



South Florida Water Management District

Public Meeting to Discuss Regulatory Matters

March 21, 2012

10:00 a.m.

South Florida Water Management District – Storch Room
3301 Gun Club Road, West Palm Beach, FL 33406

Meeting Minutes

Staff Present:

Robert M. Brown, Assistant Executive Director
Sharon M. Trost, Director, Regulation Division
Anthony Waterhouse, Assistant Division Director, Regulation
Maria C. Clemente, Bureau Chief, Water Use
Ricardo Valera, Regulatory Administrator, Lower West Coast Service Center
Marc Ady, Supervisor, Orlando Service Center
Hugo Carter, Supervisor, Okeechobee Service Center

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Assistant Executive Director Robert M. Brown at 10:05 a.m. Mr. Brown reviewed the purpose of the meeting and requested that discussion be kept to regulatory issues. Mr. Brown introduced Regulation Division Director Sharon Trost. Ms. Trost introduced staff. There were two members of the public present in West Palm Beach. No members of the public were present in the Lower West Coast, Okeechobee or Orlando Service Centers. Six members of the public viewed the meeting on the web.

2. Applications of Heightened Public Concern Pending Final Action

Application 050330-10 Seacoast Utility Authority

Ms. Trost informed the public that a waiver has been received for this application; the waiver is valid through April 16, 2012.

3. Applications of Heightened Public Concern Not Complete

Application 090107-1 Crosstown Parkway Extension (Bridge over North Fork St. Lucie River)

Public Comment: George Jones, representing the St. Lucie County Conservation Alliance and the Indian Riverkeeper, expressed concerns regarding impacts to state lands. Mr. Jones stated that they will continue to stay involved and work with agencies throughout the permitting process. Mr. Jones also suggested that an alternate route be considered for this project and stated that he would provide a recommendation to staff in the near future.

Public Comment: Alex Larson also expressed concerns regarding potential impacts to state lands.

4. Public Comment on other Pending Permit Applications

Application 100930-26 Willaway Cattle & Sod Water Retention and Recycling

Public Comment: Alex Larson inquired about the specific project location.

Staff responded that the location of the project is located in the northern part of Okeechobee County, east side of Fish Slough. This is a dispersed water management project with Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services. In addition, part of this project is within the St. Johns Water Management District.

Applications 120217-18, 120217-19, and 120217-20 FPL Duct Bank Installation

Public Comment: Alex Larson inquired about the type of project.

Staff responded that these were dewatering projects.

Application 120130-11 Tradition Conceptual Revision 6

Public Comment: Alex Larson inquired about the application type.

Staff responded that this application was for a State of Emergency extension related to Senate Bill 2156.

Application 120306-2 Northlake 20

Public Comment: Alex Larson inquired about the location of the project.

Staff responded that the project is located south of Northlake Blvd, south of the Palm Beach Gardens Public Golf Course and just east of Stonewall. Staff also informed Ms. Larson that permit locations can now be viewed in ePermitting via Google Earth.

5. Public Comment on General Regulatory Issues

No comments

6. Adjourn

Mr. Brown informed everyone that the next meeting is scheduled for April 18, 2012 at 10:00 a.m.

With no further questions or public comments, Mr. Brown adjourned the meeting at 10:35 a.m.