CITRUS COUNTY

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES ● SEPTEMBER 9, 2021

Special Meeting | **Citrus County Courthouse** | **1:00 PM**

Room 100, 110 N. Apopka Avenue, Inverness, FL 34450

A. CALL TO ORDER

September 09, 2021 Citrus County Courthouse
The meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM

1. Invocation

First Vice Chairman Ronald E. Kitchen, Jr. led the invocation.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Scott Carnahan	Chair, District 4	Present	
Ronald E. Kitchen Jr.	1st Vice Chair, District 2	Present	
Ruthie Davis Schlabach	2nd Vice Chair, District 3	Present	
Jeff Kinnard D.C.	Commissioner District 1	Present	
Holly L. Davis	Commissioner, District 5	Present	
Denise A. Dymond Lyn	County Attorney	Present	
Charles R. Oliver	County Administrator	Present	
Amy Charley	Deputy Clerk	Present	

B. SPECIAL MEETING

B.1. 1:00 p.m. Public Hearing Proposed Stormwater MSBU for Fiscal Year 2021-2022.

A. Conduct a public hearing to consider the creation of the 2021 Stormwater MSBU for the provision of stormwater management services, facilities, and programs within the unincorporated area of the County and consider the imposition of stormwater service assessments against certain real property in the unincorporated area of Citrus County established as the stormwater management area for the Fiscal Year 2021-2022.

B. Adopt and authorize the Chairman to execute a Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of Citrus County, Florida, relating to the provision of stormwater management services; confirming the Initial Assessment Resolution; providing for hardship assistance; imposing stormwater service assessments against certain real property in the unincorporated area of Citrus County established as the stormwater management area; approving the assessment roll for stormwater service assessments; providing for collection of the stormwater service assessments; providing for severability; providing for conflicts; and providing an effective date.

County Administrator Charles R. Oliver provided the purpose of the public hearing.

Sandi Walker, Assistant Director with Government Services Group, Inc. provided the presentation and responded to questions from the Board.

The following individuals addressed the Board: Tim Reynard; Thomas Kucej; Robert Finkelsen; Billy Cayce; Mike Rausch; Melvin Payne; John Woods; Ron Sobol; Patrick Sullivan; Ken Murr; John Dallimore; Sabrina Watson; Zach Stivers; John Gattone; Phillip Hruska; Dennis Filger; Wayne Gherke; Randy Hudson; Ryan Turner; Joseph James; Paul LeVasseur; Rachelle Fagan; Angel Davila; Anthony Mozo; Donald Morr; Randy Silva; Alan Otis; Thomas Venable; Linda Willets; Jean Bonard; Janet Barek, for Citrus Springs Civic Association; Anne Brooks; Steve Barker; Martha Melissa Ray; John Griffin; Danuta Kubelik; Steve Bordeaux; Lynn Turck; Ellen Fondren; George Prescott; Chris Venable; Frank Papcin, representing Arrowhead Citizens Association; Rodney Miner; Bruce Jasper; Dixie Hollins, with Hollinswood Ranch; David Dane; and Rose Farley.

Commissioners responded to comments from the public.

Motion to adopt and authorize the Chairman to execute a Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of Citrus County, Florida, relating to the provision of stormwater management services; confirming the Initial Assessment Resolution; providing for hardship assistance and VA exemption; imposing stormwater service assessments against certain real property in the unincorporated area of Citrus County established as the stormwater management area; approving the assessment roll for stormwater service assessments; providing for collection of the stormwater service assessments; providing for severability; providing for conflicts; and providing an effective date.

Engineer Director Brian Kauffman, County Attorney Denise A. Dymond Lyn, and Mr. Oliver responded to questions from Mr. Otis and the Board.

Resolution Number 2021-082

RESULT:	**ADOPTED [4 TO 1]**
MOVER:	Ronald E. Kitchen Jr., 1st Vice Chair, District 2
SECONDER:	Jeff Kinnard D.C., Commissioner District 1
AYES:	Carnahan, Kitchen Jr., Kinnard D.C., Davis
NAYS:	Schlabach

C. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

D. UPCOMING MEETINGS

Regular Meeting: September 14, 2021 at 1:00 PM, Citrus County Courthouse, Room 100, 110 N. Apopka Avenue, Inverness, FL 34450

E. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 3:48 PM

AGENDA MEMORANDUM

FROM:	Randall Olney, Public Works Director
SUBJECT:	1:00 p.m. Public Hearing Proposed Stormwater MSBU for Fiscal Year 2021-2022.
AGENDA DATE:	**September 09, 2021**

BRIEF OVERVIEW:

Proposed Stormwater MSBU for Fiscal Year 2021-2022.

BUDGET IMPACT/FUNDING SOURCE:

Account No.	Account Title	Current Budget	YTD Expenditures	Encumbrances	Available Balance
					$0

Special Assessments to be levied against benefited properties.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

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CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA

STORMWATER FINAL ASSESSMENT RESOLUTION

ADOPTED SEPTEMBER 9, 2021

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RESOLUTION NO. 2021-___

A RESOLUTION OF CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA, RELATING TO THE PROVISION OF STORMWATER MANAGEMENT SERVICES; CONFIRMING THE INITIAL ASSESSMENT RESOLUTION; PROVIDING FOR HARDSHIP ASSISTANCE; IMPOSING STORMWATER SERVICE ASSESSMENTS AGAINST CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF CITRUS COUNTY ESTABLISHED AS THE STORMWATER MANAGEMENT AREA; APPROVING THE ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR STORMWATER SERVICE ASSESSMENTS; PROVIDING FOR COLLECTION OF THE STORMWATER SERVICE ASSESSMENTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners (the "Board") of Citrus County, Florida (the "County"), has enacted the Assessment Ordinance relating to the provision of services and capital facilities, which authorizes the imposition of Service Assessments against real property specially benefited by the County's Stormwater Management Services; and

WHEREAS, the Board has enacted the Stormwater Ordinance, creating the Stormwater Utility and providing for the administration and funding of that Stormwater Utility through County rates, fees, and charges, including Stormwater Service Assessments; and

WHEREAS, the imposition of a Stormwater Service Assessment is an equitable and efficient method of allocating and apportioning the cost of the County's Stormwater Management Service among parcels of property that are specially benefited thereby; and

WHEREAS, the Board adopted Resolution No. 2021-064, the Initial Assessment Resolution, geographically identifying the area within which the County provides Stormwater Management Services and those properties to be specially benefited by the County's Stormwater Management Services (the "Stormwater Management Area"),

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describing the method of assessing the cost of the County's Stormwater Management Services (the "Stormwater Service Cost") against Developed Property located within the Stormwater Management Area, directing the preparation of the preliminary Assessment Roll for Stormwater Service Assessments, and directing the provision of the notices required by the Sections 86-38 and 86-39 of the Assessment Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of Section 86-40 of the Assessment Ordinance, the County is required to confirm or repeal the Stormwater Initial Assessment Resolution, with such amendments as the Board deems appropriate, after hearing comments and receiving objections of all interested parties; and

WHEREAS, the Assessment Roll has heretofore been filed with the office of the Director, as provided in Section 86-37 of the Assessment Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, as required by the terms of Sections 86-38 and 86-39 of the Assessment Ordinance, notice of a public hearing has been published and mailed to each property owner proposed to be charged a Stormwater Service Assessment, notifying such property owner of the opportunity to be heard; the proof of publication and an affidavit of mailing are attached hereto as Appendices A and B respectively; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing has been duly held and comments and objections of all interested persons have been heard and considered as required by the Section 86-40 of the Assessment Ordinance.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. AUTHORITY. This resolution is adopted pursuant to the provisions of the Assessment Ordinance, the Stormwater Ordinance, the Initial Assessment Resolution

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(Resolution No. 2021-064), Article VIII, Section 1, Florida Constitution, sections 125.01 and 125.66, Florida Statutes, and other applicable provisions of law.

SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS. This resolution is the Final Assessment Resolution for the imposition of Stormwater Service Assessments. All capitalized terms in this Final Assessment Resolution shall have the meanings defined in Section 86-1 of the Assessment Ordinance, Section 99-1 of the Stormwater Ordinance, and the Initial Assessment Resolution.

SECTION 3. CONFIRMATION OF INITIAL ASSESSMENT RESOLUTION. The Initial Assessment Resolution is hereby confirmed.

SECTION 4. HARDSHIP ASSISTANCE.

(A) It is hereby ascertained, determined, and declared that it is in the best interest of the citizens of the County to assist Low Income Persons who are Owners of homesteaded Single Family Parcels or Condominium Residential Unit Parcels with the financial burden created by the imposition of a Stormwater Service Assessment.

(B) As used in this Section 4, the following terms shall have the following meanings, unless the context hereof otherwise requires:

"Low-Income Persons" shall mean one or more natural persons, the total gross household income of which does not exceed 30% of the median adjusted gross income for households within the metropolitan statistical area covering the County as reported by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development or its governmental successor in function.

(C) There is hereby created an economic hardship program to assist Single Family Parcel or Condominium Residential Unit Parcel owners of homesteaded Single

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Family Parcel or Condominium Residential Unit Parcel who meet the definition of Low Income Persons as established herein. An owner of homesteaded Single Family Parcel or Condominium Residential Unit Parcel who meets low income level and asset guidelines specified by the County shall be eligible to receive payment of a Stormwater Service Assessment by the County. Applicants for this hardship assistance shall provide written documentation satisfactory to the County Administrator in order to qualify for such assistance. Any amounts provided for hardship assistance shall be paid by the County from funds other than those generated by the Stormwater Service Assessment.

(D) Prior to October 1, 2021 and prior to May 1 of each year thereafter, the applicant shall file with the County Administrator an application under oath demonstrating entitlement to hardship assistance as provided herein. Such application shall include the following:

(1) The name and address of all Owners of the Single Family Parcel or Condominium Residential Unit Parcel, as applicable;

(2) The parcel identification number and address for the Single Family Parcel or Condominium Residential Unit Parcel, as applicable;

(3) Proof of total household income from all sources and other documentation required to demonstrate qualification as a Low Income Person; and

(4) Such other information relating to the application as may be reasonably requested.

(E) The County Administrator, with the assistance of other members of the administrative staff of the County, shall, within fifteen (15) days after the filing of such application, review the application and such other supporting data that may be filed

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therewith and make such further investigation as may be reasonably required in order to determine if the applicant is qualified for hardship assistance pursuant to this Section. If deemed qualified for the hardship assistance as outlined in this Section 4, the County shall pay the Stormwater Service Assessment on said property.

(F) The County Administrator shall furnish his or her written decision to such applicant by United States mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the applicant at the address stated on the application on or before the expiration of twenty (20) days following the filing of the application determining if the applicant is or is not qualified for hardship assistance pursuant to this Section.

(G) Any shortfall in the expected Stormwater Service Assessment proceeds due to any hardship assistance provided herein shall be supplemented by any legally available funds, or combination of such funds, and shall not be paid for by proceeds or funds derived from the Stormwater Service Assessments. In the event a court of competent jurisdiction determines any assistance provided by the Board is improper or otherwise adversely affects the validity of the Stormwater Service Assessment imposed for any Fiscal Year, the sole and exclusive remedy shall be the imposition of a Stormwater Service Assessment upon each affected Tax Parcel in the amount of the Stormwater Service Assessment that would have been otherwise imposed save for such assistance afforded to such Tax Parcel by the Board.

SECTION 5. APPROVAL OF ASSESSMENT ROLL.

(A) The Assessment Roll, a copy of which was present or available at the public hearing and on file in the office of the Director and incorporated herein by reference, is hereby approved.

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(B) The Assessment Roll, as approved, also includes those Tax Parcels of Developed Property that cannot be set forth in that Assessment Roll due to the provisions of Section 119.071(4), Florida Statutes, concerning exempt "home addresses."

SECTION 6. STORMWATER SERVICE ASSESSMENTS.

(A) The Tax Parcels of Developed Property included in the Assessment Roll are hereby found to be specially benefited by the County's Stormwater Management Services in the amount of the Stormwater Service Assessment set forth in the Assessment Roll.

(B) Adoption of this Final Assessment Resolution constitutes a legislative determination that all parcels assessed derive a special benefit, as set forth in the Assessment Ordinance, the Stormwater Ordinance, and Initial Assessment Resolution, from the Stormwater Management Services to be provided and a legislative determination that the Stormwater Service Assessments are fairly and reasonably apportioned among the Developed Properties that receive the benefit as set forth in the Initial Assessment Resolution.

(C) The method for computing the Stormwater Service Assessments and the assignment of ESUs described in the Initial Assessment Resolution is hereby approved.

(D) For the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2021, the estimated Stormwater Service Code to be assessed is $4,663,915.00. The Stormwater Service Assessments to be assessed and apportioned among Developed Property located within the Stormwater Management Area pursuant to the apportionment method set forth in the Initial Assessment Resolution to generate the Stormwater Service Cost are hereby established at the rate of $58.84 per Net ESU. The Stormwater Service Assessments in the amounts set forth in the

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Assessment Roll based upon the rate of $58.84 per Net ESU, are hereby levied and imposed on all Tax Parcels included in the Assessment Roll.

(E) Such Stormwater Service Assessments shall constitute a lien upon the Tax Parcels so assessed equal in rank and dignity with the liens of all state, county, district or municipal taxes and non-ad valorem assessments. Except as otherwise provided by law, such lien shall be superior in dignity to all other liens, titles and claims, until paid. The lien for Stormwater Service Assessments shall be deemed perfected upon adoption by the Board of this Stormwater Final Assessment Resolution. Upon perfection, the lien for Stormwater Service Assessments collected under the Uniform Assessment Collection Act shall attach to the property included on the roll as of the prior January 1, the lien date for ad valorem taxes.

(F) The following exemptions are approved for the Stormwater Service Assessment program:

(1) No Stormwater Service Assessment shall be imposed upon a parcel of Government Property; and

(2) No Stormwater Service Assessment shall be imposed upon Buildings located on parcels of Institutional Property whose Building use is wholly or partially exempt from ad valorem taxation under Florida law; however, Government Leaseholds and Government Property that is owned by federal mortgage entities, such as the VA and HUD, shall not be exempted from the Stormwater Service Assessment.

(3) Because it is in the best interest of the citizens of the County to assist totally and permanently disabled veterans and their surviving spouses who are Owners of homesteaded residential property with the financial burden created by the imposition of a

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Stormwater Service Assessment, no Stormwater Service Assessment shall be imposed against a Single Family Parcel or a Condominium Residential Unit Parcel that is the homesteaded property of a totally and permanently disabled veteran or their surviving spouse and who receive a total property tax exemption for said Tax Parcel pursuant to either Sections 196.081 or 196.091, Florida Statutes.

(4) Any shortfall in the expected Stormwater Service Assessment proceeds due to any reduction or exemption required by law or authorized by the Board shall be supplemented by any legally available funds, or combination of such funds, and shall not be paid for by proceeds or funds derived from the Stormwater Service Assessments.

(G) As authorized by Section 86-46 of the Assessment Ordinance, interim Stormwater Service Assessments are also levied and imposed against all property for which a Certificate of Occupancy is issued after adoption of this Final Assessment Resolution.

SECTION 7. COLLECTION OF STORMWATER SERVICE ASSESSMENTS.

(A) The Stormwater Service Assessments shall be collected pursuant to the Uniform Assessment Collection Act, as provided in the Assessment Ordinance.

(B) The Director is hereby authorized and directed to certify and deliver or cause the certification and delivery of the Assessment Roll for the Stormwater Service Assessments, as herein approved together with the correction of any errors or omission as provided in the Assessment Ordinance, to the Tax Collector by September 15, in the manner prescribed by section 197.3632, Florida Statutes.

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(C) The Assessment Roll for the Stormwater Service Assessments, as delivered to the Tax Collector, shall be accompanied by a Certificate to Non-Ad Valorem Assessment Roll in substantially the form attached hereto as Appendix C. The Property Appraiser and Tax Collector shall apply the Stormwater Service Assessment rates approved herein to any Tax Parcels of Developed Property with exempt "home addresses" pursuant to Section 119.071(4), Florida Statutes.

SECTION 8. EFFECT OF ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION. The adoption of this Final Assessment Resolution shall be the final adjudication of the issues presented herein (including, but not limited to, the apportionment methodology, the rate of assessment, the adoption of the Assessment Roll and the levy and lien of the Stormwater Service Assessments), unless proper steps shall be initiated in a court of competent jurisdiction to secure relief within 20 days from the date of this Final Assessment Resolution.

SECTION 9. SEVERABILITY. If any clause, section or other part of this resolution shall be held by any court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or invalid, such unconstitutional or invalid part shall be considered as eliminated and in no way affecting the validity of the other provisions of this resolution.

SECTION 10. CONFLICTS. Resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict with this Final Assessment Resolution are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

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SECTION 11. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Final Assessment Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

DONE AND ADOPTED in Regular Session this ____ day of _____, 2021.

ATTEST:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA

_____
ANGELA VICK, CLERK

_____
SCOTT CARNAHAN, CHAIRMAN

APPROVED AS TO FORM FOR THE
RELIANCE OF CITRUS COUNTY ONLY:

_____
DENISE A. DYMOND LYN
COUNTY ATTORNEY

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APPENDIX A

PROOF OF PUBLICATION

5872-0819 THCRN

NOTICE OF BOCC SPECIAL MEETING TO CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING TO IMPOSE AND PROVIDE FOR COLLECTION OF NON-AD VALOREM ASSESSMENTS

The U. S. Environmental Protection Agency through the National Pollution Discharge Elimination System Stormwater permitting program implemented by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection has mandated Citrus County, Florida to implement and fund a comprehensive stormwater management program. A new and dedicated funding source is needed to maintain compliance with these requirements. Accordingly, the Citrus County, Florida Board of County Commissioners ("Board"), will conduct a public hearing during a Special Meeting at 1:00 p.m. on September 9, 2021, in Room 100 of the Citrus County Courthouse, 110 North Apopka Avenue, Inverness, Florida, to consider the imposition of Stormwater Service Assessments in the unincorporated area of the County, as shown above.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation or an interpreter to participate in this proceeding should contact the County Administrator's office, 3600 W. Sovereign Path, Suite 267, Lecanto, Florida 34461, (352) 527-5210, at least two days before the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, dial 7-1-1, 1-800-955-8771 (TTY) or 1-800-955-8770 (v), via Florida Relay Service. If you need a Spanish Translator, please make arrangements with the County by telephone within two days of the publication notice at (352) 527-5370. Si necesita un traductor de español por favor haga arreglos con el Condado dentro de los dos dias de la notificatión de la publicación a 352-527-5370.

All affected property owners have a right to appear at the hearing and to file written objections with the County. All written objections to the non-ad valorem assessments must be filed with the Board of County Commissioners within twenty (20) days of this notice. Please include your name, parcel number, and the reason you object to the assessment on all written objections. Address all written objections as follows: Citrus County BOCC, Attn: Land Section, 3600 W. Sovereign Path, Suite 205, Lecanto, Florida 34461. Any person wishing to appeal any decision of the Board with respect to any matter considered will need a record of the proceedings and may wish to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made.

The Stormwater Service Assessments will fund the County's cost to provide Stormwater Management Services in the unincorporated area of the County. The Stormwater Service Assessments are based upon the estimated amount of stormwater runoff generated by impervious surface on the property. Impervious surfaces include the roof top, patios, driveways, parking lots and similar areas. The County has determined that the median single-family residence in the Stormwater Management Area includes 4,182 square feet of impervious surface, which is defined as the "equivalent stormwater unit value" or "ESU Value." The annual Stormwater Service Assessment rate for the upcoming Fiscal Year will be $58.84 for each Net ESU.

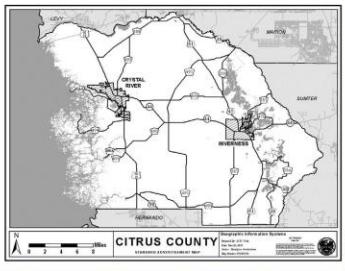
Failure to pay the Stormwater Service Assessment will cause a tax certificate to be issued against the assessed property which may result in a loss of title to your property.

Generally, the number of ESUs were calculated individually for each parcel of property by dividing the impervious surface area by 4,182 square feet. If a property owner applies and qualifies, credits for privately maintained Stormwater mitigation facilities and other factors affecting the quantity or quality of Stormwater runoff will be applied, resulting in an assignment of Net ESUs. A more specific description is set forth in the Initial Assessment Resolution adopted by the Board on July 13, 2021. Copies of the Initial Assessment Resolution and the preliminary assessment roll are available for inspection at the Board of County Commissioner's Administrative Office, Room 232, located at the Citrus County Courthouse, 110 North Apopka Avenue, Inverness, Florida.

Additional information about the Stormwater Service Assessment, including the mitigation credit application for a privately maintained stormwater management facility is available at https://www.citrusbocc.com/stormwater

If you have any questions, please contact the County at (352) 527-5373.

CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA
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APPENDIX B

AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING

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BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, personally appeared Charles R. Oliver, Tammy Peters and Jeremy Cohen, who, after being duly sworn, depose and say:

1. Charles R. Oliver, as County Administrator of Citrus County, Florida (the "County"), pursuant to the authority and direction received from the Board, timely directed the preparation of the Assessment Roll and the preparation, mailing, and publication of notices in accordance with the Assessment Ordinance, the Stormwater Ordinance, and in conformance with the Initial Assessment Resolution No. 2021-064 adopted by the Board on July 13, 2021 (the "Initial Assessment Resolution"). The Initial Assessment Resolution directed and authorized notice by First Class Mail to affected owners in the event circumstances described in the Section 86-39 of the Ordinance so required.

2. Tammy Peters is the Office Manager for GSG. GSG has caused the notices required by Sections 86-38 and 86-39 of the Assessment Ordinance to be prepared in conformance with the Initial Assessment Resolution. An exemplary form of such notice is attached hereto. GSG has caused such individual notices for each affected property owner to be prepared and each notice included the following information: the purpose of the assessment; the total amount proposed to be levied against each parcel; the unit of measurement to be applied against each parcel to determine the assessment; the number of such units contained within each parcel; the total revenue the County expects to collect by the assessment; a statement that failure to pay the assessment will cause a tax certificate to be issued against the property which may result in a loss of title; a statement that all affected property owners have a right to appear at the hearing and to file written

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objections with the local governing board within 20 days of the notice; and the date, time, and place of the hearing.

3. On or before August 19, 2021, GSG delivered and directed the mailing of the above-referenced notices by Target Copy ("Target"), in accordance with Sections 86-38 and 86-39 of the Assessment Ordinance and the Initial Assessment Resolution by First Class Mail to each affected owner, at the addresses then shown on the real property assessment tax roll database maintained by the Citrus County Property Appraiser for the purpose of the levy and collection of ad valorem taxes.

4. Jeremy Cohen is Sales Manager of Target. As directed above, Target mailed or caused to be mailed on or before August 19, 2021, the above-referenced notices delivered to Target by GSG.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

Charles R. Oliver 8/25/2021

Charles R. Oliver, affiant

Tammy Peters

Tammy Peters, affiant

Jeremy Cohen, affiant

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STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF CITRUS

The foregoing Affidavit of Mailing was sworn to and subscribed before me, by means of ☑ physical presence or ☐ online notarization, this 25 day of August, 2021 by Charles R. Oliver, County Administrator, Citrus County, Florida. He is personally known to me or has produced as identification and did take an oath.

SUSAN M. BOELK
MY COMMISSION # GG971467
EXPIRES: April 22, 2024

Printed Name: Susan M. Boelk
Notary Public,
State of Florida At Large
My Commission Expires: April 22, 2024
Commission No.: GG971467

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF LEON

The foregoing Affidavit of Mailing was sworn to and subscribed before me, by means of ☒ physical presence or ☐ online notarization, this 20 day of August, 2021 by Tammy Peters, Office Manager, Government Services Group, Inc., a Florida corporation. She is personally known to me or has produced _____ as identification and did take an oath.

KATHERINE E. LINDSAY
Commission # GG 296073
Expires March 23, 2023
Bonded Thru Troy Fain Insurance 800-385-7019

Printed Name: Katherine E Lindsay
Notary Public, State of Florida
At Large
My Commission Expires: _____
Commission No.: _____

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF LEON

The foregoing Affidavit of Mailing was sworn to and subscribed before me, by means of ☒ physical presence or ☐ online notarization, this 23rd day of August, 2021 by Jeremy Cohen, Sales Manager, Target Copy, a Florida corporation. He is personally known to me or has produced _____ as identification and did take an oath.

ROBERT V. BEMIS, JR.
MY COMMISSION # HH 090235
EXPIRES: June 6, 2025
Bonded Thru Notary Public Underwriters

Printed Name: Robert V. Bemis Jr.
Notary Public, State of Florida
At Large
My Commission Expires: June 6, 2025
Commission No.: HH 090235

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Citrus County Land Section
3600 West Sovereign Path, Suite 205
Lecanto, Florida 34461

CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR ADOPTION OF STORMWATER SERVICE ASSESSMENT

NOTICE DATE: AUGUST 19, 2021

DONOVAN MICHAEL W
DONOVAN DEBRA A
3820 W BLACK DIAMOND CIR
LECANTO FL 34461-8491

Sequence #: CS-56808
AK #: 2546913
Parcel Tax ID: 18E18S160010 000B0 0040
Legal: BLACK DIAMOND LOT 4 PB 13 PG 100
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*******NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER*******

Stormwater runoff has been identified as the major source of pollution to the estuaries, lakes, springs and streams throughout Citrus Count Florida. Federal and State stormwater permit requirements mandate that the county have a stormwater management program to reduce the lev of pollutants in stormwater runoff. The Citrus County Code of Ordinances authorizes the County to fund these stormwater management progra activities through an unincorporated Citrus County stormwater assessment. Stormwater assessments are based upon the estimated amount stormwater runoff generated by impervious surface on your property. Impervious surfaces include the rooftop, patios, driveways, parking lots an similar areas. The county has determined that the average single family residential building footprint is 2,063 square feet in size. Adding the averag driveway brings the total impervious area to 4,182 square feet as the base ESU which is the value of one "Equivalent Stormwater Unit" or "ES Value."

Single-family residential properties are categorized into one of four ESU tiers based on the estimated amount of impervious area associated wi each parcel (computed by using the building footprint of the residence). Condominium units are charged generally by calculating the total numbe of ESUs applicable to the condominium complex as a whole, then dividing that total number of ESUs by the total number of condominium residenti units on the property. For general parcels, such as commercial parcels, the number of ESUs has been calculated individually for each parcel property by dividing the impervious surface area by 4,182 square feet.

The annual Stormwater Service Assessment rate for Fiscal Year 2021-22 and for future fiscal years without further notice will be $58.84 for eac Net ESU. It is estimated that the County will collect $4,663,915 from the Stormwater Service Assessments for Fiscal Year 2021-22.

The above referenced parcel has been assigned the following ESUs and assessment amounts:

The number of ESUs on the above parcel is 1.70.

The maximum Annual Stormwater Service Assessment for the above parcel for Fiscal Year 2021-22 and future fiscal years without further notic is $100.03.

If you have any questions regarding the Stormwater Service Assessment please contact the County at 352-527-5373.

Mitigation credits may be available for a parcel that has a permitted on-site private stormwater treatment facility to improve water quality, or if th parcel does not drain off site to any part of the stormwater system over which the county has maintenance responsibility. If you apply and qualif credit for privately maintained stormwater management facilities and other factors affecting the quantity or quality of stormwater runoff will b applied, as applicable, resulting in the assignment of Net ESUs. Additionally, if you apply and qualify, certain Agricultural Property is granted credit from payment of Stormwater Service Assessments pursuant to state law.

The Citrus County Board of County Commissioners will hold a public hearing during a Special Meeting at 1:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as th item can be heard, on September 9, 2021, in Room 100 of the Citrus County Courthouse, 110 N. Apopka Avenue, Inverness, Florida. Comment will be received on the proposed Stormwater Service Assessments, including their collection on the ad valorem tax bill. You are invited to atten and participate in the hearing. You may also file written objections with the County within twenty (20) days of the date of this notice. Please includ your name, parcel number, and the reason you object to the assessment on all written objections. Objections should be addressed as follows Citrus County BOCC, Attn: Land Section, 3600 W. Sovereign Path, Suite 205, Lecanto, Florida 34461. If you decide to appeal any decision mad by the Board of County Commissioners with respect to any matter considered at the hearing, you will need a record of the proceedings and ma need to ensure that a verbatim record is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be made.

If you have any questions regarding the Stormwater Service Assessment please contact the County at 352-527-5373.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need a special accommodation or an interpreter to participate in this proceedin please contact the County Manager's Office, 3600 W. Sovereign Path, Suite 267, Lecanto, Florida 34461, (352) 527-5210, at least two days befor the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, dial 7-1-1, 1-800-955-8771 (TTY) or 1-800-958-8770 (v), via Florida Relay Service. If you nee a Spanish Translator, please make arrangements with the County by telephone within two days of the publication notice at 352-527-5370. S necesita un traductor de español por favor haga arreglos con el Condado dentro de los dos dias de la notificatión de la publicación a 352-527 5370.

Because the Stormwater Service Assessment will be collected by the Tax Collector of Citrus County, pursuant to Chapter 197, Florida Statutes failure to pay the Stormwater Service Assessment will cause a tax certificate to be issued against the assessed property, which may result in a los of title to your property.

If you have any questions regarding the number of ESUs assigned to your property or the amount of the Stormwater Service Assessmen please contact the County at 352-527-5373.

If you believe you may qualify for a mitigation credit for a privately maintained stormwater management facility or you believe you Agricultural Property is exempt from the Stormwater Service Assessment, please contact the County at 352-527-5373 or to file a cred application, go to https://www.citrusbocc/stormwater.

*******THIS IS NOT A BILL*******

Attachment: 1c Sup Docs Stormwater FAR (17269 : 1:00 p.m. Public Hearing Proposed Stormwater MSBU for Fiscal Year 2021-2022.)

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APPENDIX C

FORM OF CERTIFICATE TO NON-AD VALOREM ASSESSMENT ROLL

CERTIFICATE
TO
NON-AD VALOREM ASSESSMENT ROLL

I HEREBY CERTIFY that, I am the Chairman of the Board of the County Commissioners, or authorized agent, of Citrus County, Florida (the "County"); as such I have satisfied myself that all property included or includable on the non-ad valorem assessment roll for stormwater management services (the "Non-Ad Valorem Assessment Roll") for the County is properly assessed so far as I have been able to ascertain; and that all required extensions on the above described roll to show the non-ad valorem assessments attributable to the property listed therein have been made pursuant to law.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that, in accordance with the Uniform Assessment Collection Act, this certificate and the herein described Non-Ad Valorem Assessment Roll will be delivered to the Citrus County Tax Collector by September 15, 2021.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have subscribed this certificate and directed the same to be delivered to the Citrus County Tax Collector and made part of the above described Non-Ad Valorem Assessment Roll this _____ day of _____, 2021.

CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA

By:_____
Scott Carnahan, Chairman

[to be delivered to Tax Collector prior to September 15]

Attachment: 1c Sup Docs Stormwater FAR (17269 : 1:00 p.m. Public Hearing Proposed Stormwater MSBU for Fiscal Year 2021-2022.)

Anna D. Hertzler
5422 West Houston Street
Dunnellon, FL 34433



Citrus County Land Section
3600 West Sovereign Path, Suite 205
Lecanto, FL 34461

RE: Harold V and Anna D Hertzler
Sequence #: CS-14668
AK #: 1204097
Parcel Tax ID: 18E17S06 2B000 0240
Legal: Robert Smiths UNREC Sub Lot 24
COMM SE COR OF NW1/4 OF
Storm Service Assessment

To Whom It May Concern

Not at all happy about having to pay $58.84 per/year to my tax bill. It doesn't make sense. It just another add on. We are paying for mosquito control and mowing the county's lawn. I've lived here 11 years and seen the mosquito control truck only once, the lawn has been mowed only 4 times, and that's giving them the benefit of the doubt.

We live in the highest elevation area in Dunnellon. Downtown would have to be underwater before it would reach us.

I know my complaint will go unheard but I think the county needs to know. I only see the county mower parked by the Meat Market and it doesn't move.

Mrs. Anna Hertzler

Mrs. Anna Hertzler

Attachment: Additional Information for item B1 (17269 : 1:00 p.m. Public Hearing Proposed Stormwater MSBU for Fiscal Year 2021-2022.)

RECEIVED
SEP 09 2021
Citrus County Land Section

Donald & Carolyn Proulx
3863 E Arbor Lakes Drive
Hernando, FL 34442

September 3, 2021

Citrus County BOCC
Attn: Land Section
3600 W Sovereign Path, Suite 205
Lecanto, FL 34461

Re: Written Objection / Mitigation Credit, Parcel ID: 23

We are filing objection and requesting a mitigation credit for the storm water assessment.

We live in the private community of Arbor Lakes. The Community owns and maintains its own roads, curbs, gutters, storm drains and two DRA's. None of our water enters county-owned storm water systems; therefore, we should receive a full mitigation credit.

Your notice stated a form to claim credit would be available on your website – it was not. The website advised the form would be available "soon" but with the 20-day clock ticking on the August 19 notice, we needed to submit this in a timely manner.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. We look forward to your timely and favorable response.

Respectfully,

Donald M Proulx

Donald M. Proulx

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August 31, 2021

Citrus County BOCC
Attn: Land Section
3600 W Sovereign Path, Suite 205
Lecanto, FL 34461

RE: Written Objection / Mitigation Credit, Parcel ID: 19181401500000LD00090

We are filing objection and requesting a mitigation credit for the stormwater assessment.

We live in the private community of Arbor Lakes. The community owns and maintains its own roads, curbs, gutters, storm drains, and two DRAs. None of our water enters county-owned stormwater systems; therefore, we should receive a full mitigation credit.

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Respectfully,

Joseph P. Collins

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Citrus County Land Section

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Citrus County Land Section

Date: 9-4-2021, 2021

Citrus County BOCC
Attn: Land Section
3600 W Sovereign Path, Suite 205
Lecanto, FL 34461

RE: Written Objection / Mitigation Credit, Parcel ID: 19E18S140160

We at this time are filing objection to any assessment; and, if full credit is denied, requesting a mitigation credit for the stormwater assessment.

We live in the private community of Arbor Lakes. The community owns and maintains its own roads, curbs, gutters, storm drains, and two DRAs. None of our water enters county-owned stormwater systems; therefore, we should receive a full mitigation credit.

Thank you for your attention to this matter – we look forward to your timely and favorable response.

Respectfully,

Name(s): Carol Steans Dewing

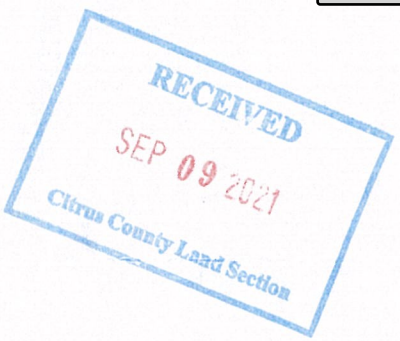
Arbor Lakes Address: 3670 E. Egret Cove Ct.

Hernando, FL 34442

Phone: 352-419-5880

Email: CES11263@YAHOO.COM

Attachment: Additional Information for item B1 (17269 : 1:00 p.m. Public Hearing Proposed Stormwater MSBU for Fiscal Year 2021-2022.)



Date: Sept 6, 2021

Citrus County BOCC
Attn: Land Section
3600 W Sovereign Path, Suite 205
Lecanto, FL 34461

RE: Written Objection / Mitigation Credit, Parcel ID: 19E18S140170 018

We at this time are filing objection to any assessment; and, if full credit is denied, requesting a mitigation credit for the stormwater assessment.

We live in the private community of Arbor Lakes. The community owns and maintains its own roads, curbs, gutters, storm drains, and two DRAs. None of our water enters county-owned stormwater systems; therefore, we should receive a full mitigation credit.

Thank you for your attention to this matter – we look forward to your timely and favorable response.

Respectfully,

Leonard N. Sibley, Jr Marjorie Sibley

Name(s): Leonard & Marjorie Sibley, JT

Arbor Lakes Address: 4517 N. Lake Vista Trail

Hernando, FL 34442

Phone: 352-419-8696

Email: ducky4@tampabay.rr.com

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Board of County Commissioners
Speakers Form

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Please Print

Date: 9-9-21

Name: TIM REYNARD

Address: 4160 N. INDIANHEAD RD
HERNANDO, FL 34442

Telephone #: 352-777-6899

Item to be Addressed: STORM WATER FUNDS

Attachment: Public Speaker Forms for Item B1 (17269 : 1:00

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Board of County Commissioners
Speakers Form

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Please Print

Date: 9/9/24

Name: Thomas G. Kucej

Address: 649 W. Fortune Ln
Citrus Springs

Telephone #: (352) 302-6734

Item to be Addressed: Storm water

Attachment: Public Speaker Forms for Item B1 (17269 :

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Speakers Form

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Date: 9/9/21

Name: Robert Finkelsen

Address: 5251 W Corinas Ct
Homosassa

Telephone #: 678-340 7244

Item to be Addressed: storm water

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Board of County Commissioners
Speakers Form

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Date: 09/09/21

Name: Billy Cayce

Address: 7909 N. Ebsen Dr
Citrus Springs, FL, 34433

Telephone #: 352-322-3097

Item to be Addressed: TAX ASSESSMENT

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Board of County Commissioners
Speakers Form

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Date: 9/11/2024

Name: Mike Rausch

Address: 2552 W Axelwood

Telephone #: 352-513-4453

Item to be Addressed: Storm Water Assessment

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Board of County Commissioners
Speakers Form

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Date: 9/9/2021

Name: Melvin H. Payne

Address: 3144 E. Gerald Lane
Invernes, FL 34453

Telephone #: 901-907-9917

Item to be Addressed: Rain Water Run off Assessment

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Board of County Commissioners
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Date: 9-9-21

Name: JOHN WOODS

Address: 9790 N. LATHYRUS TER.
CITRUS SPGS.

Telephone #: 678-640-9743

Item to be Addressed: STORM WATER

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Board of County Commissioners
Speakers Form

When you approach the Board to address noted item, please give this form to the Clerk.

Please Print

Date: 9-9-2021

Name: RONALD (RON) SOBOL

Address: 1827 W. TACOMA ST
HERNANDO, FL 34442

Telephone #: 352-270-8646

Item to be Addressed: Assessment

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Board of County Commissioners
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Date: 9/9/21

Name: Patrick Sullivan

Address: 3 Donna Ct Beverly Hills, FL 34465

Telephone #: 352-615-8720

Item to be Addressed: Stormwater Tax

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Date: 9-9-21

Name: Kim Muns

Address: 5756 N DIXIE

Telephone #: 815 370 3512

Item to be Addressed:

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Date: 9/9/21

Name: JOHN DALLIMORE

Address: 4780 W. RYEFIELD LN
Dunnellon, Fla. 34433

Telephone #: 941-737-6411 - 941-737-9443

Item to be Addressed: Storm water Run 186

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Date: 9-9-21

Name: Sabrina Watson

Address: 1082 N. Rebeck

Telephone #: 509-701-1279

Item to be Addressed: Stormwater

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Date: 9/9/2021

Name: Zachariah Stivers

Address: 10299 Palomino Dr. Floral City

Telephone #: 317-384-9047

Item to be Addressed: Stormwater

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Date: 9/9/21

Name: John H. Gattone

Address: 372 E Lancaster ST.
Lecanto. Fl. 34461

Telephone #: 609-330-4025

Item to be Addressed: Rain Tax

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Date: 9/9/2021

Name: PHILIP HRUSKA

Address: 8951 W FORES VIEW DR

Telephone #: 734-718-3580

Item to be Addressed: SUN COMMUNITY LETTER ON WATER RETENTION

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Date: 9/9/21

Name: Dennis Filger

Address: 10160 W. Vida Ct
Crystal River, FL 34428

Telephone #: 364-5560

Item to be Addressed: Stormwater Assessment

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Date: 9/9/2021

Name: Wayne G. Gorke

Address: 157 LENDER DRIVE
HOMOSASSA FL 34446

Telephone #: 304-932-9172

Item to be Addressed: Storm Water ASSESSMENT

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Date: _____

Name: Randy Hudson

Address: 1194 N FAN PALM Pt.
CRYSTAL RIVER FL 34429

Telephone #: 352 257 8360

Item to be Addressed: STORM WATER & RUNOFF

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Board of County Commissioners
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Date: 9/9/21

Name: RYAN TURNER

Address: 5 NICOTIANA CT.
HOMOSASSA

Telephone #: 954-330-2163

Item to be Addressed: TAXES

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Date: 9/9/21

Name: Joseph James

Address: 7751 W Tolle Ln

Telephone #:

Item to be Addressed: Rainwater tax

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Date: 9-9-21

Name: Paul LeVasseur

Address: 1666 N. Croft Ave.
Inverness FL 34453

Telephone #: 719-314-5563

Item to be Addressed:

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Date: 9/9/21

Name: Rachelle Fagan

Address: 2453 N. Reynolds Ave
Crystal River, FL 34428

Telephone #: 352-816-9598

Item to be Addressed: Storm Water assessment - No

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Speakers Form

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Date: 9-9-2021

Name: Angel M. Dávila

Address: 2908 S. Lochverness Pt
Inverness, FL 34450

Telephone #: (352) 476-7130

Item to be Addressed: Rainwater Runoff - Storm Water Assessment

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Date: 9-9-2021

Name: ANTHONY MOZO

Address: 465 N. KINGLOT AVE
HERNANDO, FL

Telephone #: 321-242-3465

Item to be Addressed: STORMWATER MSTU

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Date: 9-9-21

Name: DONALD E. MORR

Address: 7431 S. MINDY PT.
HOMOSASSA, FLA. 34446

Telephone #: 352-628-1644

Item to be Addressed: STORM WATER TAX

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Date: 9/9/21

Name: RANDY SILVA, COMMUNITY MGR of

Address: 8115 N. MERRIMAC WAY STONEBRO
CITRUS SPRINGS, FL &
FOREST VIL

Telephone #: (562) 639-3143

Item to be Addressed: STORMWATER ASSESSMENT
OF STONEBROOK & FOREST V
COMMUNITIES IN HOMOSA

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Date: 8-9-21

Name: Alan Otis

Address: 109. S. Sunset Terr.
Inv. FL

Telephone #: 401-297-1625

Item to be Addressed: To Reject Water Run off Fees

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Board of County Commissioners
Speakers Form

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Date: 9/9/21

Name: Thomas Venable

Address: 3 Oxhorn Ct. W

Telephone #: 352-382-2454

Item to be Addressed: Storm Water

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You said I'm on Agriculture land I'm in residential

OPPOSE THIS Additional tax

Board of County Commissioners
Speakers Form

Citrus park 13/4 acres

neighbor on other side bought property to use as a pasture (no horses) BC they come off rock crushing ROAD have cows, donkeys, chickens, goats

When you approach the Board to address noted item, please give this form to the Clerk.

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Date: 9-9-2021

Name: LINDA Willets ON Disability - very low income

Address: 2251 S. Coleman AVE
Homosassa FL. 34448

Telephone #: 352-503-2701 residential Citrus park development

Item to be Addressed: A roof - have commercial grade Gutters, system. House 225 feet from ROAD

once since '93" culverts was clean

2 APRONS - 2 culverts - Ditches drainage county D.O. - 1993. "SINCE" 93" have built up DR... leaves, pine needles twice A year, Almost all GRASS NOW NO water ...

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Date: _____

Name: JEAN BONARD

Address: 4807 N MANGROVE WAY
BEVERLY HILLS 34465

Telephone #: 527 - 4389

Item to be Addressed: Run off.

