

Section I

Notice of Development of Proposed Rules and Negotiated Rulemaking

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

State Board of Education

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

6A-1.09401 Student Performance Standards

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of this amendment is to consider revisions to Florida's state academic standards for mathematics and science. The changes to mathematics include updated standards for the implementation of the Mathematics Pathways as required by House Bill 1279 (2026) and Insurance and Personal Finance as required by House Bill 1343 (2026). The changes to science include the newly revised state academic standards identified during review. Other changes may be considered.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: State academic standards

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 1001.02(1), (2)(n), 1003.41(4), F.S.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 1001.03(1), 1003.41(4), F.S.

A RULE DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP WILL BE HELD AT THE DATE, TIME AND PLACE SHOWN BELOW:

DATE AND TIME: The workshop previously noticed for October 15 is now rescheduled to November 6, 2026, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. ET or upon conclusion of business, whichever is earlier.

PLACE:

<https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/246283483381408?p=WiSv8KR9OkLuJhDjUP>

Meeting ID: 246 283 483 381 408 **Passcode:** iS3JN9gZ

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT, IF AVAILABLE, IS: Jennifer Infinger, Bureau of Standards and Instructional Support, (850)245-0078 or Jennifer.Infinger@fldoe.org. To comment on this rule development, please go to <https://web02.fldoe.org/rules> or contact Chris Emerson, Director, Office of Executive Management, (850)245-9601 or Christian.Emerson@fldoe.org.

THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS NOT AVAILABLE.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

State Board of Education

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

6A-14.0303 General Education Course Options

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The rule implements general education degree requirements for core course options at

Florida public postsecondary institutions. The rule is being updated to include changes made during the 2026 legislative session.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Changes to the rule will include the option for the State Board of Education to amend a Florida College System institution's general education course list if deemed necessary. Other changes may be considered for purposes of clarity and consistency.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 1001.02(1), (2)(n), (6)(d)3., 1007.25(3), 1007.55, F.S.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 1007.25(3), 1007.55, F.S.

IF REQUESTED IN WRITING AND NOT DEEMED UNNECESSARY BY THE AGENCY HEAD, A RULE DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP WILL BE NOTICED IN THE NEXT AVAILABLE FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE REGISTER.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT, IF AVAILABLE, IS: To request a rule development workshop, please go to <https://web02.fldoe.org/rules> or contact: Shannon Mercer, Exec. Director of Articulation, (850)245-0407, Shannon.Mercer@fldoe.org.

THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS: Available at <https://web02.fldoe.org/rules>.

WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICTS

St. Johns River Water Management District

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

40C-8.031 Minimum Surface Water Levels and Flows
and Groundwater Levels

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose and effect of the proposed rule amendment will be to revise the established minimum surface water levels for Lake Prevatt in Orange County. These minimum water levels, if adopted by rule, will represent the limit at which further withdrawals would be significantly harmful to the water resources of the area or ecology of the area. The proposed minimum water levels for Lake Prevatt will not be in prevention or recovery. Thus, they will not have an adverse impact on small businesses or increase regulatory costs.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: The proposed rule would revise the established minimum surface water levels for Lake Prevatt pursuant to the mandate of Section 373.042, Florida Statutes. The terms used herein are already defined in Chapter 40C-8, F.A.C. As with all minimum surface water levels established by the District, if adopted, the minimum surface water levels in this rule amendment would be used as a basis for imposing limitations on withdrawals of groundwater and surface water in the consumptive use permit regulatory

process and for reviewing proposed surface water management systems in the environmental resource permit regulatory process.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 373.042, 373.044, 373.113, F.S.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 373.042, 373.0421, F.S.

IF REQUESTED IN WRITING AND NOT DEEMED UNNECESSARY BY THE AGENCY HEAD, A RULE DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP WILL BE NOTICED IN THE NEXT AVAILABLE FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE REGISTER.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT, IF AVAILABLE, IS: Tom Mayton, Deputy General Counsel, St. Johns River Water Management District, Office of General Counsel, 4049 Reid Street, Palatka, Florida 32177, (386)329-4108 tmayton@sjrwmd.com. TO REQUEST A RULE DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP, CONTACT TOM MAYTON WITHIN 21 DAYS OF PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS:

40C-8.031 Minimum Surface Water Levels and Flows and Groundwater Levels.

