be applied to a new application or notice received from the same applicant if done within 365 days from when the original application was withdrawn. District staff is seeking to add a new CUP fee category to include the same credit of the processing fee for

withdrawn CUP applications. These two amendments provide consistency between the two permitting programs.

Additionally, the District is seeking to create a new CUP fee category for a 30-day backup supply for interrupted reclaimed water service. The District issues CUPs for 30-day back up supplies from waters of the state to users who receive their full allocation from reclaimed water. Under current District practice, the application fee is based on an allocation so large that users are paying a fee similar to what they would if they received a CUP using waters of the state. Creating this new CUP fee category will further encourage the use of reclaimed water and reward those who currently use reclaimed water.

District staff seeks Governing Board approval to publish a Notice of Proposed Rule in the Florida Administrative Register and adopt amendments to Rule 40E-1.607, F.A.C., to update CUP fees as described above, provided no request for a public hearing is received and no substantive changes are made after the public comment period concludes.

Recommended Action:

Resolution No. 2025-1111 Authorize publishing a Notice of Proposed Rule in the Florida Administrative Register and Adopt Amendments to Rule 40E-1.607, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), to reduce the consumptive use permit (CUP) transfer fee to \$0 and add new CUP fee categories for a 30-day backup supply for interrupted reclaimed water service and crediting the processing fee for a consumptive use permit that is withdrawn to a new application or notice received from the same applicant if done within 365 days from when the original application was withdrawn.

[Resolution No. 2025-1111](#)
[Notice of Proposed Rule](#)

26. Adoption of the 2025 Miami-Dade County Local Mitigation Strategy (Staff contact, Carolina Maran, Ph.D., P.E.)

Agenda Item Background:

Formal adoption of Miami-Dade County's 2025 Local Mitigation Strategy (LMS) Plan by the District's Governing Board is required to receive federal hazard mitigation grant program funding, administered by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), for the District's projects in Miami-Dade County. There is no cost for the District associated with the formal adoption of this plan.

The LMS was developed and revised by the Miami-Dade County Local Mitigation Strategy Steering Committee, in coordination with governmental and non-governmental stakeholders having an interest in reducing the impact of disasters, and with input from the private sector and other members of the public. The purpose of the Miami-Dade County LMS Plan is to mitigate natural, technological, and human-made hazards that pose risks to public health and safety, threaten economic stability, and impact the quality of the natural environment. The Miami-Dade County LMS Plan provides a rational, managed basis for considering and prioritizing mitigation options, and for developing and executing sound, cost-effective mitigation projects. The Miami-Dade County LMS plan provides a basis for justifying the solicitation and use of local,

state, and federal funding sources to support hazard mitigation projects and initiatives. Miami-Dade County's 2025 LMS Plan is available online at <https://www.miamidade.gov/global/emergency/local-mitigation-strategy.page>.

Recommended Action:

Resolution No. 2025-1112 Adopt the 2025 Miami-Dade County Local Mitigation Strategy Plan for the purpose of hazard mitigation funding eligibility.

[Resolution No. 2025-1112](#)

27. Innovative Technology Waterways Impact Protection Effort C-9 Basin Project, Miami-Dade County (Staff contact, Carolina Maran, Ph.D, P.E.)

Agenda Item Background:

As part of the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) Innovative Technology Grant Program, the Innovative Technology Waterways Impact Protection Effort (WIPE-Out) C-9 Basin Project, located in Miami-Dade County, will construct inflow and outflow conveyance infrastructure to supply and return water from study swales adjacent to the C-9 Canal. This includes installation of electrical infrastructure required to support continuous pumping operations, construction of swales and site grading using suitable onsite materials, and installation of filtration media technologies along with geotextile and PVC liners along the full length of the study swales.