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Date: 9/9/21

Name: Janet A. Barell

Address: 7022 N. Santos Dr
Citrus Springs

Telephone #: (616) 648-1242

Item to be Addressed: storm water MSBU

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Date: 9-9-2021

Name: Anne Brooks

Address: 7054 N Caesar Pt
Dunnellon FL

Telephone #: 727-238-2871

Item to be Addressed: Stormwater Assessment & FSU Foot print area

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Board of County Commissioners
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Date: Sept 09, 2021

Name: Steve Barker

Address: 8500 E Gospel Island Rd
Inverness, Fl 34450

Telephone #: 352-228 7702

Item to be Addressed: TAX Increase

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Board of County Commissioners
Speakers Form

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Please Print

Date: 9-9-21

Name: MARTHA MELISSA RAY

Address: 3136 E. PATRICIA LANE
INVERNESS, FL (NORTH HIGHLANDS)

Telephone #: 352-419-7828

Item to be Addressed: WHY THIS TAX? WHO BENEFITS?

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Date: 9/9/21

Name: John Griffin

Address: 3252 N. Sherlock Pt.
Hernando

Telephone #: 352-419-4053

Item to be Addressed: Storm Water.

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Date: 9-09-2021

Name: DANUTA KUBELIK

Address: 591 N BRIGHTON RD

Telephone #: 352-419-8189

Item to be Addressed: storm water payment

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Date: 9/9/2021

Name: Steve Bordeaux

Address: 7301 W. Riverbend Rd

Telephone #: 727-470-1823

Item to be Addressed: _____

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Date: 9-9-21

Name: LYNN TURCIC

Address: 7471 S. DENHOLE PT
LECANTO, FL 34461

Telephone #: 352 220-3862

Item to be Addressed: STORM WATER ASSESSMENT

Board of County Commissioners
Speakers Form

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Date: 9/9/2021

Name: Ellen Fondren

Address: 4150 S. Illiana Terrace
Inverness Fl.

Telephone #: 352-503-7918

Item to be Addressed: Stormwater Assessment

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Speakers Form

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Date: 9/9/21

Name: George Prescott

Address: 806 W Sunset Strip Dr
Beverly Hills, FL 34465

Telephone #: 843-593-4077

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Date: 9/9/21

Name: CHRISTINE VENABLE

Address: 3 OXHORN CT W.

Telephone #: 352-382-2454

Item to be Addressed: PROPOSED HIGHWAY STORM SEWER TAX

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Date: 9-9-21

Name: FRANK IPPOLITO President Arrowhead

Address: 6788 E CHANNEL DR
HERNANDO FL 34442

Telephone #: 757-509-1579

Item to be Addressed: TAXES WE DON'T BENEFIT FROM

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Date: 9-19-21

Name: RODNEY A, MINER

Address: 12595 E. BOY SCOUT RD
INVERNESS, FLA 34450

Telephone #: 352-344-1515

Item to be Addressed: STORM WATER RUNOFF DOES NOT OCCU
ON MY PROPERTY.

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Date: 9-9-21

Name: BRUCE JASPER

Address: 13305 E SHAWNEE TRL
INVERNESS

Telephone #: 740-328-7121

Item to be Addressed: DRAIN TAX

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Date: _____

Name: DAVID DANE

Address: PROTECTED

Telephone #: 352-419-6343

Item to be Addressed: _____

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Date: 9/9/21

Name: Rosemarie Farley

Address: 6351 S. Redbird Ave Lecanto FL 34461

Telephone #: (716) 353-2974

Item to be Addressed: Rainwater runoff

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Anna D. Hertzler
5422 West Houston Street
Dunnellon, FL 34433



Citrus County Land Section
3600 West Sovereign Path, Suite 205
Lecanto, FL 34461

RE: Harold V and Anna D Hertzler
Sequence #: CS-14668
AK #: 1204097
Parcel Tax ID: 18E17S06 2B000 0240
Legal: Robert Smiths UNREC Sub Lot 24
COMM SE COR OF NW1/4 OF
Storm Service Assessment

To Whom It May Concern

Not at all happy about having to pay $58.84 per/year to my tax bill. It doesn't make sense. It just another add on. We are paying for mosquito control and mowing the county's lawn. I've lived here 11 years and seen the mosquito control truck only once, the lawn has been mowed only 4 times, and that's giving them the benefit of the doubt.

We live in the highest elevation area in Dunnellon. Downtown would have to be underwater before it would reach us.

I know my complaint will go unheard but I think the county needs to know. I only see the county mower parked by the Meat Market and it doesn't move.

Mrs. Anna Hertzler

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Donald & Carolyn Proulx
3863 E Arbor Lakes Drive
Hernando, FL 34442

September 3, 2021

Citrus County BOCC
Attn: Land Section
3600 W Sovereign Path, Suite 205
Lecanto, FL 34461

Re: Written Objection / Mitigation Credit, Parcel ID: 23

We are filing objection and requesting a mitigation credit for the storm water assessment.

We live in the private community of Arbor Lakes. The Community owns and maintains its own roads, curbs, gutters, storm drains and two DRA's. None of our water enters county-owned storm water systems; therefore, we should receive a full mitigation credit.

Your notice stated a form to claim credit would be available on your website – it was not. The website advised the form would be available "soon" but with the 20-day clock ticking on the August 19 notice, we needed to submit this in a timely manner.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. We look forward to your timely and favorable response.

Respectfully,

Donald M Proulx

Donald M. Proulx

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August 31, 2021

Citrus County BOCC
Attn: Land Section
3600 W Sovereign Path, Suite 205
Lecanto, FL 34461

RE: Written Objection / Mitigation Credit, Parcel ID: 19181401500000LD00090

We are filing objection and requesting a mitigation credit for the stormwater assessment.

We live in the private community of Arbor Lakes. The community owns and maintains its own roads, curbs, gutters, storm drains, and two DRAs. None of our water enters county-owned stormwater systems; therefore, we should receive a full mitigation credit.

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Respectfully,

Joseph P. Collins

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Date: 9-4-2021, 2021

Citrus County BOCC
Attn: Land Section
3600 W Sovereign Path, Suite 205
Lecanto, FL 34461

RE: Written Objection / Mitigation Credit, Parcel ID: 19E18S140160

We at this time are filing objection to any assessment; and, if full credit is denied, requesting a mitigation credit for the stormwater assessment.

We live in the private community of Arbor Lakes. The community owns and maintains its own roads, curbs, gutters, storm drains, and two DRAs. None of our water enters county-owned stormwater systems; therefore, we should receive a full mitigation credit.

Thank you for your attention to this matter – we look forward to your timely and favorable response.

Respectfully,

Name(s): Carol Stearns Dewing

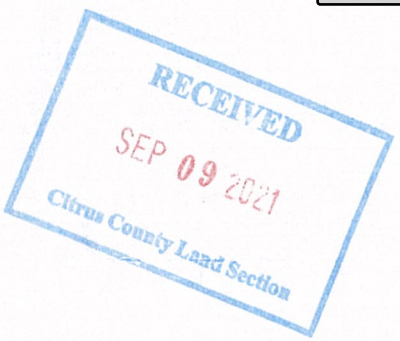
Arbor Lakes Address: 3670 E. Egret Cove Ct.

Hernando, FL 34442

Phone: 352-419-5880

Email: CES11263@YAHOO.COM

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Date: Sept 6, 2021

Citrus County BOCC
Attn: Land Section
3600 W Sovereign Path, Suite 205
Lecanto, FL 34461

RE: Written Objection / Mitigation Credit, Parcel ID: 19E18S140170 018

We at this time are filing objection to any assessment; and, if full credit is denied, requesting a mitigation credit for the stormwater assessment.

We live in the private community of Arbor Lakes. The community owns and maintains its own roads, curbs, gutters, storm drains, and two DRAs. None of our water enters county-owned stormwater systems; therefore, we should receive a full mitigation credit.

Thank you for your attention to this matter – we look forward to your timely and favorable response.

Respectfully,

Leonard N. Sibley, Jr Marjorie Sibley

Name(s): Leonard & Marjorie Sibley, JT

Arbor Lakes Address: 4517 N. Lake Vista Trail

Hernando, FL 34442

Phone: 352-419-8696

Email: ducky4@tampabay.rr.com

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
ITEM B-1 DATE 9/9/21

OBJECTION TO STORMWATER SERVICE ASSESSMENT

FILED ON BEHALF OF CITRUS COUNTY TAXPAYERS RESIDING ON PROPERTIES EXCEEDING THREE ACRES (hereinafter "Taxpayers")

Date of Filing: September 7, 2021

The aforementioned taxpayers object to the proposed Stormwater Service Assessment (hereinafter "TAX") for the following reasons:

1. TAX is unfair to Taxpayers in that:

   a. The TAX is based on an overly simplistic formula.

      TAX is based on a fictional Equivalent Stormwater Unit or "ESU". In creating the fictional ESU, "the county has determined that the average single family residential footprint is 2,063 square feet in size. Adding the average driveway brings the total impervious area to 4,182 square feet as the base ESU which is the value of one 'Equivalent Stormwater Unit'".

   b. The County proposes to TAX the vast majority of residential properties homogenously, at the rate of one ESU, regardless of the many factors enumerated below.

   c. Parcel Size.

      Assuming, for the moment, that the proposed impervious area of a medium-sized residential parcel is 4,182 square feet, and that the average land parcel size for an urban residential parcel is ¼ acre, or 10,890 square feet, then **38.4%** of the surface area of the average urban residential parcel would be impervious surface. Compare this to a five-acre rural residential parcel where we find that the same 4,182 square feet of impervious surface is a mere **1.9%** of the 217,800 square foot land area of the five-acre rural residential parcel. Clearly, an urban residence will create far greater stormwater run-off than a rural residential parcel. This is because the urban residential parcel has only 6,708 square feet of unimproved land for run-off absorption, while the rural residential parcel has 213,618 to absorb the run-off.

      Speaking from experience, this writer's five-acre property has no run-off, but rather, the property absorbs its own impervious surface run-off, as well as run-off from County roads onto subject property.

   d. Driveway Size and Type.

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Taxpayers disagree with the County's designation of 2,119 square feet as the average driveway (see 1.a., 4,182 assumed total ESU square feet less 2,063 assumed residential footprint). A more correct assumption would be 560 square feet. Furthermore, while the vast majority of urban residential properties have concrete or asphalt driveways, rural residential properties are more likely to have dirt or marl driveways that will naturally absorb stormwater.

e. Soil Type.

The County fails to consider soil type as a stormwater factor. Surely, sand soil will absorb stormwaters at a far greater rate than clay and other soil types.

f. Run-off and Burden of Proof

As stated in section 1.c. above, large land parcel rural residential properties typically absorb 100% of their own impervious surface run-offs. The truth of this statement is further evidenced by the fact that the County does not, and never has, maintained any substantial form of stormwater sewage or other drainage around most large land parcel rural residential properties. Rather than recognizing these very obvious facts, the County proposes to create a mitigation partial-credit system for the TAX. The mitigation system requires the residential property owner to produce documentation, prepared by a professional engineer, indicating that the potential for stormwater run-off is virtually eliminated by certain stormwater containment features created on the property. The inequity of the proposed mitigation system becomes apparent in that the average large land parcel rural residential property owner does not have the means to conduct expensive large-scale engineering studies of his/her property, especially when the end objective would be a maximum 50% credit to a $58.84 TAX.

Accordingly, the burden of proof is misplaced. Based on available resources and relative operational size, equity dictates that the County should have the burden of proving that any large land parcel rural residential property creates stormwater run-off, and that said run-off impacts the County-operated stormwater management system.

2. The TAX is unfair to totally and permanently disabled citizens.

The State of Florida created a total and complete property tax exemption for totally and permanently disabled homeowners meeting certain income requirements. The State intended that such unfortunate persons not be further burdened by a real estate tax burden. The TAX, like its predecessors, the fire services and solid waste assessments, bypass the ad valorem tax system, and are therefore, not subject to State real estate tax exemptions. Ignoring the intent of Florida law, the TAX and its brethren assessments penalize the most unfortunate among us.

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3. Slippery Slope.

   As stated in section 2. above, the County intends to classify the TAX as a Non-Ad Valorem Assessment, operating outside the larger and more common Ad Valorem real estate tax system, so that "Stormwater assessment revenue can only be used for stormwater related services" and not for County purposes. This begs the question, "What's next?" Why not remove school taxes from the Ad Valorem tax system and reclassify them as a Non-Ad Valorem Assessment? The County would, under that scenario, argue that such a scheme was necessary to protect school funds from being used for County purposes. Heck, why not have an assessment for bureaucrat office supplies so that the people can be assured that bureaucrat pens and paper are not used for other County purposes, such as writing traffic citations?

4. Inadequate Notification to Property Owners.

   The Notice of Public Hearing dated August 19, 2021, is inadequate in that its issuance was timed to coincide with the Labor Day holiday and summer vacations typically taken during this timeframe. The Notice failed to properly cite or provide access to federal and state legislation, and "Federal/State permit mandat[ing] system-wide improvements for the management of stormwater runoff." Inadequate time was therefore afforded taxpayers for legal research as to the validity of arguments presented in the Notice supporting the proposed TAX.

5. Pollutants.

   In a "Frequently Asked Questions" supplement to the Notice of Public Hearing dated August 19, 2021, the County states that stormwater improvements "are required to reduce the level of pollutants discharged to surface waters". Section 1.c. above, argues that large land parcel rural residential properties do not contribute to stormwater run-off impacting the stormwater system operated by the County. This section further alleges that, even if there were some stormwater run-off from large land parcel rural residential properties, these properties are not a meaningful source of pollutants.

   The County should, if it has not already done so, study the nature and source of surface water pollutants. Taxpayers are of the opinion and belief, based upon readily-available publicly-published analyses, that the main source of harmful surface water pollutants is agricultural-use fertilizers, herbicides, and other chemicals.

   Confusingly, the County proposes to fully exempt from the TAX, agricultural land uses that "meet State guidelines for managing stormwater runoff". Taxpayers allege that, even with the stormwater run-off management features currently in place, agricultural pollutants continuously manifest themselves in surface waters. We specifically note the impact of agricultural fertilizers on fresh and saltwater algae blooms.

Accordingly, for the reasons stated above, large land parcel rural residential properties exceeding three acres should be excluded or exempted from the proposed TAX.

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
ITEM B-1 DATE 9/9/21

Douglas A. Wright

From: jhonydoj@aol.com
Sent: Saturday, August 21, 2021 8:44 PM
To: comments
Subject: [EXTERNAL]Stormwater implementations

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I received a letter today stating that my house is part of the stormwater implementation that citrus county is about to placed, demanding each household to pay for this program, even when their houses like mine, has no city water, neither city sewer system, and now we are forced and in a way of dictatorship to pay for that program. I believe is abusive and very unfair. We are seeing peoples struggles to survive after this pandemic, and instead for governments lower taxes, create jobs, and place ordinance that help peoples to get back on their feet, we are seeing the opposite. Local governments using their authorities to destroy families life. Any time governments increased taxes and take more money from peoples pockets, the quality of life in many peoples are decreasing. I already saw a big increase on property taxes in this county, since I purchased my first house here in Lecanto in 2017. My question is , when we are going to see a government system, that works in benefit of peoples, not against peoples.

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Douglas A. Wright

From: Josh Holland <bodmfa@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 29, 2021 8:34 PM
To: comments
Subject: [EXTERNAL]Storm Water Assessment

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I tried to submit on the comment page website, but it kept timing out. Please let me know you received this email.

To: Citrus County Board of Commissioners.

From: Joshua J. Holland

Thank you for taking the time to read my letter for the purpose of the open to the public meeting stormwater special assessment. September 9th 2021 @ 1pm. The Mini Farms Association (MFA) is a property owners association (POA) with private roads. We pay assessments each year to the MFAPOA to help maintain our almost 40 miles of lime rock roads. The county has never assisted us in maintaining our roads, even when asked in 2019 if we could buy asphalt millings for our roads. We were told the county is holding on for further projects. The MFAPOA pays the same taxes as any other residents in the county, with no assistance. During storms, any road blockage due to down trees, or any other issues our neighbor's help each other out, or the MFAPOA uses reserved funds. Thank goodness for the power company at least they do respond quickly and get our power back on in a timely manner. Storm water in our community does not drain into any county storm system that I know of. The rainwater tears up our roads, and we pay to add more lime rock and grade the roads. Rainwater settles in our yards until it dries out.

We spend countless hours and money trying to keep up with the roads, and the County School bus drivers constantly threaten to not come down our roads to pick up our school kids. The non-property owners constantly come down and tear up our roads. The Sheriff's department and Highway Patrol would not even write us an incident report when an 18-wheeler came down the road and got stuck because we are private roads. They finally did after begging them to, so the company could at least pay for the damage, regardless of the signs at each entrance. No truck over 8 TONS.

I Kindly request that the 900+ MFAPOA be exempt from this assessment as none of the storm water runs off into the county's storm management system to our knowledge.

Mini Farms (N, E, W, S) Units; 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, windbreak, and Myers Square.

Website: https://www.citrusminifarms.com/

Sincerely Josh Holland

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Douglas A. Wright

From: Terry hobbs <terry.hobbs4322@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 23, 2021 5:51 PM
To: comments
Cc: terry.hobbs4322@gmail.com
Subject: [EXTERNAL]September 9, 2021 BOCC Stormwater Service Assessment Agenda Item

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Terry Hobbs
4322 N Mayan Dr. Hernando Fl. 34442

I live in Citrus Hills. My property slopes from the east to the west. The stormwater runoff from my roof, patio, driveway and sidewalk percolates into the soil in my yard or to the several acres of wooded property west of my property where it percolates into that soil.
There are no estuaries, lakes, springs or streams anywhere near my property. As stated in the Notice I received, the federal, state and county stormwater permit requirements are intended to reduce the level of pollutants in stormwater runoff to the estuaries, lakes, springs or streams throughout Citrus County. Any stormwater runoff from my property is not part of the stated goal of this program.

I support the stormwater programs but feel that any additional funds the Citrus BOCC desire for the program be provided by industrial, commercial and residential properties that connect with the estuaries, lakes, springs and streams throughout Citrus County, not by all county residents.
I have submitted a written objection to this proposed assessment to the Citrus County BOCC Land Section in accordance with the Notice I received on August 19, 2021.

Sent from my iPad

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
ITEM B-1 DATE 9/9/2

Jeannine Meyers
Charles Meyers
10497 South Walden Forest Circle
Homosassa, FL 34446

August 31, 2021

Board of Commissioners
Citrus County Florida
110 N. Apopka Ave.
Inverness, Fl. 34450

Ref: September 9, 2021
Board of County Commissioners Special Meeting
Proposed Stormwater Utility Assessment

Dear Board Members:

Thank you for your service to the residents of Citrus County.

I am unable to attend the September 9th meeting due to health concerns, but feel it is important to participate in this issue vital to the environment. I've read the full meeting agenda.

I know that pollution, in many forms, is of great concern to our county, state, country. and world. On a personal level, I don't use chemical fertilizers; I water seldom; I compost kitchen scraps; I use hand tools whenever possible, in lieu of gasoline-powered engines; I drive a compact car; I dispose of garbage responsibly at the landfill, recycling all that can be. I could go on, but I think you get the idea. Pollution concerns me.

It has come to our attention that you are proposing a storm water assessment that would cause each of the residents of Walden Woods to pay an ad valorem tax of $58.84 per household. This is a retirement community. Many of us, like myself, live on Social Security. This is a burden we don't need and the provisions for hardship assistance almost specifically exclude manufactured housing communities where residents own the home and rent the lot. Surely, you know that this added tax would be paid by residents through a "Pass Though Tax" like we pay for fire service and landfill usage. I have no issue with paying for fire service and landfill services.

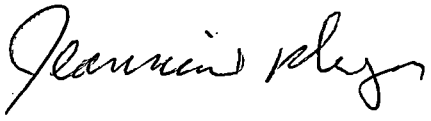
Walden Woods was, in my estimation, extremely well designed with its own storm water mitigation in the form of retention ponds, its own water and sewage treatment plants. The community was designed to direct all storm runoff to the ponds. The community is well maintained. We are not the problem you seek to fix, nor do we benefit greatly from the program you plan to institute. Our community is owned and operated by responsible people. I know that

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the community is working with an engineer to provide the documentation you require for mitigation credits, but that, too comes with a cost to the community that will be passed along to residents.

Most of the residents here live in a manufactured home on rented land simply because we cannot afford to do otherwise. Please consider this in your ruling. Please consider promoting the use of rain barrels for control of roof runoff, and pervious surfaces for residential driveways, rather than penalizing for impervious ones.

Sincerely,



Jeannine Meyers

CC:
Citrus County BOCC, Land Section, 3600 W Sovereign Path, Suite 205, Lecanto, FL 34461
Polly Worf, Community Manager, Walden Woods, 7193 W Walden Woods Drive Homosassa, FL 34446

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
ITEM B-1 DATE 9/9/21

Date: AUGUST 28, 2021

Citrus County BOCC
Attn: Land Section
3600 W Sovereign Path, Suite 205
Lecanto, FL 34461

RE: Written Objection / Mitigation Credit, Parcel ID: 19E18S140170 0030

We at this time are filing objection to any assessment; and, if full credit is denied, requesting a mitigation credit for the stormwater assessment.

We live in the private community of Arbor Lakes. The community owns and maintains its own roads, curbs, gutters, storm drains, and two DRAs. None of our water enters county-owned stormwater systems; therefore, we should receive a full mitigation credit.

Thank you for your attention to this matter – we look forward to your timely and favorable response.

Respectfully,

Name(s): WILLIAM R HARRIS ESTHER C HARRIS (MR AND MRS)

Arbor Lakes Address: 4455 N LAKE VISTA TRAIL

Hernando, FL 34442

Phone: 630-738-5735 (CELL)

Email: billandestherharris @ gmail.com

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September 7, 2021

Citrus County BOCC
Attn: Land Section
3600 West Sovereign Path
Suite 205
Lecanto, Florida 34461

Re: Stormwater Special Assessment (Fiscal Year 2021-2022)
Dennis & Lisa Dickard
10091 N. Emerald Way
Citrus Springs, Florida 34434
Parcel TAX ID: 18E17S100010 00270 0050
Legal: CITRUS SPGS UNIT 1 PB 5 PG 89 Lot 5 BLK 27

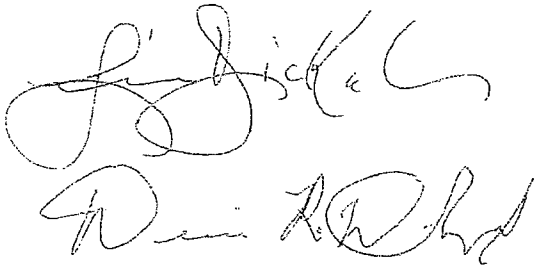
To Citrus County BOCC,

As of our notice dated August 19, 2021, we, Dennis and Lisa Dickard, **object and do not agree** with the Special Stormwater Assessment (Fiscal Year 2021-2022) including future years. After reading the purpose of the assessment you provided: ***The Stormwater special assessment will be used to pay for stormwater improvements, for example: upgrading storm drains, street sweeping and cleaning of storm system components, public education, and programs for improving water quality throughout Citrus County as mandated by State and Federal Law.***

We object to this assessment on our property. We live in an area of Citrus springs with no storm drains or storm water components. Street sweeping does not pertain to us as the condition of our roads are full of potholes, cracks, and asphalt repairs. The roads would be a waste to clean. We are in an area of Citrus County that is neglected as we do not have well paved roads or proper maintenance. In addition, we do not live near retention ponds, lakes, or rivers. Our water drainage flows down the road into our privately owned undeveloped land. Once again, our area is not as developed as other parts of Citrus County. Until our area is improved with proper drainage, we may reconsider. For now, we object to this assessment considering our property does not have the storm drainage improvements.

Please provide your response in writing. Thank you!

Lisa and Dennis Dickard



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Citrus County Land Section
3600 West Sovereign Path, Suite 205
Lecanto, Florida 34461

CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR ADOPTION OF STORMWATER SERVICE ASSESSMENT

NOTICE DATE: AUGUST 19, 2021

DICKARD DENNIS R
DICKARD LISA
10091 N EMERALD WAY
CITRUS SPRINGS FL 34434-3425

Sequence #: CS-17721
AK #: 1213487
Parcel Tax ID: 18E17S100010 00270 0050
Legal: CITRUS SPGS UNIT 1 PB 5 PG 89 LOT 5 BLK 27

*****NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER*****

Stormwater runoff has been identified as the major source of pollution to the estuaries, lakes, springs and streams throughout Citrus County, Florida. Federal and State stormwater permit requirements mandate that the county have a stormwater management program to reduce the level of pollutants in stormwater runoff. The Citrus County Code of Ordinances authorizes the County to fund these stormwater management program activities through an unincorporated Citrus County stormwater assessment. Stormwater assessments are based upon the estimated amount of stormwater runoff generated by impervious surface on your property. Impervious surfaces include the rooftop, patios, driveways, parking lots and similar areas. The county has determined that the average single family residential building footprint is 2,063 square feet in size. Adding the average driveway brings the total impervious area to 4,182 square feet as the base ESU which is the value of one "Equivalent Stormwater Unit" or "ESU Value."

Single-family residential properties are categorized into one of four ESU tiers based on the estimated amount of impervious area associated with each parcel (computed by using the building footprint of the residence). Condominium units are charged generally by calculating the total number of ESUs applicable to the condominium complex as a whole, then dividing that total number of ESUs by the total number of condominium residential units on the property. For general parcels, such as commercial parcels, the number of ESUs has been calculated individually for each parcel of property by dividing the impervious surface area by 4,182 square feet.

The annual Stormwater Service Assessment rate for Fiscal Year 2021-22 and for future fiscal years without further notice will be $58.84 for each Net ESU. It is estimated that the County will collect $4,663,915 from the Stormwater Service Assessments for Fiscal Year 2021-22.

The above referenced parcel has been assigned the following ESUs and assessment amounts:

The number of ESUs on the above parcel is 1.00.

The maximum Annual Stormwater Service Assessment for the above parcel for Fiscal Year 2021-22 and future fiscal years without further notice is $58.84.

If you have any questions regarding the Stormwater Service Assessment please contact the County at 352-527-5373.

Mitigation credits may be available for a parcel that has a permitted on-site private stormwater treatment facility to improve water quality, or if the parcel does not drain off site to any part of the stormwater system over which the county has maintenance responsibility. If you apply and qualify, credit for privately maintained stormwater management facilities and other factors affecting the quantity or quality of stormwater runoff will be applied, as applicable, resulting in the assignment of Net ESUs. Additionally, if you apply and qualify, certain Agricultural Property is granted a credit from payment of Stormwater Service Assessments pursuant to state law.

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Because the Stormwater Service Assessment will be collected by the Tax Collector of Citrus County, pursuant to Chapter 197, Florida Statutes, failure to pay the Stormwater Service Assessment will cause a tax certificate to be issued against the assessed property, which may result in a loss of title to your property.

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*****THIS IS NOT A BILL*****

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Parcel Tax ID: 20E20S210010
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Legal: ZAN MAR VLG Unit
PB 3 P6 78 Lot 30
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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
ITEM B-1 DATE 9/7/21

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tax assessments Thinking inste
we should rely on other mean
of revenue to fund our

goverment. If this cannot
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C. Michael Mallory
Vicki L Mallory
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Crystal River, FL 34429-9035

Parcel ID:
17E18S340010 0000 0080
AK: 1896819

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Mr & Mrs C.M. Mallory

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We (Charles Dempsey & Jacquelyn Dempey) own two properties, the first 334 SS. Schmidt Ave, Inverness, Fl 34450 Seq# CS-02739 AK# 1746680. The storm water tax assessment for 2021 is $2.56. The new proposed tax is $45.90 which is 18 times what it is now. The second property (next door) 322 S. Schmidt Ave, Inverness. Fl 34450. Seq# CS-02737 AK# 1746701 is vacant at this time. The storm water tax assessment for 2021 is $.91. The proposed tax is $29.42 which is 32 times what it is now. I do have structures on property One but an increase of 18 times seems extensive. The second property has no structures at this time and to increase the tax 32 times to me is outrageous. We are sorry that we could not attend this meeting in person (I am sure you are not) . We are currently in West Virginia and could not make the trip at this time. I am retired and my wife is disabled. We purchased the first property to give my step son and his disabled wife a place to live and also a place for us to visit. We purchased the second property next to the first in hopes in the future to put a dwelling on it for us to live in. I give you these last facts for information only not for pity. We are not out of state land grabbers. Thank you for reading this letter. Charles Dempsey

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AK 1746680 Vacant - No Assessment
AK 1746701 .78 ESU - $45.90

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Susan M. Boelk

From: Susan M. Boelk
Sent: Tuesday, September 7, 2021 12:18 PM
To: Brenda Waun
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL]Stormwaterwater runoff tax assessment

Thank you for your email Ms. Waun. It will be printed and submitted in the Agenda packet for the Board's review.

Sincerely,

Susan M. Boelk
Land Section Manager, Engineering Division
Citrus County Board of County Commissioners
3600 West Sovereign Path, Suite 205
Lecanto, FL 34461
Telephone (352) 527-5460
Fax (352) 527-5459

susan.boelk@citrusbocc.com
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From: Brenda Waun <Brenda@email.com>
Sent: Tuesday, September 7, 2021 11:47 AM
To: Susan M. Boelk <SUSAN.BOELK@citrusbocc.com>
Subject: [EXTERNAL]Stormwaterwater runoff tax assessment

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I am elderly and disabled and will not be able to attend the September 9 meeting. All of the roads on W Rachael Ln, S Mindy Pt, W Corinas Ct in Homosassa are private roads and are not maintained except at our own expense. None of the homes are connected to or are in any way part of the County Stormwater System. Residences on these private roads should be exempt from any stormwater tax assessments.

signed:

Brenda Waun

7490 S Mindy Pt
Homosassa, FL 34446-3616

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Sequence #: CS-34302
AK #: 2304162
Parcel Tax ID: 18E20S08 22000 0300
Legal: LOT 30 IN UNREC SUB: THE S 119 40 FT OF THE W 365 FT OF

Thank you for you consideration of my request.

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4020 N Pony Drive
Beverly Hills, FL. 34465
(352) 513-3533

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Reference: **Parcel Tax ID 18E17S320020 01600 0120**
PINE RIDGE UNIT 2 PB 8 PG 37 LOT 12 BLK 160

To Whom It May Concern,

I object to the proposed Stormwater Service Assessment for my property identified above. The property has been assessed at the highest rate of 1.7 ESU. This makes little sense for the following reasons:

- My lot is 770' x 400' (308,000 square feet) and is entirely wooded except for a small lawn, the house, a couple small outbuildings on raised piers (allowing run-off to flow underneath), and a permeable gravel driveway. The house footprint is (conservatively) about 4000 square feet, equating to only 1.3% of impermeable area within that 308,000 square feet.

- My property is not serviced by a county stormwater management system. In fact, the road frontage (Pony Drive) drains into my lot before ever reaching the nearest passive catchment area.

Therefore, the one-size fits all ESU calculation does not apply fairly to my property. It assesses my rural property the same as a high density housing development that actually does require stormwater management.

Please reconsider my assessment in light of the facts above.

Sincerely,

Robert W. Sheriff

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Suite 205
Lecanto Florida, 34461

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Selma Thompson
Print name

Selma Thompson
Signature

5484 W. Corinas Ct.
Address
Homosassa, FL.
34446

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RE: Written Objection / Mitigation Credit, Parcel ID: 19E18S140000000080

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Respectfully,

Cynthia H. Baldwin

AK 2844720

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ARTHUR E. FENSTERMAKER JR.
4276 East Carl Ramm Lane
Inverness, Florida 34452

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Mr. Scott Carnahan,

My address is noted in the heading of this correspondence. I am also including the information contained within the notice of "STORMWAT ASSESSMENT".

Sequence #CS-50915
AK#3147016
Parcel Tax ID: 19E20S24 42200 0210
Legal: RAMM ACRES UNREC SUB IN SEC 24-20-19
LOTS 21 & 22 DESCR AS

Let me make something clear, this assessment is "BULLSHIT"! I am against it!

I live in Heatherwood, just off 581. You should know where it is...it's in YOUR district! I am surrounded by woods, pastures and drive dowr sand road to my property. After a hard rain any surface water quickly soaks into the sand. The $29.42 assessment in my case may appear t be an insignificant amount to you and the other members of the BOCC, but to me it is a major issue. The closest public sidewalk "footprint" at least 8 miles away. Any impervious surface (roof, concrete pad, or patio) the "runoff" soaks into the sand within proximity to it. That in tur enters the ground water and therefore our wells.

BOCC appears to have concocted a plan to raise taxes. Yes, I said taxes, I do not care what words you use to mask the truth. According to this notice the "new" ESU is supposed to replace the current "MSTU". Politicians just love to use acronyms to confuse taxpayers from discovering the truth too quickly. The assessment letter attempts to persuade us into a false sense of security that this TAX will not increase remember when BOCC created the "MSTU" for fire (there's an acronym again). It was supposed to be on a scale not to exceed $79. First couple of years it was at its minimum and then "bingo", it went right up to the maximum in 2019 and has stayed there. The same will happe here, although the information contained in this letter does not seem to address the "top figure", it was alluded to in a "Draft" presentation gi in June. Guess that's why the following entry in this assessment letter reads "and future fiscal years without further notice". The assessmer can be raised without a referendum of the taxpayer. That to me indicates no matter what the taxpayers say, THIS IS THE NEW ASSESSMENT – PERIOD, END OF DISCUSSION, and any hearings are merely window dressing.

The tactics used by BOCC politicians (whether RINO or Dem-Com) is purely to get their hands on a new source of revenue. Afterall, the COVID gravy train can't last forever! To perpetuate the expansion of government spending, excuses must be made. We the taxpayers mus weed out come election time. Sadly, that rarely solves a bad tax issue. Taxes usually don't disappear following an election.

Arthur E. Fenstermaker Jr.

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RE: Written Objection / Mitigation Credit, Parcel ID: 14-18S 19E 0140-000C0-130

We at this time are filing objection to any assessment; and, if full credit is denied, requesting a mitigation credit for the stormwater assessment.

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Respectfully,

Name(s): WALTER & JANET KOMINSKI

Arbor Lakes Address: 3718 E LAKE TODD DRIVE

Hernando, FL 34442

Phone: 352-344-9550

Email: WEKBUS@TAMPABAY@RR.COM

AK 28-6451

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Attn: Land Section
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RE: Written Objection / Mitigation Credit, Parcel ID: 19E18S140140 00DF0 009

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Respectfully,

Name(s): Sharon Becker

Arbor Lakes Address: 3707 E Hidden Cove Tr.

Hernando, FL 34442

Phone: 352-344-8095

Email: wendydettmann@gmail.com

AK2864737

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RE: Written Objection / Mitigation Credit, Parcel ID: 19E18S1401450000Q00070

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Gregory & Jane Schmukel

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William J. Shea, III.
5599 S Glenn Acres Terrace
Homosassa, FL 34446

Citrus County BOCC
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Lecanto, FL 34461

Re: Stormwater Service Assessment
Parcel Tax ID: 17E19S360210 004 0050
Green Acres ADD 1 PB 5 PG 5 UNREC
Lot 5 of lot 41

In reply to the Storm Water Service Assessment for the above listed property, I hereby apply for mitigation credits because there are no county storm water systems in my area. In fact, stormwater currently drains on to my property and street from Meadow Street.

Meadow Street is elevated above my property and S. Glenn Acres Terrace by several feet, and there are no storm drains in the area to handle runoff from Meadow Street. As a result, water accumulates on both my property and South Glenn Acres Terrace at its intersection with Meadow Street.

I have attached a picture taken on September 1, 2021 after one morning of steady rain. This picture shows my front yard which borders S. Glenn Acres Terrace. What makes this situation worse is there are several drivers who live in the section further north on S. Glenn Acres Terrace who take pleasure in traversing the flooded area in their vehicles at a high rate of speed, creating a wake which washes on to my property. In addition, my mailbox is located just to the right of the edge of this picture.



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I have no objection to paying the listed assessment if the County actually had a system in place to handle the runoff from its roads in this area; however, since it doesn't, I see no reason why I should pay an extra assessment for a service I'm not receiving.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if any further information is required.

Respectfully,

William J. Shea, III.
609-602-1336

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Print name	Signature	Address
Jeanne M Bell	Jeanne M Bell	5418 W Corinas Ct
Alfred J Bell	Alfred J Bell	Homosassa FL

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Attn: Land Section

3600 W Sovereign Path, Suite 205

Lecanto, Fl 34461

Re: Written Objection/Mitigation Credit, Parcel ID: 19E 18S 140 140 000PO 0160

Dear Citrus County BOCC:

After being informed by our HOA of proposed changes in method of ascertaining the property value for our stormwater taxing which will increase our annual cost, we would like to file an objection to any assessment. If the full credit is denied, we are requesting a mitigation credit for the stormwater assessment.

We live in the private community of Arbor Lakes, Hernando Fl. The community owns and maintains its own roads, curbs, gutters storm drains in addition to 2 DNR's. None of our water enters county-owned stormwater systems; therefore, we believe we should receive a full mitigation credit.

As homeowners and based on the information provided, we appreciate your favorable response to the method change and its proposed effect on residents of Arbor Lakes. Thank you.

Danny and Anne Walker

4325 N Arbor Shore Trl

Hernando, FL 34442

719-429-4968

rwalker614@earthlink.net

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Date: September 1, 2021

Citrus County BOCC
Attn: Land Section
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RE: Written Objection / Mitigation Credit, Parcel ID: 2915226

We at this time are filing objection to any assessment; and, if full credit is denied, requesting a mitigation credit for the stormwater assessment.

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Respectfully,

Name(s): Ralph Emerson Ryan and Sonya Maria Ryan

Arbor Lakes Address: 3738 E Lake Todd Drive

Hernando, FL 34442

Phone: (937) 623-5581

Email: ryan31260 @ gmail.com

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RE: Written Objection / Mitigation Credit, Parcel ID: 19E18S140170 0320

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Date: 9-1, 2021

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RE: Written Objection / Mitigation Credit, Parcel ID: 19E18S140140 000E0 0090

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Respectfully,

Name(s): JAMES LAWLER

Arbor Lakes Address: 3630 E HIDDEN COVE TRAIL

Hernando, FL 34442

Phone: 734 634 8564

Email: JIMLAWLER @ COMCAST.NET

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RE: Written Objection / Mitigation Credit, Parcel ID: 19E 18S 14 0150 0060 0080

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From: Tonie A. Toney
Sequence #: CS-24216
AK#: 2956941
Parcel Tax ID: 19E17S290040
Legal: Quail Run PB 12 PG 3 LOT 18

1356 E. Oriole Ct.
Hernando, FL
Email = ProfToney@gmail.com

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To: Citrus County BOCC (Attn: Land Section)

Regarding the Stormwater Service Assessment:

Date: August 30, 2021

I wish to apply for mitigation credits. You have determined that the number of ESUs on my parcel (identified above) is 1.70. **I do not disagree** with your measurements of impervious surfaces on this property. However, as a retired geoscientist with 37 years of full-time college and university experience teaching an array of subjects in that category (e.g.: geology, meteorology, climatology, physical oceanography, environmental science) I feel confident that water running off my large roof and long driveway does not burden your stormwater management system. Here is why:

In the 16 years we have lived in this house, even during noteworthy high-volume rainfall episodes that have occurred, we have never seen water run off our property onto the street or the three adjacent lots. There are at least four reasons for this:

1. The geology. We are on the northeastern side of the Brooksville Ridge (formerly known as the Coharie-Okefenokee Sand Ridge), a prominent and well known north-south running feature of Citrus and Hernando Counties. The part of the ridge that my house rests upon is a late Tertiary clayey quartz sand overlain by a layer of Pleistocene quartz sand with a small additional quartz sand brought in as fill (primarily beneath the slab) from an outside source. The beautiful sands "in place" were laid down as a result of cycles of fluctuating sea level. Rainwater upon the land, my roof, and my driveway relatively quickly percolates through the permeable sand and recharges the ground water zone beneath us.
2. Our roof is completely guttered except for one small gable and there are 8 downspouts. Three of those 8 empty into French drains. Never has there been any upwelling at any of those three sites. The other 5, with the use of drain lines below the surface, run into heavily wooded portions of the property where the water is quickly soaked up to infiltrate downward into the zone of saturation.
3. Our driveway entry slopes downward toward the south - away from the roadway (Oriole Ct.).
4. A small and shallow 0.35 acre detention basin lies on the other side of Oriole Ct.). It's nearest corner is 295 feet northeast of my front door. In the 16 years we have lived here it has never held water. This is a testimony to the land's ability to quickly absorb water. This also indicates that what I'm claiming probably also applies to my neighbors.

I very much want to attend your Special Meeting on September 9. However, the timing is far from convenient for many residents of our county. First of all, many residents are up north this time of year for an extended period. Also, we are in the midst of a terrible pandemic in a part of the world where many people refuse to follow advice derived from the scientific community. I want to make it clear that this appeal does not mean I am trying to shirk my responsibility regarding the state of our environment or the needs of Citrus County. I simply think your premise is flawed regarding surface runoff from my property and the property of many others. **On that note, I am including in this envelope, my objections or observations which I have prepared for the September 9 Public Hearing which I will be unable to attend.**

Respectfully Yours,

Tonie A. Toney

Tonie A. Toney (ProfToney@gmail.com)

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OBJECTION TO STORMWATER SERVICE ASSESSMENT

FILED ON BEHALF OF CITRUS COUNTY TAXPAYERS RESIDING ON PROPERTIES EXCEEDING THREE ACRES (hereinafter "Taxpayers")

Date of Filing: September 7, 2021

The aforementioned taxpayers object to the proposed Stormwater Service Assessment (hereinafter "TAX") for the following reasons:

1. TAX is unfair to Taxpayers in that:

   a. The TAX is based on an overly simplistic formula.

      TAX is based on a fictional Equivalent Stormwater Unit or "ESU". In creating the fictional ESU, "the county has determined that the average single family residential footprint is 2,063 square feet in size. Adding the average driveway brings the total impervious area to 4,182 square feet as the base ESU which is the value of one 'Equivalent Stormwater Unit'".

   b. The County proposes to TAX the vast majority of residential properties homogenously, at the rate of one ESU, regardless of the many factors enumerated below.

   c. Parcel Size.

      Assuming, for the moment, that the proposed impervious area of a medium-sized residential parcel is 4,182 square feet, and that the average land parcel size for an urban residential parcel is ¼ acre, or 10,890 square feet, then **38.4%** of the surface area of the average urban residential parcel would be impervious surface. Compare this to a five-acre rural residential parcel where we find that the same 4,182 square feet of impervious surface is a mere **1.9%** of the 217,800 square foot land area of the five-acre rural residential parcel. Clearly, an urban residence will create far greater stormwater run-off than a rural residential parcel. This is because the urban residential parcel has only 6,708 square feet of unimproved land for run-off absorption, while the rural residential parcel has 213,618 to absorb the run-off.

      Speaking from experience, this writer's five-acre property has no run-off, but rather, the property absorbs its own impervious surface run-off, as well as run-off from County roads onto subject property.

   d. Driveway Size and Type.

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Taxpayers disagree with the County's designation of 2,119 square feet as the average driveway (see 1.a., 4,182 assumed total ESU square feet less 2,063 assumed residential footprint). A more correct assumption would be 560 square feet. Furthermore, while the vast majority of urban residential properties have concrete or asphalt driveways, rural residential properties are more likely to have dirt or marl driveways that will naturally absorb stormwater.

e. Soil Type.

The County fails to consider soil type as a stormwater factor. Surely, sand soil will absorb stormwaters at a far greater rate than clay and other soil types.

f. Run-off and Burden of Proof

As stated in section 1.c. above, large land parcel rural residential properties typically absorb 100% of their own impervious surface run-offs. The truth of this statement is further evidenced by the fact that the County does not, and never has, maintained any substantial form of stormwater sewage or other drainage around most large land parcel rural residential properties. Rather than recognizing these very obvious facts, the County proposes to create a mitigation partial-credit system for the TAX. The mitigation system requires the residential property owner to produce documentation, prepared by a professional engineer, indicating that the potential for stormwater run-off is virtually eliminated by certain stormwater containment features created on the property. The inequity of the proposed mitigation system becomes apparent in that the average large land parcel rural residential property owner does not have the means to conduct expensive large-scale engineering studies of his/her property, especially when the end objective would be a maximum 50% credit to a $58.84 TAX.