(1) through (3) No change.

(4) The following minimum surface water levels are established:

System Name	County	Minimum Level	Level (ft NGVD)	Level (ft NAVD)	Hydroperiod Category	Duration (days)	Return Interval (years)
(a) through (www) No change.							
(xxx) Prevatt	Orange	Frequent High	56.0	54.9	Seasonally Flooded	—	—
		Average	53.0	52.0	Typically Saturated	—	—
		Frequent Low	50.9	49.9	Semipermanently Flooded	—	—

System Name	County	Minimum Level	Level (ft NGVD)	Level (ft NAVD)	Hydroperiod Category	Duration (days)	Return Interval (years)
(yyy) through (yyyy) renumbered (xxx) through (xxxx) No change.							

(5) The following minimum surface water levels are established as exceedance percentiles:

System Name	County	Minimum Level	Level (ft NAVD)
Apshawa South	Lake	P25	83.6
		P50	82.3
		P75	80.8
Brooklyn	Clay	P25	111.5
		P50	106.2
		P75	98.6
Butler	Volusia	P50	20.1
Geneva	Bradford	P25	101.7
		P50	98.3
		P75	89.3
Lochloosa	Alachua	P50	56.5
Prevatt	Orange	P25	56.0
		P50	54.5
		P75	52.4

The minimum P25, P50, and P75 levels for Apshawa Lake South are based on the MFLs condition lake level time series (1/27/1959 – 12/31/2018), effective {February 2025} which is incorporated by reference and available at <https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-17728> and upon request from the St. Johns River Water Management District, 4049 Reid Street, Palatka, FL 32177-2529.

MFL status of Apshawa Lake South will be assessed by comparing the minimum P25, P50, and P75 to the current P25, P50, and P75, respectively. The current P25, P50, and P75 for Apshawa Lake South are calculated by updating the current-pumping condition lake level time series (1/27/1959 – 12/31/2018) with post-2018 observed data at SJRWMD gage 2930258. The current-pumping condition lake level time series is incorporated by reference and available at <https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-17728> and upon request from the St. Johns River Water Management District, 4049 Reid Street, Palatka, FL 32177-2529.

The minimum P25, P50, and P75 levels for Lake Brooklyn are based on the MFLs condition lake level time series (7/17/1957 – 12/31/2018), effective 9/28/2021, which is incorporated by reference and available at <https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-13524> and upon request from the St. Johns River Water Management District, 4049 Reid Street, Palatka, FL 32177-2529.

MFL status of Lake Brooklyn will be assessed by comparing the minimum P25, P50, and P75 to the current P25, P50, and P75, respectively. The current P25, P50, and P75 for Lake Brooklyn are calculated by updating the current-pumping condition lake level time series (7/17/1957 – 12/31/2018) with post-2018 observed data at SJRWMD gage 3360373. The current-pumping condition lake level time series is incorporated by reference and available at <https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-13524> and upon request from the St. Johns River Water Management District, 4049 Reid Street, Palatka, FL 32177-2529.

The minimum P50 level for Lake Butler is a long-term median lake level based on the MFLs condition lake level time series (1949 – 2018), effective September 30, 2020, which is incorporated by reference and available at <https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-12168> and upon request from the St. Johns River Water Management District, 4049 Reid Street, Palatka, FL 32177-2529.

MFL status of Lake Butler will be assessed by comparing the minimum P50 to the current P50. The current P50 for Lake Butler is calculated by updating the simulated historical lake level time series (1949 – 2018) with post-2018 observed data at SJRWMD gage 03390378. The simulated historical lake level time series is incorporated by reference and available at <https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-12168> and upon request from the St. Johns River Water Management District, 4049 Reid Street, Palatka, FL 32177-2529.

The minimum P25, P50, and P75 levels for Lake Geneva are based on the MFLs condition lake level time series (7/1/1957 – 12/31/2018), effective 9/28/2021, which is incorporated by reference and available at <https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-13525> and upon request from the St. Johns River Water Management District, 4049 Reid Street, Palatka, FL 32177-2529.