DEP manages the Innovative Technology Grant Program to fund projects that evaluate and implement innovative technologies and short-term solutions to combat harmful algal blooms and nutrient enrichment, restore and preserve Florida's fresh waterbodies and implement certain water quality treatment technologies. Through this program, DEP awarded funds to the District and Miami-Dade County to implement the WIPE-Out Project in the C-9 Basin, along the Snake Creek Canal in Miami-Dade County.

This project is a pilot initiative to demonstrate and evaluate the effectiveness of three nutrient-removal technologies at or near the source of pollution. The project goal is to test filtration media into the conveyance system, either in the canal or along its shoreline at key discharge points. This will allow assessment of treatment performance, operational impacts, flood resilience, and socio-economic considerations. Validating these treatment approaches before broader upgrades will help quantify their environmental and operational benefits.

The lowest responsive and responsible bidder is recommended for the award. In accordance with District policy and consistent with state law for Request for Bids procurements, this item was competitively bid through a sealed bid process. The bid opening for this project was on November 4, 2025.

Recommended Action:

Resolution No. 2025-1114 Authorize entering into a 210-day contract with SCR Mechanical, LLC., the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, for the Innovative Technology WIPE-Out C-9 Basin Project, in the amount of 3,070,375, for which dedicated funds (State Grant INV39) are budgeted in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 and the remainder is subject to Governing Board approval of future years' budgets. (Contract No. 4600005285)

[Resolution No. 2025-1114](#)

Discussion Agenda

28. 2025 Central Florida Water Initiative Regional Water Supply Plan (Staff contact, Mark Elsner, P.E.)

Agenda Item Background:

This presentation will provide an overview of the Draft 2025 Central Florida Water Initiative (CFWI) Regional Water Supply Plan (RWSP). Staff is requesting Governing Board approval of the 2025 CFWI RWSP. Water supply plans are updated every five years and identify sustainable water supplies for all water users while protecting water resources and related natural systems. The goal of the RWSP is to identify programs and projects to ensure that adequate and sustainable water supplies are available to meet current and future water supply needs while protecting the environment and water resources.

The Central Florida Water Initiative (CFWI) was established by Section 373.0465, Fla. Stat., and is a collaborative planning process involving the South Florida Water Management District (District), the St. Johns River Water Management District (SJRWMD), the Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD), the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (FDACS), regional public water supply utilities, and other stakeholders. The 2025 CFWI RWSP builds upon the previous plans that were approved in 2015 and 2020.

The 2025 CFWI RWSP concludes that current and future water demands can be met through 2045, while sustaining water resources and related natural systems with appropriate management, continued diversification of water supply sources, water conservation, and implementation of identified water supply and water resource development projects. It was concluded that fresh groundwater availability of up to 760 million gallons per day (mgd) as identified in the 2020 CFWI RWSP is still valid based on the water resource evaluations of this 2025 CFWI RWSP. Based on the 2045 groundwater demand projections (856 mgd), the resulting groundwater shortfall is approximately 96 mgd. Therefore, local management strategies will continue to be needed (e.g., wellfield optimization, aquifer recharge, natural system enhancement) to address unacceptable impacts.

Recommended Action:

Resolution No. 2025-1113 Approve the 2025 Central Florida Water Initiative Regional Water Supply Plan.

[Resolution No. 2025-1113](#)

Technical Reports

29. Water and Ecological Conditions Report - John P. Mitnik, P.E., and Zach Welch, Ph.D.

Staff Reports

30. Monthly Financial Report - Candida Heater, Division Director - Administrative Services
31. General Public Comment
32. Board Comment
33. Adjourn

Draft Presentation and Project Updates

Agenda Item Background:

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[CERP Report](#)

[NEEPP Report](#)

Public Comment Procedure

The South Florida Water Management District Governing Board encourages the public to provide comment and input to the Governing Board. Public comment is accepted at the two dedicated General Public Comment periods at the beginning and the end of the meeting. Public comment is also accepted on the Consent Agenda and each Discussion Agenda item.