Accordingly, the burden of proof is misplaced. Based on available resources and relative operational size, equity dictates that the County should have the burden of proving that any large land parcel rural residential property creates stormwater run-off, and that said run-off impacts the County-operated stormwater management system.

2. The TAX is unfair to totally and permanently disabled citizens.

The State of Florida created a total and complete property tax exemption for totally and permanently disabled homeowners meeting certain income requirements. The State intended that such unfortunate persons not be further burdened by a real estate tax burden. The TAX, like its predecessors, the fire services and solid waste assessments, bypass the ad valorem tax system, and are therefore, not subject to State real estate tax exemptions. Ignoring the intent of Florida law, the TAX and its brethren assessments penalize the most unfortunate among us.

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3. Slippery Slope.

   As stated in section 2. above, the County intends to classify the TAX as a Non-Ad Valorem Assessment, operating outside the larger and more common Ad Valorem real estate tax system, so that "Stormwater assessment revenue can only be used for stormwater related services" and not for County purposes. This begs the question, "What's next?" Why not remove school taxes from the Ad Valorem tax system and reclassify them as a Non-Ad Valorem Assessment? The County would, under that scenario, argue that such a scheme was necessary to protect school funds from being used for County purposes. Heck, why not have an assessment for bureaucrat office supplies so that the people can be assured that bureaucrat pens and paper are not used for other County purposes, such as writing traffic citations?

4. Inadequate Notification to Property Owners.

   The Notice of Public Hearing dated August 19, 2021, is inadequate in that its issuance was timed to coincide with the Labor Day holiday and summer vacations typically taken during this timeframe. The Notice failed to properly cite or provide access to federal and state legislation, and "Federal/State permit mandat[ing] system-wide improvements for the management of stormwater runoff." Inadequate time was therefore afforded taxpayers for legal research as to the validity of arguments presented in the Notice supporting the proposed TAX.

5. Pollutants.

   In a "Frequently Asked Questions" supplement to the Notice of Public Hearing dated August 19, 2021, the County states that stormwater improvements "are required to reduce the level of pollutants discharged to surface waters". Section 1.c. above, argues that large land parcel rural residential properties do not contribute to stormwater run-off impacting the stormwater system operated by the County. This section further alleges that, even if there were some stormwater run-off from large land parcel rural residential properties, these properties are not a meaningful source of pollutants.

   The County should, if it has not already done so, study the nature and source of surface water pollutants. Taxpayers are of the opinion and belief, based upon readily-available publicly-published analyses, that the main source of harmful surface water pollutants is agricultural-use fertilizers, herbicides, and other chemicals.

   Confusingly, the County proposes to fully exempt from the TAX, agricultural land uses that "meet State guidelines for managing stormwater runoff". Taxpayers allege that, even with the stormwater run-off management features currently in place, agricultural pollutants continuously manifest themselves in surface waters. We specifically note the impact of agricultural fertilizers on fresh and saltwater algae blooms.

Accordingly, for the reasons stated above, large land parcel rural residential properties exceeding three acres should be excluded or exempted from the proposed TAX.

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ARTHUR E. FENSTERMAKER JR.
4276 East Carl Ramm Lane
Inverness, Florida 34452

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Citrus County BOCC
Attn: Land Section
3600 West Sovereign Path
Suite 205
Lecanto, Florida 34461

Mr. Scott Carnahan,

My address is noted in the heading of this correspondence. I am also including the information contained within the notice of "STORMWAT ASSESSMENT".

Sequence #CS-50915
AK#3147016
Parcel Tax ID: 19E20S24 42200 0210
Legal: RAMM ACRES UNREC SUB IN SEC 24-20-19
LOTS 21 & 22 DESCR AS

Let me make something clear, this assessment is "BULLSHIT"! I am against it!

I live in Heatherwood, just off 581. You should know where it is...it's in YOUR district! I am surrounded by woods, pastures and drive dow sand road to my property. After a hard rain any surface water quickly soaks into the sand. The $29.42 assessment in my case may appear be an insignificant amount to you and the other members of the BOCC, but to me it is a major issue. The closest public sidewalk "footprint' at least 8 miles away. Any impervious surface (roof, concrete pad, or patio) the "runoff" soaks into the sand within proximity to it. That in tur enters the ground water and therefore our wells.

BOCC appears to have concocted a plan to raise taxes. Yes, I said taxes, I do not care what words you use to mask the truth. According t this notice the "new" ESU is supposed to replace the current "MSTU". Politicians just love to use acronyms to confuse taxpayers from discovering the truth too quickly. The assessment letter attempts to persuade us into a false sense of security that this TAX will not increas remember when BOCC created the "MSTU" for fire (there's an acronym again). It was supposed to be on a scale not to exceed $79. First couple of years it was at its minimum and then "bingo", it went right up to the maximum in 2019 and has stayed there. The same will happe here, although the information contained in this letter does not seem to address the "top figure", it was alluded to in a "Draft" presentation g in June. Guess that's why the following entry in this assessment letter reads "and future fiscal years without further notice". The assessme can be raised without a referendum of the taxpayer. That to me indicates no matter what the taxpayers say, THIS IS THE NEW ASSESSMENT – PERIOD, END OF DISCUSSION, and any hearings are merely window dressing.

The tactics used by BOCC politicians (whether RINO or Dem-Com) is purely to get their hands on a new source of revenue. Afterall, the COVID gravy train can't last forever! To perpetuate the expansion of government spending, excuses must be made. We the taxpayers mu weed out come election time. Sadly, that rarely solves a bad tax issue. Taxes usually don't disappear following an election.

Arthur E. Fenstermaker Jr.

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Jeannine Meyers
Charles Meyers
10497 South Walden Forest Circle
Homosassa, FL 34446

August 31, 2021

Board of Commissioners
Citrus County Florida
110 N. Apopka Ave.
Inverness, Fl. 34450

Ref: September 9, 2021
Board of County Commissioners Special Meeting
Proposed Stormwater Utility Assessment

Dear Board Members:

Thank you for your service to the residents of Citrus County.

I am unable to attend the September 9th meeting due to health concerns, but feel it is important to participate in this issue vital to the environment. I've read the full meeting agenda.

I know that pollution, in many forms, is of great concern to our county, state, country. and world. On a personal level, I don't use chemical fertilizers; I water seldom; I compost kitchen scraps; I use hand tools whenever possible, in lieu of gasoline-powered engines; I drive a compact car; I dispose of garbage responsibly at the landfill, recycling all that can be. I could go on, but I think you get the idea. Pollution concerns me.

It has come to our attention that you are proposing a storm water assessment that would cause each of the residents of Walden Woods to pay an ad valorem tax of $58.84 per household. This is a retirement community. Many of us, like myself, live on Social Security. This is a burden we don't need and the provisions for hardship assistance almost specifically exclude manufactured housing communities where residents own the home and rent the lot. Surely, you know that this added tax would be paid by residents through a "Pass Though Tax" like we pay for fire service and landfill usage. I have no issue with paying for fire service and landfill services.

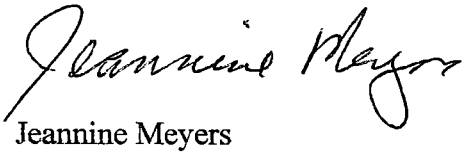
Walden Woods was, in my estimation, extremely well designed with its own storm water mitigation in the form of retention ponds, its own water and sewage treatment plants. The community was designed to direct all storm runoff to the ponds. The community is well maintained. We are not the problem you seek to fix, nor do we benefit greatly from the program you plan to institute. Our community is owned and operated by responsible people. I know that

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the community is working with an engineer to provide the documentation you require for mitigation credits, but that, too comes with a cost to the community that will be passed along to residents.

Most of the residents here live in a manufactured home on rented land simply because we cannot afford to do otherwise. Please consider this in your ruling. Please consider promoting the use of rain barrels for control of roof runoff, and pervious surfaces for residential driveways, rather than penalizing for impervious ones.

Sincerely,



Jeannine Meyers

CC:
Citrus County BOCC, Land Section, 3600 W Sovereign Path, Suite 205, Lecanto, FL 34461
Polly Worf, Community Manager, Walden Woods, 7193 W Walden Woods Drive Homosassa, FL 34446

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No. JB 8 (Initials #)

9321 Indb. Called JB. Not fair ly doesn't have as much concrete neighbor Not accura however determining impervious surface.

STORMWATER SERVICES ASSESSMENT
(STORMWATER MSBU)
FOLLOW-UP FORM

Parcel ID # or Sequence #: 1947821

Person Calling: Leona Hanwell

Property Owner Name: "
(if different than person calling)

Address: 4406 N Ficus Dr. Beverly Hill FL

Daytime Phone # 352 746 2213 **Evening Phone #:** SAME

E-Mail Address: NA

Other:

Problem/issue: Disagree with footprint / ESU is wrong.

(Hearing impaired)
Speak up ☺

Submitted by: Susan Burk **Date:** 8/23/21

Reviewed by: SW **Date:** 8/26/21

Correct impervious area from: _____ **to:** _____

Correct residential tier from: _____ **to:** _____

Dollar correction from: _____ **to:** _____

Authorized by: _____ **Date:** _____

Completed: yes no **Property Owner Notified:** _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

PA from 3,651 sq ft under roof. Correctly charged large tier - 1.7 ESU's - $100.03

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Citrus County BOCC:
attn: Land Section
3600 W. Sovereign Path, Suite 205
Lecanto, Florida 34461

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Re: Allender, Donald R.
Allender, Geraldine
1217 N. Brutus Ave.
Dunnellon, FL. 34433-5505
Parcel Key ID: 18E17S30 3A000 0400
Legal: Mini Farms Unit 6 Unrec. Sub. Pt. Lt. 40
Desc. IN or BK 1158 PG

We purchased this parcel in 1996 and built our retirement home on it in 2000. With due diligence we checked out the geographic studies of above parcel before purchasing, with special attention to any possibility of flooding. We were satisfied that flooding or water retention would NOT pose a problem. Now, after living here for 21 years, we DO NOT experience ponding or flooding, and therefore we have no run off to any stormwater facility, which the county would maintain.

As a side note, we have our own HOA, which takes care of our roads, etc. — not the County!

Therefore, we do not feel that we fall under a category, wherein we should be charged the stormwater assessment.

Respectfully,
Donald R. Allender
Geraldine Allender

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Date: 8/29, 2021

Citrus County BOCC
Attn: Land Section
3600 W Sovereign Path, Suite 205
Lecanto, FL 34461

RE: Written Objection / Mitigation Credit, Parcel ID: 19E 18S 140 160

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Thank you for your attention to this matter – we look forward to your timely and favorable response.

Respectfully,

Name(s): Daviel Luchetti Enid Luchetti

Arbor Lakes Address: 3650 EAST IBIS Cove Court

Hernando, FL 34442

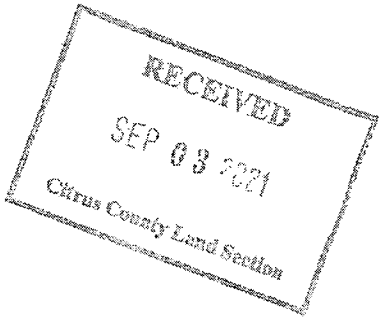
Phone: 954. 572. 8628

Email: enid.Luchetti @Yahoo.com

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Date: 8-30, 2021



Citrus County BOCC
Attn: Land Section
3600 W Sovereign Path, Suite 205
Lecanto, FL 34461

RE: Written Objection / Mitigation Credit, Parcel ID: 19E18S140140-000F0 0120

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Respectfully,

Name(s): Roger Via

Arbor Lakes Address: 3681 East Hidden Cove Trail

Hernando, FL 34442

Phone: 352-239-5551

Email: Via.Roger@Yahoo.com

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Citrus County Land Section
3600 West Sovereign Path, Suite 205
Lecanto, Florida 34461

CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR ADOPTION OF STORMWATER SERVICE ASSESSMENT

NOTICE DATE: AUGUST 19, 2021

VIA ROGER D
VIA SHERRY E
3681 E HIDDEN COVE TRL
HERNANDO FL 34442-5523

Sequence #: CS-29059
AK #: 2866462
Parcel Tax ID: 19E18S140140 000F0 0120
Legal: ARBOR LAKES UNIT 1 PB 15 PG 75 LOT 12 BLK F

*******NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER*******

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The above referenced parcel has been assigned the following ESUs and assessment amounts:

The number of ESUs on the above parcel is 1.70.

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If you have any questions regarding the Stormwater Service Assessment please contact the County at 352-527-5373.

Mitigation credits may be available for a parcel that has a permitted on-site private stormwater treatment facility to improve water quality, or if the parcel does not drain off site to any part of the stormwater system over which the county has maintenance responsibility. If you apply and qualify, credit for privately maintained stormwater management facilities and other factors affecting the quantity or quality of stormwater runoff will be applied, as applicable, resulting in the assignment of Net ESUs. Additionally, if you apply and qualify, certain Agricultural Property is granted a credit from payment of Stormwater Service Assessments pursuant to state law.

The Citrus County Board of County Commissioners will hold a public hearing during a Special Meeting at 1:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the item can be heard, on September 9, 2021, in Room 100 of the Citrus County Courthouse, 110 N. Apopka Avenue, Inverness, Florida. Comments will be received on the proposed Stormwater Service Assessments, including their collection on the ad valorem tax bill. You are invited to attend and participate in the hearing. You may also file written objections with the County within twenty (20) days of the date of this notice. Please include your name, parcel number, and the reason you object to the assessment on all written objections. Objections should be addressed as follows: Citrus County BOCC, Attn: Land Section, 3600 W. Sovereign Path, Suite 205, Lecanto, Florida 34461. If you decide to appeal any decision made by the Board of County Commissioners with respect to any matter considered at the hearing, you will need a record of the proceedings and may need to ensure that a verbatim record is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be made.

If you have any questions regarding the Stormwater Service Assessment please contact the County at 352-527-5373.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need a special accommodation or an interpreter to participate in this proceeding, please contact the County Manager's Office, 3600 W. Sovereign Path, Suite 267, Lecanto, Florida 34461, (352) 527-5210, at least two days before the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, dial 7-1-1, 1-800-955-8771 (TTY) or 1-800-958-8770 (v), via Florida Relay Service. If you need a Spanish Translator, please make arrangements with the County by telephone within two days of the publication notice at 352-527-5370. Si necesita un traductor de español por favor haga arreglos con el Condado dentro de los dos dias de la notificatión de la publicación a 352-527-5370.

Because the Stormwater Service Assessment will be collected by the Tax Collector of Citrus County, pursuant to Chapter 197, Florida Statutes, failure to pay the Stormwater Service Assessment will cause a tax certificate to be issued against the assessed property, which may result in a loss of title to your property.

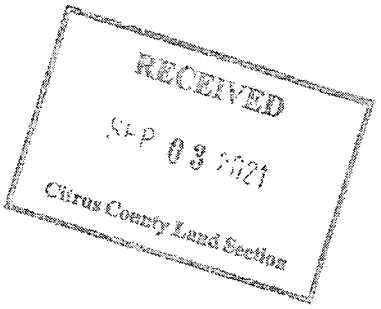
If you have any questions regarding the number of ESUs assigned to your property or the amount of the Stormwater Service Assessment, please contact the County at 352-527-5373.

If you believe you may qualify for a mitigation credit for a privately maintained stormwater management facility or you believe your Agricultural Property is exempt from the Stormwater Service Assessment, please contact the County at 352-527-5373 or to file a credit application, go to https://www.citrusbocc/stormwater.

*******THIS IS NOT A BILL*******

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August 29, 2021



Citrus County BOCC
Attn: Land Section
3600 W. Sovereign Path
Suite 205
Lecanto, FL 34461

Re: Written Objection / Mitigation Credit for Parcel ID 19E18S140140 000D0 0200

Dear sirs,

I, at this time, am filing objection to any assessment, and, if full credit is denied, requesting a mitigation credit for the stormwater assessment. I live in the private community of Arbor Lakes.

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Thank you for your attention to this matter. I look forward to your timely and favorable response.

Respectfully,

John L. Attanasio Jr.

Arbor Lakes
3671 E. Cove Park Trail
Hernando, FL 34442

Phone 201-230-0711
Email attn9@aol.com

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RE: Written Objection / Mitigation Credit, Parcel ID: 19E 18S 40 140 60090 0040

We at this time are filing objection to any assessment; and, if full credit is denied, requesting a mitigation credit for the stormwater assessment.

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Respectfully,

Carole Nebelski

Name(s): CAROLE NEBELSKI (FITZGERELL)

Arbor Lakes Address: 3410 E ARBOR LAKES DR

Hernando, FL 34442

Phone: 352-860-2430

Email: CNEBELSKI @ TAMPABAY.RR.COM

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Date: August 30, 2021

Citrus County BOCC
Attn: Land Section
3600 W Sovereign Path, Suite 205
Lecanto, FL 34461

RE: Written Objection / Mitigation Credit, Parcel ID: K-51

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Respectfully,

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Name(s): Kevin D. Kailbourne

Arbor Lakes Address: 4504 N. Grass Island Terrace

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Hernando, FL 34442

Phone: (716) 665-9600

Email: retrooperkdk@yahoo.com

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NOTICE OF OBJECTION

SEPT 1, 2021

CITRUS COUNTY BOCC
SUITE 205
ATTN LAND SECTION
3600 W. SOVEREIGN PATH
LECANTO, FL 34461

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PLEASE CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING: OWNER OF PROPERTY:
RODNEY A. MINER PH # 352-344-1515
SERVENCE # CS-45404
AK # 2597810, (PARCEL TAX ID: 21E19S 08 23000)
LEGAL: PT OF SEC 8-19-21,

(A) FACT: PARCEL DOES NOT DRAIN OFF SITE TO ANY PART OF THE STORM WATER SYSTEM OF CITRUS COUNTY.

(B) THERE IS A WATER POND ON THE 6.04 ACRE PARCEL SEE ENCLOSED COPY OF LAND SURVEY

(C) JURISDICTIONAL WET LANDS SURVEY THE PARCEL IS RELATIVELY FLAT WITH A GROUND ELEVATION OF (42.4' NGVD) AFTER RAIN EVENTS ANY STANDING WATER PERCOLATES DOWNWARD TO THE WATER TABLE. NO RUN OFF OCCURS OFF SITE

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PLEASE BE AWARE OF THE FACT THIS PARCEL CONSISTING OF 6.04 ACRE IS A WOODED AREA SUPPORTING A LARGE VARIETY OF TREE SPECIES INCLUDING: LIVE OAK, SWAMP MAPLE, SWEETGUM, FLA ELM, CYPRESS, CABBAGE PALM, LAUREL OAK, SWAMP HICKORY, & MAGNOLIA.

THE MAJORITY OF THE LAND REMAINS AS IT WAS WHEN FIRST PURCHASED. MINIMAL CLEARING HAS OCCURRED. ONLY THE BUILDING SITE FOR THE RESIDENCE, THE POLEBARN AND GARAGE HAVE BEEN CLEARED.

IN REVIEW OF THE ABOVE COMMENTS I MUST EMPHASIZE THAT THIS PROPERTY MANAGES TO CONTAIN THE WATER FROM STORM EVENTS WITHOUT DISCHARGE TO ANY CITRU COUNTY STORMWATER MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

DATE 9-1-21 Rodney A. Miner

P.S. PLEASE NOTE THE HIGHLIGHTED SENTENCES ON ORIGINAL NOTICE DATED 8-19-21

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CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR ADOPTION OF STORMWATER SERVICE ASSESSMENT

NOTICE DATE: AUGUST 19, 2021

MINER RODNEY A
12595 E BOY SCOUT RD
INVERNESS FL 34450-5644

Sequence #: CS-45404
AK #: 2597810
Parcel Tax ID: 21E19S08 23000
Legal: PT OF SEC 8-19-21 KNOWN AS PCL 23000 ON CITRUS CO

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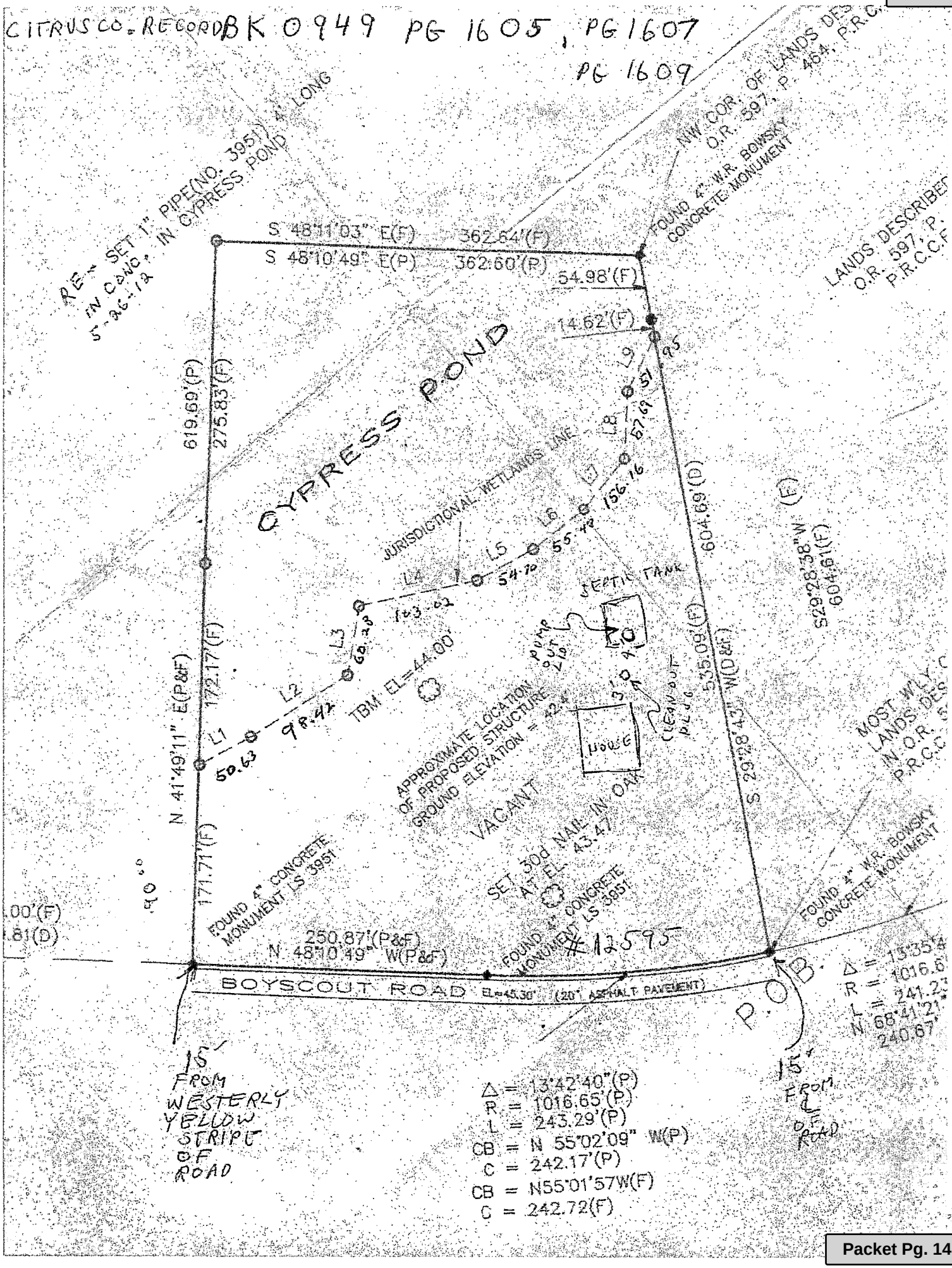
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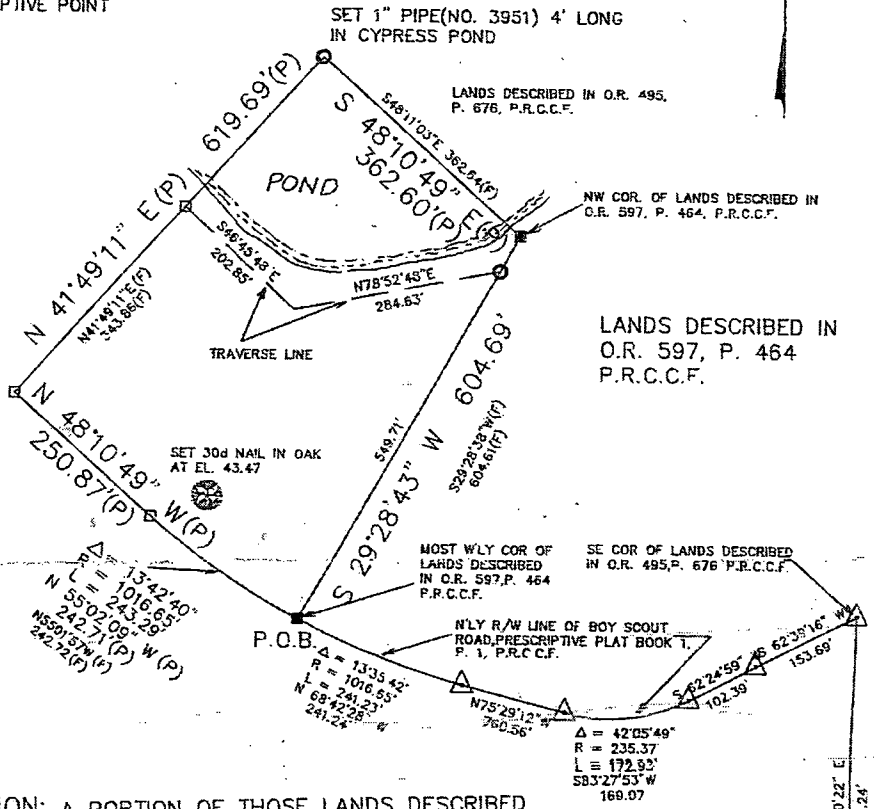
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FOR

RODNEY A. MINER

LEGEND:

- ■ FOUND CONCRETE MONUMENT (FDCM)
- ● FOUND IRON PIN (FDIP)
- ○ SET IRON PIN NO.3951 (SET IP)
- ⊡ SET CONCRETE MONUMENT 3951
- (P) PLAT
- (F) FIELD
- △ DESCRIPTIVE POINT



DESCRIPTION: A PORTION OF THOSE LANDS DESCRIBED IN O.R. 495, P. 676(SEE ATTACHED SHEET FOR COMPLETE LEGAL DESCRIPTION)

NOTES:

1. AZIMUTH BASED ON PRESCRIPTIVE PLAT BOOK 1, P.,1, P.R.C.C.F.
2. THIS SURVEY IS OF SURFACE FEATURES ONLY
3. COMPLETE TITLE INFORMATION WAS NOT FURNISHED TO THE SURVEYOR
4. THIS DRAWING IS NOT VALID WITHOUT AN EMBOSSED SEAL AND SIGNATURE
5. ELEVATION BASED ON RM 40 AS SHOWN ON F.E.M.A. FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP SHEET, COMMUNITY PANEL NUMBER 120063 0300 B DATED AUGUST 15, 1984.
6. THE ABOVE PARCEL IS LOCATED IN FLOOD ZONE A, BASE FLOOD ELEV.=44'
7. THE TRAVERSE LINE SHOWN IS NOT A LOCATION OF JURISDICTIONAL WETLANS LINE, SEASONAL HIGH WATER LINE, OR LIMITS OF ANY SPECIFIC FLOOD.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I HAVE MADE A SURVEY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED PROPERTY, THAT IT IS TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF, AND THAT THIS PLAT IS A TRUE REPRESENTATION THEREOF, AND THAT THE SURVEY AND THIS PLAT CONFORM TO THE MINIMUM TECHNICAL STANDARDS SET FORTH BY THE FLORIDA BOARD OF LAND SURVEYORS, PURSUANT TO SECTION 472.027, FLORIDA STATUTES.

2-7-89

WILLIAM C. LANIGAN
FLORIDA REGISTERED SURVEYOR No. 3951

DATE

WILLIAM C. LANIGAN
206 SOUTH SEMINOLE ST.
INVERNESS, FLORIDA 32652
TELEPHONE (904) 344-2016

DATE OF:	SCALE:
SURVEY 2-4-89	1"=200'
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Citrus County Land Section

Treasure B. McKenzie
3822 E Arbor Lakes Dr.
Hernando FL 34442

August 30, 2021

Citrus County BOCC
Attn: Land Section
3600 W Sovereign Path, Suite 205
Lecanto, FL 34461

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Steven Pratt

5608 W. Houston St.

Dunnellon, FL 34433

352-586-4831

Parcel # 17E17S220020 000A0 0470

August 22, 2021

To whom it may concern,

I am officially objecting to the Stormwater Service Assessment for my property at 8718 W. Basi;ico St. Ctystal River Fl.34428 This property sits on roughly 40 feet of sand below based on the depth of the well. Previous perculation testing on the property have shown excellent results. There is no storm water run off. When it rains the water seeps into the sand within minutes, no puddling/standing water.

Said property is very flat with no hills or slopes and is miles away from any lake, stream, river or the Gulf of Mexico.

There is **No** engineered storm water collection system in this neighborhood what so ever. I would gladly invite you to my propery on a rainy day and you will see exactly what I mean. I do not feel this assessment is pertinent or fair in my particular case.

Best Regards,

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Wayne Welshans 8/30/2021
Parcel# 17E18S360310 000G0 0070

Stormwater Assessment.

This letter is to let you know that my parcel does not drain any storm water into any stormwater system of the county.

As a matter of fact the water from Dunkenfield av. runs onto my property and creates a problem. Therefore i don't think it fair that i have to pay the$58.84 Assessment

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Our property does no drain off to any part of any storm water system. Maintained by Citrus county or any other county.

We live in the mini farms. Citronelle to be exact. We service our own roads. We have no storm water systems here. We should not have to pay a storm water accessment fee.

Please do not charge us the 58.84 a year and every subsequent year. We are retired living on a fixed income. We don't need to be charged for something we dont even have or use.

Edwin J Koch
Patricia A Koch
AK# 3276756

our phone # is 352-697-3015
PO box 389
Crystal River
Fl. 34423

Patricia A. Koch 8-28-2021

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CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR ADOPTION OF STORMWATER SERVICE ASSESSMENT

NOTICE DATE: AUGUST 19, 2021

KOCH EDWIN J
KOCH PATRICIA A
PO BOX 389
CRYSTAL RIVER FL 34423-0389

Sequence #: CS-07102
AK #: 3276756
Parcel Tax ID: 17E17S24 1A000 0370
Legal: MINI FARMS UNIT 10 UNREC SUB
PARCEL 37 DESC IN OR BK 930 PG

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PROPOSED OR ADOPTED NON-AD VALOREM ASSESSMENTS
CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA TAXING AUTHORITIES
210 NORTH APOPKA AVE SUITE 200
INVERNESS, FL 34450-4294

DO NOT PAY
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AK: 3276756

Parcel ID:
17E17S24 1A000 0370

Location Address:
6220 W TIRANA LN
DUNNELLON

Legal Description:
MINI FARMS UNIT 10 UNREC SUB PARCEL 37 DESC IN OR BK 930 PG 900 DESC AS FOLL: PARCEL NO. 37, MINI FARMS UNIT NO. 10, DESCRIBED AS: THE NW 1/4 OF THE NW 1/4 OF THE NE 1/4 OF THE

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KOCH EDWIN J
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Millage: 000X Nbhd: 6603

PROPERTY APPRAISER VALUE INFORMATION

	Last Year (2020)	This Year (2021)
Market Value	145,693	149,934

If you feel the market value of your property is inaccurate or does not reflect fair market value please call (352)564-7140, or if you are entitled to an exemption or classification that is not reflected below, contact th County Property Appraiser at **1540 N Meadowcrest Blvd Suite 400, Crystal River (352)564-7130.**

Assessment Reductions	Applies To	Value
SAVE OUR HOMES SAVINGS	ALL TAXING AUTHORITIES	56,551

Exemption	Applies To	Value
HOMESTEAD	ALL TAXING AUTHORITIES	25,0
ADDITIONAL HOMESTEAD	NON-SCHOOL TAXING AUT	25,0

Taxing Authority	Assessed Value		Exemptions	
	Last Year	This Year	Last Year	This Year
COUNTY	92,094	93,383	50,000	50,000
PUBLIC SCHOOLS	92,094	93,383	25,000	25,000
WATER MANAGEMENT	92,094	93,383	50,000	50,000
INDEPENDENT DISTRICTS	92,094	93,383	50,000	50,000

If the property appraiser's office is unable to resolve matter as to market value, classification, or an exemption, you may file a petition for adjustment with the Value Adjustment Board. Petition forms are available from the Property Appraiser's office. Petitic must be filed with the Clerk of Value Adjustment Boa on or before 5:00 PM on **September 14, 2021**

For more information about your TRIM noti go to our website: www.citruspa.org

TAXING AUTHORITY INFORMATION

TAXING AUTHORITY (*Debt Service)	Your Property Taxes Last Year 2020 — Prior year tax rates and taxes			Your Taxes This Year - 2021 — Tax rates and taxes this year if proposed budget is adopted			Tax rates and taxes this year if budget change is adopted	
	Column 1 Taxable Value	Column 2 Tax Rate	Column 3 Tax Amount	Column 4 Taxable Value	Column 5 Tax Rate	Column 6 Tax Amount	Column 7 Tax Rate	Column 8 Tax Amour
COUNTY - GENERAL FUND	42,094	06.2176	261.72	43,383	06.1937	268.70	05.9778	259.
COUNTY - TRANSPORTATION	42,094	00.5988	25.21	43,383	00.5972	25.91	00.5757	24.
COUNTY - HEALTH DEPT	42,094	00.0651	2.74	43,383	00.0626	2.72	00.0626	2.
COUNTY - LIBRARY	42,094	00.3217	13.54	43,383	00.3207	13.91	00.3093	13.
COUNTY - FIRE DISTRICT	42,094	00.0000	0.00	43,383	00.0000	0.00	00.0000	0.
COUNTY - STORMWATER	42,094	00.0974	4.10	43,383	00.0000	0.00	00.0937	4.
COUNTY - FIRE RESCUE EMS	42,094	00.5881	24.76	43,383	00.5881	25.51	00.5657	24.
SCHOOLS - LOCAL REQ'D EFFORT	67,094	03.6820	247.04	68,383	03.5690	244.06	03.5389	242.
SCHOOLS - CAPITAL OUTLAY	67,094	01.5000	100.64	68,383	01.5000	102.57	01.4417	98.
SCHOOLS - DISCRETIONARY	67,094	00.7480	50.19	68,383	00.7480	51.15	00.7189	49.
WATER MANAGEMENT	42,094	00.2669	11.23	43,383	00.2535	11.00	00.2535	11.
MOSQUITO CONTROL	42,094	00.4478	18.85	43,383	00.4307	18.69	00.4307	18.
Total Millage Rate & Tax Amount		14.5334	760.02		14.2635	764.22	13.9685	748.4
Total Ad Valorem and Non-Ad Valorem (from reverse side) Tax If Budget Changes are made						870.22		

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KINGSWAY

Kingsway of Florida Ministries, Inc.

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August 30, 2021

Citrus County BOCC
Attn: Land Section
3600 W Sovereign Path, Suite 205
Lecanto, FL 34461

RE: Written Objection / Mitigation Credit, Parcel ID: 18E17S360030

We at this time are filing objection and requesting a full mitigation credit for the stormwater assessment.

Kingsway of Florida Ministries, Inc. is a 501c3 corporation providing services to the elderly as well as operating senior housing. More-to-the-point, the private community at Kingsway owns and maintains its own roads, curbs, gutters, storm drains, and water management. We are approximately 200 yards away from Lecanto Highway – not near county facilities. You don't even provide sanitary sewer systems as we also maintain our own septic systems. Any minor runoff is handled by St. Paul's Lutheran Church's storm drains and DRA's – also private. None of our water enters county-owned stormwater systems; therefore, we should receive a full mitigation credit, not just the partial ones outlined on your website.

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Respectfully,

Daniel B. Cerney

Daniel B. Cerney, President
Kingsway of Florida Ministries, Inc.
6156 N Diadem Pt.
Beverly Hills, FL 34465-8016
Management: C/O RE/MAX Realty One * 2421 N Lecanto Hwy * Lecanto, FL 34461

Keith Pullias * keith@remaxrealty.one * 352-897-0056

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CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA

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NOTICE DATE: AUGUST 19, 2021

KINGSWAY OF FLORIDA MINISTRIES INC
6156 N DIADEM PT
BEVERLY HILLS FL 34465-8016

Sequence #: CS-65839
AK #: 3494579
Parcel Tax ID: 18E17S360030 0020
Legal: KINGSWAY PB 19 PG 30-32 LOT 2 TITLE IN OR BK 400 PG 89 OR

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Name(s): RUSSELL W GIBSON and REBECCA W GIBSON

Arbor Lakes Address: 4541 N. LAKE VISTA TRAIL UNIT IV LOT 106

Hernando, FL 34442

Phone: 352-637-4940

Email: RGhoosh @ aol.com

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Date: August 30, 2021

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Attn: Land Section
3600 W Sovereign Path, Suite 205
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AK# 3258675
Parcel Tax ID: 19E18S140170 0470
Legal: ARBOR LAKES UNIT III PB 17 PG 64 LOT 47

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Respectfully,

Name(s): Lee & Kristine Johnson

Arbor Lakes Address: 3807 E. Teal Cove Ct.

Hernando, FL 34442

Phone: 352-726-7412

Email: Kristinej816@earthlink.net

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716-984-3048
dale14091@YAhoo.com

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Arbor Lakes Unit 1 PB 15 PG 75 Lot 6 Blk D

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Lawrence Masut
Patricia Masut

Name(s): Lawrence / Patricia Masut

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Hernando, FL 34442

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+ WATER TAXES

ALBERT HUNDERTMARK
Print name

Albert Hundertmark
Signature

7422 S. MINDY PT.
Address HOMOSASSA FL 34446

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Print name

S Corvaddy
Signature

5353 W. Corinas Ct.
Address Homosassa, FL 34446

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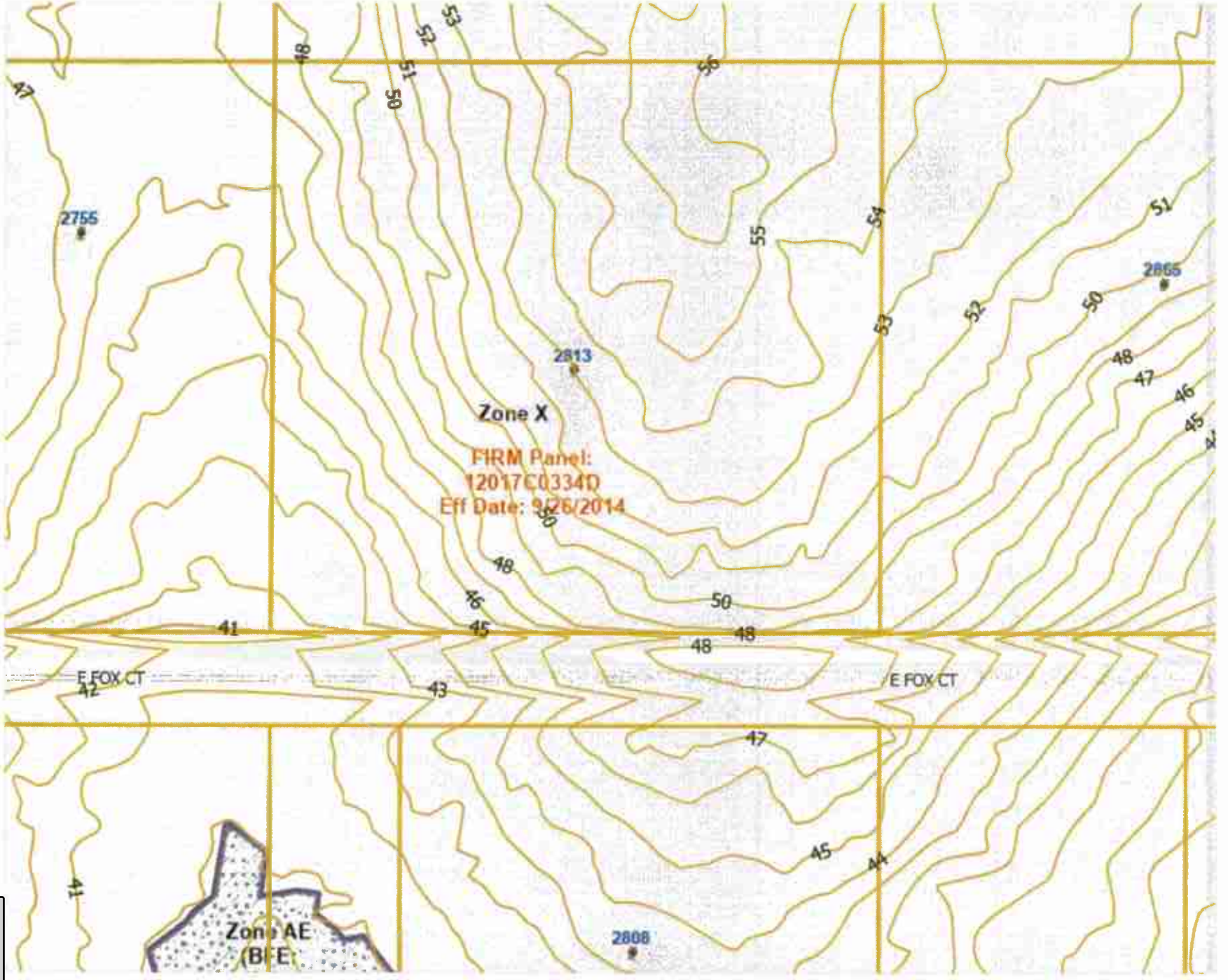
Susan M. Boelk

From: Stephen Fairchild <steve2813@outlook.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 1, 2021 2:44 PM
To: Susan M. Boelk
Subject: [EXTERNAL]Stormwater Service Assessment
Attachments: 2813 E Fox Ct Elevation Countours.pdf; Drainage1.jpg

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Hello Susan.
Thank you for returning my call earlier.
As we discussed, I want to appeal the stormwater service assessment on my property because my parcel does not drain off site. My 1,762 square-foot home plus some small outbuildings are centrally located on my 2.34-acre parcel. Moreover, my parcel generally slopes from the northeast to the southwest. The southwest corner of my parcel is actually lower than adjacent Fox Ct. Rainfall is either absorbed into my parcel's soils or collects at my dirt driveway at the southwest corner.
I've attached a flood map with elevations and (today being a rainy day) a picture I just took of my southwest corner and driveway.
Please confirm receipt of this email and I look forward to receiving additional information on the process that you said would be going out next week.
Thank you.
Stephen Fairchild
2813 E Fox Ct
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To Whom It May Concern:

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We object to this increase in storm water taxes for the following reasons:

1) We live In Pine Ridge which has numerous water retention areas and to this day have never seen any water in any of them. However, we now receive notice that our storm water tax assessment will increase from $24.49 in 2021 to $100.03 in the following year. This is a $75.81 or 310% additional increase in our present tax. This is outrageous! Also, you propose to eliminate only a portion of the present assessment, thereby, not gaining much. Please refer to the enclosed copy of The Florida Senate Statues which not only requires a referendum for public support for any increase, but, also establishes a maximum increase of 3.75 mills, not an estimate of storm water runoff.
2) How does the Citrus County Code of ordinances allow you to arbitrarily substitute an ad valorem tax which is measured by property value with an assessment related to roof size etc., without a public referendum?
3) We also refer you to the enclosed copy of a Missouri Supreme Court decision, ZWEIG v. METROPLITAN ST LOUIS SEWER DISTRICT dated November 12, 2013. This decision relates to the same exact type of proposed tax increase measured by roof size etc. as you are presenting in your Notification. We strongly recommend you read this decision. It clearly and succinctly provides reasoning as to why government subdivisions cannot arbitrarily turn a horse into a zebra without a lot of paint i.e. your Notification (turning an ad valorem tax into an assessment). It also reaffirms the lower court's decision not to approve Metropolitans Sewer's increase without a voter referendum.
4) In other words, we believe you will be violating Florida law if you proceed with this increase in the manner you state, rather than seeking voters' approval of an increase in the existing tax.
5) In your notification you make reference to Federal/State permits. How long have these permits and requirements been in effect? You have not advised us as to why the existing storm water tax revenue does not now cover these proposed costs.