MFL status of Lake Geneva will be assessed by comparing the minimum P25, P50, and P75 to the current P25, P50, and P75, respectively. The current P25, P50, and P75 for Lake Geneva

are calculated by updating the current-pumping condition lake level time series (7/1/1957 – 12/31/2018) with post-2018 observed data at SJRWMD gage 11590497. The current-pumping condition lake level time series is incorporated by reference and available at <https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-13525> and upon request from the St. Johns River Water Management District, 4049 Reid Street, Palatka, FL 32177-2529.

The minimum P50 level for Lochloosa Lake is a long-term median lake level based on the MFLs condition lake level time series (1957 – 2015), effective 1-30-19, which is incorporated by reference and available at <https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-10225> and upon request from the St. Johns River Water Management District, 4049 Reid Street, Palatka, FL 32177-2529.

MFL status of Lochloosa Lake will be assessed by comparing the minimum P50 to the current P50. The current P50 for Lochloosa Lake is calculated by updating the simulated historical lake level time series (1957 – 2015) with post-2015 observed data at SJRWMD gage 71481615. The simulated historical lake level time series is incorporated by reference and available at <https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-10225> and upon request from the St. Johns River Water Management District, 4049 Reid Street, Palatka, FL 32177-2529.

The minimum P25, P50, and P75 levels for Lake Prevatt are based on the MFLs condition lake level time series (1/1/1953 to 12/31/2020), effective December 2026, which is incorporated by reference and available at <https://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-20186> and upon request from the St. Johns River Water Management District, 4049 Reid Street, Palatka, FL 32177-2529.

MFL status of Lake Prevatt will be assessed by comparing the minimum P25, P50, and P75 to the current P25, P50, and P75, respectively. The current P25, P50, and P75 for Lake Prevatt are calculated by updating the current-pumping condition lake level time series (1/1/1953 to 12/31/2020) with post-2020 observed data at SJRWMD gage SW 01547 Prevatt Lk S. The current-pumping condition lake level time series is incorporated by reference and available at <https://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-20186> and upon request from the St. Johns River Water Management District, 4049 Reid Street, Palatka, FL 32177-2529.

(6) through (13) No change.

Rulemaking Authority 373.042, 373.044, 373.113 FS. Law Implemented 373.042, 373.0421, 373.103, 373.415 FS. History—New 9-16-92, Amended 8-17-94, 6-8-95, 1-17-96, 8-20-96, 10-20-96, 11-4-

98, 6-27-00, 2-13-01, 3-19-02, 5-12-03, 11-10-03, 1-12-04, 2-1-06, 12-3-06, 5-10-07, 5-24-07, 1-11-10, 8-22-13, 4-3-14, 11-25-14, 12-31-14, 1-31-16 (4)(aaa), 1-31-16 (4)(ssss), 2-1-17 (4)(w), 2-1-17 (6), (8), 6-27-17 (7), 6-29-17 (5), (8), (9), 1-30-19, 9-30-20, 9-28-21, 2-24-25, effective date.

FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:
68-1.003 Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation
Commission Grants Program

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The proposed amendments will update the guidelines for the Florida Boating Improvement Program (FBIP) and the Boating Infrastructure Grant (BIG) Program to clarify grant requirements. These updates will better assist applicants in navigating the grant proposal process and aid the Commission's administration of these programs.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Florida Boating Improvement Program and Florida Boating Infrastructure Grant Program.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 206.606, 327.04, 327.47, 379.106, FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 327.04, 327.47, 379.106 FS.

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THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT, IF AVAILABLE, IS: Nickie Stricker, Boating Access Coordinator, Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, Bryant Building Headquarters, 620 S. Meridian St., Tallahassee, FL 32399, (850)617-9459, Nickie.Stricker@MyFWC.com

THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS AVAILABLE AND CAN BE OBTAINED, AT NO CHARGE, FROM THE CONTACT PERSON LISTED ABOVE.

FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Freshwater Fish and Wildlife

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:
68A-6.004 Possession of Class I, II, and III Wildlife:
Permit Application Criteria

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The purpose of the proposed amendments is to establish additional qualifications for possession of sloths. These amendments will have the effect of updating the permit requirements.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Subject area covered in the proposed amendment includes the experience and inspection requirements for permits to possess sloths.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: Art. IV, Sec. 9, Florida Constitution

LAW IMPLEMENTED: Art. IV, Sec. 9, Florida Constitution
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THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT, IF AVAILABLE, IS: Major John Wilke, phone (850)488-6253, email CaptiveWildlife@MyFWC.com, or by mail at Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1600.

