



## SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

May 12, 2026

Mark Stephens, PG, PE  
The Colinas Group, Inc.  
2031 E Edgewood Drive  
Lakeland, FL 33803

**Subject: Unsolicited Proposal No. 6000001650**  
**Project Title: Mayaca Materials Flow Equalization Basin for the L-8 Canal Project**

Dear Mr. Mark Stephens:

You are hereby notified that the South Florida Water Management District (District) will not be moving forward with the evaluation of The Colinas Group, Inc. (Proposer) unsolicited proposal, referenced above, pursuant to Section 255.065, Florida Statutes.

Pursuant to Section 255.065(3), the District will return your application fee. If your firm intends to submit an additional proposal within one (1) year from the date of this letter, it may make a written request that the District retain the application fee to apply to its next proposal. If the District does not receive a written request within thirty (30) days from the date of this letter, the District will issue a reimbursement check.

The District encourages your firm to continue to monitor the Procurement Calendar for current and upcoming solicitations. Please visit <https://www.sfwmd.gov/doing-business-with-us/procurement>, click on the Procurement Calendar link and navigate through the Current Solicitations and Upcoming Solicitations categories.

Please direct all questions concerning this matter to Jose Esquivel, by telephone at (561) 682-2119, or by email at [jesquive@sfwmd.gov](mailto:jesquive@sfwmd.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jose Esquivel".

Jose Esquivel, Section Leader – Contracts  
Procurement Bureau  
South Florida Water Management District

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