Thank you for your consideration of the above.

Michael & Elizabeth Rausch (Parcel Tax ID 18E17S320030 03290 0160)

Michael Rausch
Elizabeth Rausch

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The Florida Senate

2019 Florida Statutes

Title XIII	Chapter 191	SECTION 009
PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT	INDEPENDENT SPECIAL FIRE CONTROL DISTRICTS Entire Chapter	**Taxes; non-ad valorem assessments; impact fees and user charges.**

191.009 Taxes; non-ad valorem assessments; impact fees and user charges.—

(1) AD VALOREM TAXES.—An elected board may levy and assess ad valorem taxes on all taxable property in the district to construct, operate, and maintain district facilities and services, to pay the principal of, and interest on, general obligation bonds of the district, and to provide for any sinking or other funds established in connection with such bonds. An ad valorem tax levied by the board for operating purposes, exclusive of debt service on bonds, may not exceed 3.75 mills unless a higher amount has been previously authorized by law, subject to a referendum as required by the State Constitution and this act. The ballot question on such referendum shall state the currently authorized millage rate and the year of its approval by referendum. The levy of ad valorem taxes pursuant to this section must be approved by referendum called by the board when the proposed levy of ad valorem taxes exceeds the amount authorized by prior special act, general law of local application, or county ordinance approved by referendum. Nothing in this act shall require a referendum on the levy of ad valorem taxes in an amount previously authorized by special act, general law of local application, or county ordinance approved by referendum. Such tax shall be assessed, levied, and collected in the same manner as county taxes. The levy of ad valorem taxes approved by referendum shall be reported within 60 days after the vote to the Department of Economic Opportunity.

(2) NON-AD VALOREM ASSESSMENTS.—

(a) A district may levy non-ad valorem assessments as defined in s. 197.3632 to construct, operate, and maintain those district facilities and services provided pursuant to the general powers listed in s. 191.006, the special powers listed in s. 191.008, any applicable general laws of local application, and a district's enabling legislation. The rate of such assessments must be fixed by resolution of the board pursuant to the procedures contained in s. 191.011. Non-ad valorem assessment rates set by the board may exceed the maximum rates established by special act, county ordinance, the previous year's resolution, or referendum in an amount not to exceed the average annual growth rate in Florida personal income over the previous 5 years. Non-ad valorem assessment rate increases within the personal income threshold are deemed to be within the maximum rate authorized by law at the time of initial imposition. Proposed non-ad valorem assessment increases that exceed the rate set the previous fiscal year or the rate previously set by special act or county ordinance, whichever is more recent, by more than the average annual growth rate in Florida personal income over the last 5 years, or the first-time levy of non-ad valorem assessments in a district, must be approved by referendum of the electors of the district. The referendum on the first-time levy of an assessment shall include a notice of the future non-ad valorem assessment rate increases permitted by this act without a referendum. Non-ad valorem assessments shall be imposed, collected, and enforced pursuant to s. 191.011.

(b)1. The non-ad valorem assessments in paragraph (a) may be used to fund emergency medical services and emergency transport services. However, if a district levies a non-ad valorem assessment for emergency medical services or emergency transport services, the district shall cease collecting ad valorem taxes under subsection (1) for that particular service.

2. It is recognized that the provision of emergency medical services and emergency transport services constitutes a benefit to real property the same as any other improvement performed by a district, such as fire suppression services, fire protection services, fire prevention services, emergency rescue services, and first response medical aid.

(3) USER CHARGES.—

(a) The board may provide a reasonable schedule of charges for special emergency services, including firefighting occurring in or to structures outside the district, motor vehicles, marine vessels, aircraft, or rail cars, or as a result of

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(b) The board may provide a reasonable schedule of charges for fighting fires occurring in or at refuse dumps or as a result of an illegal burn, which fire, dump, or burn is not authorized by general or special law, rule, regulation, order, or ordinance and which the district is called upon to fight or extinguish.

(c) The board may provide a reasonable schedule of charges for responding to or assisting or mitigating emergencies that either threaten or could threaten the health and safety of persons, property, or the environment, to which the district has been called, including a charge for responding to false alarms.

(d) The board may provide a reasonable schedule of charges for inspecting structures, plans, and equipment to determine compliance with firesafety codes and standards.

(e) The district shall have a lien upon any real property, motor vehicle, marine vessel, aircraft, or rail car for any charge assessed under this subsection.

(4) IMPACT FEES.—If the general purpose local government has not adopted an impact fee for fire services which is distributed to the district for construction within its jurisdictional boundaries, and the Legislature has authorized independent special fire control districts to impose impact fees by special act or general law other than this act, the board may establish a schedule of impact fees in compliance with any standards set by general law for new construction to pay for the cost of new facilities and equipment, the need for which is in whole or in part the result of new construction. The impact fees collected by the district under this subsection shall be kept separate from other revenues of the district and must be used exclusively to acquire, purchase, or construct new facilities or portions thereof needed to provide fire protection and emergency services to new construction. As used in this subsection, "new facilities" means land, buildings, and capital equipment, including, but not limited to, fire and emergency vehicles, radiotelemetry equipment, and other firefighting or rescue equipment. The board shall maintain adequate records to ensure that impact fees are expended only for permissible new facilities or equipment. The board may enter into agreements with general purpose local governments to share in the revenues from fire protection impact fees imposed by such governments.

History.—s. 9, ch. 97-256; s. 72, ch. 2011-142; s. 160, ch. 2013-183.

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ZWEIG v. METROPOLITAN ST LOUIS SEWER DISTRICT

Supreme Court of Missouri,En Banc.

William Douglas ZWEIG, et al., Respondents/Cross–Appellants, v. The METROPOLITAN ST. LOUIS SEWER DISTRICT, Appellant/Cross–Respondent.

No. SC 92581.

Decided: November 12, 2013

John L. Gianoulakis, Robert F. Murray and Kevin A. Sullivan of Kohn, Shands, Elbert, Gianoulakis & Giljum LLP in St. Louis, and Susan M. Myers, St. Louis, for Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District.
Richard R. Hardcastle III, Erwin O. Switzer, Kirsten M. Ahmad and George A. Uhl of Greensfelder, Hemker & Gale PC, St. Louis, for the ratepayers.
William Zweig and the other named plaintiffs, on behalf of themselves and a class of similarly situated ratepayers ("Ratepayers"), sued the Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District ("MSD") seeking declaratory, injunctive, and monetary remedies on the ground that MSD violated article X, section 22(a) of the Missouri Constitution when it implemented its "stormwater user charge" without prior voter approval. The trial court declared MSD's action unconstitutional, enjoined future collection of the charge, and ordered MSD to pay the Ratepayers' attorneys' fees and other expenses. The trial court, however, refused to order MSD to pay damages or refund charges already collected.

MSD appeals the trial court's decision on Ratepayers' constitutional claim and the award of Ratepayers' attorneys' fees and expenses. Ratepayers cross-appeal, claiming that the trial court erred in refusing to enter a money judgment against MSD for the amounts already collected. This Court granted transfer pursuant to Rule 83.04, has jurisdiction under Missouri Constitution article V, section 10, and affirms the trial court's judgment in all respects.

Article X, section 22(a) of the Missouri Constitution prohibits political subdivisions "from levying any [new or increased] tax, license or fees" without prior voter approval. Despite the breadth of this language, section 22(a) does not prohibit a political subdivision from charging an individual user a fee in exchange for rendering a service to that user, so long as this charge is not simply a tax by another name. Keller v. Marion County Ambulance District, 820 S.W.2d 301, 305 (Mo. banc 1991).

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Under Keller, therefore, charges imposed by a political subdivision are separated into two species: (1) "taxes," which include "licenses and fees" and other levied charges; and (2) "user fees," which are charged for an individual's use of the political subdivision's service. Section 22(a) requires the political subdivision to obtain prior voter approval for the former, but not the latter. Keller offers five criteria intended to be "helpful" in telling these two species apart. Id. at 304 n. 10. However, a tax by any other name remains a tax. It cannot be transformed into a user fee by adept packaging, any more than a zoologist can transform a horse into a zebra with a bucket of paint. Here, no matter how many stripes MSD paints on it, the stormwater user charge is not a user fee.

MSD concedes that the stormwater fee is not charged in exchange for an individual landowner's "use" of MSD's drainage system (i.e., discharging stormwater into that system during a rainstorm) or that landowner's "use" of MSD's oversight functions (i.e., receiving a particular stormwater inspection, permit, or educational program). MSD admits that it has no way to measure each landowner's discharge into its drainage system during a storm. Even if it could measure such usage, MSD contends that a fee based on such use would be both impracticable and unfair because some of the landowners who discharge stormwater into the drainage system play no part in creating the need for stormwater services while others who contribute to the need for such services do not use MSD's drainage system. Accordingly, MSD does not claim that the stormwater charge is a user fee paid for MSD's service of providing stormwater drainage system during rainstorms or providing its stormwater oversight functions on request.

Instead, MSD claims that the stormwater charge is a user fee paid for MSD's service of ensuring the "continuous and ongoing" availability of its stormwater drainage system (and oversight functions), rain or shine. Despite this novel characterization, the basic flaw in MSD's argument remains that a user fee must be charged in exchange for, and based upon, an individual's use of the relevant service. Here, no matter how MSD characterizes its service, the stormwater fee is not charged in exchange for, nor is it based on, each individual Ratepayer's use of that service. No Ratepayer uses MSD's service (i.e., ensuring the "continuous and ongoing" availability of stormwater drainage and oversight functions) any more or less than any other Ratepayer, and Ratepayers do not use such a service any more or less than the rest of the landowners and non-landowners throughout the district. Instead, the only true user of such an "availability" service is the district as a whole, not individual landowners or subsets of landowners.

MSD responds that the stormwater charge should be classified as a user fee because it is based on each landowner's individual contribution to the overall need for MSD's stormwater services. MSD argues that only those landowners whose properties contain unnatural surfaces impervious to stormwater are responsible, collectively, for creating the need for stormwater services throughout the district. As a result, MSD insists that this subset of landowners, collectively, must bear all of the costs of MSD's ensuring such services are available whenever needed. Nothing in Keller or MSD's arguments, however, justifies equating an individual's contribution to the total need for a service with that individual's use of that service for purposes of determining whether a charge is a user fee.

MSD insists that a tax based on the assessed valuation of a property has no relation to stormwater services, but a stormwater user charge directed at the landowners who, collectively, create the need for stormwater services is much fairer and more easily understood. This may be so, but it also is irrelevant. A tax need not be tied to the payer's use of the political subdivision's service, but a user fee must be. A charge based on contributing to the need for (rather than the

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FACTS

Voters in City of St. Louis and parts of St. Louis County created MSD in 1954 when they ratified MSD's charter ("Plan") pursuant to article VI, section 30(a) of the Missouri Constitution. MSD's purpose is stated in the first section of the Plan: "In the interest of public health and for the purpose of providing adequate sewer and drainage facilities . there is hereby established a metropolitan sewer district[.]" [Emphasis added.]

After the Plan was approved, MSB assumed ownership of and control over all publicly owned sewer and stormwater facilities throughout the district. When voters expanded the district in 1977, however, MSB decided that it would not acquire all stormwater facilities in the newly annexed area. Instead, MSB determined that (if asked) it would help plan and coordinate stormwater programs already in existence. MSB changed this policy in 1989 when it announced that it would regulate all stormwater facilities throughout the district and would assume ownership of and control over designated facilities as funds became available.

MSB's basic stormwater services are to operate and maintain a stormwater drainage system and to provide certain stormwater oversight functions such as planning, permitting, and public education. MSB's stormwater drainage system is not analogous to its sewer operations. To use MSB's sewer system, a landowner must have a physical connection to that system. But a landowner needs no physical connection to MSB's stormwater drainage system for stormwater falling on that owner's property to flow through MSB's system on its way to the Mississippi River and the Gulf of Mexico.

MSB's stormwater drainage system is a combination of natural and artificial waterways, open and closed. Stormwater enters this system through natural aggregation and numerous trapped and un-trapped inlets. Before entering MSB's drainage system, however, most stormwater passes through natural or artificial collection devices such as curbs, gutters, culverts, or trenches. MSB does not operate or maintain these parts of the stormwater drainage system, which usually are owned (and maintained, if at all) by the Missouri Department of Transportation, local municipalities, or individual landowners.

Not all of the rain that falls in the district flows through MSB's drainage system. Some of it is held on or absorbed by the land, and some drains directly into major rivers or is handled by local levee districts. Of the stormwater that drains through MSB's system, MSB cannot tell where the water originates or how much stormwater each property discharges into the system during a particular storm or over any period of time.[1]

MSB's stormwater oversight functions are separate and distinct from its operation and maintenance of the stormwater drainage system. With the expansion of state and federal environmental laws, MSB has been given expanded responsibility for an increasing array of stormwater planning, permitting, and public education functions.

MSB's powers are limited to those set forth and approved by the voters in the Plan and such implied powers as may be necessary to achieve MSB's purposes. St. Louis Inv. Properties, Inc. v. Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer Dist., 873 S.W.2d 303, 307 (Mo.App.1994). MSB's ability to fund its activities also is limited. Article VI, section 30(b) of the Missouri Constitution provides: "The plan shall provide for the assessment and taxation of real estate . giving due regard to the other provisions of this constitution." Under the Plan, MSD has the power to: (a) levy property taxes,

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provided the total levy for maintenance and operation does not exceed $0.10 per $100 assessed valuation; (b) levy special assessments for the construction, improvement, or extension of specific sewer or drainage facilities; and (c) establish a schedule of "rates, rentals, and other charges, to be collected from all the real property served by the sewer facilities of the District."[2]

Before implementing the stormwater user charge at issue here, MSD funded its stormwater operations with a combination of taxes. MSD levied taxes on all real property in the district in the amount of $0.02 per $100 assessed valuation and, for property within the district's original boundaries, an additional $0.05 tax per $100 assessed valuation. These ad valorem taxes generated approximately $12.3 million in 2007. MSD also levied a $0.24 monthly surcharge for stormwater operations on each of its sewer customers.[3] This charge generated an additional $1.2 million in 2007, raising MSD's stormwater tax receipts for that year to approximately $13.5 million.[4]

These revenues, however, were not sufficient. In 2007, MSD spent nearly $33 million on its stormwater operations, which required MSD to subsidize its stormwater operations with $19 million from its sewer revenues. MSD insisted that this subsidy was not sustainable and, even if it was, a $33 million budget was not adequate to fund the range of stormwater drainage and oversight services MSD believes are required. Without more revenue, MSD claimed that repairs would continue to be performed only on an emergency (rather than preventative) basis and infrastructure improvements would be constructed only in sub-districts with adequate revenues. In addition, MSD insisted that its stormwater revenue scheme of ad valorem taxes and sewer surcharges was unfair because landowners in the annexed part of the district paid the least toward MSD's stormwater services, landowners in the original district paid somewhat more, and landowners in sub-districts paid the most.

In 2007, MSD proposed to remedy these shortcomings. The proposal sets forth MSD's goals and objectives:

It is the District's objective to implement a stormwater funding methodology by which its stormwater customers provide sufficient revenues to meet the cash requirements to support a basic level of stormwater service. The basic level of stormwater revenue requirements are composed of operation and maintenance expenses .; capital expenditures, and the build-up of an operation reserve.

The "funding methodology" chosen by MSD to replace the existing stormwater revenue scheme was a "stormwater user charge." Landowners would be required to pay this new charge just as they paid the property taxes it would replace. But unlike the ad valorem taxes, which were based on the assessed value of the property, the new stormwater user charge would be based on the square footage of impervious area (e.g., roofs, patios, parking lots, streets, sidewalks, etc.) on each owner's property. When fully implemented, MSD estimated that this new charge would generate annual revenues in excess of $57 million (exclusive of sub-district revenues), which would be more than four times as much as MSD's 2007 stormwater tax revenues.

MSD's proposal explained how it arrived at the rate it would use to calculate each landowner's stormwater user charge. It first estimated the annual revenue needed to ensure availability of adequate stormwater services (i.e., the "required receipts"). Then, it estimated the total square footage of impervious area (divided by 100) throughout the district (i.e., the "available base"). Finally, MSD divided the "required receipts" by the "available base" to arrive at a rate of $2.29 per 100 square feet of impervious area. MSD ultimately divided this rate by 12 to charge the landowners monthly rather than annually.

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Some landowners would not have to pay this new stormwater user charge, however, and others would have to pay only part of it. Owners of unimproved land would pay nothing because such properties, by definition, have no impervious areas. Even if a property has impervious area, the owner can receive a credit toward the stormwater user charge if: (a) the property produces no runoff; (b) the property's runoff flows into a major river without passing through MSD's stormwater drainage system; or (c) the property's runoff is captured by a levee district or other wastewater system not owned by MSD. This credit cannot exceed fifty percent, however, because MSD insisted that the owners of such properties must pay at least half of the charge as their share of the cost of MSD's oversight functions of planning, permitting, and public education.[5]

Following public hearings and other proceedings, MSD's rate commission[6] recommended that MSD implement this proposal. In December 2007, MSD adopted ordinances to eliminate its existing stormwater taxes and implement the stormwater user charge on March 1, 2008. Rather than hit landowners with the new charge all at once, however, MSD chose to phase the charge in over several years. As a result, MSD initially charged an annual rate of $1.44 (or $0.12 per month) for each 100 square feet of impervious area and planned to increase this rate each year so that, by 2014, landowners would pay the full $2.29 rate (or $0.19 per month). MSD implemented the 2009 increase, but abandoned further increases as this litigation proceeded. In July 2010, MSD ceased collecting the stormwater user charge altogether when the trial court declared that MSD had violated section 22(a) by implementing the charge without voter approval.

ANALYSIS

This Court must affirm the trial court's judgment "unless there is no substantial evidence to support it, unless it is against the weight of the evidence, unless it erroneously declares the law, or unless it erroneously applies the law." Murphy v. Carron, 536 S.W.2d 30, 32 (Mo. banc 1976). In reviewing the sufficiency of the evidence, the Court is mindful that the trial court may "believe or disbelieve all, part or none of the testimony of any witness . and an appellate court will accept as true the evidence and inferences from the evidence that are favorable to the trial court's decree and disregard all contrary evidence." Sch. Dist. of Kansas City v. State, 317 S.W.3d 599, 604 (Mo. banc 2010).

The parties suggest that this Court is bound by the trial court's application of the Keller criteria to the facts in this case. The Court disagrees. Deference is paid to the trial court's factual determinations, but this Court reviews de novo both the trial court's legal conclusions and its application of law to the facts. Id. See, also, Murphy, 536 S.W.2d at 32. Application of the Keller criteria (and other relevant considerations) are not facts to be determined solely by the factfinder and deferred to on appeal. Instead, such criteria are a means of evaluating those facts and are intended only to shed what light they can on the application of section 22(a), i.e., a question of law.

I. The Hancock Amendment

In 1980, Missouri voters approved article X, sections 16–24 of the Missouri Constitution, collectively referred to then and thereafter as the Hancock Amendment. In construing these provisions, this Court has noted that the "Hancock Amendment aspires to erect a comprehensive, constitutionally-rooted shield . to protect taxpayers from government's ability to increase the tax burden above that borne by the taxpayers on November 4, 1980 ." Fort Zumwalt School Dist. v. State, 896 S.W.2d 918, 921 (Mo. banc 1995) (quotations and citations omitted).

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Such characterizations of the Hancock Amendment's overarching purpose can provide useful context but, when determining the effect of a particular provision, the text of the constitution must speak for itself.

The principle applicable to this case is found in the very first sentence of the Hancock Amendment:

Property taxes and other local taxes . may not be increased above the limitations specified herein without direct voter approval . Implementation of this section is specified in sections 17 through 24, inclusive, of this article.

Mo. Const. art. X, § 16 (emphasis added). The implementation of this principle is specified in section 22(a), which provides:

Counties and other political subdivisions are hereby prohibited from levying any tax, license or fees . or from increasing the current levy of an existing tax, license or fees . without the approval of the required majority of the qualified voters of that county or other political subdivision voting thereon.

Mo. Const. art. X, § 22(a) (emphasis added).

II. The Keller Decision

Keller holds that the phrase "tax, license or fees" in section 22(a) was not intended to encompass every possible source of revenue. Keller, 820 S.W.2d at 304–05. Instead, the requirement of voter approval applies only to the levying of new or increased "taxes," and the words "license or fees" were added only to indicate "an intent to prevent political subdivisions from circumventing the Hancock Amendment by labeling a tax increase as a license or fee." Id. at 305. Therefore, "what is prohibited are fee increases that are taxes in everything but name . [and what] is allowed are fee increases which are 'general and special revenues' but not a 'tax.' " Id. at 303.

The issue in Keller was whether section 22(a) applied to an ambulance district's decision to increase the price a patient must pay to use one of the district's ambulances. The Court held that section 22(a) did not apply because the "charges were for actual services rendered, rather than a subscriber charge of all consumers in the service area." Id. at 302, 305. The key distinction in Keller, therefore, was between charges that an individual recipient pays for "actual services rendered" and the district's "property tax revenue [that] assures minimal ambulance service." Id. at 304 n. 7 (emphasis added).

To illustrate this distinction, assume that a political subdivision imposes a charge on property owners to build and operate a swimming pool. If the political subdivision also decides to charge an admission fee to those who actually use this pool, no voter approval is required under section 22(a) because that charge is a genuine user fee, imposed only when a specific service (i.e., access to the pool) actually is rendered to a particular recipient in an individualized transaction. The first charge is not a user fee, however, because it is not charged in exchange for an individual's use of that service. Instead, it is charged to ensure the availability of that service for the entire community. The political subdivision was levying a tax when it imposed the first charge, therefore, and prior voter approval is required under section 22(a).

This key distinction on which the holding in Keller is based results from the Hancock Amendment's use of the word "levy." Id . at 303. Section 22(a) does not prohibit new or increased taxes. Instead, it prohibits political subdivisions from levying new or increased taxes. Because

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section 22(a) focuses on the nature of the political subdivision's action, Keller holds that section 22(a) was not intended to apply to actions that cannot fairly be characterized as a levy.

In ordinary usage, a tax is levied, but a fee is charged. See Webster's Third New International Dictionary 1301 (Unabr. ed.1961); see also Black's Law Dictionary 907 (6th ed.1990). Reading "levy" in this ordinary sense-as a term related to the power of government to impose a tax-it is clear that a "fee" can only be levied if the "fee" is actually a tax.

Id.

The definition of "levy" referred to, but not quoted, in this passage from Keller is as follows: "to impose or collect (as a tax or tribute) by legal process or by authority." Webster's Third New International Dictionary 1301 (Unabr. ed.1961) (emphasis added). When used in this sense, a levy "is the formal and official action of a legislative body invested with the power of taxation . whereby it determines and declares that a tax of a certain amount, or of a certain percentage on value, shall be imposed on persons and property subject thereto." State ex rel. Indus. Servs. Contractors, Inc. v. Cnty. Comm'n of Johnson Cnty., 918 S.W.2d 252, 256 (Mo. banc 1996) (quotation marks omitted) (quoting 84 C.J.S. Taxation § 349 (1954)). In other words, the verbs "levy" and "levying" as used in section 22(a) to refer to actions that create an obligation to pay that is not contingent upon each payer's actual use of the political subdivision's service.[7]

Applying this definition, Keller holds that the ambulance district was not levying a tax when it decided to increase the price it would charge a patient for using its services. Keller, 820 S .W.2d at 305. The act of setting that price was not a levy because the obligation to pay arises only if and when a particular patient actually uses an ambulance. Again, assume there is a drive-thru across the street from the swimming pool in the prior example. If the owner of the drive-thru decides to raise the price of a hamburger, the owner is not "levying" a price increase—even if the owner is a political subdivision—because the decision to increase that price has no practical or legal consequences unless and until a customer drives through and buys a hamburger.

III. The Keller Criteria

The holding and reasoning of Keller have been overshadowed to some degree by the list of five criteria offered there to be "helpful in examining charges denominated as something other than a tax." Keller, 820 S.W.2d at 304 n. 10. In supplying these criteria, however, Keller warns: "No specific criterion is independently controlling; but, rather, the criteria together determine whether the charge is closer to being a 'true' user fee or a tax denominated as a fee." Id. (emphasis added). From the outset, therefore, the Court sought to ensure that the Keller criteria were viewed not as constitutional litmus tests to be applied with scientific rigor, but merely as relevant considerations that can point toward a proper classification.

In Arbor Inv. Co., LLC v. City of Hermann, 341 S.W.3d 673 (Mo. banc 2011), this Court again emphasized that the Keller criteria are to be used only as reliable indicators, not constitutional divining rods.

[C]onsideration of the Keller factors is a necessary step, but the purpose of their use is not because an arithmetic score will be determined that decides whether the particular charges in question pass or fail but rather is to assist the courts in determining the ultimate issue of whether the charge is a user fee or a disguised tax.

Id. at 682.

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Finally, and perhaps most importantly, the Keller criteria were not cut from whole cloth. Instead, Keller offers these criteria solely to aid courts in applying the Court's long-standing, "traditional" test for distinguishing fees and taxes: "Fees or charges prescribed by law to be paid by certain individuals to public officers for services rendered in connection with a specific purpose ordinarily are not taxes." Keller, 820 S.W.2d at 303–04 (quotation marks omitted, citing Leggett v. Missouri State Life Ins. Co., 342 S.W.2d 833, 875 (Mo. banc 1960)). The Keller criteria, therefore, were intended only to adapt the Leggett test to a new constitutional context, not replace it completely.

Many courts—including the trial court in this case—have expressed frustration with the Keller criteria on the ground that they provide little insight and are subject to manipulation. The problem may lie with how the criteria have been applied. Before meaningful guidance can be gleaned from any of the Keller criteria, the Leggett test makes it clear that the court first must have a clear and complete understanding of the service that the political subdivision claims to provide, including the users of this service and the transactions in which that service supposedly is rendered in exchange for the user fee. See Leggett, 342 S.W.2d at 875 (fees are not taxes if they are "paid by certain individuals to public officers for services rendered") (emphasis added).

Despite the critical importance of these determinations, no express inquiry into the nature of the political subdivision's service occurs until the fourth Keller criterion. Even then, Keller fails to emphasize the scope or importance of this service analysis, probably because Keller assumes this is clear from the Leggett test. In hindsight, however, the Keller criteria eclipsed the role of the Leggett rule so thoroughly that this connection rarely is made. As a result, the cause of judicial frustration with the Keller criteria may lie more with the order of those criteria than with their substance. To demonstrate this point (and avoid a further dose of judicial frustration), this Court begins its analysis with the fourth Keller criterion.

A. Keller Criterion No. 4:

What service does MSP provide in exchange for the fee?

The fourth Keller criterion asks whether the political subdivision is providing a service in exchange for the disputed charge. Keller, 820 S.W.2d at 304 n. 10. MSB does not contend that the stormwater charge is a fee for using MSB's drainage system by discharging stormwater into it during a storm or a fee for using MSB's oversight functions by obtaining a single inspection, permit, or educational program. MSB cannot make that argument because the facts do not support it. MSB admits that a Ratepayer pays the same stormwater charge every month regardless of the amount of rainfall or the amount of stormwater it discharges into MSB's drainage system, and that Ratepayers still must pay fifty percent of the charge even if they never use the drainage system. Meanwhile, MSB admits there are thousands of landowners who pay no part of the stormwater charge even though they discharge stormwater into MSD's drainage system every time it rains.

MSD concedes that it cannot charge a user fee for each landowner's use of the stormwater drainage system because MSD has no way of knowing how much stormwater any particular landowner is discharging into that system at any particular time. MSD does not even claim that the stormwater charge is based on an estimate of such usage, using the amount of impervious area on a property as a proxy for the amount of actual runoff from that property. MSD admits that the amount of impervious area on a particular property has nothing to do with the total amount of stormwater runoff from that property into MSD's drainage system. Accordingly, the stormwater charge is not—and MSD does not claim that it is—a user fee charged for a landowner's actual use of MSD's drainage system. By the same token, the stormwater charge is

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not a user fee charged for the use of MSD's oversight services such as planning, permitting, or education. MSD renders these services as requested or needed, regardless of whether the user pays the stormwater charge for owning land with impervious area.[8]

Even though MSD concedes that this charge is not a user fee based on the actual use of MSD's stormwater drainage system or oversight functions, MSD insists that the charge is a proper user fee because those are not the relevant services. Instead, MSD insists that the relevant service for purposes of evaluating whether the stormwater charge is a user fee is MSB's ensuring the "continuous and ongoing" availability of a stormwater drainage system regardless of the weather, and the "continuous and ongoing" availability of its oversight functions regardless of when they are requested or needed. MSB makes no effort to identify the individual users of these "availability" services, however, or the transactions in which those services are rendered in exchange for a user fee. Instead, MSB argues that actual usage should not matter.

MSB explains there was no need for stormwater services when the district was in its natural state because stormwater ran wherever gravity took it. When development replaced natural surfaces with impervious areas (e.g., roofs, sidewalks, streets, parking lots, etc .), however, these impervious areas generated more and faster runoff than the natural surfaces they replaced. MSB insists that this additional runoff creates the need for the stormwater services it provides. Because the need for stormwater services is created by the additional runoff that impervious areas produce, MSB contends that the total amount of impervious area must equal the total need for such services and the amount of impervious area on each owner's property must represents that owner's individual contribution to the overall need for those services. Accordingly, MSB insists that this individual contribution to the overall need for MSB's service is the fairest basis for determining each owner's share of the total costs of those services.

These arguments explain why MSB believes it is fair for owners of property with impervious area to pay the stormwater user charge while owners of property with no impervious area do not. But MSB's arguments have nothing to do with whether the stormwater charge is a user fee because they say nothing about who uses MSB's stormwater services. In other words, MSD contends that: (a) because the owners of property with impervious area are responsible, collectively, for creating all of the need for stormwater services, those owners, collectively, must pay for them; and (b) because these owners pay for all of MSD's stormwater services, they must be the only users of those services. The Court rejects this tautology.

The Court accepts MSD's characterization of the stormwater services it provides. The relevant service for purposes of analyzing the stormwater user charge in this case is not that MSD provides drainage or oversight to individual users at particular times. Instead, the relevant service is MSD's ensuring the "continuous and ongoing" availability of its drainage system and oversight functions, regardless of whether or when they are needed. But the Court rejects MSD's argument that it provides these generalized "availability" services only to the Ratepayers and no one else. Instead, the Court holds that the user of MSD's "availability" services is the district as a whole. Because such "availability" services cannot be rendered to particular users in individualized transactions does not mean that MSD can charge a user fee for those services on some basis other than use. It cannot. Where there are no individual users and no readily identifiable transactions in which the political subdivision renders the relevant service in exchange for a fee, the charge cannot be a valid user fee.

In Keller, the Court evaluated an ambulance district's decision to increase the price charged in exchange for rendering a specific ambulance service to an individual user in a readily identifiable transaction. The Court contrasted that fee with the charges that the ambulance district imposed on landowners to ensure the availability of such services without regard to usage, i. e., taxes

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This case presents the reverse comparison. MSD imposed the stormwater user charge on landowners to ensure that its stormwater services would be available for the entire district when needed. It is immaterial that MSD limited this charge only on to those it believes are responsible for creating the need for these services rather than all landowners as in Keller. What matters is that MSD did not impose the charge in exchange for an individual's actual use of those services.[9]

B. Keller Criterion No. 2:

Who pays—owners or users ?

Keller 's second criterion distinguishes between charges that are paid by "all or almost all of the residents of the political subdivision" and charges that are paid by "those who actually use the good or service for which the fee is charged." Keller, 820 S.W.2d at 304 n. 10 (emphasis added). The parties devote much of their arguments to debating what constitutes "all or most" of the relevant population, but this debate misses the point of this criterion. The question is not what percentage of the population is charged, but why some are charged and others are not.

As Keller makes clear, if the political subdivision ties its charge to the use of the political subdivision's service, and if it charges this fee to all who use its service, it is likely that the political subdivision is setting the price for rendering its services to individual users and voter approval under section 22(a) is not required. But if the political subdivision ties the fee to residency or ownership instead of use, the charge is not a user fee and prior voter approval is required.

The Court holds above that MSD's service is ensuring the "continuous and ongoing" availability of its stormwater drainage system and oversight functions. But MSD does not—and cannot—tie the obligation to pay the stormwater user charge to an individual landowner's use of MSD's "availability" service because it renders that service to the district as a whole, not to individual landowners. Instead, MSD expressly ties the obligation to pay the stormwater charge to the ownership of real property. Accordingly, this criterion weighs strongly against the conclusion that MSD was imposing a user fee when it imposed the stormwater user charge.

As above, MSD seeks to avoid this result by arguing that "contribution to the need" for a service is the same as the "use" of that service. The Court has rejected this argument but, in this context, its flaws are even clearer. By tying the obligation to pay the stormwater charge to ownership of land, MSD knew it would recover the anticipated revenue over the course of a year regardless of whether or to what extent any individual used it stormwater services. This has all of the essential characteristics of a levy, i.e., an act that creates an obligation to pay that is not contingent upon any later use of the political subdivision's service.

This is why the second Keller criterion focuses on the source of the obligation to pay the disputed charge. If the political subdivision's action has no legal or practical effect until the payer uses the relevant service (e.g., rides in the ambulance or buys the hamburger), it is likely that the political subdivision was imposing a user fee and not levying a tax. If the obligation to pay is tied to ownership, however, the payer's actions neither trigger nor avoid the obligation, and the political subdivision's action meets the Keller definition of such a levy.

MSD claims that the obligation to pay the stormwater user charge is not tied solely to ownership of land because the charge varies based upon the amount of impervious area on that land. This argument is directed at the amount of the charge, not at the source of the obligation to pay. For example, if MSD had chosen to vary the amount of its stormwater user charge based on the assessed value of the property rather than the amount of impervious area, the flaw in MSD's

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argument would be so obvious that further analysis would not be needed. That MSD chose a different attribute of the property—and one equally out of the payer's control—on which to vary its stormwater charge does not alter the fact that MSD tied that charge to ownership, not use.

Under this criterion, what matters is not how the amount of the charge is calculated but whether the charge is triggered by use of the political subdivision's service or some factor other than use, including residency or land ownership. Once MSD decided to impose the stormwater user charge as it did, there was nothing that a landowner needed to do (or could refrain from doing) that could affect whether that obligation arose.[10] As a result, the charge is not tied to any use of MSD's service and, in fact, does not even purport to be. Accordingly, this criterion strongly suggests that MSD levied this charge without the prior voter approval required by section 22(a).

C. Keller Criterion No. 1:

When is it paid—regularly or after use ?

Like the preceding criterion, this criterion also focuses on the obligation to pay the disputed charge. But, rather than analyze the trigger for that obligation, this criterion analyzes when the payments occur. When the charge is "paid only on or after provision of a good or service to the individual paying," Keller notes that it is likely that the political subdivision was setting a user fee and not levying a tax. Keller, 820 S.W.2d at 304 n. 10 (emphasis added). When the charge is paid periodically, however, and regardless of when (or even if) the payer actually uses the relevant service, this criterion indicates that the political subdivision has levied a tax.

Because MSD's service is ensuring the "continuous and ongoing" availability of its drainage system regardless of whether or how much it rains, MSD argues that each Ratepayer's use of that service must be "continuous and ongoing" as well. As noted above, however, the only user of MSD's "availability" service (if the concept of use applies at all) is the district as a whole, not an individual landowner.

MSD also argues that a Ratepayer necessarily pays "only on or after" using MSD's services because no payments were due until April 1, 2008, one month after the stormwater user charge was implemented. Under this criterion, however, the question is not simply regularity or whether the payments are in advance or in arrears. The focus of this criterion is on whether the payment is made "only on or after" the payer uses the political subdivision's service. Here, because individual use of MSB's "availability" services is not possible, payments of the stormwater charge cannot be made "only on or after" the individual payer uses those services.

It does not matter why MSB deferred initial payments until a month after it implemented the stormwater charge. What matters is that both the due date and the implementation date were set without reference to external events or objective criteria. As a result, the stormwater charge is precisely the sort of periodic charge unrelated to the payer's actual use of the relevant service that the first Keller criterion seeks to identify.

In addition, MSB's claim that the stormwater charge is a monthly fee collected after services are rendered is contradicted by the facts. MSB's 2007 proposal demonstrates that MSB calculated the stormwater user charge on an annual basis. MSB divided the total amount of money that it wanted to generate each year by the available base throughout the district. Whether the available base is total amount of impervious area or total assessed valuation, the process MSB used is the same process every taxing authority uses when levying a tax. Lane v. Lensmeyer, 158 S.W.3d 218, 228 n. 14 (Mo. banc 2005). Here, this process resulted in a rate for the stormwater charge of $2.29 per 100 square feet of impervious area. MSB labeled this rate in its 2007 proposal as follows: "Projected stormwater service charge per 100 square feet impervious area (annualized

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rate—billable monthly)" [Emphasis added.] Therefore, MSB's decision to collect this charge monthly rather than annually was a matter of its own convenience, not constitutional significance. Though there is nothing illicit or illegal about MSD's decision to collect the stormwater charge monthly, MSD cannot use that decision as support for its argument that Ratepayers' payments are made "only on or after" each Ratepayer's use of MSD's "availability" services.

Finally, MSD claims that it converted its stormwater revenue scheme from the previous tax-based approach to an approach based on the stormwater user charge at 12:00:01 a.m., March 1, 2008. Therefore, MSD argues that all payments made after this conversion were made "only on or after" the payer used MSD's stormwater services. The facts suggest, however, that MSD's stormwater revenue scheme was the only thing that changed on that date. Stormwater continued to flow downhill from wherever it landed, and no more stormwater flowed through MSD's drainage system after March 1, 2008, than before. MSD did not change how it provided its services or, more importantly, who the users of those services were. At best, MSD claims that it was able to expand its services because of the increased revenue. But this proves too much. Any improved or expanded services were provided wherever they were needed. They were not provided solely to those who paid the stormwater charge any more than they were provided in exchange for that fee.[11]

The Court holds that there are no individual users of MSD's service of ensuring the "ongoing and continuous" availability of its drainage system and oversight functions. Such a service is rendered to the entire district. With no individual users and no way to tell when or to whom such "availability" services actually are rendered, this criterion weighs heavily in favor of the conclusion that MSD was not imposing the stormwater charge as a user fee. Accordingly, MSD violated section 22(a) when it implemented this charge without voter approval.

D. Keller Criterion No. 3:

How much to pay—fixed amount or based on usage ?

The third Keller criterion looks at how the amount of the charge is calculated but, like the preceding two criteria, this criterion focuses on the relationship between the disputed charge and the payer's use of the service that supposedly is being rendering in exchange for that fee. The more the amount of the charge is "dependent on the level of the goods or services provided to the fee payer" (i.e., the extent of the user's usage), the more likely it is that the political subdivision was setting a user fee rather than levying a tax. If the individual's use of the relevant service has little or no effect on the amount of the charge, however, it is likely that the political subdivision has levied a tax without prior voter approval. Keller, 820 S.W.2d at 304 n. 10.

MSD suggests that the criterion should be worded: "If a user charge is individualized and variable, rather than averaged and flat, and if the measure of the service relates to the level of the services, then the user charge passes muster under [Keller] Factor 3." [Emphasis added.] The Court rejects this alternative formulation. Property taxes imposed on an ad valorem basis are every bit as "individualized and variable" as MSD's stormwater user charge. The only difference is the variable. As a result, the first part of MSD's restatement adds nothing useful.

The remainder of MSD's alternative formulation of this criterion reflects MSD's effort to substitute the concept of "contributing to the need" for a service for the concept of the "use" of that service. First, MSD uses the phrases "measure of service" to refer to an owner's individual contribution to the overall need for stormwater services, and MSD measures this contribution by the amount of impervious area on that owner's property. Second, MSD argues that voter approval

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should not be required as long as there is some relationship between an individual's contribution to the overall need for a service (i.e., the "measure of the service") and that individual's actual use of MSD's stormwater services (i.e., the "level of the services"). The Court rejects such an attenuated standard.

To be a user fee beyond the scope of section 22(a)'s voter approval requirement, the charge must be paid by all of the users of the relevant service based on each payer's actual use of that service. Here, MSD concedes the charge is based on each Ratepayer's individual contribution to the overall need for stormwater services. That contribution is not, as MSD suggests, "related" to each Ratepayer's use of that service. Because the relevant service is MSD's ensuring the "continuous and ongoing" availability of its stormwater drainage system and oversight functions for the entire district, there are no individual users of MSD's service. Accordingly, this criterion—like the others—weighs in favor of the Court's conclusion that MSD violated section 22(a) when it implemented the stormwater user charge without prior voter approval.

MSD claims that its stormwater charge is the same as the rates charged by other utilities and, under Arbor, must be deemed to be a valid user fee. MSD argues that utilities use rates as a method of allocating costs among their customers in a fair and reasonable manner, and that this is what MSD did when it implemented the stormwater charge. The flaw in this argument is the same flaw that runs throughout all of MSD's arguments. MSD accurately describes how utilities set their rates, but utilities charge those rates only for actual use of their services.[12] MSD charges its stormwater fee based on each landowner's contribution to the overall need for MSD's stormwater services, not that owner's actual use of those services. The two are different. Because there can be no individual users of MSD's "availability" services, this difference is material and precludes any possibility that the stormwater charge is a valid user fee.

E. Keller Criterion No. 5:

Is the service historically and exclusively governmental ?

The fifth Keller criterion focuses on whether the services being provided have "historically and exclusively been provided by the government." Keller, 820 S.W.2d at 304 n. 10. This criterion is based on the assumption that historically governmental services are more likely to be funded by levying taxes but, when a political subdivision enters into the private-sector market, it is more likely to charge a price for its services just as its private competitors do.

Early in MSD's existence, this Court affirmed MSD's broad governmental powers: "Providing for [stormwater] drainage and sewerage is a governmental function and an exercise of the police power of the state." Dalton, 275 S.W.2d at 230 (emphasis added). This Court later rejected the notion that MSD should be treated as a private-market participant: "MSD, which operates under the police power of the state in the interest of the public health, safety and welfare, is in effect an arm of the state exercising exclusively governmental functions. It has no private, proprietary functions to perform." Page v. Metropolitan Sewer Distr., 377 S.W.2d 348 (Mo.1964) (emphasis added, citations omitted).

MSD attempts to counter its unique history by arguing that individual landowners, subdivision developers, and other private actors also ensure (or have ensured) the availability of stormwater drainage systems.[13] MSD misperceives the fifth criterion. The question is not whether non-governmental entities ensure (or have ensured) the availability of the type of stormwater drainage system MSD maintains. The question is whether non-governmental entities do (or did) so in exchange for a fee.

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There is no evidence that any private entity provides (or ever has provided) availability of a stormwater drainage system for individual landowners for a fee, as MSD claims to do. The only marginally analogous providers are levee districts and landowners associations that support their ability to "ensure" the availability of stormwater drainage by levying taxes or assessments. MSD's contention that some landowners maintain availability of stormwater drainage facilities on their own property falls short of the mark. Maintaining stormwater controls on one's own property is no more "ensuring" the availability of such services than stringing an extension cord between a lamp and a wall socket is "ensuring" the availability of electricity. If a private developer constructing a stormwater drainage system for a new subdivision can be characterized as "ensuring" stormwater services, there is no evidence that developers do so in exchange for a fee paid by each individual landowner. Instead, the costs of such improvements are more likely to be reflected in the prices charged for the subdivision lots.

Accordingly, the fifth Keller criterion suggests that MSD was levying a tax—not merely setting a price—when it imposed the stormwater user charge without prior voter approval.