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Section II Proposed Rules

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Construction Industry Licensing Board

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:
61G4-16.001 Written Certification Examination
Requirements

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The proposed changes amend the examination requirements for Plumbing Contractors to allow for the exam to be taken electronically.

SUMMARY: The proposed rule language updates and clarifies the written certification examination requirements.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

The Agency has determined that this rule will not have an adverse impact on small business or likely increase directly or indirectly regulatory costs in excess of \$200,000 in the aggregate within one year after the implementation of the rule. A SERC has not been prepared by the Agency.

The Agency has determined that the proposed rule is not expected to require legislative ratification based on the statement of estimated regulatory costs or if no SERC is required, the information expressly relied upon and described herein: During discussion of the economic impact of this rule at its Board meeting, the Board concluded that this rule change will not have any impact on licensees and their businesses or the businesses that employ them. The rule will not increase any fees, business costs, personnel costs, will not decrease profit

opportunities, and will not require any specialized knowledge to comply. This change will not increase any direct or indirect regulatory costs. Hence, the Board determined that a Statement of Estimated Regulatory Costs (SERC) was not necessary and that the rule will not require ratification by the Legislature. No person or interested party submitted additional information regarding the economic impact at that time.

Any person who wishes to provide information regarding a statement of estimated regulatory costs, or to provide a proposal for a lower cost regulatory alternative must do so in writing within 21 days after publication of this notice.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 455.217, 489.108, 489.113 FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 455.217, 489.113 FS.

IF REQUESTED WITHIN 21 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE, A HEARING WILL BE SCHEDULED AND ANNOUNCED IN THE FAR.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Amanda Ackermann, Executive Director, Construction Industry Licensing Board, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1039, or telephone: (850)487-1395, or by electronic mail to Amanda.Ackermann@myfloridalicense.com

THE TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

61G4-16.001 Written Certification Examination Requirements.

(1) Through (11) No Change.

(12) Certification Examination for Plumbing Contractors.

The certification examination shall consist of two tests.

(a) No Change.

(b) Test two shall consist of 135 scored multiple choice and alternative format (drag and drop, hot spot, etc.) test questions relating to general knowledge of the plumbing trade and isometric drawings. The content areas to be covered and the approximate weights to be assigned to said areas shall be as follows:

1. 30% ~~20%~~ Drainage,
2. 29% ~~20%~~ Water Distribution,
3. 15% Fuel ~~Natural~~ Gas Piping,
4. 7% ~~20%~~ Medical Gas Piping,
5. 6% ~~10%~~ Industrial Piping,
6. No Change.
7. 3% ~~5%~~ Solar, and,
8. 5% Fire Protection, ~~and~~,

9. Test two shall include, but shall not be limited to, five plumbing isometric drawings. The content of the drawings shall conform to the content areas listed in 1. through 8., above. Each

~~of the isometric drawings is worth up to a maximum of 10 points. Based on the criteria listed below, each drawing will be independently evaluated by three graders. At least two of the graders must agree that a criterion is correct in order for that criterion to be graded as correct and points to be awarded. If one or more criterion is determined to be incorrect by at least two of the graders, points will not be awarded for that criterion. The awarded points for all criteria will be summed and converted to a 10 point scale to determine the score for each drawing. The following are the criteria and points used by the graders to evaluate each of the five isometric drawings.~~

~~a. Legibility. Drawing is clear and readable. Drawing is sufficient in size. Lines and labels are distinguishable. (8 points)~~

~~b. Orientation. All fixtures are shown in the correct location relative to each other. (20 points)~~

~~c. Flow. Direction of flow is shown when going from vertical to horizontal. The direction of flow must be indicated even if the direction is implied for all waste lines and all fixture connections. Direction of flow is not required for vent lines. (12 points)~~

~~d. Angles. Isometric drawing uses 30 60 90 degree angles. All angles used on the drawing are displayed at the appropriate orientation. (8 points)~~

~~e. Piping. All pipes, fittings, traps, clean outs, and similar portions of the piping structure are included on the drawing. All piping is shown exactly as on the drawing (regardless of specific code requirements). The piping must display the correct elevation in reference to the floor plan. (20 points)~~

~~f. Labeling. All fixtures are labeled according to the legend provided in the examination instructions. (4 points)~~

~~g. Vents. All vents are properly indicated. (16 points)~~

~~h. Fixtures. All fixtures shown on the floor plan are appropriately indicated on the isometric drawing. (12 points)~~

(13) Through (37) No Change.

Rulemaking Authority 455.217, 489.108, 489.113 FS. Law Implemented 455.217, 489.113 FS. History—New 1-6-80, Amended 9-24-84, Formerly 21E-16.01, Amended 5-3-87, 10-4-87, 6-2-88, 12-19-88, 5-23-89, 8-23-89, 2-5-91, 1-29-92, 10-11-92, 5-2-93, Formerly 21E-16.001, Amended 10-17-93, 5-9-95, 11-28-95, 3-11-96, 11-13-97, 4-13-99, 9-12-00, 6-25-03, 6-23-08, 4-21-09, 8-31-14, 7-4-17, 9-30-19, 12-16-24, ____.

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE:
Construction Industry Licensing Board

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE
PROPOSED RULE: Construction Industry Licensing Board

DATE PROPOSED RULE WAS APPROVED BY AGENCY
HEAD: September 3, 2026

DATE NOTICE OF RULE DEVELOPMENT WAS
PUBLISHED IN FAR: October 6, 2026

Section III Notice of Changes, Corrections and Withdrawals

NONE

Section IV Emergency Rules

NOTE: The full text of Emergency Rules that are currently in effect can be viewed by going to <https://flrules.org/Notice/emergencyRules.asp>.

Section V Petitions and Dispositions Regarding Rule Variance or Waiver

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Division of Hotels and Restaurants

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

61C-5.001 Safety Standards

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR VARIANCE OR WAIVER
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on September 29, 2026, the Department of Business and Professional Regulation, Division of Hotels and Restaurants, Bureau of Elevator Safety, received a petition for a emergency variance from Waterways at 12000 Gandy Blvd. N., ST. Petersburg, FL 33702. Petitioner seeks an emergency variance from the requirements of ASME A17.1, 2019 Edition, Section 2.27.3.2.1(b), 2.7.6.3.2, and 2.7.6.4, as adopted by 61C-5.001, Florida Administrative Code, which requires fire-detection devices used for Phase I Emergency Recall Operation to comply with NFPA 72 and be installed in the associated elevator machine room, machinery space, control space, or control room. Motor controllers must normally be located in one of these designated spaces. They may be installed elsewhere if enclosed in a locked cabinet that is always accessible for inspection and maintenance; has non-self-closing, self-locking doors or panels secured with Group 1 Security keys; receives permanent lighting of at least 200 lux or 19 foot-candles at floor level; and maintains the manufacturer-specified temperature and humidity. The permitted environmental range must be permanently posted on the cabinet, which must also carry the required "AGP" marking and a safety sign directing elevator personnel to keep the door closed and locked. If an elevator's driving-machine brake, emergency brake, motion controller, or motor controller is located in the hoistway or pit, controls necessary for testing

must be operable from outside the hoistway, which poses a significant economic/financial hardship. Any interested person may file comments within 5 days of the publication of this notice with the Division of Hotels and Restaurants, Bureau of Elevator Safety, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1013 (VW2026-142).

A copy of the Petition may be obtained by contacting: Division of Hotels and Restaurants, Bureau of Elevator Safety, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1013, elevators.dhr@myfloridalicense.com.

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Division of Hotels and Restaurants

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

61C-5.001 Safety Standards

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR VARIANCE OR WAIVER
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on October 06, 2026, the Department of Business and Professional Regulation, Division of Hotels and Restaurants, Bureau of Elevator Safety, received a petition for a routine variance from Villages at East Ocean-EL 1 at 405 E Ocean Ave, Boynton Beach, FL 33435.

Petitioner seeks a routine variance from the requirements of ASME A17.1, 2019 Edition, Section 2.8.1 and 2.8.2.2, as adopted by 61C-5.001, Florida Administrative Code, which requires that no foreign equipment be placed in an elevator hoistway, which poses a significant economic/financial hardship. Any interested person may file comments within 14 days of the publication of this notice with Division of Hotels and Restaurants, Bureau of Elevator Safety, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1013 (VW2026-143).