F. Additional Characteristics

The material inquiry is—and always must remain—whether the political subdivision has levied a new or increased tax without prior approval of its voters. Missouri voters did not approve the five Keller criteria when they approved the Hancock Amendment, nor does Keller hold that Missouri voters intended that no voter approval would be required if a new or increased tax is repackaged to "pass muster" under some or all of those criteria. Instead, this Court emphasized both in Arbor and in Keller that those criteria were offered only for whatever insight they may provide when applying section 22(a) to a particular charge. They are not—and were not intended to be—constitutional talismans that can be used to ward off the application of section 22(a).

Arbor also confirms that the Keller criteria are not the only indicia courts may consider when determining whether a political subdivision has levied a tax without voter approval. Arbor, 341 S.W.3d at 683. Courts may—and should—review all relevant considerations so that the decisions regarding the application of section 22(a) are as well-informed as possible. Accordingly, this Court has weighed the following facts and circumstances offered by the parties in deciding whether voter approval under section 22(a) was required before MSD could impose the stormwater user charge.

1. MSD's Lien for Nonpayment

In Beatty v. Metropolitan Sewer District, 867 S.W.2d 217 (Mo. banc 1993) (Beatty II), MSD claimed that its increased sewer charges were valid user fees under Keller after the voters rejected those increases at the polls. Id. at 221 ("MSD read Keller in light of its financial needs and increased its charges . without voter approval"). This Court concluded that MSD violated section 22(a) by implementing the increased charges despite the voters' rejection based, in part, on the fact that MSD's ordinances gave it a lien on the real property of any landowner who failed to pay those charges. Id.[14] In St. Louis Investment Property, 873 S.W.2d at 307, MSD's authority to force the sale of real property to ensure payment of its charges was held to be inherent in its express authority to impose those charges under the Plan. Here, as in Beatty II, MSD enacted an ordinance giving it a lien on the property of any Ratepayer who fails to pay the stormwater user charge. This ordinance expressly provides that MSD's lien will have the "same priority as taxes levied for state and county purposes."

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Absent an agreement by the debtor, only the government (and those creditors it elects to favor with this remedy by statute) enjoy the benefits of a lien arising solely from the nonpayment of an obligation. This is why, in Beatty II, the Court found that MSD's decision to give itself a lien for nonpayment of its sewer charges suggested that it had levied those charges as taxes. By the same token, Arbor holds that the absence of any such lien for nonpayment of the utility charges at issue there suggested that the political subdivision was imposing user fees and not levying taxes. MSD's stormwater charge more closely resembles the facts in Beatty II than those in Arbor. The fact that MSD has given itself a lien as a remedy for nonpayment of the stormwater user charge suggests that MSD was levying a tax when it implemented that charge and not simply setting prices for future sales of its services.

2. MSD's Other Remedies

As noted above, the political subdivision in Arbor did not give itself a lien in the event of nonpayment of the utility rates at issue there. The Court not only cited the absence of such a remedy in concluding that the political subdivision was not levying taxes when it increased those utility rates, the Court also noted that "the result of failure to pay a city utility bill is that the service will be cut off, just as a private utility terminates service when payment is not made." Arbor, 341 S.W.3d at 686 (emphasis added).

Here, MSD does not claim the right to shut off a Ratepayer's access to MSD's stormwater drainage system and oversight functions in the event that Ratepayer fails to pay the stormwater user charge.[15] Instead, MSD claims the right to shut off that Ratepayer's sewer services and water supply. Unlike the remedy cited in Arbor, the fact that MSD can use nonpayment of its stormwater user charge as a justification to withhold services having nothing to do with stormwater services—including a justification to withhold water service, which MSD does not even provide—weighs against MSD's contention that it was imposing a user fee when it implemented this charge. Such remedies are more characteristic of the way in which governments collect unpaid taxes than the manner in which private parties collect unpaid prices or user fees.

3. Voters' Remedies

Ratepayers suggest that, because voters do not directly elect the MSD trustees, it is more likely that MSD was levying a tax when it adopted the stormwater user charge. The Court disagrees. MSD's political structure has no bearing on the question of whether section 22(a) requires voter approval before its stormwater user charge can become effective. References in Keller and Arbor to the voters' opportunities to elect the leaders of those political subdivisions had nothing to do with the application of section 22(a). Instead, those statements were made in response to the taxpayers' complaints regarding the amount of the charges.

Complaints about the amount of a given charge were a side issue in Keller, but they became the central issue in Arbor. In both cases, this Court held that the amount of the fee has no bearing on the application of section 22(a) and noted that taxpayers' remedies for such complaints were political rather than legal. Here, Ratepayers do not complain about the amount of the stormwater user charge. If they had, Ratepayers' political remedies are no more relevant to whether MSD violated section 22(a) by levying the stormwater user charge without voter approval than in Keller or Arbor simply because those remedies are indirect (i.e., through the elected city and county officials who appoint MSD's trustees) rather than direct.

G. Conclusion

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This Court sympathizes with MSD's predicament. The services it believes are required may cost more than district voters are willing to pay. Under the Hancock Amendment, however, that decision belongs to the voters. The Hancock Amendment assumes voters will make such decisions in their collective best interest, and it is not for MSD—or this Court—to ignore that assumption or deny the voters the right to make such decisions for themselves. For the reasons stated above, therefore, the Keller criteria and other relevant factors support the trial court's conclusion that MSD levied the stormwater user charge without prior voter approval in violation of section 22(a).

IV. Refunds

Because the trial court's judgment on the merits is affirmed, this Court must decide what remedies are authorized by the Hancock Amendment. The trial court gave Ratepayers prospective relief in the form of a declaratory judgment that MSD's decision to impose the stormwater user charge without prior voter approval violated section 22(a) and an injunction prohibiting MSD from collecting that charge in the future. The trial court, however, denied Ratepayers' request for an order requiring MSD to refund approximately $90 million in stormwater user charges collected between April 2008 and the date of the trial court's judgment on the merits.

Absent special circumstances not present here, it is well-established that a taxpayer is not entitled to a refund of illegal taxes unless the refund is authorized by law. Community Fed. Sav. & Loan Ass'n v. Dir. of Revenue, 752 S.W.2d 794, 797 (Mo. banc 1988). Accordingly, even though MSD levied the stormwater user charge without prior voter approval in violation of section 22(a), Ratepayers are not entitled to a refund of amounts already collected because nothing in section 22(a) or elsewhere in the Hancock Amendment expressly authorizes Missouri courts to order such a remedy.

As noted above, section 16 sets out the Hancock Amendment's overarching prohibition against levying taxes without voter approval and provides that subsequent sections will "implement" that basic prohibition. Section 22(a), discussed above, is one such implementing provision. Section 23 is another. It provides:

[A]ny taxpayer . shall have standing to bring suit . to enforce the provisions of sections 15 through 22, inclusive, of this article and, if the suit is sustained, shall receive from the applicable unit of government his costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees incurred in maintaining such suit.

By its plain language, the only monetary relief courts are authorized to give under section 23 is an award of expenses and attorneys' fees. Fort Zumwalt, 896 S.W.2d at 923. The principal relief authorized by section 23, therefore, is declaratory and not remedial.

The heading of article X, section 23 of the Missouri Constitution describes the nature of the remedy for a Hancock Amendment violation. It reads "Taxpayers may bring actions for interpretations of limitations." Id. An interpretive remedy, in this context, allows the court to interpret a particular statute in light of [the Hancock Amendment's] constitutional limitations. In other words, section 23 authorizes declaratory relief but does not mention other forms of relief, such as injunction or damages. The limited nature of the declaratory, or interpretive, remedy does not authorize a court to enter a judgment for damages or injunctive relief.

Taylor v. State, 247 S.W.3d 546, 548 (Mo. banc 2008) (emphasis added).

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Not only is there no express authority in the Hancock Amendment's remedies provision (i.e., section 23) to order MSD to pay $90 million to Ratepayers and their attorneys, the substantive provisions of the Hancock Amendment at issue in this case (i.e., sections 16 and 22(a)) also do not authorize such a remedy. This lack of express authority in sections 16 and 22(a) is even more significant in light of the express authority under section 18(b) of the Hancock Amendment for the state to pay refunds in the event it violates the provisions of section 18(a). The framers of the Hancock Amendment knew how to authorize this remedy when appropriate and chose to restrict its use only to violations of section 18(a) and not section 22(a).

There are sound reasons for the Hancock Amendment to limit the use of refunds. In light of the Hancock Amendment's overarching purpose to limit taxes (and, as a result of that limitation, to limit spending), unfettered use of refunds as a remedy for any and all violations easily might do more harm than good. The present case is a good illustration. As with most governmental entities, MSD operates on a cash basis and, for all practical purposes, was spending the stormwater user charge as quickly as it collected it. When the trial court declared MSD's imposition of the stormwater charge unconstitutional in July 2010, MSD ceased collecting that charge and returned to its prior stormwater revenue scheme. As a result, MSD lacked the means simply to "refund" the estimated $90 million in stormwater charges previously collected.

Prior to levying the stormwater user charge in March 2008, MSD's stormwater revenues were $19 million less than the costs of its stormwater operations. If this Court ordered MSD to pay $90 million in refunds, its only options would be to cease all operations and divert all revenue to those refunds or impose a new tax that (assuming the voters would approve it) likely would only serve to shift funds inequitably from one cohort of taxpayers to another. Nothing in the Hancock Amendment authorizes—let alone requires—this Court to order such a "musical chairs" approach to taxation.

Accordingly, this Court holds that the Hancock Amendment does not expressly authorize Missouri courts to order a political subdivision to refund taxes collected in violation of section 22(a).[16] To order refunds without such express authority is, at best, to "infer or imply that a waiver of sovereign immunity extends to remedies that are not essential to enforce the right in question." Fort Zumwalt, 896 S.W.2d at 923 (emphasis added). This the Court will not do.

Ratepayers contend that this holding conflicts with this Court's earlier holdings in Beatty v. Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District, 914 S.W.2d 791 (Mo. banc 1995) (Beatty III), Ring v. Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District, 969 S.W.2d 716 (Mo. banc 1998), and City of Hazelwood v. Peterson, 48 S.W.3d 36 (Mo. banc 2001). The Court disagrees. None of these cases stand for the proposition that the Hancock Amendment, by itself, authorizes Missouri courts to order refunds (or enter money judgments on any other basis) when a political subdivision has levied a charge without voter approval in violation of sections 16 and 22(a). This Court never has addressed this question squarely until this case, and the Court now rejects that proposition.

Ratepayers claim Beatty III holds that the Hancock Amendment authorizes refunds when a political subdivision violates section 22(a). This is incorrect. Beatty III expressly declined to reach that issue. The taxpayers who challenged MSD's increased sewer charges in the Beatty saga did not seek refunds as a remedy for MSD's violation of section 22(a). Instead, they "filed a lawsuit seeking declaratory relief and an injunction prior to payment of the increased sewer rates," which this Court noted was an "appropriate method to enforce the Hancock amendment." Beatty III, 914 S.W.2d at 796. The trial court first dismissed the taxpayers' Hancock claims, and this Court reversed that decision and remanded for a decision on the merits of those claims. Beatty v. Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District, 700 S.W.2d 831, 838 (Mo. banc 1985) (Beatty I).

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On remand, the trial court concluded that MSD could increase its sewer charges without voter approval. Beatty II, 867 S.W.2d at 221. This Court again reversed and remanded. Id. Not only did this Court hold that prior voter approval should have been obtained, the Court remanded the case with instructions for the trial court to address plaintiffs' "right to restitution of money lost by reason of the erroneous or void judgment." Beatty III, 914 S.W.2d at 796 (emphasis added, quotation marks omitted). There was no claim in Beatty II—and no discussion—that the Hancock Amendment authorized or required the refund of all taxes collected in violation of section 22(a). Rather, the Court's remand instructions invoked only the inherent power of courts to order restitution of those taxes collected "by reason of" the trial court's erroneous judgment.

When Beatty reached this Court for a third time, the Court acknowledged the conflict it had created by invoking the inherent equitable authority to remedy damages resulting from an erroneous judgment without identifying (or even discussing) whether there was a clear and unequivocal waiver of the state's sovereign immunity that would allow such a money judgment. Beatty III, 914 S.W.2d at 796. Ultimately, the Court held that it did not need to resolve that issue in Beatty III because MSD's own ordinance provided the plaintiffs a sufficient remedy. Id. (holding that the Court "need not balance the court's inherent power to impose such a remedy against the state's right to be immune from suit . [or] determine whether the Hancock amendment transcends the defense of sovereign immunity"). Accordingly, the Court's holding in the present case does not conflict with the holding of Beatty III because Beatty III expressly declines to reach the question decided here.

Ratepayers' reliance on Ring, the fourth chapter of the Beatty saga, also is misplaced. Ring did not address the question that the Court expressly left open in Beatty III. Because Beatty III holds that only the named plaintiffs were entitled to the set-off remedy under MSD's ordinance, Ring was filed as a class action in the wake of Beatty III in an effort to extend that remedy to all of MSD's sewer customers. Ratepayers now rely on the following statement lifted from Ring's conclusion: "[W]e hold generally that article X, section 23, operates as a waiver of sovereign immunity and permits taxpayers to seek a refund of increased taxes previously collected by a political subdivision in violation of article X, section 22(a)." Ring, 969 S.W.2d at 719. The sweeping language of this statement notwithstanding, there is less to Ring than meets the eye.

Though characterized simply as a continuation of the Beatty litigation, Ring's posture was considerably different. First, Ring was not a suit to "enforce" the Hancock Amendment because MSD stopped collecting the increased sewer tax after Beatty II, five years earlier. Second, the only authority ever asserted for requiring even partial refunds in Beatty was the inherent power of courts to remedy damages resulting from an erroneous judgment, which was never in issue in Ring. Finally, Ring addressed an argument that never was raised in Beatty, i.e., whether plaintiffs needed to comply with section 139.031 and holds—as the Court does here—that a taxpayer's compliance with section 139.031 has no impact on whether the Hancock Amendment, by itself, waives sovereign immunity and authorizes money judgments. Ring, 969 S.W.2d at 719.

Ring begins its analysis of whether the Hancock Amendment waives sovereign immunity and authorizes monetary remedies for past violations of section 22(a) by acknowledging the holding of Fort Zumwalt that section 23 contains no express waiver of sovereign immunity for purposes of awarding monetary damages as well as the warning in Fort Zumwalt that courts must not infer such a waiver unless a money judgment is "essential to enforce the right in question." Ring, 969 S.W.2d at 718 (quoting Fort Zumwalt, 896 S.W.2d at 923). Against this backdrop, Ring notes that taxpayer actions to enforce section 22(a) arise only in two ways. The first is when taxpayers "seek an injunction to enjoin the collection of a tax until its constitutionality is finally determined." Id. The second is when:

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. a political subdivision increases a tax in violation of article X, section 22(a), and collects that tax prior to a final, appellate, judicial opinion approving the collection of the increase without voter approval, the constitutional right established in article X, section 22(a), may be enforced only by a timely action to seek a refund of the amount of the unconstitutionally-imposed increase.

Ring, 969 S.W.2d at 718–19 (emphasis added).

These two scenarios are not simply a menu from which Ratepayers are allowed to select the procedure they prefer. Instead, Ring's second scenario arises only when the first scenario is not available, i.e., when refunds are the "only " means of enforcing section 22(a). Here, the first scenario was available. Ratepayers had every opportunity to seek a restraining order or preliminary injunction to enjoin MSD's collection of the stormwater user charge until its constitutional validity was finally determined. Ratepayers elected not to do so. Because refunds were not the "only" means of enforcing section 22(a) in this case, Ring's second scenario does not apply.

Finally, Ratepayers contend that the holding in this case is contrary to Hazelwood. There, the Court stated: "The people of Missouri have reserved to themselves the constitutional right to enforce the Hancock Amendment, which operates as a wholly independent mechanism for the refund of unconstitutional taxes." Hazelwood v, 48 S.W.3d at 41. As with the quotation from Ring, however, Ratepayers strip the Hazelwood statement of its context and create the impression that the Court was answering a question it had not been asked.

Ratepayers' reliance on Hazelwood is just as misplaced as their reliance on Ring. Neither case was an action to enforce section 22(a). Hazelwood addresses the proper construction and application of Missouri's election contest statutes, not the Hancock Amendment. The city never argued that its tax increase was immune from section 22(a); in fact, it conceded that prior voter approval was required. Hazelwood, 48 S.W.3d at 38. Instead, the city claimed that section 115.595.2, RSMo 2000, authorized it to collect the increased taxes between the election in August 1996 (at which it appeared voters had approved the increase) and the date of the judgment in the election contest seven months later (in which those election results were held to be invalid). Hazelwood holds that the introductory language of section 115.595.2 only allows the city to rely on the initial returns at its own risk and subject to an obligation to restore the status quo ante if the election contest succeeds. Hazelwood, 48 S.W.3d at 40.

Anticipating this result, the city challenged the trial court's class certification and argued that it should only be required to return those taxes that were paid by the named plaintiffs. This Court disagreed. Id. But the holding in Hazelwood concerning class certification is less important here than the fact that class certification was the context in which the Court made the statement on which Ratepayers rely so heavily. Hazelwood was not addressing whether the Hancock Amendment authorizes courts to order refunds or otherwise award money damages as a remedy for violations of section 22(a) because that question was never asked.

Read carefully, nothing in Beatty III, Ring, or Hazelwood holds that article X, section 23, by itself, authorizes courts to award money damages in the form of refunds (or otherwise) as a remedy for a political subdivision levying a tax without the prior voter approval required by section 22(a).[17] For the reasons stated above, the Court holds unequivocally that it does not.

V. Attorneys' Fees

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As noted above, the only money judgment expressly authorized by article X, section 23, is an award of "costs, including attorneys' fees incurred in maintaining the suit" if the taxpayer's claim is sustained. Here, the trial court ordered MSD to pay Ratepayers approximately $4.3 million for their attorneys' fees and an additional $470,000 in expenses. The trial court did not abuse its discretion in making these awards, and, accordingly, they are affirmed.

MSD contends that the trial court erred in including the time counsel spent pursuing Ratepayers' request for refunds when calculating Ratepayers' fee award. MSD argues that Ratepayers are not entitled to be compensated for that time because Ratepayers' claim for refunds did not succeed. Section 23 provides that a taxpayer is entitled to an award of attorneys' fees only "if the suit is sustained." Here, Ratepayers' suit was that MSD violated section 22(a) by levying and collecting the storm water user charge without prior voter approval. MSD confuses Ratepayers' suit with the remedies they sought based on that suit. Even though Ratepayers did not receive every remedy they sought, Ratepayers' suit was sustained in its entirety. Accordingly, the Court affirms the trial court's decision not to attempt to exclude the hours Ratepayers' counsel spent pursuing a refund remedy from the total hours on which Ratepayers' attorneys' fee award is calculated.

MSD also claims that the trial court erred by including in the award of Ratepayers' "costs" the amounts spent on expert fees and other out-of-pocket expenses not traditionally included in the definition of "costs" (e.g., service and transcription fees). This ground has been well-ploughed. See Roberts v. McNary, 636 S.W.2d 332, 338 (Mo. banc 1982) ("the language in section 23 referring to costs makes clear that a successful taxpayer-plaintiff shall be reimbursed for all out-of-pocket expenses in pursuing the litigation"), overruled on different grounds by Keller, 820 S.W .2d at 304–05. MSD offers no compelling reason to overrule Roberts in this regard, and the Court declines its invitation to do so. Because MSD does not argue that the Ratepayers' out-of-pocket expenses were excessive or unreasonable, no further analysis is required, and this claim is denied.

Finally, MSD contends that the trial court erred in applying a multiplier to the lodestar that the trial court calculated in awarding Ratepayers' attorneys' fees. MSD argues that the use of such a multiplier should be error per se. In the alternative, MSD urges this Court to adopt the multi-factored federal law analysis first announced in Perdue v. Kenny A. ex rel. Winn, 559 U.S. 542 (2010), and vacate the trial court's award on that basis. When MSD filed its briefs in this Court, it did not have the benefit of this Court's decision in Berry v. Volkswagen Group of America, Inc., 397 S.W.3d 425 (Mo. banc 2013), which rejects these same arguments. In particular, Berry expressly "decline[d] to adopt the use of those federal guidelines to modify long standing Missouri law." Id. at 432. Instead, Berry analyzed—and affirmed—the trial court's use of a multiplier under Missouri's time-tested abuse of discretion standard. Id.

In holding that the trial court's use of a multiplier was not an abuse of discretion in Berry, this Court noted that the trial court justified its decision on grounds that were not also considered in determining what hourly rate should be used to calculate the lodestar. Berry, 397 S.W.3d at 432–33. Here, the same reasoning applies. The hourly rate selected by the trial court to calculate the lodestar did not reflect: (1) the risk Ratepayers' counsel assumed in taking this case on a contingent fee basis; (2) counsel's "opportunity cost" in undertaking this representation, i .e., the value of other matters that counsel could not undertake because of representing Ratepayers; and (3) the impact of Ratepayers' representation on counsel's other cases.

The trial court noted specifically that representing Ratepayers impacted the amount of other work Ratepayers' counsel could undertake and timely provide. More important, however, was the fact that counsel accepted this representation solely on a contingent fee basis. Ratepayers' counsel thereby assumed the risk of receiving no compensation for the time invested or

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Despite nearly four days of trial in this case, both parties agree (and a review of the record confirms) that there were few disputed questions of material fact. To be clear, application of Keller 's criteria requires certain basic facts. In this case, however, those facts were largely—if not entirely—beyond dispute. As a result, most of the "evidence" at trial consisted of this debate between experts over how the Keller criteria should be applied. Legal arguments do not become more persuasive simply because they come from the witness stand rather than the counsel table.

This Court has gone to some lengths to de-mythologize the Keller criteria; first in Keller, then in Arbor, and now in this case. It is hoped that this will clarify whatever confusion Keller may have created over whether it is possible to change the classification of a particular charge as a tax or user fee for purposes of section 22(a) simply by manipulating the way in which that charge is presented. It is not. That classification results from the nature of the political subdivision's action in imposing the charge and the relationship between that charge, the services rendered, and the users of those services. The Keller criteria were intended only as a guide for applying section 22(a), not as a roadmap for circumventing it.

In the end, the interests of the taxpayers and their local governmental entities are best served by seeing that cases involving rights created by the Hancock Amendment are resolved quickly, accurately, and without undue expense or delay. With the cloud of potential refunds no longer lowering over such cases, class certifications may become less common. Even when such procedures are invoked, they no longer should have the chilling effect on the practical availability of restraining orders or preliminary injunctions that they may have had in the past. When the facts concerning a claim under section 22(a) are not in dispute, the Court anticipates that such claims will be resolved without trial or on stipulated facts and, if material facts are disputed, the trial should be limited to the disputed issues. Finally, arguments as to the proper application of the Keller criteria (and any other relevant considerations) should be made by counsel based on the facts agreed to by the parties or found by the court, just as in any other case.

CONCLUSION

For the reasons set forth above, this Court affirms the judgment of the trial court in all respects and remands this case for the limited purpose of having the trial court hear and determine Ratepayers' motion for appellate fees and costs.

FOOTNOTES

1. A single drop of rain may fall on A's property, join other drops and flow downhill onto B's property, join other drops on B's land and flow downhill onto C's property, flow down C's driveway, into a city street, along the gutter, and down a storm drain before entering the stormwater system that MSD operates and maintains. Even if MSD could tell how much of the stormwater entering its system is from C's land, which it cannot, it has no way of determining how much of that water fell on A's or B's property uphill from C and merely flowed over C's property on its way to MSD's drainage system.

2. Ratepayers do not challenge MSD's authority to levy the stormwater user charge under the Plan or section 30(b) of the constitution. The only claim in this case—and the only issue decided here—is whether section 22(a) prohibits MSD from levying this stormwater user charge without prior voter approval.

3. MSD levied its stormwater ad valorem taxes in 1954, long before the Hancock Amendment was adopted. Therefore, section 22(a)'s voter approval requirement did not apply. MSD levied the stormwater surcharge on its sewer users in 1988, however, and district voters approved that tax

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reimbursement for expenses advanced if Ratepayers' claim did not succeed. This risk was substantial, not only because of the difficulty in prevailing on such a claim, but also because the necessary investment of time and resources likely would be substantial given MSD's tenacious defense of similar Hancock challenges in the past. Though their assessment is not binding on the question of a reasonable fee, the trial court noted that Ratepayers and their counsel valued this representation—including the associated risks—at 25 percent of the total amount of stormwater user charges refunded. On that basis, Ratepayers' counsel could have asserted a claim for $22.5 million (i .e., 25 percent of the estimated $90 million in refunds) had such relief been authorized for a violation of the Hancock Amendment.

Finally, because the trial court held (correctly) that refunds were not authorized, it believed a multiplier was justified in this case to ensure adequate representation for future taxpayers' claims under section 23. The purpose of the Hancock Amendment's mandatory awards of fees and costs under section 23 is to ensure that taxpayers have access to qualified representation. That purpose would be frustrated if, in extraordinary cases such as this one, the trial court could not ensure adequate compensation for the risks such counsel must assume. Berry, 397 S.W.3d at 433 (noting that the application of the multiplier furthered both the remedial and deterrent purposes of the underlying cause of action). Even if qualified counsel are willing to represent taxpayers despite the risk of not being paid (or reimbursed for costs advanced) should the taxpayers' claims fail, such willingness likely will recede or vanish completely if their compensation in the event the taxpayers' claim does succeed is limited to the same amount such counsel would have earned taking cases with no risk of non-payment.[18]

The trial court in this case made an adequate record concerning its calculation of Ratepayers' attorneys' fees, and its analysis correctly anticipated this Court's ruling in Berry. MSD does not challenge the trial court's conclusions regarding the number of hours or the hourly rate to be employed. It challenges only the trial court's decision to apply a multiplier to the resulting lodestar. The considerations discussed above demonstrate that the trial court's use of a multiplier in this case was not abuse of discretion. Accordingly, the trial court's fee award is affirmed.[19]

A further observation is necessary and appropriate concerning the attorneys' fees and costs in this case. Though the Court is not suggesting that these amounts were unreasonable, the Court believes they are regrettable. As noted above, Ratepayers' fees and expenses exceeded $4.7 million and, even though the amount of MSD's fees and expenses are not in the record, it is unlikely that they were any less formidable. Such staggering sums simply are not acceptable when taxpayers are paying both sides of the bill. Keller 's criteria were intended only to help courts understand and apply the Leggett test to distinguish fees and taxes under section 22(a). They were not intended—and the Court could not have expected them—to result in the kind of litigation that ensued here.

The trial court, the court of appeals, and this Court have evaluated diligently all of the expert testimony that both parties spent so much time and money submitting. Without debating the admissibility of this evidence, which neither party contests, it should be obvious to anyone reading this opinion (and those of the lower courts) how little impact this evidence had on the outcome of the central legal issue in this case. As noted above, the application of each Keller criterion is not a question of fact to be found by the trial court and deferred to on appeal. There is little (if any) need, therefore, for parties to have in-house or retained experts testify as to how they believe the Keller criteria should be applied. At the end of the day, the trial court must apply those criteria for itself, and the appellate court will review that application de novo.

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pursuant to section 22(a). Tax-exempt entities did not pay MSD's ad valorem taxes but appear to have paid the sewer surcharge without challenge.

4. MSD also created (with voter approval) 23 sub-districts and levied additional property taxes of between $0.04 and $0.10 per $100 assessed valuation in each sub-district. These taxes were used for capital improvements within each sub-district and, collectively, generated more than $8 million in 2007. As part of its 2007 plan, MSD proposed to seek voter approval to expand these sub-districts, combine them into five watershed sub-districts, and increase all of the taxes to $0.10 per $100 assessed valuation so that the annual revenue from all sub-districts would exceed $27 million. These proposed boundary changes and tax increases are not involved in this case.

5. An additional exemption was created during this litigation with the enactment of section 204.700, RSMo Supp.2009. The statute exempts residential landowners from having to pay the stormwater user charge if MSD "does not directly provide sanitary sewer services to such property and if the storm water runoff from such person's property does not flow, or is not otherwise conveyed, to a sewer maintained by such district." Neither party argues that this statute has any bearing on the application of section 22(a) in this case.

6. MSD's rate commission was created by an amendment to the Plan approved by district voters in 2000. The rate commission cannot set or alter sewer or stormwater rates, but it can recommend that MSD do so. Under the Plan, MSD is not bound by the rate commission's recommendations if (among other grounds) MSD believes a recommendation would substantially impair MSD's ability to provide adequate stormwater services and "public health or institutional safety may be jeopardized."

7. This meaning of the word "levy" should not be confused with the meaning "sometimes used, in the administrative sense, as referring to the mere ministerial or executive acts of ascertaining and entering the taxes on the tax book and collecting them." State ex Inf. Dalton v. Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District, 275 S.W.2d 225, 233 (Mo. banc 1955).

8. This is not to say that MSD cannot charge user fees for some of its oversight services. It can, and does. In 2007, MSD collected more than $2 million in plan review and submittal fees, waste hauler permits, inspection fees, etc. The stormwater user charge is not such a fee, however, because it is not charged in exchange for rendering one of these services to an individual user.

9. Nothing prevents a political subdivision from levying a tax to ensure the availability of its service and charging a user fee for rendering that service to an individual. The district in Keller did so and the Court upheld the user fee while noting that the ambulance district also levied taxes to ensure the availability of its ambulance service. In the pool example above, an admission charge is allowed even though the availability of the pool is supported by taxes. MSD, too, can collect such user fees—and does. See note 8, supra. MSD claims it cannot charge a user fee for its drainage system because it cannot track which owner is using it or to what extent. That may be. In this case, however, MSD does not even claim that the charge was imposed on this basis.

10. To be clear, whether the payer's receipt of the service is voluntary or involuntary is not determinative. A political subdivision can charge a valid user fee for rendering a service to a particular user in an individual transaction, even though the recipient's use of that service is not voluntary. For example, a political subdivision can provide trash removal services in exchange for a fee. Leaving aside the other legal issues this may create, the mere fact that a resident is required to use the political subdivision's trash service does not change the nature of that service

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or the fact that the resident is the user of it. Therefore, what matters is not whether payment of the stormwater charge is voluntary but whether the obligation to pay the charge is triggered by the use of MSD's stormwater services rather than the payer's ownership of property.

11. MSD's evidence and briefs are replete with similar statements that reflect a common-sense understanding of these circumstances and undercut MSD's efforts to contort those circumstances to satisfy the Keller criteria. MSD provides the best stormwater services it can, and it provides them wherever they are needed most and will do the greatest good for the entire district. It does not render interchangeable units of service to individual users in exchange for a fee, and the stormwater charge was not intended to change how or to whom MSD rendered those services. Instead, the charge was intended to increase revenues so that MSD could continue providing adequate services to the district. Only in the singular light of Keller would anyone suggest that this charge was imposed as a fee to be paid by particular users in exchange for a set measure of MSD's stormwater services.

12. The Court is aware that MSD's 1993 sewer charges—also imposed without prior voter approval—were determined not to be a violation of section 22(a) because those sewer charges were a valid "user fee ." Missouri Growth Ass'n v. Metro. St. Louis Sewer Dist., 941 S.W.2d 615, 624 (Mo.App.1997). In reaching that conclusion, Missouri Growth distinguished Beatty II, which held that MSD's sewer charges were taxes and not user fees, on the ground that MSD had made "significant changes" to its sewer charges after Beatty II was decided. Specifically, MSD began charging (at least in part) on the basis of each customer's actual sewer usage, which MSD estimated on the basis of the customer's actual water usage. Id. The question of whether using water usage as a proxy for sewer usage is adequate to change MSD's sewer charges from taxes (as held in Beatty II) to user fees (as held in Missouri Growth) is not before this Court. Here, MSD does not claim that the amount of impervious area on a given property is a proxy for a landowner's use of MSD's stormwater drainage system.

13. In arguing this fifth criterion, MSD scarcely mentions the oversight functions (e.g., planning, permitting, and public education) that it argues elsewhere are so significant that they justify requiring a Ratepayer to pay at least half of the stormwater user charge even if that Ratepayer never discharges a drop of stormwater into MSD's drainage system. Nor is there much for MSD to gain by emphasizing MSD's oversight functions under this criterion, given that there does not appear to have been any evidence that private entities do provide—or ever have provided—such oversight functions to individual landowners for a fee or otherwise.

14. Beatty II also holds that, because "true" user fees are seldom difficult to spot, section 22(a) applies to all actions by political subdivisions that impose a new or increased charge unless circumstances clearly refute that the action was a levy. MSD argues that this aspect of Beatty II fails to presume constitutionality and should be overruled. This is incorrect. Beatty II does not shift the burden of proof. It merely holds that the burden is met whenever a political subdivision imposes a new or increased charge without voter approval and the classification of the charge as a user fee is not compelled clearly and unmistakably by the Keller criteria and other relevant considerations.

15. The reason that MSD does not claim the right to shut off a landowner's access to MSD's stormwater drainage services is that MSD has no ability to do so. Few, if any, properties are connected physically to MSD's stormwater drainage system in the way that customers are connected to MSD's sewer system (or to the electrical grid, water main, or gas supply) such that those services can be turned off and on. In addition, because MSD's service is ensuring the

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availability of its stormwater drainage system and oversight functions if and when they are needed, MSD can no more "shut off" such "availability" services than it can charge a fee for rendering those services to a particular landowner.

16. The trial court reasoned that Ratepayers were not entitled to refunds because they failed to comply with the refund procedures in section 139.031, RSMo Cum.Supp.2012. Both parties addressed the applicability of section 139.031 to claims for refunds under the Hancock Amendment, but the Court declines to decide this question on the ground that it would be a wholly advisory opinion. In certifying the plaintiff class in this case, the trial court excluded all landowners who paid the stormwater user charge under protest as required by section 139.031. Ratepayers do not challenge that ruling and the definition of the certified class is not before this Court. As a result of this definition, therefore, landowners who relied on section 139.031 are not parties to this case and will not be bound by this Court's decision. Similarly, because Ratepayers did not—by definition—rely on section 139.031, anything this Court might say about the effectiveness of doing so could not affect Ratepayers. Accordingly, the issue is entirely speculative and the Court cannot properly address it. It is sufficient for this case to hold that the Hancock Amendment, by itself, does not authorize this Court to compel MSD to pay Ratepayers an amount equal to the charges it imposed without prior voter approval in violation of section 22(a).

17. As demonstrated above, the extraordinary circumstances and limited scope of this Court's decisions in Beatty III, Ring, and Hazelwood render the isolated statements that Ratepayers have excised from those decisions inapplicable to the issue now before this Court. More importantly, these decisions pre-date Taylor, 247 S.W.3d at 548, in which this Court affirmed Fort Zumwalt and held that section 23 authorizes only interpretive or declaratory remedies and such remedies are adequate to enforce the provisions of the Hancock Amendment. In light of the breadth of some of the language used in Beatty III, Ring, or Hazelwood, however, and recognizing the role that this language may have played in fostering unnecessary litigation regarding the scope of available remedies under section 23, these decisions now are overruled to the extent they suggest that section 23, by itself, authorizes courts to award refunds or other money damages. As noted above, the Court does not here address the question of whether a taxpayer may be entitled to such remedies by complying with an express waiver of sovereign immunity that may be found in some other statute, ordinance, or provision of applicable law.

18. To emphasize this point, imagine that a Hancock Amendment issue arises and both the political subdivision and its taxpayers approach the same attorney for representation. Why would the attorney represent the taxpayers when: (a) if the taxpayers lose, the attorney will not be paid anything and may not even recover litigation costs incurred, and (b) if the taxpayers win, the attorney will not be paid any more than she would have been paid for representing the political subdivision without the risk of non-payment if it loses?

19. Ratepayers filed a motion in this Court for an award of attorneys' fees and costs relating to this appeal. Though "appellate courts have the authority to allow and fix the amount of attorney's fees on appeal, we exercise this power with caution, believing in most cases that the trial court is better equipped to hear evidence and argument on this issue and determine the reasonableness of the fee requested." Berry, 397 S.W.3d at 433 (quotation marks omitted). Accordingly, the Court remands this case for the limited purpose of having the trial court hear and determine Ratepayers' motion for appellate fees and costs.

PAUL C. WILSON, Judge.

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RUSSELL, C.J., BRECKENRIDGE, FISCHER and TEITELMAN, JJ., concur; STITH, J., concurs in result. DRAPER, J., not participating.

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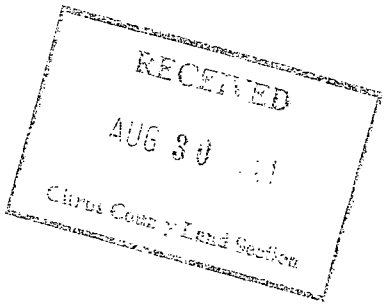
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CITRUS COUNTY BOCC

ATT: LAND SECTION

3600 W. SOVERIGN PATH

SUITE 205

LECANTO FL 34461

DEAR SIR:

I AM WRITING TO OBJECT TO THE PROPOSED STORM WATER ASSESSMENT FOR THE FOLLOWING SEASONS:

#1 DETERMINING THE TOTAL SQ. FT. OF IMPERVIOUS SURFACE AT 4182 SQ.FT. I HAVE ONE DRIVE WAY 11 FT BY 38 FT. OR 418 SQ FT. PLUS CONCRETE CAP FOR SEPTIC AT 300 SQ FT. THIS CAP WILL BE REMOVED UPON CONNECTION TO THE NEWLY INSTALLED SEWER SYSTEM. BUILDING FOOT PRINT OF 2063 SQ.FT. PLUS DRIVE OF 418 SQ. ST. PLUS SEPTIC CAP OF 300 SQ. FT. EQUALS 2681 SQ. FT., WELL BELOW YOUR ESTIMATE OF 4182 SQ. FT.

MY ENTIRE LOT IS 8334 SQ. FT. WHICH MEANS BY YOUR ESTIMATE ½ OF MY LOT IS IMPERVIOUS. PLEASE CORRECT YOUR DETERMINATION OF ASSESSMENT.

SINCERELY:

JAMES A. KERCE JR.

PARCEL TAX ID. 17E19S310040

HOMOSASSA ISLE LOT 44

HOMOSASSA FL 34448

James A. Kerce Jr

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Lot 5 BLK F

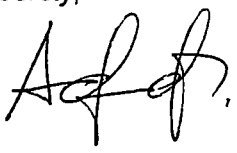
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Re: Comments on proposed stormwater special assessment program.

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I would like to voice my strong opposition to this new assessment. The reasons why I oppose are:
Last year (2020) the tax levied against my property to pay for the stormwater management program was $ 6.58.This year (2021) the proposed assessment will cost me $ 58.84.
This represents a tax increase of almost 800%! This is outrageou,, exorbitant, unconscionable and offensive. At a time when inflation is skyrocketing, food and gas prices are rising and jobs are subjected to medical status, thinking of imposing a tax of this magnitude is simply wrong.

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What are and what is the cost of the specific projects that will be funded with this new tax?
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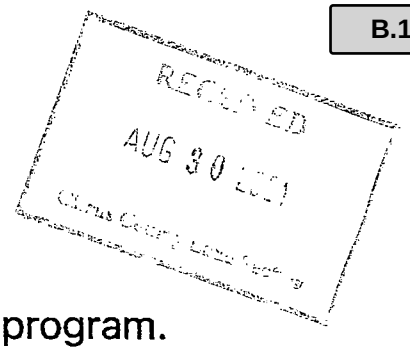




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James Dunlap
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Legal: Citrus Hills PB 8 PGS 5 & 6 LOT 18 BLK 5



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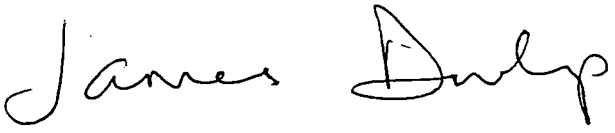
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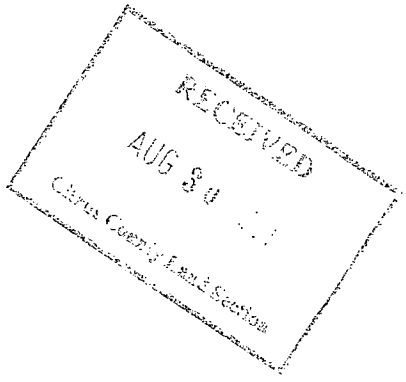
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Arbor Lakes Property Owners Association 4215 N. Lake Vista Trail Hernando FL 34442

August 26, 2021



Citrus County BOCC
Attn: Land Section
3600 W Sovereign Path, Suite 205
Lecanto, FL 34461

RE: Written Objection / Mitigation Credit on behalf of all Arbor Lakes Property Owners

We at this time are filing objection and requesting a mitigation credit for the stormwater assessment on behalf of 355 property owners who currently have homes in arbor lakes, with the presumption that the other 15 owners of vacant lots will not receive notice or assessment.

The private community of Arbor Lakes owns and maintains its own roads, owns and maintains its own curbs and gutters, owns and maintains its own storm drains, and owns and maintains its two DRAs. Since none of our water enters county-owned stormwater systems, all of our property owners should receive a full mitigation credit. If you would like a full list of addresses, this may be more efficient than processing 355 separate requests.

Your notice stated a form to claim credit would be available on your website – it was not. The website advised the form would be available "soon", but with the 20-day clock ticking on the August 19 notice, we needed to submit this in a timely manner.

Thank you for your attention to this matter – we look forward to your timely and favorable response.

Respectfully,

Daniel B. Cerney, Vice President & Treasurer
Arbor Lakes Property Owners Association

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Date: August 30, 2021

Citrus County BOCC
Attn: Land Section
3600 W Sovereign Path, Suite 205
Lecanto, FL 34461

RE: Written Objection / Mitigation Credit, Parcel ID: 19E18S140160 0870

We at this time are filing objection to any assessment; and, if full credit is denied, requesting a mitigation credit for the stormwater assessment.

We live in the private community of Arbor Lakes. The community owns and maintains its own roads, curbs, gutters, storm drains, and two DRAs. None of our water enters county-owned stormwater systems; therefore, we should receive a full mitigation credit.

Thank you for your attention to this matter – we look forward to your timely and favorable response.

Respectfully,

Name(s): John C. and Jacqueline F. Seery

Arbor Lakes Address: 3682 E. Egret Cove Ct.

Hernando, FL 34442

Phone: 352-419-5953

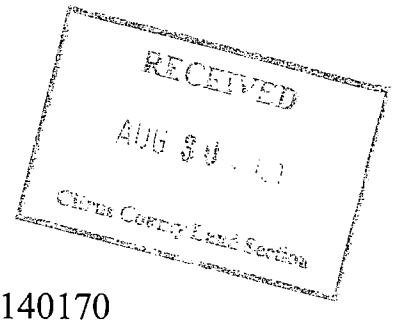
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Dan & Jane Cerney
3770 E. Teal Cove Ct.
Hernando, FL 34442-5589

Dan 352-697-5878
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August 26, 2021



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3600 W Sovereign Path, Suite 205
Lecanto, FL 34461

RE: Written Objection / Mitigation Credit, Parcel ID: 19E18S140170

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CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR ADOPTION OF STORMWATER SERVICE ASSESSMENT

NOTICE DATE: AUGUST 19, 2021

CERNEY DANIEL B
CERNEY JANE A
3770 E TEAL COVE CT
HERNANDO FL 34442-5589

Sequence #: CS-29244
AK #: 3269179
Parcel Tax ID: 19E18S140170 0420
Legal: ARBOR LAKES UNIT III PB 17 PG 64 LOT 42

*******NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER*******

Stormwater runoff has been identified as the major source of pollution to the estuaries, lakes, springs and streams throughout Citrus Cour Florida. Federal and State stormwater permit requirements mandate that the county have a stormwater management program to reduce the le of pollutants in stormwater runoff. The Citrus County Code of Ordinances authorizes the County to fund these stormwater management progr activities through an unincorporated Citrus County stormwater assessment. Stormwater assessments are based upon the estimated amount stormwater runoff generated by impervious surface on your property. Impervious surfaces include the rooftop, patios, driveways, parking lots a similar areas. The county has determined that the average single family residential building footprint is 2,063 square feet in size. Adding the avera driveway brings the total impervious area to 4,182 square feet as the base ESU which is the value of one "Equivalent Stormwater Unit" or "E Value."