A copy of the Petition may be obtained by contacting: Division of Hotels and Restaurants, Bureau of Elevator Safety, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1013, elevators.dhr@myfloridalicense.com.

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Division of Hotels and Restaurants

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61C-5.001 Safety Standards

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on October 06, 2026, the Department of Business and Professional Regulation, Division of Hotels and Restaurants, Bureau of Elevator Safety, received a petition for a routine variance from Villages at East Ocean-EL 2 at 405 E Ocean Ave, Boynton Beach, FL 33435.

Petitioner seeks a routine variance from the requirements of ASME A17.1, 2019 Edition, Section 2.8.1 and 2.8.2.2, as adopted by 61C-5.001, Florida Administrative Code, which requires that no foreign equipment be placed in an elevator hoistway, which poses a significant economic/financial

hardship. Any interested person may file comments within 14 days of the publication of this notice with Division of Hotels and Restaurants, Bureau of Elevator Safety, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1013 (VW2026-144).

A copy of the Petition may be obtained by contacting: Division of Hotels and Restaurants, Bureau of Elevator Safety, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1013, elevators.dhr@myfloridalicense.com.

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Division of Hotels and Restaurants

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

61C-5.001 Safety Standards

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Petitioner seeks a routine variance from the requirements of ASME A17.1, 2019 Edition, Section 2.8.1 and 2.8.2.2, as adopted by 61C-5.001, Florida Administrative Code, which requires that no foreign equipment be placed in an elevator hoistway, which poses a significant economic/financial hardship. Any interested person may file comments within 14 days of the publication of this notice with Division of Hotels and Restaurants, Bureau of Elevator Safety, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1013 (VW2026-145).

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DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Division of Hotels and Restaurants

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and Restaurants, Bureau of Elevator Safety, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1013 (VW2026-146).

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Division of Hotels and Restaurants

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

61C-4.010 Sanitation and Safety Requirements

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR VARIANCE OR WAIVER
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on October 13, 2026, the Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation, Division of Hotels and Restaurants, received a petition for a Routine Variance from Fidalgos Piri Piri Chicken LLC located in Daytona Beach.

Paragraph 61C-1.004(2)(a), Florida Administrative Code, subsection 61C-4.010(7), Florida Administrative Code, subsection 61C-4.010(6), Florida Administrative Code, and Section 6-402.11, 2017 FDA Food Code. The above referenced F.A.C. addresses the requirement that at least one accessible bathroom on the same level be provided for use by customers and employees. They are requesting to utilize bathrooms located on a different level.

The Division of Hotels and Restaurants will accept comments concerning the Petition for 14 days from the date of publication of this notice. To be considered, comments must be received on or before 5:00 p.m.

A copy of the Petition may be obtained by contacting: Daisy.Aleman@myfloridalicense.com, Division of Hotels and Restaurants, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1011.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Clinical Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy and Mental Health Counseling

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR VARIANCE OR WAIVER
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on October 13, 2026, the Board of Clinical Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy and Mental Health Counseling, received a petition for a variance and waiver from Carolyn Corina Bethel, Petitioner.

While the Petitioner fails to cite any rule or statutes, she appears to be requesting a Variance and/or Waiver from subsection 64B4-3.0085(4), F.A.C., which states that experience obtained under the supervision of a qualified supervisor will not count toward completion of the experience requirement until the registered intern has received board approval of the qualified supervisor. Petitioner requests a variance/waiver to accept the supervision hours she received during her employment at Sandy Pines Hospital beginning April 2022. Petitioner requests that

the Board retroactively approve clinical experience hours accrued under Bettina Flessinger.

Comments on the petition should be filed with the Board of Clinical Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy and Mental Health Counseling, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin # C08, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3258, telephone: (850)488-0595, or by electronic mail – Ashleigh.Irving@flhealth.gov, within 14 days of publication of this notice.

A copy of the Petition may be obtained by contacting: Ashleigh Irving, Executive Director, Board of Clinical Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy and Mental Health Counseling, at the above address.

Section VI Notice of Meetings, Workshops and Public Hearings

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

The Florida Department of Education announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: October 27, 2026, 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m., ET, or until business is concluded, whichever is earlier.

PLACE: Lake Buena Vista High School, 11305 Daryl Carter Parkway, Orlando, FL 32836

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Science State Academic Standards

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Patricia.Duncan@fldoe.org

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For more information, you may contact: Patricia.Duncan@fldoe.org

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

State Board of Education

The Military Interstate Children's Compact Commission – Florida Council announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: October 23, 2026, 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m., ET (or until business is concluded, whichever is earlier).

PLACE:

<https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/226881588369878?p=lrYPgYCWNBCZJWd5LK>

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:

Provide updates on Military Interstate Children's Compact.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: StudentSupportServices1@fldoe.org.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Division of Blind Services

The Division of Blind Services/Bureau of Business Enterprise announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: October 21, 2026, 3:00 p.m.

PLACE: Via Microsoft Teams meeting

Join:

<https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/226654163003179?p=5Q4hnWcqvk8siTmCFI>

Meeting ID: 226 654 163 003 179

Passcode: X993Fa6J

Dial in by phone

+1(850)583-5063, 134699295# United States, Tallahassee

Phone conference ID: 134 699 295#

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:

Discussion of storage solutions for Business Enterprise Program vendors.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Mary Ellen Harding, maryellen.harding@dbf.fldoe.org

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impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCILS

Emerald Coast Regional Council

The Regional Rural Transportation Plan Minor Update announces a workshop to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: October 22, 2026, 2:00 p.m.

PLACE: Virtual via GoTo Webinar

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Our staff at ECRC, under the direction of District Three of the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), is gathering input from rural communities in Northwest Florida. By engaging with rural local governments and bringing these

communities together for discussion and collaboration, we are developing a document that outlines their transportation needs. The Rural Regional Transportation Plan (RRTP) serves as a blueprint for maintaining and enhancing the regional rural transportation system over a 20-year planning horizon. It addresses roadway, bicycle/pedestrian, freight, and other modes of transportation in rural areas. Additionally, the plan prioritizes short- and long-range projects for potential inclusion in the FDOT Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). Agendas are available at ecrc.org/RRTP.

Join us live via GoToWebinar!

1. ATTENDEES MUST REGISTER.

Visit the below link to access the ECRC Meeting Stage webpage. Select the meeting you would like to attend. After registration is completed, a link to attend the Webinar will be emailed to you: www.gotostage.com/channel/ecrc

2. When it's time for the webinar, click the emailed link, then choose one of the following audio options:

TO USE YOUR COMPUTER'S AUDIO: When the Webinar begins, you will be connected to audio using your computer's microphone and speakers (VoIP).

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TO USE YOUR TELEPHONE: If you prefer to use your phone, you must select "Use Telephone" after joining the webinar and call in using the numbers provided.

Public Forum

All comments submitted at least 24 hours before are guaranteed to be read during the public meeting. Comments submitted after the 24-hour deadline will be recorded and disseminated to the Board.

Participation is asked for without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status. Persons who believe they have been discriminated against on these conditions may file a complaint with the Title VI Coordinator, Tiffany.Bates@ECRC.org, (850)332-7976.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Gary Kramer, gary.kramer@ecrc.org, (850)332-7976

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 48 hours before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Marketing and Outreach toll-free at (800)226-8914 or TTY 711, or by emailing marketing@ecrc.org. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCILS

North Central Florida Regional Planning Council

The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: October 22, 2026, 6:00 p.m.

PLACE: Hybrid Meeting in-Person at Holiday Inn Hotel and Suites, Santa Fe Room, 213 Southwest Commerce Boulevard, Lake City, Florida, and via Communications Media Technology.

Meeting access via communications media technology in the following format:

DIAL IN NUMBER: Toll free 1(888)585-9008

CONFERENCE CODE: 205 635 682

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: To conduct the regular business of the Executive Committee of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: North Central Florida Regional Planning Council, 2009 NW 67th Place, Gainesville, Florida 32653-1603.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 2 business days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: (352)955-2200. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCILS

North Central Florida Regional Planning Council

The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: October 22, 2026, 6:15 p.m.