Single-family residential properties are categorized into one of four ESU tiers based on the estimated amount of impervious area associated w each parcel (computed by using the building footprint of the residence). Condominium units are charged generally by calculating the total numl of ESUs applicable to the condominium complex as a whole, then dividing that total number of ESUs by the total number of condominium residen units on the property. For general parcels, such as commercial parcels, the number of ESUs has been calculated individually for each parcel property by dividing the impervious surface area by 4,182 square feet.

The annual Stormwater Service Assessment rate for Fiscal Year 2021-22 and for future fiscal years without further notice will be $58.84 for ea Net ESU. It is estimated that the County will collect $4,663,915 from the Stormwater Service Assessments for Fiscal Year 2021-22.

The above referenced parcel has been assigned the following ESUs and assessment amounts:

The number of ESUs on the above parcel is 1.00.

The maximum Annual Stormwater Service Assessment for the above parcel for Fiscal Year 2021-22 and future fiscal years without further not is $58.84.

If you have any questions regarding the Stormwater Service Assessment please contact the County at 352-527-5373.

Mitigation credits may be available for a parcel that has a permitted on-site private stormwater treatment facility to improve water quality, or if t parcel does not drain off site to any part of the stormwater system over which the county has maintenance responsibility. If you apply and qual credit for privately maintained stormwater management facilities and other factors affecting the quantity or quality of stormwater runoff will applied, as applicable, resulting in the assignment of Net ESUs. Additionally, if you apply and qualify, certain Agricultural Property is granted credit from payment of Stormwater Service Assessments pursuant to state law.

The Citrus County Board of County Commissioners will hold a public hearing during a Special Meeting at 1:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as t item can be heard, on September 9, 2021, in Room 100 of the Citrus County Courthouse, 110 N. Apopka Avenue, Inverness, Florida. Comme will be received on the proposed Stormwater Service Assessments, including their collection on the ad valorem tax bill. You are invited to atte and participate in the hearing. You may also file written objections with the County within twenty (20) days of the date of this notice. Please inclu your name, parcel number, and the reason you object to the assessment on all written objections. Objections should be addressed as follov Citrus County BOCC, Attn: Land Section, 3600 W. Sovereign Path, Suite 205, Lecanto, Florida 34461. If you decide to appeal any decision ma by the Board of County Commissioners with respect to any matter considered at the hearing, you will need a record of the proceedings and m need to ensure that a verbatim record is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be made.

If you have any questions regarding the Stormwater Service Assessment please contact the County at 352-527-5373.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need a special accommodation or an interpreter to participate in this proceedi please contact the County Manager's Office, 3600 W. Sovereign Path, Suite 267, Lecanto, Florida 34461, (352) 527-5210, at least two days befc the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, dial 7-1-1, 1-800-955-8771 (TTY) or 1-800-958-8770 (v), via Florida Relay Service. If you ne a Spanish Translator, please make arrangements with the County by telephone within two days of the publication notice at 352-527-5370. necesita un traductor de español por favor haga arreglos con el Condado dentro de los dos dias de la notificatión de la publicación a 352-52 5370.

Because the Stormwater Service Assessment will be collected by the Tax Collector of Citrus County, pursuant to Chapter 197, Florida Statut failure to pay the Stormwater Service Assessment will cause a tax certificate to be issued against the assessed property, which may result in a lc of title to your property.

If you have any questions regarding the number of ESUs assigned to your property or the amount of the Stormwater Service Assessme please contact the County at 352-527-5373.

If you believe you may qualify for a mitigation credit for a privately maintained stormwater management facility or you believe yc Agricultural Property is exempt from the Stormwater Service Assessment, please contact the County at 352-527-5373 or to file a credit application, go to https://www.citrusbocc/stormwater.

*****THIS IS NOT A BILL *****

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Wanda C Clay
3886 E. Arbor Lakes Dr
Hernando FL 34442
352-637-6642



August 27, 2021

Citrus County BOCC
Attn: Land Section
3600 W Sovereign Path, Suite 205
Lecanto, FL 34461

RE: Written Objection / Mitigation Credit, Parcel ID: 19E18S140140 00060050

We are filing objection and requesting a mitigation credit for the stormwater assessment.

We live in the private community of Arbor Lakes. The community owns and maintains its own roads, curbs, gutters, storm drains, and two DRAs. None of our water enters county-owned stormwater systems; therefore, we should receive a full mitigation credit.

Your notice stated a form to claim credit would be available on your website – it was not. The website advised the form would be available "soon", but with the 20-day clock ticking on the August 19 notice, we needed to submit this in a timely manner.

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Respectfully,
Wanda C Clay

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Joseph and Barbara Jones
3875 E Arbor Lakes Drive
Hernando, Florida 34442



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Citrus County BOCC
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3600 W Sovereign Path, Suite 205
Lecanto, FL 34461

RE: Written Objection / Mitigation Credit, Parcel ID: 19E18S140140 000N0 0220

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Respectfully,

B. Darlene Jones

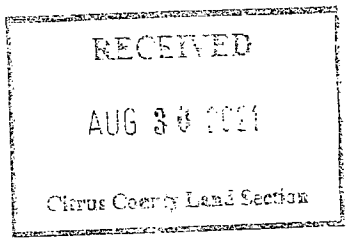
J. Joseph Jones

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Robert B Danson
Marsha Gittinger
3601 E. Cove Park Trl
Hernando, FL 34442-5519

August 26, 2021

Citrus County BOCC
Attn: Land Section
3600 W Sovereign Path, Suite 205
Lecanto, FL 34461



RE: Written Objection / Mitigation Credit,
Sequence #: CS-29031
AK #: 2950498
Parcel Tax ID: 19E18S140140 000DO 0250
Legal: ARBOR LAKES UNIT I PB 15 PG 75 LOT 25 BLK D

We at this time are filing objection and requesting a mitigation credit for the stormwater assessment.

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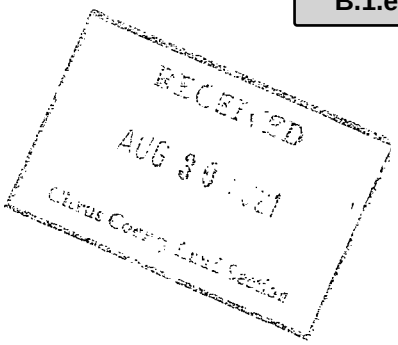
Respectfully,

Robert B. Danson Marsha Gittinger

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352-726-9923

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August 26, 2021

Citrus County BOCC
Attention: Land Section
3600 West Sovereign Path - Suite 205
Lecanto, Florida 34461

Subject: Stormwater Mitigation Exemption & Incorrect Assessment Information
Subject Parcel Tax ID: (Put Parcel Tax # Here) 20E 18S 35 3C000-00L1

This letter is in response to the Citrus County notice letter regarding "Stormwater Special Assessment Charges" for the above subject Parcel.
20E 18S35 3C000 00L1
We wish to request the above subject Parcel (Put Parcel Tax # Here) be exempt from the Citrus County stormwater "special assessment" charges. The request to exempt this Parcel and grant full mitigation credit, is based on the two following factors:

1. No stormwater discharges from any portion of this Parcel is a part of County maintenance responsibilities. In addition, no stormwater discharge contributes to road right-of-way or any part of a County stormwater system over which the County has any maintenance responsibilities.
2. The above subject Parcel is located on a Private Road, label "No Trespassing" throughout, and is NOT a part of Citrus County stormwater jurisdiction and is NOT a part of Citrus County stormwater maintenance burdens.

The Notice to Property Owners, for this Parcel, from the BOCC Land Section, also contains incorrect information based on the two following errors in fact:

1. The Land Development "Notice to Property Owners" for this Parcel is incorrect because the Parcel imposes absolutely no direct stormwater maintenance burdens on the County and imposes no non-transportation related County stormwater system maintenance burdens or responsibilities.

On the basis of this Parcels above noted exemptions and the fact the Parcels stormwater impacts on the County systems are non-existent, we wish to request full exemption from any special stormwater assessments for this Parcel.

Thank you for the attention to our Mitigation Exemption requests.

Sincerely,
(Names Here)
(Address Here), Inverness FL 34450
Cynthia J Moore
1300 North Horse prairie Rd
Inverness, FL 34450

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REF: Stormwater runoff tax assessment

Attn: Land Section
3600 W. Sovereign Path
Suite 205
Lecanto Florida, 34461

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Request: Exception from tax assessment for residences.

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In your questions and answers:

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A. Yes... (Last part of the sentence) "or the parcel does not drain off site to any part of the stormwater system over which the county has maintenance responsibility."

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Steve Jones — Print name

Signature

5219 W Corinas CT Homosassa FL 34446 — Address

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Jeff A. Wells — Print name

Jeff A. Wells — Signature

Address: 5285 W. CORINAS CT HOMOSASSA FL 34446

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JOHN MARKWICH
Print name

Signature

5453 - W. Corinas Ct
Address Homosassa, 34446

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Fred &Kathryn Bernquist
4386 E. Posselt Dr
Hernando , Fl 34442

#1 Parcel Tax ID:
19E17S36 41210

#2 Parcel Tax ID:
19E17S36 13435

Dear Sirs,

I have received your notice of the new Storm water Service Assessment tax to be applied to my home about the rain runoff from our home going into the Storm water system of Citrus County, I am fully aware of the pollution problems caused by people with fertilization of their lawns and the runoff into the county Storm water systems. We have lived here in Citrus county for over 40 years now we own our home we have little over 8 acres within two attached properties here property #1 being our home and #2 a storage of our RV, we Do Not have a paved road the county lists our road as private, we have no mail service or garbage pickup because of the unpaved road there are no Storm water collection points to collect the runoff in fact we now have over 2 acres of our property covered in rain water amounting to about 3 feet deep of water in all swift mud owns all the property behind our back area which is also flooded and coming into our land.. All our gutters of the home have a 55 gallon rain barrel to catch water from the roof and the rest goes onto the ground surrounding our home none goes anywhere near the main road or the unpaved street for that matter.

The reason for this letter is to request a reduction in the rate that's going to be charged to my taxes as we have no services supplied by the county of Citrus for the Storm water runoff. This was explained in the notice received from your office yesterday August 23 2021. One of the questions on the notice stated a reduction can be requested for services not rendered by the county and because of this we both would like to request a reduction as, my Wife and I both retired myself age 77 and the wife age 67 living on a fixed income. Your help in this request would be greatly appreciated. Thank you Fred Bernquist.

Phone 352-344-4688
EMAIL- harleyrv@embarqmail.com

Fred Bernquist

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Benson Les Berger
Venusa Maria Christina
5424 S Barco Terrace
Inverness, Fl 34452-8416
352-587-3192

Sequence# CS-49967
AK#: 1832608
Parcel ID: 20E19S30001A 0426A 0165
Legal: Inverness Highlands West 1st Add
Replat PB 6 PG 116 S1/2 of

Citrus County BOCC
Attn: Land Section
3600 W. Sovereign Path
Suite 205
Lecanto, Fl 34461

Reference Notice of Public Hearing for adoption of stormwater service and assessment
Notice date; August 19, 2021

Per section narrative of before mentioned notice regarding mitigation credits ;
"***or if the parcel does not drain off to any part of the stormwater system over which the county has maintenance responsibility"***

We as the above listed property owners are claiming the full mitigation credits as legally proposed due to the fact that our level property does not run off and there is no county maintained or *installed drainage ditch adjacent S Barco Terrace nor is there a water runoff ditch or culvert adjacent our property or lining S Barco Terrace feeding a stormwater runoff water retention system.*

The lot that is positioned north adjacent to our property is a vacant and wooded/ unimproved similar sized ½ acre plot.

Our home is setback approx 160 feet from the road surface that contains no county maintained stormwater systems. The level front yard effectively absorbs all rainfall and does not display any pooling or runoff after heavy downpours. The remaining backyard rises slightly to the west property line and has never displayed any pooling during heavy downpours.

Your favorable review of our request would be greatly appreciated.

Les B. Benson
Maria Christina Venusa

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4160 N. Longvalley,
Hernando
FL. 3444
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STORMWATER SERVICE ASSESSMENT
CHRISTOPHER B & Helen M. Mann

To whom it may concern

Re Parcel ID: 19E18S170010 00090 0120
LOT 12 BLK C

I would like to apply for a mitigation on the above assessment

Our house is located roughly at the center of our 1 acre plot. All water coming off our house, walkways & patio plus the majority of our driveway drains directly into the soil on our property. Thus the assessment of 1.7 ESU's seems grossly excessive.

I would request you review this math & come up with an assessment that reflects the stormwater actually leaving our property.

Thank you

Chris Mann

(CHRIS MANN)

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August 22, 2021

Citrus County BOCC
Attn: Land Section
3600 W Sovereign Path, Suite 205
Lecanto, Fl. 34461

RE: Parcel Tax ID: 20E20S10 13100 0180
Lots 18 & 19 of an unrec sub in Sec 10-20-20 on Citrus Co
Stormwater Service Assessment
Michael W & Ann O Murray

DEAR SIR OR MADAM:

This is in regards to the Notice of Public Hearing we received on August 19, 2021 concerning an adoption of stormwater service assessment increase. Our property is not on a lake, it is at the end of a short dirt road that is not county maintained and there are no stormwater drainage systems over which the county has maintenance responsibility. According to our previous tax bill we have been paying $11.42 in stormwater taxes on this property and do not get any services from Citrus County in maintenance of stormwater runoff as there are no drainage system near or on our property.

We are retired and on a fixed incorme and do not believe our taxes and assessments are being properly used in this area of Floral City. It seems assessments and taxes go up but our services do not in this area.

We believe we are exempt from the $58.84 asssessment that you are trying to add to our tax bill.

Your prompt attention to this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Michael W. Murray
Ann O Murray
6770 S. Shady View Pt.
Floral City, Fl. 34436
352-419-6222 home 813-833-2927 cell

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am/mwm

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Attn: Land Section
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Suite 205
Lecanto FL 34461

From: James and Marilyn Vasseliou
4627 E Windmill Dr
Inverness, FL 34453
PARCEL# 19E18S360050 0450
AK#1967228

Subject: Regarding Special Assessment for Stormwater run-off

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen:

Upon receiving the Special Assessment Program information dated, August 19, 2021 and also accessing the website for additional information, we conclude our parcel falls under the factor #1 as stated below under the Mitigation Policy.

MSBU/MSTU
Mitigation Credit Application- Page 1

1. No stormwater discharges from any portion of the parcel, or contributes to road right -of-way or any part of a stormwater system over which the County has maintenance responsibilities.

Please inform us of any decisions made regarding the mitigation validity.

If additional information is required, please contact us at 586-255-1013, or at the address shown above.

Regards,

James and Marilyn Vasseliou

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AUG 24, 2021

B.1.e

Dear sirs

This paper is in response to your notification of up coming Stormwater Assesment for years 2021 and future years. The notification noted that mitigation of fees could happen "if the parcel does not drain off site to any part of the stormwater system over which the county has maintenance responsibility." I believe my property falls into this category because: This property, parcel ax id; 18E20S060020 0210 of HomosassaGardens lot 21 descc in or bk 735 pg 2120. Consists of 3 acres with a double wide house trailer, large garage, paved drive ,with the dwelling set back about 1 acre from the road. Behind the dwelling is the better half of 2 acres.

When we purchased this place the rear 2 acres was cultivated for vegetable crops, which naturally lead to the use of fertilizers and pestacides. That has now stopped, the aria is now mowed grass, which needs no fertilizers or pesticides,is good for the soil and does add some oxygen to the atmosphere. The same is true for the front aria between the dwelling and the road , minus the dwelling is about ¾ of a acre. When we get heavy rains the water from the road, our buildings and drive readaly are absorbed by the grass. In my notification the impervious aria here in is listed as; 4,182 square feet.

There are43,500 sq feet in one acre x three acres =130,500 aq feet. Subtracting our aria from this leaves us 126,418 sq feet of grassy surface to reclaim our own water run off.

I hope this will remove my having to pay the $58.84 Stormwater assesment fee.

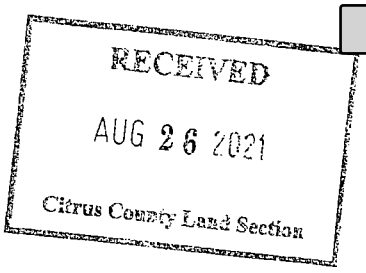
Thank you Daniel Washburn

sequence# cs-33149
AK #3233828
Parcel tax id: 18E20S060020 0210
Legal: HOMOSASSA GARDENS LOT 21 DESC IN OR BK PG 2120

WASHBURN
6760 W. OST West St.
Homosassa, FL 34446

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Jessica Womack
Print name

Jessica Womack
Signature

5411 W. Corinas CT
Homosassa FL
34446
Address

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Date: 23 August 2021

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3600 W Sovereign Path
Suite 205, Lecanto, FL 34461

Ref: Storm Water Assessment

Sequence # CS-27555
AK # 2289350
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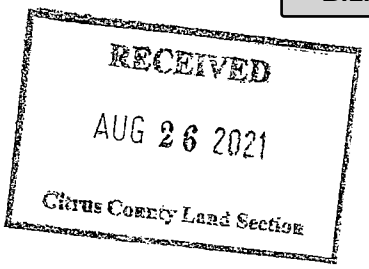
Dear Sirs:

I am writing to apply for mitigation credit based on my parcel location and lack of county maintained stormwater system on my street. We are not close to any springs or waterways and have no runoff that would contaminate the same.

Sincerely,

James E Chadburn
571 E Alaska Ln
Hernando, FL 34442

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To: Citrus County BOCC Land Section

From: Terry and Catherine Hobbs

Date: August 23, 2021

Subject: Written Objection to the Stormwater Service Assessment

We are submitting this objection in accordance with the instructions contained in the "Notice of Public Hearing for Adoption of Stormwater Service Assessment – Notice Date August 19, 2021" (Notice) that we recently received.

The notice requires that we include the following information:

- Name: Terry and Catherine Hobbs
- Parcel Number: 19E18S170010 000C0 0100
- Legal: Fairview Estates PB 12 PG 49 Lot 10 BLK C
- Address: 4322 N. Mayan Dr. Hernando, Fl. 34442
- Other: Sequence # CS-25299, AK# 2355832

Background:

As stated in the Notice, the federal, state and county stormwater permit requirements are intended to reduce the level of pollutants in stormwater runoff to the estuaries, lakes, springs and streams throughout Citrus County.

Reason for Objection:

Our property slopes from the east to the west. Most of the runoff from our rooftop, patio, driveway, and sidewalk percolates into the soil of our yard. During heavy rains, the water flow to the west into several acres of woods where it also percolates into the soil.

A second reason for our objection is that there are no estuaries, lakes, springs, or streams anywhere near our home, so any runoff is not within the stated goal of the Notice.

We support the stormwater programs but feel that any additional funds the Citrus BOCC desires for the program be provided by industrial, commercial and residential properties that connect to the estuaries, lakes, springs and streams throughout Citrus County.

Thank You for considering our written objection.

Terry Hobbs 8/23/21

Catherine Hobbs 8/23/21

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August 24, 2021

Citrus County BOCC
Attention: Land Section
3600 West Sovereign Path - Suite 205
Lecanto, Florida 34461

Subject: Stormwater Mitigation Exemption & Incorrect Assessment Information
Subject Parcel Tax ID: 20E18S35

We wish to request the above subject Parcel (20E18S35) be exempt from a stormwater "special assessment" charges. The request to exempt this Parcel and grant full mitigation credit, is based on the two following factors:

1. The parcel has a fully engineered and permitted on-site private stormwater retention system, properly permitted (signed & sealed), maintained, approved and functional stormwater management system that treats and/or attenuates stormwater prior to any discharge. See attached signed & sealed permitted site plan.
2. This parcels on-site stormwater management facility is in full compliance with Florida Department of Environmental Protection and the Southwest Florida Water Management District.

The Notice to Property Owners, for this Parcel, from the BOCC Land Section, also contains incorrect information based on the two following errors in fact:

1. No stormwater discharges from any portion of this Parcel is a part of County maintenance responsibilities. In addition, no stormwater discharge contributes to road right-of-way or any part of a County stormwater system over which the County has any maintenance responsibilities.
2. The Notice to Property Owners for this Parcel is incorrect because the Parcel imposes absolutely no direct stormwater maintenance burdens on the County and non-transportation related County stormwater systems.

On the basis of this Parcels approved and permitted On-Site Private Engineered Stormwater Treatment Facility and the fact the Parcels stormwater impacts on the County systems are totally non-existent, we wish to request full exempt from any special stormwater assessments for this Parcel.

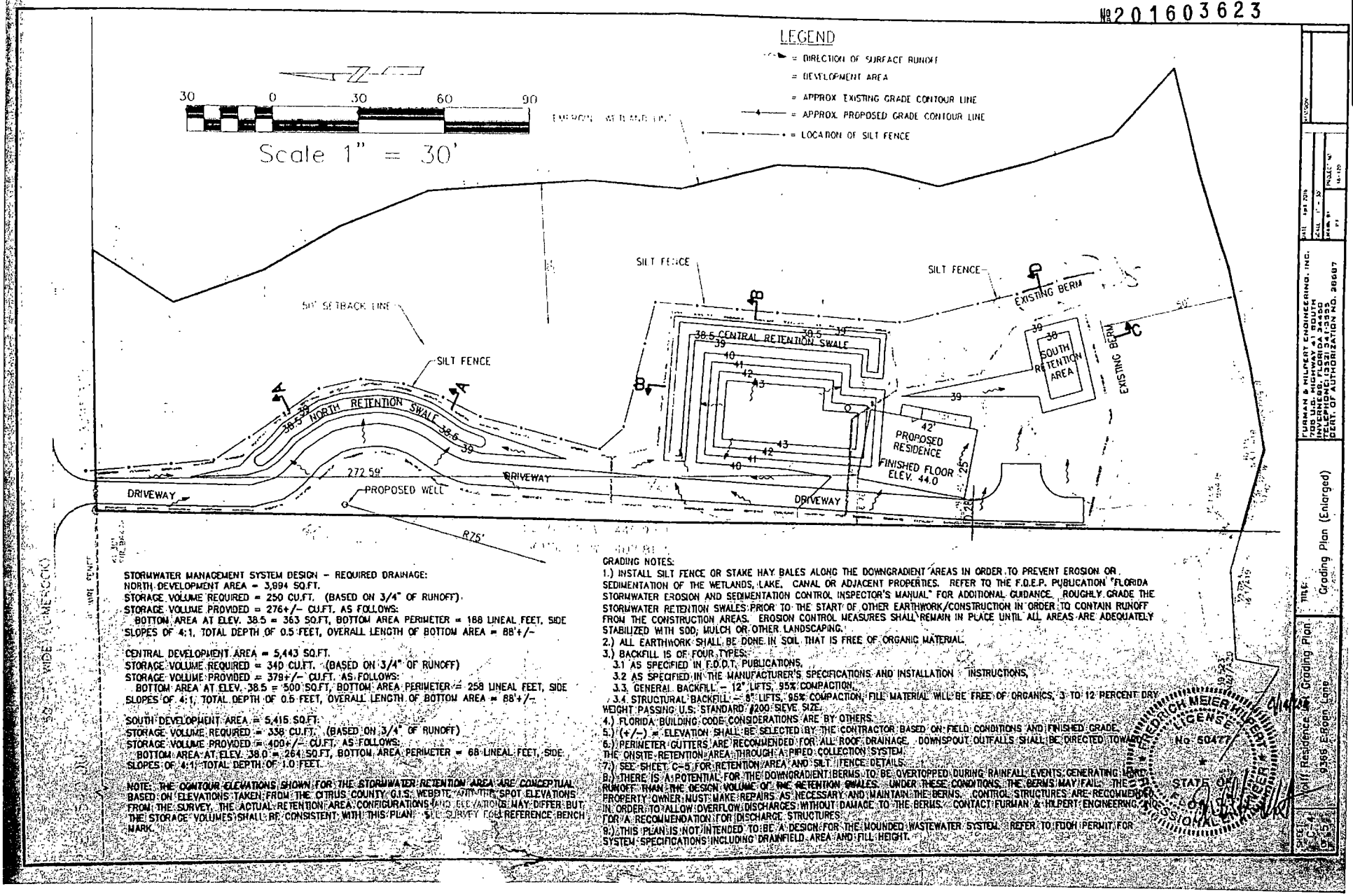
Thank you for the attention to our Mitigation Exemption requests.

Sincerely,
Jane Wolff & Peter Wolff
9394 East Roan Lane, Inverness FL 34450

Attachment: County Approved & Permitted On-Site Private Engineered Stormwater Treatment Facility Plans (Signed & Sealed by Certified Florida Engineer)

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STORMWATER MANAGEMENT SYSTEM DESIGN - REQUIRED DRAINAGE:
NORTH DEVELOPMENT AREA = 3,894 SQ.FT.
STORAGE VOLUME REQUIRED = 250 CU.FT. (BASED ON 3/4" OF RUNOFF).
STORAGE VOLUME PROVIDED = 276+/- CU.FT. AS FOLLOWS:
BOTTOM AREA AT ELEV. 38.5 = 363 SQ.FT, BOTTOM AREA PERIMETER = 188 LINEAL FEET, SIDE SLOPES OF 4:1, TOTAL DEPTH OF 0.5 FEET, OVERALL LENGTH OF BOTTOM AREA = 88'+/-

CENTRAL DEVELOPMENT AREA = 5,443 SQ.FT.
STORAGE VOLUME REQUIRED = 340 CU.FT. (BASED ON 3/4" OF RUNOFF)
STORAGE VOLUME PROVIDED = 379+/- CU.FT. AS FOLLOWS:
BOTTOM AREA AT ELEV. 38.5 = 500 SQ.FT, BOTTOM AREA PERIMETER = 258 LINEAL FEET, SIDE SLOPES OF 4:1, TOTAL DEPTH OF 0.5 FEET, OVERALL LENGTH OF BOTTOM AREA = 88'+/-

SOUTH DEVELOPMENT AREA = 5,415 SQ.FT.
STORAGE VOLUME REQUIRED = 338 CU.FT. (BASED ON 3/4" OF RUNOFF)
STORAGE VOLUME PROVIDED = 400+/- CU.FT. AS FOLLOWS:
BOTTOM AREA AT ELEV. 38.0 = 264 SQ.FT, BOTTOM AREA PERIMETER = 68 LINEAL FEET, SIDE SLOPES OF 4:1, TOTAL DEPTH OF 1.0 FEET.

NOTE: THE CONTOUR ELEVATIONS SHOWN FOR THE STORMWATER RETENTION AREA ARE CONCEPTUAL BASED ON ELEVATIONS TAKEN FROM THE CITRUS COUNTY G.I.S. WEBSITE, WITH THE SPOT ELEVATIONS FROM THE SURVEY. THE ACTUAL RETENTION AREA CONFIGURATIONS AND ELEVATIONS MAY DIFFER BUT THE STORAGE VOLUMES SHALL BE CONSISTENT WITH THIS PLAN. SEE SURVEY FOR REFERENCE BENCH MARK.

GRADING NOTES:
1.) INSTALL SILT FENCE OR STAKE HAY BALES ALONG THE DOWNGRADIENT AREAS IN ORDER TO PREVENT EROSION OR SEDIMENTATION OF THE WETLANDS, LAKE, CANAL OR ADJACENT PROPERTIES. REFER TO THE F.D.E.P. PUBLICATION "FLORIDA STORMWATER EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION CONTROL INSPECTOR'S MANUAL" FOR ADDITIONAL GUIDANCE. ROUGHLY GRADE THE STORMWATER RETENTION SWALES PRIOR TO THE START OF OTHER EARTHWORK/CONSTRUCTION IN ORDER TO CONTAIN RUNOFF FROM THE CONSTRUCTION AREAS. EROSION CONTROL MEASURES SHALL REMAIN IN PLACE UNTIL ALL AREAS ARE ADEQUATELY STABILIZED WITH SOD, MULCH OR OTHER LANDSCAPING.
2.) ALL EARTHWORK SHALL BE DONE IN SOIL THAT IS FREE OF ORGANIC MATERIAL.
3.) BACKFILL IS OF FOUR TYPES:
3.1 AS SPECIFIED IN F.D.O.T. PUBLICATIONS,
3.2 AS SPECIFIED IN THE MANUFACTURER'S SPECIFICATIONS AND INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS,
3.3. GENERAL BACKFILL - 12" LIFTS, 95% COMPACTION,
3.4 STRUCTURAL BACKFILL - 8" LIFTS, 95% COMPACTION, FILL MATERIAL WILL BE FREE OF ORGANICS, 3 TO 12 PERCENT DRY WEIGHT PASSING U.S. STANDARD #200 SIEVE SIZE.
4.) FLORIDA BUILDING CODE CONSIDERATIONS ARE BY OTHERS.
5.) (+/-) = ELEVATION SHALL BE SELECTED BY THE CONTRACTOR BASED ON FIELD CONDITIONS AND FINISHED GRADE.
6.) PERIMETER GUTTERS ARE RECOMMENDED FOR ALL ROOF DRAINAGE. DOWNSPOUT OUTFALLS SHALL BE DIRECTED TOWARDS THE ONSITE RETENTION AREA THROUGH A PIPED COLLECTION SYSTEM.
7.) SEE SHEET C-5 FOR RETENTION AREA AND SILT FENCE DETAILS.
8.) THERE IS A POTENTIAL FOR THE DOWNGRADIENT BERMS TO BE OVERTOPPED DURING RAINFALL EVENTS GENERATING MORE RUNOFF THAN THE DESIGN VOLUME OF THE RETENTION SWALES. UNDER THESE CONDITIONS, THE BERMS MAY FAIL. THE PROPERTY OWNER MUST MAKE REPAIRS AS NECESSARY AND MAINTAIN THE BERMS. CONTROL STRUCTURES ARE RECOMMENDED IN ORDER TO ALLOW OVERFLOW DISCHARGES WITHOUT DAMAGE TO THE BERMS. CONTACT FURMAN & HILPERT ENGINEERING, INC. FOR A RECOMMENDATION FOR DISCHARGE STRUCTURES.
9.) THIS PLAN IS NOT INTENDED TO BE A DESIGN FOR THE MOUNDED WASTEWATER SYSTEM. REFER TO FDOH PERMIT FOR SYSTEM SPECIFICATIONS INCLUDING DRAINFIELD AREA AND FILL HEIGHT.

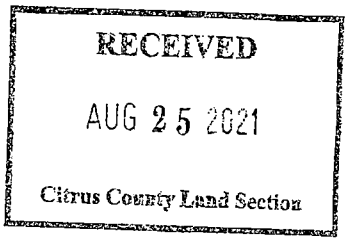
FREDRICH MEIER HILPERT LICENSED No. 50477 STATE OF FLORIDA PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER

FURMAN & HILPERT ENGINEERING, INC.
705 U.S. HIGHWAY 41 SOUTH
INVERNESS, FLORIDA 34450
TELEPHONE (352) 341-2355
CERT. OF AUTHORIZATION NO. 28687

TITLE: Grading Plan (Enlarged)
Residence, Grading Plan
9366 E Roan Loop
SHEET C-4

8/27/2021

Citrus County BOCC



REF: Stormwater runoff tax assessment

Attn: Land Section
3600 W. Sovereign Path
Suite 205
Lecanto Florida, 34461

Impacted: Residences of W Rachael LN, S Mindy PT and W Corinas CT, Homosassa FL, 34446
This includes all homes on private roads in Citrus County.

Request: Exception from tax assessment for residences.

We recently received a notice of a new stormwater runoff tax. These three roads are all private roads maintained by the local residences at our expense, such as road grading, repair and drainage. None of the homes on these streets have city sewer or water and Citrus County does not provide any road maintenance or financial assistant to repair our roads.

In your questions and answers:

Q. Is there any reduction of fees if I have an engineered and permitted stormwater system?
A. Yes... (Last part of the sentence) "or the parcel does not drain off site to any part of the stormwater system over which the county has maintenance responsibility."

As Indicated above W Rachael LN, S Mindy PT and W Corinas CT are all privately maintained and are in no way connected to, or in any way part of the County Stormwater System and therefore, these residences should be exempt from any stormwater tax assessments.

ANN M. FINKELSEN — Print name
Robert Finkelsen — Print name
Ann M Finkelsen — Signature
Robert Finkelsen — Signature
5251 W Corinas CT, Homosassa — Address

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Richard Mirro
Company Name
12360 S. Pleasant Grove Rd.
Floral City, Fl. 34436

813-833-4196
Richmirro@gmail.comEmail

8/23/2021

Citrus County BOCC
Attn: Land Section
3600 W. Sovereign Path
Suite 205
Lecanto, Fl. 34436

To Whom It May Concern:

I am contacting you regarding the notice of August 19, 2021 wherein you notify me of my potential financial obligation associated with a Storm Water Assessment on the following two properties:

Parcel 19E21S01 3200

Parcel 19E21S12 41000 00C0

You indicate that mitigation credits may be available " ...if the parcel does not drain off site to any part of the stormwater system over which the county has maintenance responsibility.".

Both parcels are large, 80 acres, and 10 acres respectively. They front on S. Pleasant Grove Rd, a road with no stormwater drains. Further, and more importantly, due to the large parcel sizes, any runoff from the impervious surfaces is well retained within the property boundaries.

Any Google map search will produce areal photos which easily substantiate the high ratio of pervious to impervious square footage, which I believe should be considered.

Therefore, I respectfully request an exemption or significant credits to the proposed assessment.

Sincerely,

Richard Mirro

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Citrus County Land Section
3600 West Sovereign Path, Suite 205
Lecanto, Florida 34461

Re: Sequence # CS-14511
AK # 3266279
Parcel Tax ID: 17E17S120020 000B0 0060
Legal: LAKE ROUSSEAU CTRY ESTS UNIT 1 PB 11 PG 47 LOTS 6 & 7

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I am responding to the letter I received on Saturday, August 21, 2021, regarding the adoption of **Storm water Service Assessment.**

The county has determined that the average single family residential building footprint is 2,063 sq ft in size. Adding the average driveway brings the total impervious area to 4,182 square feet as the base ESU which is the value of one "Equivalent Stormwater Unit" or ESU Value."

According to the property appraiser's records my property has **95,280 sq feet and the house sits in the middle of the 2.19 acre track.** The driveway has French drains and no water runs anywhere off of this parcel of land. The water which flows from the roof does so in the surrounding flower beds next to the house. There is no flood area or standing water on this property. It is built on the sandy ridge which goes through Citrus County.

Also, the notice indicates **Very Large Footprint Area over 6,000 sq ft. I have 95,280 sq ft** and no water drains off my property. I have well water and a septic system.

Please reconsider changing my assessment since my property doesn't fit into the category as described by your notice.
I respectfully await your response.

Regards,

Terry L. Stinson

Terry L. Stinson, Owner

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Andrea L. Kish
2139 W Beech Plum Dr
Citrus Springs, FL 34434
Parcel Tax ID 18E17S, 000 40

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Dear Sir or Madam,

I object to the one fee fits all.

1. My house and driveway square footage are only about 1550 sq ft.
2. For years the swale down my hill has dumped flood water into my front yard leaving a lake there bringing lots of sand into my yard ~~yo~~ and eroding the land on the side of my driveway so there is about an inch and a half drop off
3. Called the county several times over t years it has done this finally fixed it 2 or 3 months ago. Repaired swale but not damage to my yard.
4. Until a new owner recently bough the house on the corner at the bottom of the hill, all water and sand that washed down the hill sat in the stree for some reason water does not like to take corners - storm drain - grou the corner. Corner was always floo loaded with mud (the mud is still happ

So for years there has been very little if any storm water going into the storm drain on this street. The square footage you are basing your rate on is way beyond lots of homes in Beverly H Citrus Springs + Inverness Highlands to name a few.

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I think there should be at least 2 and more likely 3 square foot catagories so the little people are not paying for Citrus Hills, Pine Ridge, Sugar Mill & Black Diamond.
Thank for your attention to this matter

Andrea Wist

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I have lived in my home since 1998. I do not need to be charged.

(1) The original roof was put on by AAA Roofing and Castle Key the Home Owners Insurance. Guess what still original roof and approved by both so NO water problems there.

(2) Why would I have a driveway that held water? I don't think so.

(3) Only water yard once a week so Not over flowing with water there.

(4) No problems any where.

How wrong to suddenly be changed for No wrong doings. If something was wrong I would have fixed it. I'm a widow almost 82 and every thing keeps going up but our income. No again so wrong. Fourteen yrs. I lived in the Keys and yes their soil was rock. Here No and again sadly I'm being charged for zero. I'm a Christian and I wonder what our Lord feels about this

Closing Sadly,
Catherine Daly

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DEAR PERSON –

I RECEIVED A LETTER CONCERNING STORMWATER SERVICE ASSESSMENT. MY HOME/PROPERTY DOES NOT CONTRIBUTE TO STORMWATER RUNOFF TO ANY WATER BODY. ALL OF MY HOMEONLY WATER I.E. RAIN WATER PERCOLATES INTO THE AQUIFER – THERE ARE NO WATER/SEWER ENTITIES IN OUR (MY) NEIGHBORHOOD. HAVING SAID THIS I REQUEST TO BE EXEMPT FROM THIS ASSESSMENT. I AM 80 YRS OLD AND PAY ENOUGH TAXES ALREADY –

SINCERELY –

THOMAS D. RECHTOLZER
9735 W. HAWTHORNE ST.
CRYSTAL RIVER FL. 34428

PARCEL NUMBER- 1ME1952100105820

PHONE- 352-422-3047

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To whom it may concern:

In regards to the storm water tax - I live at 11465 So Florida ave. Floral City. I'm on the east side of the road - there are no storm draines on this side like on the west side of So. Florida ave. All the rain water runs down into my property & has gutted out my driveway. I spent over 500.00 putting rock up by my porch & the water actually comes over the rock & border. I called the state twice - first they tried digging a gully on the grass by the road. that didn't work - then I called again & they put asphalt in my driveway to try & stop the run off. well the water just comes down on each side of the asphalt. (gravel) I just called again - 1-813-727-0455 & a man is coming back out. I do not feel I should have to pay extra taxes - for storm drain when there is none for this side of the Road - my yard is not a drain field - I am against

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this tax until you give us some drain field for this side of So. Florida ave. - Why should we have to pay taxes for other people to benefit - not fair - tax the people that have drain fields + retention ponds - not the ones who don't.

Loretta Leas
352-476-1294
11465 So Florida Ave
Floral City Fl
34436

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Joyce L. Gobie Date 8-25-2021 time 11:30

Citrus County BOCC Attn: Land Section
3600 W. Sovereign Path, Suite 205 Lecanto,
Florida 34461

This is my written objections on the adoption of stormwater Service Assessment I received on August 21-2021 form of a letter. I don't have sewer drains in the roads I live on or roads near by. I don't live near the Gulf of Mexico. I don't live near any oceans. I don't live near rivers or creeks or springs. I don't live near any body of water.

I gave alot of though to the location before I bought this property. To my knowledge my parcel does not drain off site to any part of the stormwater system over which the County has maintenance responsibility. This is the main reason I object to this adoption of stormwater service Assessment. Owner Joyce L. Gobie
Sequence #: CS-60661 AK#: 1457602
Parcel Tax ID: 18E17S320230 02930 0100
Legal: Pine Ridge Unit 3 PB 8 PG 51. LOT 10
BLK 293

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We already have three charges for the landfill. We pay for our own garbage pick up, the added MSBU which you increased and still have to pay to go into the dump, - Ridiculous!

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Thank you,

Paula Conley

Parcel # 17E18S24 2D000 005D

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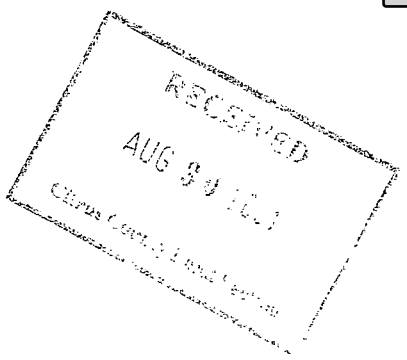
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Attn: Land Section
3600 W Sovereign Path Suite 205
Lecanto, FL 34461

Parcel Tax ID: 18E17S320030 03250 0070
Legal: PINE RIDGE UNIT 3 PB 8 PG 51 LOT 7 BLK 325

Dear Ms/Mr,

Recently We received a Notice to Property Owners reference Stormwater Runoff which is a major source of pollution to the estuaries, lakes, springs and streams in Citrus County implying we are polluters. That our impervious surfaces, roof and driveway, are in someway causing pollution.

Our home has rain gutters installed completely around the house and rain that falls on the roof is collected in these gutter and deposit the rain runoff onto the grass. The driveway is on a down slope as is our parking pad and all rain water is diverted to grass areas. We live no where near estuaries, lakes, spring, or streams. Our stormwater is absorbed back into the aquifer via 85ft of sand and limestone which makes a very good filter. The streets have no gutters and there are very few collection sumps in the entire 5,000 +/- acres which makes up Pine Ridge.

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In closing, yes I do object to this new Stormwater Service Assessment.

Sincerely,

James D. Blair
2935 W Elm Blossom St
Beverly Hills , FL 34465
Cell # 352-270-0185

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Citrus County Board of County Commissioners
c/o Land Section
3600 W Sovereign Path, Suite 205
Lecanto Florida 34461

RE: Proposed Stormwater Special Assessment Program – Assessment Fee

Dear County Commissioners,

I am writing to state my objection to the proposed Stormwater Special Assessment Fee. This fee creates an inordinate burden on those who have built their homes on acreage with minimal impervious footprints, and are not subject to seasonal flooding. The proposed fee is a significant increase to my current tax amount for County stormwater. Furthermore, with this proposal, I am unaware of any specific project for storm water management that will benefit my immediate neighborhood.

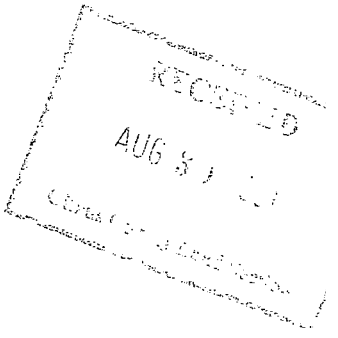
So why a countywide assessment? When I worked for the county as a land use planner, the discussions at that time revolved around the creation of state of the art retention areas meeting NPDES standards to serve specific areas particularly subject to seasonal flooding. The original intention was to set up individual benefit units for identified geographical areas within a basin that would be specifically served by a drainage management system. The plan discussed created a nexus....where the project directly benefits the payer. Instead, this new proposal creates a burden on taxpayers to pay a fee with no direct benefit.

Stormwater management projects need to be assigned to serve specific watershed areas and basins, and assessments should only be assigned to those properties that will obtain a direct benefit. Ideally, these projects would be identified through study and analysis, and then prioritized based on the most critical protection need before an assessment fee is even considered. While I am not opposed to the protection of our County's estuaries, lakes, springs, and streams throughout the County, the burden to protect is already undertaken through various land development code standards, mandated enhanced septic tank requirements (where sewer is not available), and fertilizer use and landscape maintenance ordinance. These codes, already in effect, should be prioritized through enforcement.

In summary, I am opposed to the creation of this special assessment to fund storm water projects and services that do not provide a direct benefit to my personal property. I request that this letter be made a part of the record for the September 9, 2021, public hearing. I urge the Board of County Commissioners to deny this annual stormwater service assessment.

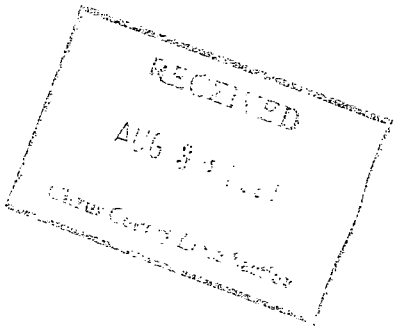
Sincerely,

Jenette Collins
AK#1496683
POB 299
Lecanto FL 34460-0299



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254 East Cumberland Court
Hernando, FL 34442



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Citrus County BOCC
Attn: Land Section
3600 W. Sovereign Path, Suite 205
Lecanto, FL 34461

RE: Stormwater Special Assessment Program: AK#2291893, Sequence 31215

To apply a universal ESU tax countywide is unjustifiable.

Just as all properties are to be evaluated for taxation on their fair market value, each parcel should be assessed a **proportional payment that is determined based on actual stormwater discharge issues for that specific location**, not simply by impervious coverage that may not have detrimental impacts.

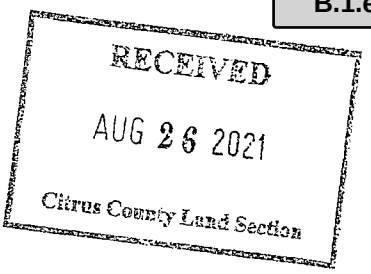
Many locations are not creating any such runoff problems, and therefore should not be assessed this new fee! *Damages caused by runoff should be paid for by properties that cause the problem.*

Please consider this objection for the BOCC meeting on September 9.

Sincerely,

Steve & Susan Moline
352-341-1060

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Regarding Parcel 18E17S320030 00770 0120
3873 W Vinca Ct
Beverly Hills, FL 34465

Jim and Cathy Elliott

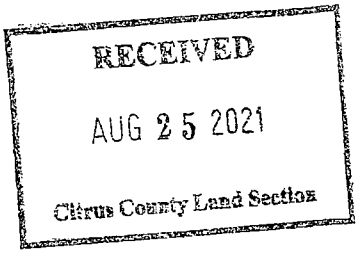
To whom it may concern,

We are opposed to the Proposed Stormwater Special Assessment.
In our opinion there are more cost efficient ways to budget county monies for better utilization and application of current taxes.
An increase in the current tax is not necessary and neither is a special assessment.

Jim and Cathy Elliott



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Citrus County BOCC
Attn: Land Section
3600 W. Sovereign Path, Suite 205
Lecanto, FL 34461

Re; Stormwater Sewer Assessment

Dear Reader,

We object to the proposed assesment of our property since we don't believe there is a sewer system in our area effected by any water run-off from our property.

Sincerely,

Philip J Cote
Miriam K. Cote

Philip James Cote
Miriam K. Cote
3936 N. Calusa Pt.
Crystal River, FL 34428

Parcel Tax ID: 17E18S17023A 0590
INDIAN WATERS UNIT 3-A LOT 59 DESC
AS FOL: COM AT THE NE CORNER

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Karen Senecal

5608 W. Houston St.

Dunnellon, FL 34433

352-228-1443

Parcel # 18E17S06.2B000.0613

August 22, 2021

To whom it may concern,

I am officially objecting to the Stormwater Service Assessment for my residence. I live on a hill with at least 60 foot of sand below my home. There is no storm run off. When it storms the water seeps into the sand within minutes. I live miles away from any lake, stream, river of Gulf of Mexico. I would gladly invite you to my home on a rainy day and you will see exactly what I mean. I do not feel this assessment is pertinent or fair in my particular case.

Sincerely,

Karen Senecal



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To: Citrus County BOCC
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Lecanto, Florida 34461



From: Nyberg, James R. & Caroline H.
3669 W. Warbler Street
Lecanto, Fl 34461-8691



Sequence #CS-57220
AK#3520135
Parcel Tax ID: 18E19S280010 000B00170
Legal: Leisure Acres Unit 2PB5PG13

~~Re: Our Objections and comments to:Citrus County's adoption & fee of STORMWATER~~ SERVICE ASSESSMENT for the address of the land owners above, and as follows;

#1: Objection & comments: Subject contains all stormwater run off on property's sandy acreage & unpaved dirt driveway to Home Site. We are upto 80 feet above sea level & no where near Ponds, springs or water ways, which are at least 8 to 10 miles away west of our property.

#2:Objection & comments: Subject's property is a 5 acre Hobby Farm with an agriculture for goats & sheep, & Home Site that sits back 150 ft. from a paved dead end two lane road without storm sewer drains. I'm handi-caped, 84, and my wife 81 retired from Pinenellas.

#3: Objection & comments: Subject's property is a block away from the Withlacoochee State Forest & Subject's property itself has well over 100 live oak & other trees, shrubs, palms, etc. to drink up in minutes any stormwater from heavy rain storms & even Hurricane storms without ponding or run off to other properties. PLEASE NOTE: Today a very heavy Squall like rain fell for over an hour, dumping over 31/2 inches of rain on our Leisure Acres property. Thirty minutes after the rain stopped our "Sand Ridge" property was completely dried up; no ponding any where, and one would think it had never rained; And that's how our whole Leisure Acreas subdivision has done in heavy rains over the past thirty years.

#4: Final Objection & comment: I, We respectfully file our objection to this proposed STORM - WATER ASSESSMENT to my homesteaded property. It has been our opinion as citizens of these United States of America that property ownership without or with very limited control as guaranteed by our founders is a Constitutional right to it's citizens to own property free of high taxation & fees; also a tax, no matter what some smart polition or lawyer calls it... Property taxes and assessments of this nature on Homesteads, unlike a Bond or Federal Grant to a Mandated need or cause is wrong. Assessments of this kind herein doesn't and won't benefit but a limited few in the whole of Citrus County. Please assess these needs by a sales tax increase, Bond or State or Federal Grant, where all benefactor's pay. A property Tax or fee assessment is not tied to one's ability to pay! Please Ph:(352) 527-5373 & SAY NO!

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY: JAMES R. & CAROLINE H. NYBERG

James R. Nyberg & Caroline H. Nyberg

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To whom this may concern,

I'm sending you this letter because as tax payers in Citrus County we are being dragged through the mud due to someone's incompetence. Yes we did receive your propaganda pushing money laundering letter, as a (working) resident of this county I find it disgusting that you feel that it is in your best interest to send everyone a letter, exposing your crimes. This letter just confirms that you have been pulling the wool over your residents eyes, and now that you got exposed you feel like you need some money to cover up your crimes? Yes we as a county can see through the lies, and propaganda you are spewing. I saw the video of how runoff is being diverted to our waterways, and how you all knew about it and did nothing, now all of a sudden you feel that we need to pay. So now I would love to ask you what are you going to do with that almost 5 million dollars you would like to collect. Are you lining your pockets with this money? This is just so suspicious, all of a sudden you are worried about runoff into our waterways. I hope you understand that we as county residents pay your pay check, AKA: you work for us! Do you realize that the runoff you let be diverted to our waterways is polluting GODS water ways, the water that we were given, not you, We The People's water. So how about you STOP polluting our water, and we will not have to send letters or go to meetings (that are so conveniently on a Thursday at 1:00 , when you know a lot of people work or have children in school, how nice of you.) I understand that this county is having a lot of growth right now, but I don't think (no I know) that it is not right to let your residents suffer because you cannot do your job correctly. To conclude my letter I do not comply to your taxation of your residents of this wonderful county! I object to this because it is immoral.

MAY GOD BLESS

Tax Paying Citrus County Resident
David & Desiree Sapinsky
Parcel # 18E17S320020 02140 0010

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To Whom It May Concern:

RE; AK# 3321000
Parcel Tag ID 19E18S360020 000E0 0190
Hernando City Hgts PB 3 PG 111 Lots 19 & 20

I recently received notice of an increased STORMWATER SERVICE ASSESSMENT FEE being imposed this fall on my tax invoice.

I do not live on a county maintained road and don't feel I should fall under county fees for drainage issues. I do not have drainage on my street, nor do I have water or sewer services. There is not even a fire hydrant to access my home should I incur a fire. The mail does not even get delivered on my street. Many times I have been told I live on a self-maintained road. Just what does self-maintained mean? Who pays the taxes on this self-maintained road? What rights do I have if I maintain it? If any. I have asked that question many times in the almost 10 years I have lived here and no one has answered me yet. I can't get the road paved, it is not a county road. The landfill trucks come bouncing down the road and drop their trash all over the road (nails, glass, cans, etc.) causing a hardship to residents who have to retrieve this trash.

As it is now, I pay double landfill costs. I pay on my tax bill and then for my yearly permit. I also pay a substantial school tax and don't have nor did I ever have children in the Florida school system. I also pay for highway to which I never get service in my neighborhood. I realize I travel the highways and pay for highway taxes thru my fuel purchases.

All this being said, how does the county feel imposing new fees to my property is being fair. If I don't have drainage now, why should I be paying to improve drainage to other areas of the county. Do other people want to pay to have my road paved? Don't think so.

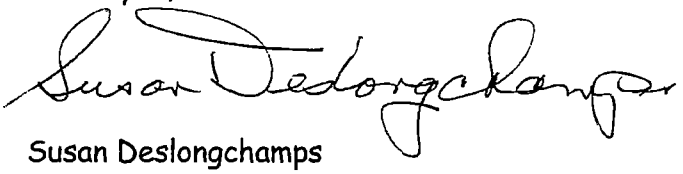
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I'm told the fee is based on the square footage of my roof. Now how silly is that? Should I be living in a tent?

I don't feel the fairness in imposing more fees on senior citizens that live on a fixed budget. I don't feel the fairness and I am certainly questioning the legality of it.

Please take my letter into consideration and exempt me from these new fees.

Thank you,



Susan Deslongchamps
4216 E. Nebraska Lane
Hernando, Fl 34442

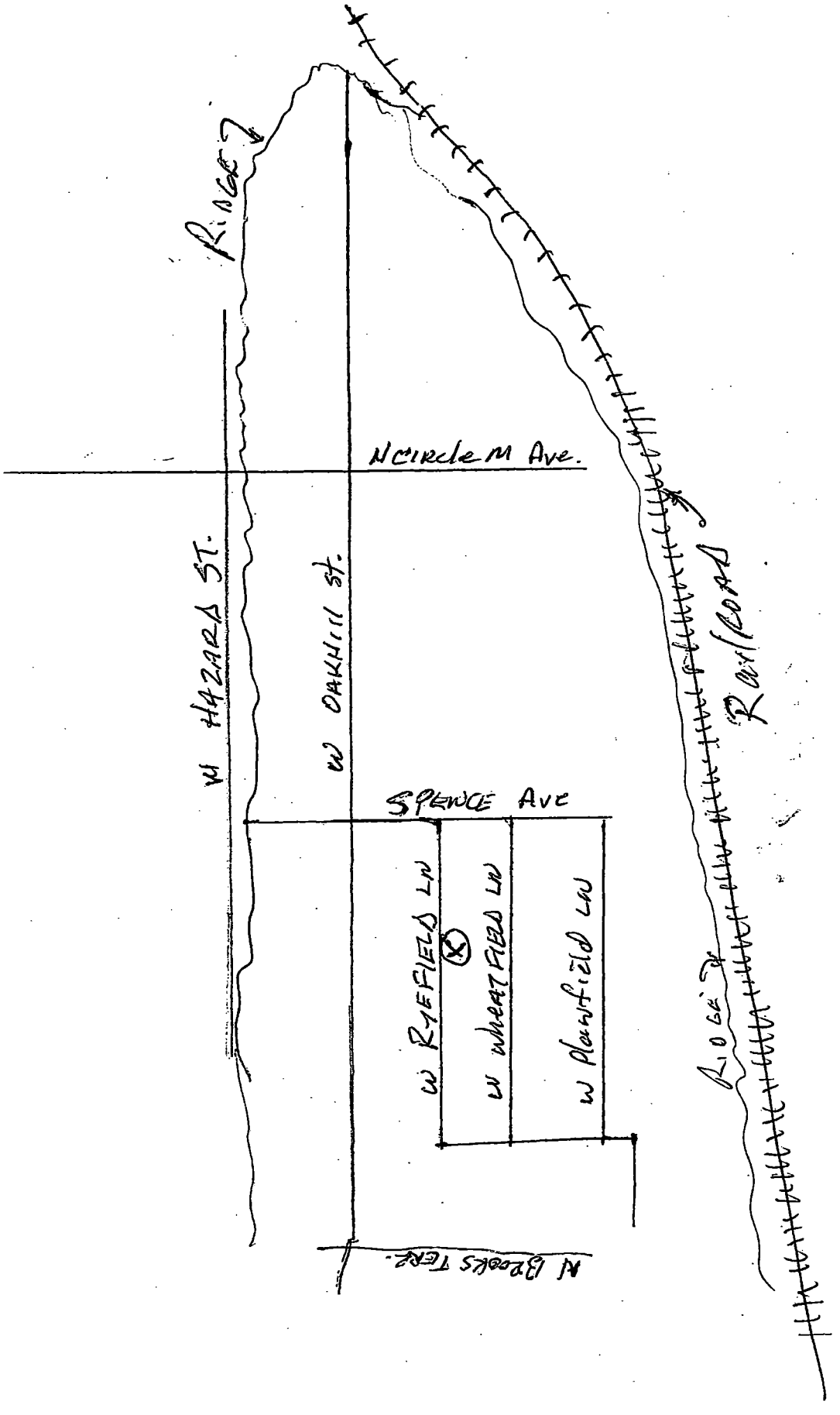
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B1- Thomas Kucej



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B1:- John Dallimore



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Lecanto, Florida 34461

CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR ADOPTION OF STORMWATER SERVICE ASSESSMENT

NOTICE DATE: AUGUST 19, 2021

DALLIMORE JOHN H
DALLIMORE GWENDOLYN S
4780 W RYEFIELD LN
DUNNELLON FL 34433-2791

Sequence #: CS-14808
AK #: 2099062
Parcel Tax ID: 18E17S08 3C000 0110
Legal: MINI FARMS UNIT 15 UNREC SUBD LOT 11 SUBJ TO EASM ACROSS N

*******NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER*******

Stormwater runoff has been identified as the major source of pollution to the estuaries, lakes, springs and streams throughout Citrus Count Florida. Federal and State stormwater permit requirements mandate that the county have a stormwater management program to reduce the lev of pollutants in stormwater runoff. The Citrus County Code of Ordinances authorizes the County to fund these stormwater management progra activities through an unincorporated Citrus County stormwater assessment. Stormwater assessments are based upon the estimated amount stormwater runoff generated by impervious surface on your property. Impervious surfaces include the rooftop, patios, driveways, parking lots ar similar areas. The county has determined that the average single family residential building footprint is 2,063 square feet in size. Adding the averag driveway brings the total impervious area to 4,182 square feet as the base ESU which is the value of one "Equivalent Stormwater Unit" or "ES Value."

Single-family residential properties are categorized into one of four ESU tiers based on the estimated amount of impervious area associated wi each parcel (computed by using the building footprint of the residence). Condominium units are charged generally by calculating the total numb of ESUs applicable to the condominium complex as a whole, then dividing that total number of ESUs by the total number of condominium residenti units on the property. For general parcels, such as commercial parcels, the number of ESUs has been calculated individually for each parcel property by dividing the impervious surface area by 4,182 square feet.

The annual Stormwater Service Assessment rate for Fiscal Year 2021-22 and for future fiscal years without further notice will be $58.84 for eac Net ESU. It is estimated that the County will collect $4,663,915 from the Stormwater Service Assessments for Fiscal Year 2021-22.

The above referenced parcel has been assigned the following ESUs and assessment amounts:

The number of ESUs on the above parcel is 1.00.

The maximum Annual Stormwater Service Assessment for the above parcel for Fiscal Year 2021-22 and future fiscal years without further notic is $58.84.

If you have any questions regarding the Stormwater Service Assessment please contact the County at 352-527-5373.

Mitigation credits may be available for a parcel that has a permitted on-site private stormwater treatment facility to improve water quality, or if th parcel does not drain off site to any part of the stormwater system over which the county has maintenance responsibility. If you apply and qualif credit for privately maintained stormwater management facilities and other factors affecting the quantity or quality of stormwater runoff will b applied, as applicable, resulting in the assignment of Net ESUs. Additionally, if you apply and qualify, certain Agricultural Property is granted credit from payment of Stormwater Service Assessments pursuant to state law.

The Citrus County Board of County Commissioners will hold a public hearing during a Special Meeting at 1:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as th item can be heard, on September 9, 2021, in Room 100 of the Citrus County Courthouse, 110 N. Apopka Avenue, Inverness, Florida. Commen will be received on the proposed Stormwater Service Assessments, including their collection on the ad valorem tax bill. You are invited to atten and participate in the hearing. You may also file written objections with the County within twenty (20) days of the date of this notice. Please includ your name, parcel number, and the reason you object to the assessment on all written objections. Objections should be addressed as follow Citrus County BOCC, Attn: Land Section, 3600 W. Sovereign Path, Suite 205, Lecanto, Florida 34461. If you decide to appeal any decision mad by the Board of County Commissioners with respect to any matter considered at the hearing, you will need a record of the proceedings and ma need to ensure that a verbatim record is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be made.

If you have any questions regarding the Stormwater Service Assessment please contact the County at 352-527-5373.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need a special accommodation or an interpreter to participate in this proceedin please contact the County Manager's Office, 3600 W. Sovereign Path, Suite 267, Lecanto, Florida 34461, (352) 527-5210, at least two days befo the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, dial 7-1-1, 1-800-955-8771 (TTY) or 1-800-958-8770 (v), via Florida Relay Service. If you nee a Spanish Translator, please make arrangements with the County by telephone within two days of the publication notice at 352-527-5370. necesita un traductor de español por favor haga arreglos con el Condado dentro de los dos dias de la notificatión de la publicación a 352-52 5370.

Because the Stormwater Service Assessment will be collected by the Tax Collector of Citrus County, pursuant to Chapter 197, Florida Statute failure to pay the Stormwater Service Assessment will cause a tax certificate to be issued against the assessed property, which may result in a los of title to your property.

If you have any questions regarding the number of ESUs assigned to your property or the amount of the Stormwater Service Assessmen please contact the County at 352-527-5373.

If you believe you may qualify for a mitigation credit for a privately maintained stormwater management facility or you believe you Agricultural Property is exempt from the Stormwater Service Assessment, please contact the County at 352-527-5373 or to file a cred application, go to https://www.citrusbocc/stormwater.

*******THIS IS NOT A BILL*******

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B1- Thomas Venable For Record SUBMISSION

Thomas & Christine Venable
3 Oxhorn Ct. West
Homosassa, FL 34446

Subject: Proposed highway storm sewer tax is not fairly assessed

Dear: County Commissioners

My name is Thomas Venable. I retired to Citrus County in 2004. I graduated from Lehigh Univ. with a degree in geology. I have been a member of the Geological Society of America and the American Meteorological Society.

The proposed storm sewer tax does not accurately represent the current situation pertaining to sewers and water pollution in Citrus County. The generalized statements from state and federal agencies about water pollution from storm sewers do not apply here (except in incorporated cities of Inverness and Crystal River). The pretense for the tax is mislabeled. It is not a pollution prevention tax for almost all of Citrus County. Little, if any, water from storms enters waterways. There are no rivers or streams in the county's interior to conduct water there. Water from the county's interior does not enter rivers or the Gulf.

What you are proposing is a highway tax...period. Farmers and others who ask for exemption based on runoff should also have to pay their fair share of the county's maintenance. It is probably not a fair tax to assess on a millage basis, especially for the farmers. It should be a flat tax given evenly to all households, or based on the number of road vehicles or tonnage each household owns, excluding farming machines. I am not opposed to an equitably calculated highway tax for all households. **Runoff calculations do not equate to highway usage. If the gas tax is gone, calculate its replacement in a fairer way.**

Let's step back and look at the big picture. This will be boring to some but has important scientific information that all here should hear.

Little, if any, water from County owned storm sewers enter waterways. Water from the county's interior does not enters rivers or the Gulf. There are no rivers or streams in the county's interior to conduct water away.

County areas that do not discharge waters into rivers or the gulf include: The area inside the county's southern border, east of US Rt. 19, south of Dunnellon Road (CR 488), south of Withlacoochee Trail (CR 39), west of Rt. 200 and west of US Rt 41. Our highly sandy soils and topography do not allow this to happen. That is almost all of the unincorporated County area.

Also, almost all the developments that I have looked at have storm water self-containment systems using either or both natural depression features or man-made retaining bowls. What I am about to describe could be easily verified in the Records Office using the development plans. The development plans, including retaining systems, were accepted by Citrus County before the developments were constructed. There are no County storm sewer systems present. The continuity of how this is done (required and approved) points to an early understanding of a need for an alternative to a County wide storm system. This is accomplished by developments' storm systems not discharging off of their development or into open ended waterways. It also indicates an understanding of how the sandy soils and the topography help solve this problem. Major developments would qualify for exemption. Their application for exemption was basically completed when drainage plans to be compliant were accepted. That leaves few properties to pay the amount mentioned in the notice.

Sugarmill Woods' Villages (Cypress, Oak and Southern Woods), Citrus Hills, Pine Ridge, Citrus Springs, Beverly Hills, Hills of Avalon, Crystal Oaks (curbed), Meadowcrest ?Fairmont Village? (some curbed), Inverness Highlands

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West (for some places uses Lake Inverness, a closed system), Inverness Highlands North (also uses the closed Lake Nina), and many more developments have similar rain runoff retainment systems. Some are more obvious because the grounds are open. Less obvious forested areas are also used for their natural depression collection basins (usually not good building sites).

I will use Sugarmill Woods Cypress Village where I reside as an illustration. I have examined almost all of it for the storm water containment system's features. It is basically the same as used in other developments although more hidden by the major use of the forested greenbelts. The greenbelts are jointly owned by the residents.

There is no County storm sewer system. No water goes to any river or stream system that goes to the Gulf. There is no curbing along the streets. Any runoff water is drained with shallow "V ditches" by the roads in the right-of-ways. Driveways follow the contours of the road drainage ditches. This allows driveway rain waters to follow the ditch system. Roads continue their drainage with culverts under cul-de-sacs, as needed. Little water is from the household lots due to absorption; it is almost all road runoff.

Most of the drainage ditches do not have significant storm flow since water is quickly absorbed into the sandy soil. When needed, usually at road low points, excess water is sent into topographic depressions for retention and absorption. These depressions are usually in the greenbelts. When needed, local road water is collected with storm system intakes to redirect water to the opposite side of the road or directly into the system's collection depression. Occasionally smaller drainages are run from a road to the collection area between two houses along the utility easement. Generally, water is diverted to a local collection area within about a ¼ mile. It does not progress to the lower western region.

The forested greenbelts run around the individual cul-de-sacs (behind the houses). The cul-de-sacs end in a large circle that has a forested area inside the circle. Low points on circles usually drain directly to a local depression (contour dependent).

The golf course of SMW Country Club was designed to pass through many low collection areas. These collection areas are more visually obvious than those in the greenbelts. Some enhancement collection areas were apparently added when the golf course was built.

The topography of Sugarmill Woods is irregular with a mixture of hills and depressions. It is highest in the north east region (about 110 feet MSL). General drainages are to the south or west. An elevation difference of 20 to over 30 feet is typical from the top of cul-de-sacs to the bottom of adjacent depressions, in the eastern regions. This decreases to about 5 feet on the western edges.

Along the eastern side it drains west then south along Corkwood Blvd. On the longer cul-de-sacs most storm water is directed into a local greenbelt depression collector before reaching Corkwood.

No water exits on the southern boundary of W. Oak Park Blvd. since it is higher than SMW. Greenbelt depressions are used at the SMW roads' low points before Oak Park. Water may enter from Oak Park.

The western most area is low lying about 10 to 15 Feet MSL and relatively flat.

- North of Cypress Blvd: East of Douglas St. is drains east into the SMW CC Cypress golf course which has some closed ponds. Some western ends of cul-de-sac circles on the western edge are drained into swampy greenbelt areas about 6'- 10' MSL. These do not reach Rt 19 about 13' MSL.
- South of Cypress Blvd. the western most cul-de-sac circles eventually drain to a couple closed ponds and swamps in the local greenbelt (about 6'-10'MSL). These do not reach Rt 19.

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On Sept 1, 2021 a storm of about 3 1/2 Inches in about four hours at my house (about 70 feet MSL) had a nil runoff. It formed a puddle in the V ditch by the culvert under Oxhorn West at Corkwood (about 66' MSL). The puddle was gone (absorbed) less than an hour after the heavy rain stopped. The waters on the western side of Corkwood (including the waters coming down and my cul-de-sac (Oxhorn Ct. West - high about 80' MSL) did not even reach the greenbelt depression directly behind my house (drainage entrance on Corkwood about 62'MSL and a low about 56' MSL). Puddles never seen there. Excess flow along Corkwood's ditches never observed.

This rain event does not agree with the National Weather Service's (NWS) official recorded rain in Inverness for that day. Rain duplication in two locations cannot be expected. But the official NWS Inverness records do show that this year is a heavy rain year with 56.7 Inches Year-To-Date compared to the normal YTD of 39.6 inches. This is approaching the Record High YTD rain of 63.48" in 1960 for Inverness. For August 2021 alone total rain of 14.2" far exceeds the normal August amount of 8.7". Heavier rains happened this summer. At the end of May, the YTD total rain was 3.67 inches less that the normal. With the heavy rain of 2021, the collection areas work. Farmer ponds, interior lakes, and many 2 lane County road side ditches and mall retaining systems show the waters are high now.

The few places that may have pollution contribution are along the Gulf rivers and Withlacoochee River system. To the west of US Rt 19 obvious places that may pollute waterways, either by proximity or canals, in the unincorporated County include: Chassahowitzka, Old Homosassa, West Halls River Road, River Haven Village, Ozello Trail, Fort Island Trail, Dixie shores. But even these are not County sewer related. I do not think the County is intending to change such places.

In incorporated Crystal River I have seen where a storm sewer system discharges into Kings Bay, the natural drainage place. I could not verify where the storm sewers for incorporated Inverness discharge. But I do believe that they discharge into the Withlacoochee system.

Enough technical talk - - Back to the tax.
The unfairness of the proposed new tax is that most residents' properties in Citrus County should qualify for exemption. Having only farmers be exempt excludes them from paying their fair share of County highway maintenance. That is the stated purposes for the tax. The gas tax was not perfect but generally fair. The only County storm sewers that I am aware of are associated with highways. It is just a highway tax. All of the expenditures mentioned on the notice including Storm Sewer are for highway service not for pollution. The county's four lane highways with curbs and drains such as Lecanto Highway, Rt44, Norval Bryant have many specific rain water collection/holding areas. They use natural or man-made closed holding areas. The highways' runoffs are kept local.

The tax is a highway tax. It is not a tax for a pollution prevention from storm sewer discharge into waterways. It should be evenly shared based on road usages. It should not be calculated based on a runoff formula. There is no storm runoff in almost all of the unincorporated areas of Citrus County. I foresee only the highway storm sewer project for US Rt 19's expansion to 6 lanes. This is probably increasing the runoff by more than 50% because absorption into the soil is greatly reduced. That issue is not from people's properties. We know that that project is currently a disaster.

Stop the mumbo jumbo about organizational renames to impose a mislabeled and not equitable tax.

Sincerely yours,

Thomas C. Venable

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Typical SMW greenbelt drainage collection path & culvert release (gray) from across street



Intake diverter to greenbelt collection/retainment (styles & sizes vary)



Collection path with release from across street.



Example of added man-made retention on golf course... rarely puddles.



Example of golf course low points used for drainage / holding...Never puddles. = How greenbelt depressions might look cleared.

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Note1:
The Rain this year is worse than the above-mentioned record year 1960 for rain in the three summer months of June - August. May 2021 was a drought. However, since June the rains of 2021 surpassed the 1960 amount for June through August by 10 inches. June - Aug : 2021 = 45.63" ..... 1960 = 35.43". (Inverness official) Believe the summer rains at my house were more than Inverness. There were rains of over 10" in a couple days - - cannot give specific dates.

I have heard that the County is pumping waters from Rt. 19 into the swamps near the Cypress Blvd. W. entrance to Sugarmill Woods. Even if a 100-year storm causes water to pass to the west of Rt 19, it will not reach any open water system. It will be absorbed into the soils before such would happen about 3 miles away. The safety issues of a 100-year storm mostly relate to downstream flooding along the streams or rivers. There are no such features here. There are no channels to block with debris to exacerbate high waters, back-up or flow. There is no fast stream water flow.

I have also experienced a 100-year storm at my community in Ohio. Little damage away from main rivers.

I have also investigated dam failures in Pennsylvania.

Drainage areas for Sugarmill Woods are quite small due to the depression catchment topography that is being used by storm system. Using the total development area from a map area for flooding calculations is not correct. Observation is always better than calculation.

Never see significant flow along Corkwood's ditches. Cannot recall any others either. But do not drive the steeper streets. There is flow down the street (not much ditches) down Oxhorn CT. W. in front of my house. But flow stops at Corkwood. Never see catchments or regular surfaces on the golf course Oak and Pine even puddle except for one poor draining deep hole. (It may be a sink hole or have a swamp muck bottom soil or been intentionally built to not drain well). Exceptions are on Cypress course at two locations. These are near the closed lakes (near Douglas St.) and the cypress tree swamp by Golfview Dr.. Poorer draining soil or less relief may contribute.

Do not have exact elevations for houses closest to Rt. 19 (all raised) or Rt. 19 itself, but flooding of housing is not likely unless Rt. 19 is raised to a higher level and becomes local dam. Even if that happens, minimal flooding would be by a very slow back-up not a sweeping flow and crest built-up of water levels of a big creek or river.

Happy to discuss issues with county engineers.

Note 2: Breen and Richtop roads are not part of SMW. It is not clear if the drainage to collection areas were planned. But the paved roads of Breen do have the V ditches. Storm waters would not go anywhere else.

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Almanac for INVERNESS 3 SE, FL
September 4, 2021

Daily Data	Observed	Normal	Record Highest	Record Lowest
Max Temperature	M	90	97 in 1999	82 in 1979
Min Temperature	M	71	78 in 1953	66 in 1997
Avg Temperature	M	80.1	85.5 in 2015	76.0 in 1909
Precipitation	M	0.20	1.59 in 1980	0.00 in 2020
Snowfall	M	0.0	0.0 in 2010	0.0 in 2010
Snow Depth	M	-	0 in 2010	0 in 2010
HDD (base 65)	M	0	0 in 2020	0 in 2020
CDD (base 65)	M	15	21 in 2015	11 in 1909
Month-to-Date Summary	**Observed**	**Normal**	**Record Highest**	**Record Lowest**
Avg Max Temperature	M	89.8	95.3 in 2014	82.8 in 2016
Avg Min Temperature	M	70.6	76.5 in 2019	66.0 in 1997
Avg Temperature	M	80.2	83.9 in 2019	77.8 in 1985
Total Precipitation	M	0.87	4.23 in 2016	0.00 in 2012
Total Snowfall	M	0.0	0.0 in 2010	0.0 in 2010
Max Snow Depth	M	-	0 in 2010	0 in 2010
Total HDD (base 65)	M	0	0 in 2020	0 in 2020
Total CDD (base 65)	M	61	76 in 2019	41 in 1923
Year-to-Date Summary	**Observed**	**Normal**	**Record Highest**	**Record Lowest**
Avg Max Temperature	84.6	82.6	92.4 in 1928	76.9 in 1927
Avg Min Temperature	60.2	58.5	71.2 in 1948	50.0 in 1927
Avg Temperature	72.4	70.6	81.2 in 1928	63.4 in 1927
Total Precipitation	56.69	40.22	64.49 in 1960	2.80 in 1927
Total Snowfall (since July 1)	M	0.0	T in 1955	0.0 in 2010
Max Snow Depth (since July 1)	M	-	0 in 2010	0 in 2010
Total HDD (since July 1)	0	0	0 in 2021	0 in 2021
Total CDD (since Jan 1)	2311	2047	2670 in 2020	159 in 1927

Compare to another year

Period of Record:
- Max Temperature : 1899-02-01 to 2021-08-27
- Min Temperature : 1899-02-01 to 2021-08-27
- Precipitation : 1899-02-01 to 2021-08-27
- Snowfall : 1930-12-13 to 2010-12-31
- Snow Depth : 1948-07-01 to 2010-12-31

56.69" YTD Sept 4, 2021
- 11.06" May 31, 2021
45.63"

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Almanac for INVERNESS 3 SE, FL
September 4, 1960

Daily Data	Observed	Normal	Record Highest	Record Lowest
Max Temperature	89	90	97 in 1999	82 in 1979
Min Temperature	71	71	78 in 1953	66 in 1997
Avg Temperature	80.0	80.1	85.5 in 2015	76.0 in 1909
Precipitation	0.08	0.20	1.59 in 1980	0.00 in 2020
Snowfall	0.0	0.0	0.0 in 2010	0.0 in 2010
Snow Depth	0	-	0 in 2010	0 in 2010
HDD (base 65)	0	0	0 in 2020	0 in 2020
CDD (base 65)	15	15	21 in 2015	11 in 1909
Month-to-Date Summary	**Observed**	**Normal**	**Record Highest**	**Record Lowest**
Avg Max Temperature	88.5	89.8	95.3 in 2014	82.8 in 2016
Avg Min Temperature	72.8	70.6	76.5 in 2019	66.0 in 1997
Avg Temperature	80.6	80.2	83.9 in 2019	77.8 in 1985
Total Precipitation	1.10	0.87	4.23 in 2016	0.00 in 2012
Total Snowfall	0.0	0.0	0.0 in 2010	0.0 in 2010
Max Snow Depth	0	-	0 in 2010	0 in 2010
Total HDD (base 65)	0	0	0 in 2020	0 in 2020
Total CDD (base 65)	64	61	76 in 2019	41 in 1923
Year-to-Date Summary	**Observed**	**Normal**	**Record Highest**	**Record Lowest**
Avg Max Temperature	82.2	82.6	92.4 in 1928	76.9 in 1927
Avg Min Temperature	60.5	58.5	71.2 in 1948	50.0 in 1927
Avg Temperature	71.3	70.5	81.2 in 1928	63.4 in 1927
Total Precipitation	64.49	40.22	64.49 in 1960	2.80 in 1927
Total Snowfall (since July 1)	0.0	0.0	T in 1955	0.0 in 2010
Max Snow Depth (since July 1)	0	-	0 in 2010	0 in 2010
Total HDD (since July 1)	0	0	0 in 2021	0 in 2021
Total CDD (since Jan 1)	2221	2048	2670 in 2020	159 in 1927

Compare to another year

Period of Record:
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- Min Temperature : 1899-02-01 to 2021-08-27
- Precipitation : 1899-02-01 to 2021-08-27
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64.49 Sept YTD
- 29.06 June YTD
35.43" June - Sept

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Almanac for INVERNESS 3 SE, FL
May 31, 2021

Daily Data	Observed	Normal	Record Highest	Record Lowest
Max Temperature	95	90	97 in 2011	75 in 1984
Min Temperature	65	66	73 in 1969	48 in 1984
Avg Temperature	80.0	77.9	84.0 in 2019	61.5 in 1984
Precipitation	0.00	0.17	2.74 in 1954	0.00 in 2021
Snowfall	M	0.0	0.0 in 2010	0.0 in 2010
Snow Depth	M	-	0 in 2010	0 in 2010
HDD (base 65)	0	0	3 in 1984	0 in 2021
CDD (base 65)	15	13	19 in 2019	0 in 1984
Month-to-Date Summary	**Observed**	**Normal**	**Record Highest**	**Record Lowest**
Avg Max Temperature	90.5	87.9	93.0 in 2011	79.5 in 1923
Avg Min Temperature	62.9	61.8	68.7 in 1905	58.0 in 1992
Avg Temperature	76.7	74.9	80.0 in 1953	71.6 in 1923
Total Precipitation	0.29	3.09	11.97 in 1976	0.04 in 2008
Total Snowfall	M	0.0	0.0 in 2010	0.0 in 2010
Max Snow Depth	M	-	0 in 2010	0 in 2010
Total HDD (base 65)	0	3	22 in 1992	0 in 2021
Total CDD (base 65)	367	308	473 in 1953	146 in 1907
Year-to-Date Summary	**Observed**	**Normal**	**Record Highest**	**Record Lowest**
Avg Max Temperature	80.7	77.7	86.6 in 1915	74.2 in 1901
Avg Min Temperature	52.5	50.9	64.8 in 1915	47.6 in 1988
Avg Temperature	66.6	64.3	75.7 in 1915	61.6 in 2010
Total Precipitation	11.06	14.73	30.47 in 1959	2.80 in 1927
Total Snowfall (since July 1)	M	0.0	T in 1956	0.0 in 2010
Max Snow Depth (since July 1)	M	-	0 in 2010	0 in 2010
Total HDD (since July 1)	773	1012	1436 in 1902	0 in 1926
Total CDD (since Jan 1)	779	570	990 in 1929	159 in 1927

Compare to another year

Period of Record:

- Max Temperature : 1899-02-01 to 2021-08-27
- Min Temperature : 1899-02-01 to 2021-08-27
- Precipitation : 1899-02-01 to 2021-08-27
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Almanac for INVERNESS 3 SE, FL
June 1, 1960

Daily Data	Observed	Normal	Record Highest	Record Lowest
Max Temperature	93	90	99 in 2019	76 in 1901
Min Temperature	66	66	74 in 1954	52 in 1984
Avg Temperature	79.5	78.0	86.0 in 2019	67.0 in 1984
Precipitation	0.00	0.22	2.90 in 1923	0.00 in 2021
Snowfall	0.0	0.0	0.0 in 2010	0.0 in 2010
Snow Depth	0	-	0 in 2010	0 in 2010
HDD (base 65)	0	0	0 in 2021	0 in 2021
CDD (base 65)	15	13	21 in 2019	2 in 1984
Month-to-Date Summary	**Observed**	**Normal**	**Record Highest**	**Record Lowest**
Avg Max Temperature	93.0	89.7	99.0 in 2019	76.0 in 1901
Avg Min Temperature	66.0	66.4	74.0 in 1954	52.0 in 1984
Avg Temperature	79.5	78.0	86.0 in 2019	67.0 in 1984
Total Precipitation	0.00	0.22	2.90 in 1923	0.00 in 2021
Total Snowfall	0.0	0.0	0.0 in 2010	0.0 in 2010
Max Snow Depth	0	-	0 in 2010	0 in 2010
Total HDD (base 65)	0	0	0 in 2021	0 in 2021
Total CDD (base 65)	15	13	21 in 2019	2 in 1984
Year-to-Date Summary	**Observed**	**Normal**	**Record Highest**	**Record Lowest**
Avg Max Temperature	76.9	77.8	86.4 in 1915	74.2 in 1901
Avg Min Temperature	53.5	51.0	64.8 in 1915	47.7 in 1988
Avg Temperature	65.2	64.4	75.6 in 1915	61.7 in 2010
Total Precipitation	29.06	14.95	31.48 in 1959	2.80 in 1927
Total Snowfall (since July 1)	0.0	0.0	T in 1956	0.0 in 2010
Max Snow Depth (since July 1)	0	-	0 in 2010	0 in 2010
Total HDD (since July 1)	879	1018	1436 in 1902	0 in 1926
Total CDD (since Jan 1)	682	585	1003 in 1929	159 in 1927

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B1- George Prescott

EPA
United States Environmental Protection Agency

EPA 841-F-03-003

Protecting Water Quality *from* URBAN RUNOFF

Clean Water Is Everybody's Business

In urban and suburban areas, much of the land surface is covered by buildings and pavement, which do not allow rain and snowmelt to soak into the ground. Instead, most developed areas rely on storm drains to carry large amounts of runoff from roofs and paved areas to nearby waterways. The stormwater runoff carries pollutants such as oil, dirt, chemicals, and lawn fertilizers directly to streams and rivers, where they seriously harm water quality. To protect surface water quality and groundwater resources, development should be designed and built to minimize increases in runoff.

The most recent National Water Quality Inventory reports that runoff from urbanized areas is the leading source of water quality impairments to surveyed estuaries and the third-largest source of impairments to surveyed lakes.

Did you know that because of impervious surfaces like pavement and rooftops, a typical city block generates more than 5 times more runoff than a woodland area of the same size?

How Urbanized Areas Affect Water Quality

Increased Runoff

The porous and varied terrain of natural landscapes like forests, wetlands, and grasslands traps rainwater and snowmelt and allows them to filter slowly into the ground. In contrast, impervious (nonporous) surfaces like roads, parking lots, and rooftops prevent rain and snowmelt from infiltrating, or soaking, into the ground. Most of the rainfall and snowmelt remains above the surface, where it runs off rapidly in unnaturally large amounts.

Storm sewer systems concentrate runoff into smooth, straight conduits. This runoff gathers speed and erosional power as it travels underground. When this runoff leaves the storm drains and empties into a stream, its excessive volume and power blast out streambanks, damaging streamside vegetation and wiping out aquatic habitat. These increased storm flows carry sediment loads from construction sites and other denuded surfaces and eroded streambanks. They often carry higher water temperatures from streets, roof tops, and parking lots, which are harmful to the health and reproduction of aquatic life.

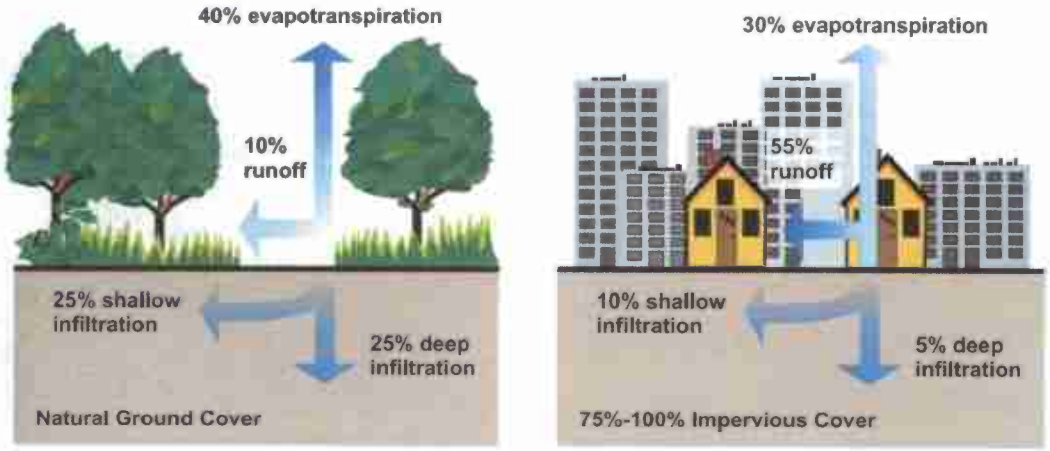
The loss of infiltration from urbanization may also cause profou groundwater changes. Although urbanization leads to great increase in flooding during and immediatel after wet weather, in many instanc it results in lower stream flows during dry weather. Many native fi and other aquatic life cannot surviv when these conditions prevail.

Increased Pollutant Load

Urbanization increases the variety and amount of pollutants carried into streams, rivers, and lakes. The pollutants include:

- Sediment
- Oil, grease, and toxic chemicals from motor vehicles
- Pesticides and nutrients from lawns and gardens
- Viruses, bacteria, and nutrients from pet waste and failing septic systems
- Road salts
- Heavy metals from roof shingles motor vehicles, and other source
- Thermal pollution from dark impervious surfaces such as stree and rooftops

These pollutants can harm fish anc wildlife populations, kill native vegetation, foul drinking water supplies, and make recreational are unsafe and unpleasant.



Relationship between impervious cover and surface runoff. Impervious cover in a watershed results in increased surface ruunoff. As little as 10 percent impervious cover in a watershed can result in stream degradation.

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Managing Urban Runoff

What Homeowners Can Do

To decrease polluted runoff from paved surfaces, households can develop alternatives to areas traditionally covered by impervious surfaces. Porous pavement materials are available for driveways and sidewalks, and native vegetation and mulch can replace high maintenance grass lawns. Homeowners can use fertilizers sparingly and sweep driveways, sidewalks, and roads instead of using a hose. Instead of disposing of yard waste, they can use the materials to start a compost pile. And homeowners can learn to use Integrated Pest Management (IPM) to reduce dependence on harmful pesticides.

In addition, households can prevent polluted runoff by picking up after pets and using, storing, and disposing of chemicals properly. Drivers should check their cars for leaks and recycle their motor oil and antifreeze when these fluids are changed. Drivers can also avoid impacts from car wash runoff (e.g., detergents, grime, etc.) by using car wash facilities that do not generate runoff. Households served by septic systems should have them professionally inspected and pumped every 3 to 5 years. They should also practice water conservation measures to extend the life of their septic systems.

Controlling Impacts from New Development

Developers and city planners should attempt to control the volume of runoff from new development by using low impact development, structural controls, and pollution prevention strategies. Low impact development includes measures that conserve natural areas (particularly sensitive hydrologic areas like riparian buffers and infiltrable soils); reduce development impacts; and reduce site runoff rates by maximizing surface roughness, infiltration opportunities, and flow paths.

Controlling Impacts from Existing Development

Controlling runoff from existing urban areas is often more costly than controlling runoff from new developments. Economic efficiencies are often realized through approaches that target "hot spots" of runoff pollution or have multiple benefits, such as high-efficiency street sweeping (which addresses aesthetics, road safety, and water quality). Urban planners and others responsible for managing urban and suburban areas can first identify and implement pollution prevention strategies and examine source control opportunities. They should seek out priority pollutant reduction opportunities, then protect natural areas that help control runoff, and finally begin ecological restoration and retrofit activities to clean up degraded wa bodies. Local governments are encourage to take lead roles in public education efforts through public signage, storm drai marking, pollution prevention outreach campaigns, and partnerships with citizen groups and businesses. Citizens can help prioritize the clean-up strategies, volunte to become involved in restoration efforts, and mark storm drains with approved "dc dump" messages.



Related Publications

Turn Your Home into a Stormwater Pollution Solution!
www.epa.gov/nps

This web site links to an EPA homeowner's guide to healthy habits for clean water that provides tips for better vehicle and garage care, lawn and garden techniques, home improvement, pet care, and more.

National Management Measures to Control Nonpoint Source Pollution from Urban Areas
www.epa.gov/owow/nps/urbanmm

This technical guidance and reference document is useful to local, state, and tribal managers in implementing management programs for polluted runoff. Contains information on the best available, economically achievable means of reducing pollution of surface waters and groundwater from urban areas.

Onsite Wastewater Treatment System Resources
www.epa.gov/owm/onsite

This web site contains the latest brochures and other resources from EPA for managing onsite wastewater treatment systems (OWTS) such as conventional septic systems and alternative decentralized systems. These resources provide basic information to help individual homeowners, as well as detailed, up-to-date technical guidance of interest to local and state health departments.

Low Impact Development Center
www.lowimpactdevelopment.org

This center provides information on protecting the environmen and water resources through integrated site design techniques th are intended to replicate preexisting hydrologic site conditions.

Stormwater Manager's Resource Center (SMRC)
www.stormwatercenter.net

Created and maintained by the Center for Watershed Protectio this resource center is designed specifically for stormwater practitioners, local government officials, and others that need technical assistance on stormwater management issues.

Strategies: Community Responses to Runoff Pollution
www.nrdc.org/water/pollution/storm/stoinx.asp

The Natural Resources Defense Council developed this inter-active web document to explore some of the most effective strategies that communities are using around the nation to control urban runoff pollution. The document is also available i print form and as an interactive CD-ROM.

For More Information

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Nonpoint Source Control Branch (4503T)
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20460
www.epa.gov/nps

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Arrowhead th CITIZENS ASSOCIATION, INC.

www.acahernando.com

Respectfully

As president of the Arrowhead I am authorized to speak before any meetings in the behalf of our community,

FRANK PAPCIN

PRESIDENT –
ARROWHEAD ITIZENS ASSOCIATION NC.
6828 E. TURKEY TRAIL DRIVE
HERNANDO FLORIDA 34442

SEP 9'21 12:26PM

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BY Frank Papcin

SHERIFF
MIKE PRENDERGAST

CITRUS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
A Nationally Accredited Law Enforcement Agency

AGENT AGREEMENT

We, the undersigned property owner(s), being fully aware of our legal and constitutional property rights, do individually and collectively appoint the deputies of the Citrus County Sheriff's Office, as our agents for the following purposes:

1. To have free access to each of our properties in order to seek out and arrest those individuals who may be trespassing thereon or otherwise engaged in illegal activities; and

2. To perform such other duties on our property as they may be directed to do in their capacity as deputy sheriffs.

Made this 8 day of 13, 2020.

Arrowhead sub division — Hernando — 34442
Physical Address of Property — City — State — Zip Code

FRANK PAPCIN
Name of Property Owner

ALL Roads The Entire sub division
Owners Address

757-509-1579
Owners Phone Number

Frank Papcin
Signature

Name of Additional Property Owner

Owners Address

Owners Phone Number

Signature

** MUST BE NOTARIZED **

Before me personally appeared FRANK J PAPCIN 10-11-91 who says that he/she executed the above instrument of his/her own free will and accord, with full knowledge of the purpose therefore.

Sworn and subscribed in my presence this 13th day of Aug, 20 20. My commission expires on _____, 20____.

☐ Personally Known – or – ☑ Produced Identification

Type of Identification Produced: FL DL

1546
Notary Public or Law Enforcement Officer

NOTE: Use the back of this form for any specific instructions you may have in regard to your property or draw a diagram of your property.

Instructions for Submission to the Sheriff's Office

1. Fill in all information.
2. Sign the form and have it notarized by a notary public or certified law enforcement officer.
3. Make a copy for your records
4. Mail the original form along with proof of ownership (example: copy of property record card, deed).
5. Attach any maps or diagrams if they are available
6. Mail all information to:

Citrus County Sheriff's Office
ATTN: Agent Agreement Coordinator
1 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue
Inverness, FL 34450

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Arrowhead Citizens Association
6828 East Turkey Trail
Hernando, FL 34442

As we close 2019 I, Frank Papcin, standing President of the Arrowhead Community Association, am writing to you to share what we have funded this year and ask for your support in the coming year. This letter is also to remind current residents and inform new residents of the existence of the Arrowhead Citizens Association.

As you may or may not know, all the work done on the roads in the community is a Volunteer work force. All roads and side easements are owned and maintained by the Association which includes both renters and owners. Your neighbors are selflessly donating their time and equipment to insure the roads are maintained for your usage. Also this endeavor is funded by the dues paid by a small 25% percent of the actual property owners. We need to constantly strive toward repairing all the roads in the community. This past year we have spent $6,300.00 on road materials. This year we have been lucky though as the seasonal rains have been less. Even so, thankfully, people we like to call Road Champions stepped up to the task and donated thousands of dollars in purchasing dirt and rock above the amount we spent all the dues money on, less insurance, taxes and electric costs associated with the clubhouse. Thank you Road Champions! We appreciate your work and support!

As with everything in life the cost of materials and the cost of delivering the dirt and rock has increased. Going forward, in order to meet these demands the dues have had to increase. The new annual dues are $100, less than $10 a month. These dues are billed and payable January 1st of each year.

In the future we would like to also make improvements to the club house and host more events, but without more community support this is near impossible. If you do not pay dues please share with us your reasons and concerns. If you drive on the roads, it is your civic duty to contribute to the maintenance of the roads. We do have a Facebook page, Arrowhead Community Association, where we can connect and share information, please join!

Remember also, it is everyone's responsibility to maintain the road-side of their property clear of vegetation and debris to ensure that the ditches are clear to allow water to run off the roads.

Please attend our quarterly meetings when possible so that you can understand and see what is going on with our community. All meetings and events will be posted on the ACA community bulletin board.

When sending in your dues or any communication please include your current property address, your current mailing address, your email (so we may transition more to free email communication) and your current phone number.

In closing myself and the board of Arrowhead Community Association would like to wish you the best for 2020. If you have any questions or concerns you can call any of the following officers:
Frank Papcin- President 757-509-1579
Sarah Morelock- Treasurer 352-341-5914
Dan Macmurphy- Road Chairman 727-547-9001

Sincerely,

Frank Papcin

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COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
respectfully:

My name is FRANK PAPCIN, president of the ARROWHEAD CITIZENS ASSOCIATION representing over 400 homes that you have ignored for years, other than collect our taxes which are just as high as many other locations in our county that has paved roads & drainage something you plan on increasing for us & everyone else in the county
THE PROBLEM BEING -- we do not get any of those services-- taxation without representation? or tangible benefits.-- only the privilege of living in this county? one of the commissioners said we would not get this tax increase-- BUT I watched & heard an other say specifically that ARROWHEAD WOULD BE TAXED THE SAME? -- claiming that if 1 part of the county benefits than all of the county benefits-- which we know is not true.-- so far the only help we got was from Fema & the American Red Cross, when we were flooded, without any means of getting in or out-- no emergency vehicles could even get to some of the flooded areas in our neighborhood -- even when a large tree fell across the paved portion leading to our association, it took the effort of our neighbors to cut up & move that tree out of the only way in or out of Arrowhead .

You people just got 29 million $ for exactly what we need--(roads & drainage) of which NOT A PENNY IS COMING TO OUR AREA, but you still plan on raising our taxes so the federal government will give you that 29 million. YOU know that any water you add to the rives or streams will effect us negatively , with with more flooding or more prevention of our area being able to drain properly. -- but you don't care about us – to the point that you allow people to move into our area, fill wet lands in, so they can put in their homes, just so you can collect more taxes from an area of the county, that you don't have to do a thing for.-- But their filling of WET LANDS, changes the natural flow of water trying to drain

One of these pictures I provide shows a field used for grazing cattle that was flooded 2 years ago & is still flooded, even after the dry season we just had.. AND OUR CRY FOR HELP is met with a condition as ridiculous as you forcing us to pay for things we never get. -- BUT YOU PLAN ON DOING IT ANYWAYS. It will take 100% of the property owners to sign an agreement to pay for everything you people do for us,.someday in the future.-- WHEN DID YOU EVER GET 400 HOUSEHOLDS TO AGREE WITH ANYTHING 100%? – you never did & you never expect us to get it either, but you take federal tax money presented to you exactly for what we need, but can never get? -- As a matter of fact, because no inspector ever comes out to see what people plan to do-- matters are getting worse here, & your concerns? you plan on raising our taxes even more

IF THAT SOUNDS LIKE SOUR GRAPES, THEN i SUCCEDED IN TELLING ALL OF YOU, HOW MOST OF THE PEOPLE IN MY COMMUNITY FEELS, MOST, BUT NOT ALL, not even 100% of our community wants to solve this problem, because they never want any changes there some don't want more people moving in-- don't want paved roads-- making you fairly safe in demanding 100% conformation to any tax plan you offer-- but you have a moral obligation to do something and that's why we are here-- to get help-- any kind of help-- even a used dump truck, that runs, would help-- a discount for the material we must buy for the roads YOU never plan on fixing. WE DESERVE IT-- WE EARNED IT-you claim to represent the entire county, hen do it represent us
YOURS TRULY FRANK PAPCIN & THE ARROWHEAD COMMUNITY

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Respectfully

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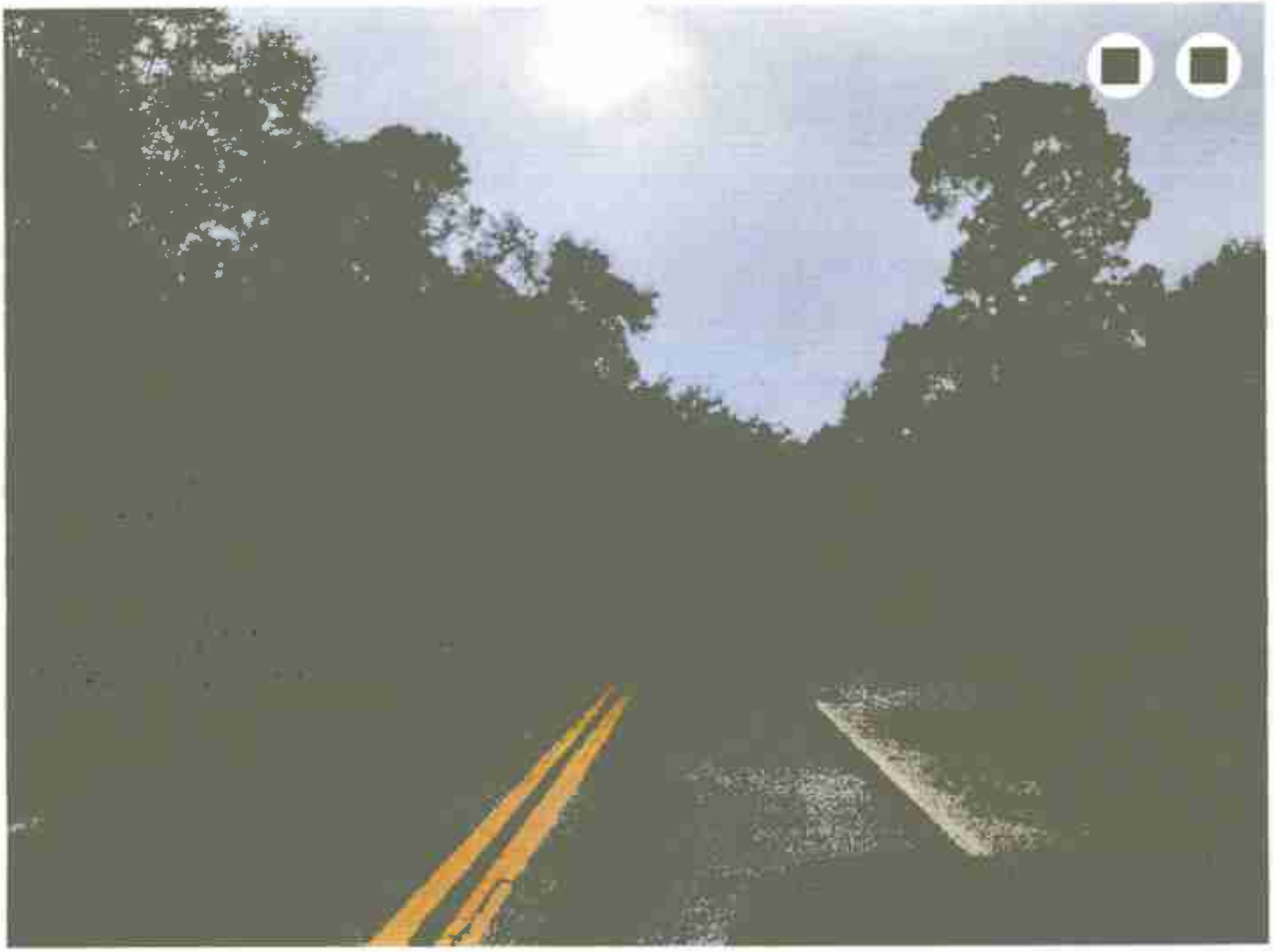
As president of the Arrowhead I am authorized to speak before any meetings in the behalf of our community,

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FRANK PAPCIN

PRESIDENT –
ARROWHEAD ITIZENS ASSOCIATION NC.
6828 E. TURKEY TRAIL DRIVE
HERNANDO FLORIDA 34442

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Misty Kelly
2m

I didnt see lines down I squeezed through with my yota. Almost got stuck tho and I wouldnt recommend it. Wher I come back I'll help.

I Asked for pictures from the last storm —

Like Comment

Tree down across the end of Road into the Association Removed by the Residents

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Jessica G Taylor
16h ·

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People that came out to clear tree on County Road

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Angela Black
11m ·

Don't go down stokes ferry rd

3 Seen by 1

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CAN YOU SEE THE POND IN THE BACK PART OF THE FLOODED FIELD

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Frank Papcin <frankpdontknow@gmail.com

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Frank Papcin <frankpdontknow@gmail.com> Sat, Aug 28, 2021 at 10:08 P
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WELCOME TO OUR ROADS THAT WE MUST USE WITHOUT ANY HELP

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Jim A. McMullen
August 6 at 6:40 AM

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in the middle of the Road

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Jim A. McMullen
Yesterday at 9:42 AM

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Write a public reply...

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Haley Jackson
Yesterday at 11:04 AM

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Like Comment

Write a public reply...

Mud CAPTURES ANOTHER PERSON

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Samantha Strickler
Yesterday at 6:21 AM

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YES THAT'S WATER COMING OUT OF THE SWAMP

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Samantha Strickler
Yesterday at 2:55 PM

Frank Papcin

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NOT ONLY WATER BUT
deep WATER

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Haley Jackson
Yesterday at 11:06 AM

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They got out

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Samantha Strickler
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coming out from the swamp

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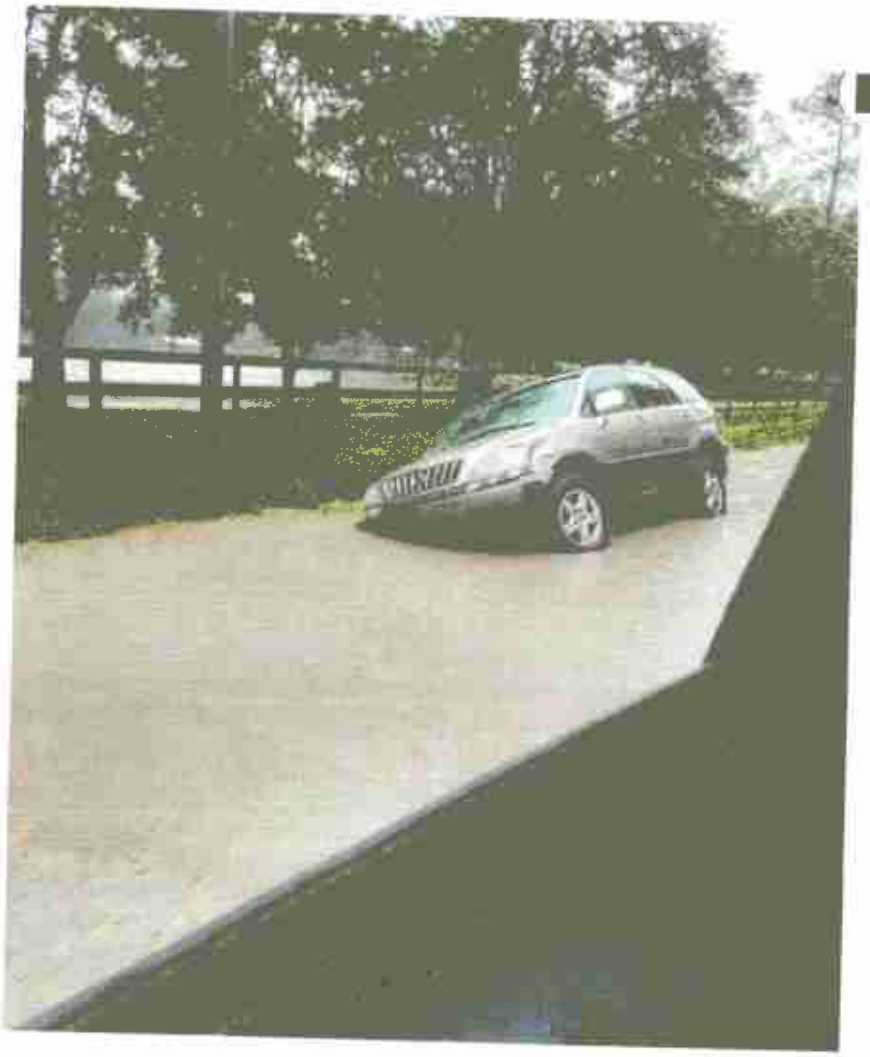


Cherrie Armistead Sowell
11h ·

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Crystal Caruso
2h

Hey there community if anybody is able to help just passed this car stuck on Stokes ferry close to the mailboxes.

7

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All Comments

Misty Kelly
I can bring my truck up there now. It's not 4x4. But it should be fine. Did anyone get up there yet?
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Cindy Janson
Wow....
I didn't know there were still any deep holes left on that section of the road!!!😮😮😮

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Jim A. McMullen
August 29 at 9:41 AM

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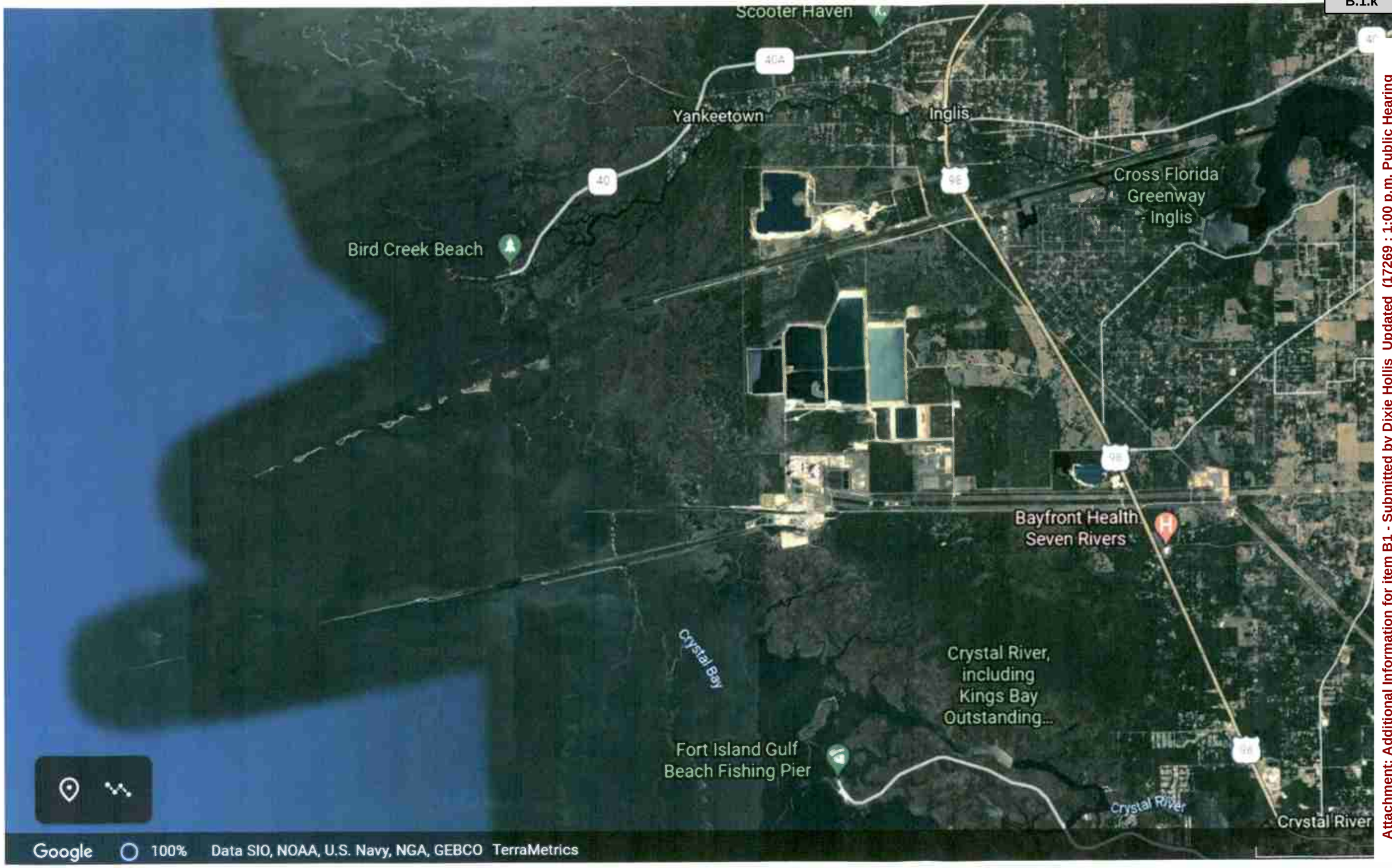
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Frank Papcin

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Citrus County

Stormwater MSBU Program

September 9, 2021

Cooperative funding from:
Southwest Florida Water Management District

DRMP

GSG

GOVERNMENT SERVICES GROUP, INC.

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Project Overview

GOVERNMENT SERVICES GROUP, INC.

1. **Stormwater Needs Assessment Report**
   - Identified stormwater needs of County
2. **Develop Stormwater Assessment Program (MSBU)**
   - Dedicated funding source for stormwater services
3. **Implementation of Stormwater MSBU**
   - July 13, 2021 -- Adopted Initial Rate Resolution
     - Fiscal Year 2021-22 maximum rate @ $58.84 per ESU
     - Publish Notice – August 19, 2021
     - Mailed Notice – August 19, 2021
       - 74,046 first class notices mailed
         - Customer Service Phone Lines Open August 20th
           - Week 1 – 429 calls – 0.58%
           - Week 2 – 118 calls – 0.16%
           - Week 3 –30 calls – 0.04%
             - Total – 577 calls – 0.78%
     - Public Hearing – September 9, 2021

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Overview of Stormwater Programs in Florida

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- Approximately 170 stormwater utility programs in Florida
  - Expected demand for stormwater utilities to continue to increase
    - Florida Supreme Court consistently upheld validity of stormwater fees
    - Generally more public support for user fees as opposed to ad valorem or other general taxes
    - Process of implementing NPDES and TMDL programs in Florida is beginning to take full effect and driving improvement requirements
      - Water Quality issues
- 96% of local governments surveyed said they use user fees or special assessments to generate revenue for stormwater services
- 70% use an impervious area methodology
- Average Equivalent Stormwater Unit ("ESU") value is 2,579 sq ft of impervious area
  - 59% based the ESU value of average single family home
- Average monthly ESU rate $7.84 ($94.08 annually)
  - Monthly rates range from $0.75 to $54.00 ($9 to $648 annually)
- Average revenue generated through a stormwater utility is $4,281,938
- 48% provide credits for private detention/retention facilities

Jurisdiction	Unit Size	Monthly Rate	Annual Rate	2020 Annual Revenue
Alachua County	4,011	$3.33	$39.96	$1,939,850
Bay County	NR	$3.33	$39.96	$1,777,160
Brevard County	2,500	$5.33	$63.96	$6,435,425
Hillsborough County	4,267	$6.40	$76.80	$30,384,880
Leon County	3,272	$7.08	$84.96	$3,539,181
Marion County	2,275	$1.25	$15.00	$4,124,705
Miami-Dade County	1,548	$5.00	$60.00	$31,000,000
Pasco County	2,890	$7.92	$95.04	$25,000,000
Pinellas County	2,339	$9.81	$117.72	$19,700,000
Sarasota County	3,153	$7.55	$90.60	$17,522,361
Volusia County	2,775	$6.00	$72.00	$4,499,656

Source: Stormwater Utility Report 2020, prepared by Florida Stormwater Association

*Funding levels are based on policy decision. Most local governments reported that the stormwater fee revenue was adequate to meet most of the administrative costs but not for needs associated with capital improvement programs.

Source: 2020 Florida Stormwater Association Stormwater Utility Survey

What is a Stormwater Municipal Services Benefit Unit (MSBU)?

GOVERNMENT SERVICES GROUP, INC.

- A charge imposed against real property to pay for stormwater services provided by the County.

Case Law Requirements

1. Special Benefit to Property

   And

2. Fairly and Reasonably Apportioned

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What is a Fair Way to Apportion the Stormwater Costs?

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- Based on the amount of stormwater runoff generated from a parcel.

What generates stormwater runoff?

- The amount of Impervious Area on a parcel attributes to the amount of stormwater runoff.
  - Impervious area = hard surfaces that do not absorb water and impedes the natural flow of water into the soil, **including county roads that all citizens drive upon**.
    - Buildings, rooftops, decks, driveways, walkways, patios, parking lots, etc.

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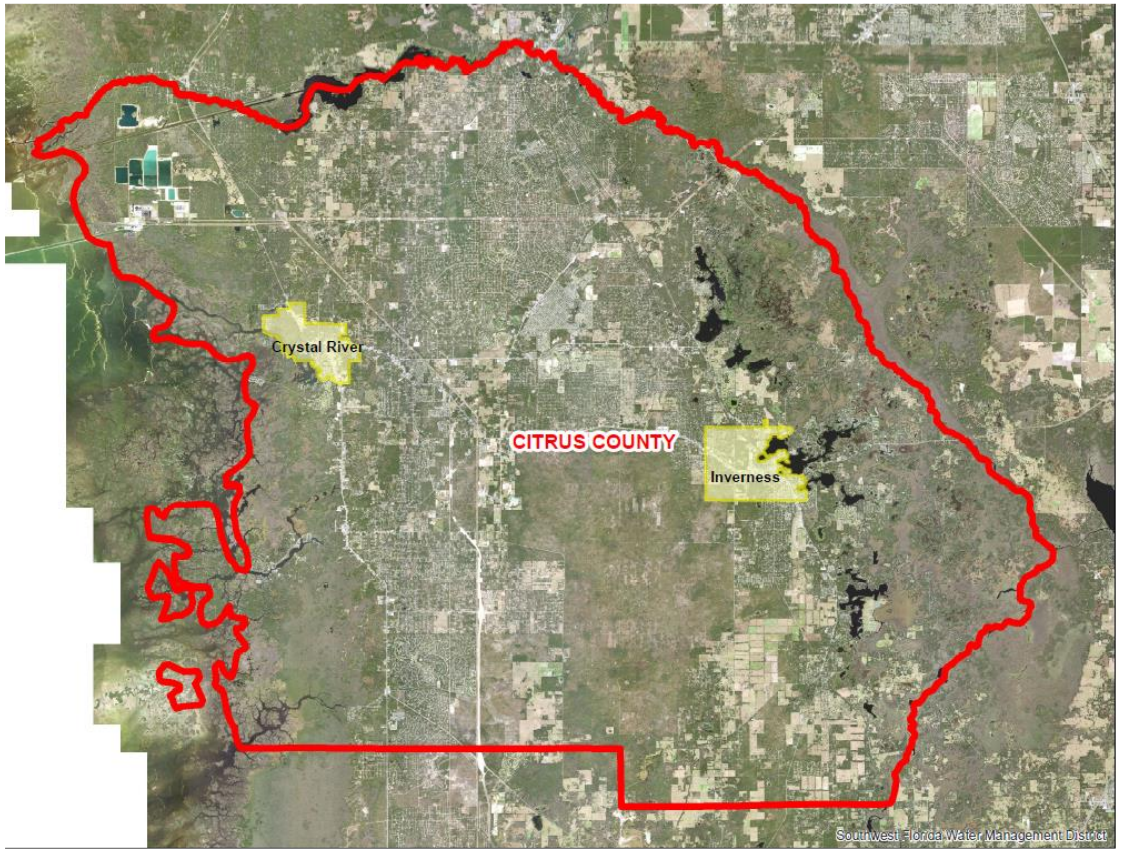
Who Benefits from Stormwater Services Provided by Citrus County?

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- Unincorporated Area of County
  - 592 square miles
    - Does not include
      - Crystal River (5 square miles)
      - City of Inverness (7 square miles)

How do County residents benefit?

- Safe Roadways
- Improve Water Quality
- Meet Federal and State Permitting Requirements



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What Benefits Does the Stormwater MSBU Program provide?

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- Dedicated cost-effective and financially stable means of funding stormwater management services and facilities.
- Increase level of services provided
- Reduce pollutants in estuaries, lakes, springs, and streams
- Public Safety
  - Improve the condition of our infrastructure
  - Study impacts of stormwater on the natural environment
  - Locate and eliminate illegal connections and discharges
  - Enforce stormwater codes more proactively
- Improve the condition of the stormwater infrastructure
- Improve water quality and flooding issues
  - However additional funds may be needed for specific basins.

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What will the Stormwater MSBU be used for?

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- Stormwater Improvements
  - Upgrading storm drains
  - Street sweeping
  - Cleaning of stormwater system components
  - Public education
- Improve water quality throughout Citrus County as mandated by State and Federal Law (NPDES Permit)
  - Reduce level of pollutants discharged to surface waters
  - Increased monitoring and identify projects to further reduce pollutant discharge
- Operate and maintain existing stormwater facilities
- Monitor and restore the health of our water resources

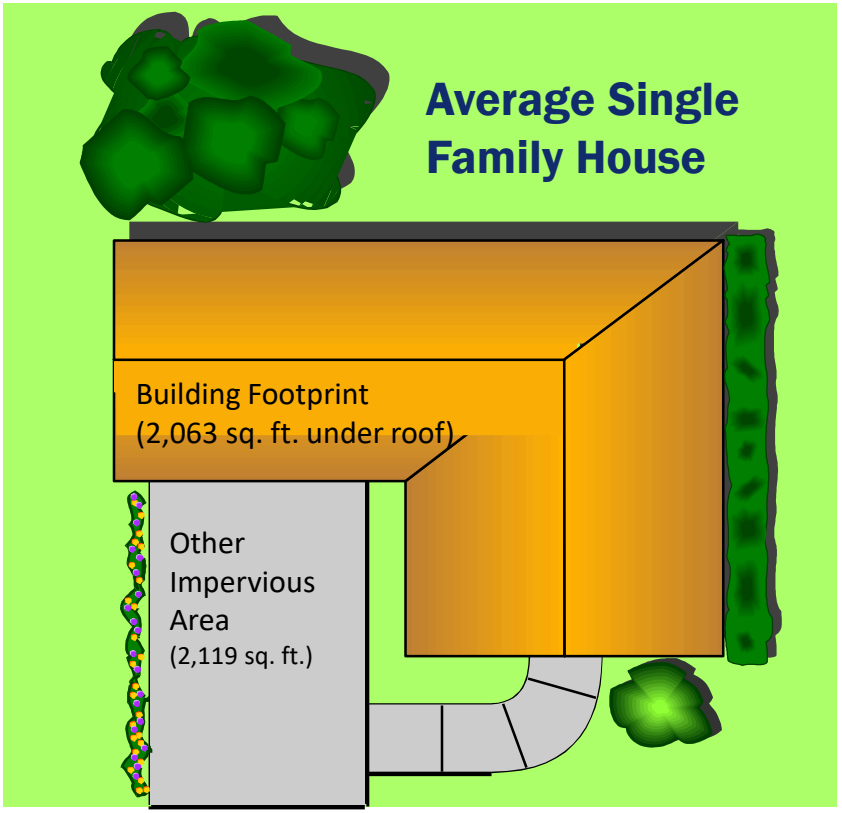
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Impervious Area Apportionment Methodology
Create Equivalent Stormwater Unit "ESU" Value

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- Measurement that serves as a common index to compare runoff generated by different sized properties
- Equivalent Stormwater Unit value is developed using a statistical sampling of residential parcels in benefit area
- Building Footprint + Additional Impervious Area (sidewalks, porches, decks, driveways, etc.) = Total Impervious Area

1 ESU = 4,182 square feet of total impervious area



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ESUs Calculated Based on Rate Classes

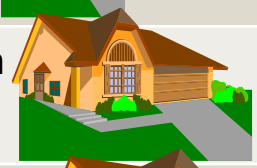
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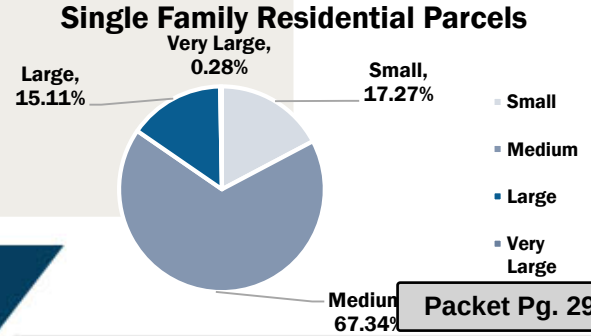
- Single Family Residential – tier assigned
  - Single family homes
  - Mobile homes
- Condominiums – portion of condo complex
  - Residential
  - Mobile Home and RV Parks
  - Non-residential
- General
  - All properties not classified as single family residential or condominium, including commercial, multi-family, industrial, warehouse, institutional, and government
- Undeveloped Parcels – not charged

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Single Family Residential Tiers*

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Residential Tier	Building Footprint Area Range (Provided by the Property Appraiser)	Plus Additional Impervious Area	Assigned Billing Units (ESUs)	Charge
Small 	100-1,200 sq. ft.	Assumed based on statistical sample	= .50 ESUs	$29.42
Medium 	1,201-3,100 sq. ft.	Assumed based on statistical sample	= 1.00 ESU	$58.84
Large 	3,101-6,000 sq. ft.	Assumed based on statistical sample	= 1.70 ESUs	$100.03
Very Large 	> 6,000 sq. ft.	measured	= treated as general parcel	



*Residential parcels are assigned to a tier based on building footprint size to avoid having to measure ALL residential parcels.

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What Credits are Available?

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Mitigation Credits for On-Site Stormwater Facilities

- Credits provided to property owners who operate and maintain on-site stormwater facilities that reduce stormwater runoff impacts to the County's stormwater system.
  - ALL property owners must apply for the mitigation credit by October 1, 2021.
    - Up to 50% credit based on type of on-site facility

Agricultural Property Exemption

- Agricultural parcels meeting the requirements of Section 193.461, Florida Statutes shall be exempt from the Stormwater Assessment if the property owner provides appropriate documentation to the County that it has an active National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit, environmental resource permit, or works-of-the-district permit or implements best management practices adopted as rules under Chapter 120 by the Department of Environmental Protection, the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, or a water management district as part of a statewide or regional program.

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Parcel Specific Adjustments

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What are Adjustments?

- Modification made to the billing records to reflect site specific runoff characteristics which are substantially different from those attributed to the base billing unit.
  - Property owner can petition for a review of the number of ESUs assigned to a parcel
    - Should be in writing and set forth, in detail, the grounds upon which the adjustment is sought
    - Filed with Director within 30 days of the first class notice
      - Petitioner may be required to provide supplemental information to support the request for adjustment including
        - Survey data approved by a professional land survey
        - Engineering reports
        - Etc.

- Adjustments will be made on a case-by-case basis.

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Who is Exempt From Paying the Stormwater MSBU?

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- Undeveloped Parcels – parcels with less 100 sq. ft. of impervious area
- Government Parcels
- Institutional Property whose use is wholly exempt from ad valorem taxes
    1. Property must be wholly or partially tax exempt

       and
    2. Property must be of institutional use

Other Staff Recommendations:

- Hardship Exemption
- VA Exemption

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Notice of Public Hearing Stormwater Assessment September 9, 2021

Citrus County Chronicle Display Advertisement
Display Advertisement A/R #500001515
I/O 0010FX8
1 proof of pub
2 columns x 16 ad, 1 x run
August 19, 2021

TOTAL COST: $ 106.12

NOTE:
Please allow this invoice to notify you of cost for the aforementioned legal display advertisement that is provided for your records. You will also receive a monthly billing statement, from our Accounting Department. Please reference **AR # 500001515** on your check when making payment. This will assist us with properly crediting your account.

Thank you, Jeanne Ethridge, Legal Ad Rep

Communication: Proof of Publication (Adjourn)

Proof of Publication

From the

CITRUS COUNTY CHRONICLE

Crystal River, Citrus County, Florida

PUBLISHED DAILY

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF CITRUS
Before the undersigned authority personally appeared

Mary Ann Naczi and/or Theresa Holland and/or Tonya Knight

Of the Citrus County Chronicle, a newspaper published daily at Crystal River, in Citrus County, Florida, that the attached copy of advertisement being a public notice in the matter of the

Insertion Order: 0010FX8
Legal number: 5872-0819 THCRN Citrus Co. Eng. Div. – Notice of Public Hearing Stormwater Assessment September 9, 2021
Display Advertisement: to run 1 time(s)

Court, was published in said newspaper in the issue of
Date(s) of publication:
August 19, 2021

Affiant further says that the Citrus County Chronicle is a Newspaper published at Crystal River in said Citrus County, Florida, and that the said newspaper has heretofore been continuously published in Citrus County, Marion County and Levy County, Florida, each week and has been entered as second class mail matter at the post office in Inverness in said Citrus County, Florida, for a period of one year next preceding the first publication of the attached copy of advertisement; and affiant further says that he/she has neither paid nor promised any person, firm or corporation any discount, rebate, commission or refund for the purpose of securing this advertisement for publication in the said newspaper.

Jeanne Ethridge

The forgoing instrument was acknowledged before me

This 19th day of August 2021

By: Mary Ann Naczi and/or Theresa Holland and/or Tonya Knight and or Jeanne Ethridge

Who appeared by (✓) means of physical presence or ( ) via online notarization.

Notary Public Maria A Parks

MARIA A. PARKS
Commission # HH 099773
Expires April 20, 2025
Bonded Thru Budget Notary Services

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NOTICE OF BOCC SPECIAL MEETING TO CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING TO IMPOSE AND PROVIDE FOR COLLECTION OF NON-AD VALOREM ASSESSMENTS

The U. S. Environmental Protection Agency through the National Pollution Discharge Elimination System Stormwater permitting program implemented by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection has mandated Citrus County, Florida to implement and fund a comprehensive stormwater management program. A new and dedicated funding source is needed to maintain compliance with these requirements. Accordingly, the Citrus County, Florida Board of County Commissioners ("Board"), will conduct a public hearing during a Special Meeting at 1:00 p.m. on September 9, 2021, in Room 100 of the Citrus County Courthouse, 110 North Apopka Avenue, Inverness, Florida, to consider the imposition of Stormwater Service Assessments in the unincorporated area of the County, as shown above.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation or an interpreter to participate in this proceeding should contact the County Administrator's office, 3600 W. Sovereign Path, Suite 267, Lecanto, Florida 34461, (352) 527-5210, at least two days before the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, dial 7-1-1, 1-800-955-8771 (TTY) or 1-800-955-8770 (v), via Florida Relay Service. If you need a Spanish Translator, please make arrangements with the County by telephone within two days of the publication notice at (352) 527-5370. Si necesita un traductor de español por favor haga arreglos con el Condado dentro de los dos dias de la notificatión de la publicación a 352-527-5370.

All affected property owners have a right to appear at the hearing and to file written objections with the County. All written objections to the non-ad valorem assessments must be filed with the Board of County Commissioners within twenty (20) days of this notice. Please include your name, parcel number, and the reason you object to the assessment on all written objections. Address all written objections as follows: Citrus County BOCC, Attn: Land Section, 3600 W. Sovereign Path, Suite 205, Lecanto, Florida 34461. Any person wishing to appeal any decision of the Board with respect to any matter considered will need a record of the proceedings and may wish to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made.

The Stormwater Service Assessments will fund the County's cost to provide Stormwater Management Services in the unincorporated area of the County. The Stormwater Service Assessments are based upon the estimated amount of stormwater runoff generated by impervious surface on the property. Impervious surfaces include the roof top, patios, driveways, parking lots and similar areas. The County has determined that the median single-family residence in the Stormwater Management Area includes 4,182 square feet of impervious surface, which is defined as the "equivalent stormwater unit value" or "ESU Value." The annual Stormwater Service Assessment rate for the upcoming Fiscal Year will be $58.84 for each Net ESU.

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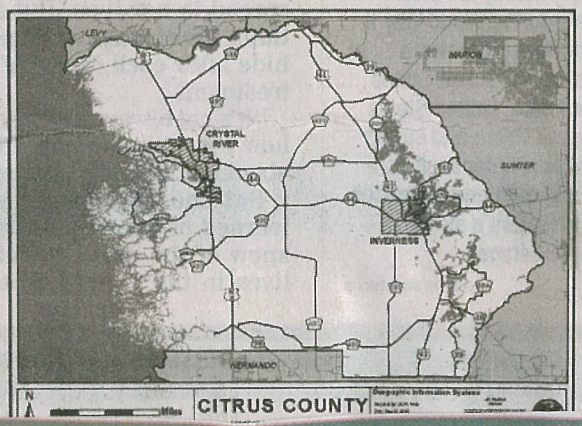
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Generally, the number of ESUs were calculated individually for each parcel of property by dividing the impervious surface area by 4,182 square feet. If a property owner applies and qualifies, credits for privately maintained Stormwater mitigation facilities and other factors affecting the quantity or quality of Stormwater runoff will be applied, resulting in an assignment of Net ESUs. A more specific description is set forth in the Initial Assessment Resolution adopted by the Board on July 13, 2021. Copies of the Initial Assessment Resolution and the preliminary assessment roll are available for inspection at the Board of County Commissioner's Administrative Office, Room 232, located at the Citrus County Courthouse, 110 North Apopka Avenue, Inverness, Florida.

Additional information about the Stormwater Service Assessment, including the mitigation credit application for a privately maintained stormwater management facility is available at https://www.citrusbocc.com/stormwater

If you have any questions, please contact the County at (352) 527-5373.

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