PLACE: Hybrid Meeting in-Person at Holiday Inn Hotel and Suites, Suwannee Room, 213 Southwest Commerce Boulevard, Lake City, Florida, and via Communications Media Technology.

Meeting access via communications media technology in the following format:

DIAL IN NUMBER: Toll free 1(888)585-9008

CONFERENCE CODE: 381 777 570

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: To conduct the regular business of the Clearinghouse Committee of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council

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REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCILS

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DATE AND TIME: October 22, 2026, 7:00 p.m.

PLACE: Hybrid Meeting in-Person at Holiday Inn Hotel and Suites, Suwannee Room, 213 Southwest Commerce Boulevard, Lake City, Florida, and via Communications Media Technology.

Meeting access via communications media technology in the following format:

To join the meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone
<https://meet.goto.com/199381341>

DIAL IN NUMBER: Toll Free: 1(866)899-4679

ACCESS CODE: 199 381 341

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: To conduct the regular business of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council.

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REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCILS

East Central Florida Regional Planning Council

The East Central Florida Regional Planning Council announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: November 18, 2026, 10:30 a.m.

PLACE: 455 N. Garland Ave, Suite 414, Orlando FL 32801

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Regular bi-monthly meeting of the East Central Florida Regional Planning Council.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Ken Storey at (407)245-0300 ext. 300, or KStorey@ECFRPC.org. Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 2 (two) days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Ken Storey at (407)245-0300 ext. 300, or KStorey@ECFRPC.org. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCILS

East Central Florida Regional Planning Council

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DATE AND TIME: November 18, 2026, 9:30 a.m.

PLACE: 455 N. Garland Ave, Suite 414, Orlando FL 32801

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Regular bi-monthly meeting of the East Central Florida Regional Planning Council Executive Committee.

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REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCILS

East Central Florida Regional Planning Council

The East Central Florida Regional Planning Council announces a telephone conference call to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: November 18, 2026, 12:30 p.m.

PLACE: 455 N. Garland Ave, Suite 414, Orlando FL 32801

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Meeting of the R2C Volunteer Working Group

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Jenifer Rupert at JRupert@ECFRPC.org or (407)245-0300

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WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICTS

St. Johns River Water Management District

The ST. JOHNS RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: October 20, 2026; 11:30 a.m.

PLACE: District HQ, 4049 Reid St., Palatka, Florida 32177

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Notice is hereby given that an Evaluation Committee Meeting will be held to review and discuss the submittals received in response to Solicitation No. 42184-2RFQ27, Mechanical Vegetation Management with Operator.

Interested persons may attend at the location identified above. One or more Evaluation Committee members may attend the meeting via communications media technology, such as Microsoft Teams.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Breanna Pierce, bpierce@sjrwmd.com, (386)643-1168, 4049 Reid St., Palatka, Florida 32177

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WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICTS

St. Johns River Water Management District

The ST. JOHNS RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: October 20, 2026; 2:00 p.m.

PLACE: District HQ, 4049 Reid St., Palatka, Florida 32177

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:

Notice is hereby given that an Evaluation Committee Meeting will be held to review and discuss the submittals received in response to Solicitation No. 42232RFQ27, Helicopter Services Prescribed Burn Aerial with Operator

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DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Division of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco

RULE NOS.:RULE TITLES:

61A-8.001 Safety Standards

61A-8.002 Training Curriculum

61A-8.003 Enforcement

The Department of Business and Professional Regulation, Division of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco announces a hearing to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Thursday, October 22, 2026, 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: DBPR Room C409 (ABT_ADM Large Conference Room), 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, FL 32399.

Teams:

<https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/267750391927990?p=zKP8PwevhdRlnj6SJI>

Meeting ID: 267 750 391 927 990

Passcode: 3wD2Jh7W

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Convenience Business Security Act, Proposed Rules 61A-8.001, 61A-8.002, and 61A-8.003.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Susan Hartmann Swartz; susan.swartz@myfloridalicense.com; (850)717-1252; DBPR, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, FL 32399.

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DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Barbers' Board

The Florida Barbers' Board announces a telephone conference call to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: November 10, 2026, 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: You may attend the meeting in the following ways:

Online:

<https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/2453943866497?p=EYt9saSc4Up5RRKQOq>

Meeting ID: 245 394 386 649 7

Passcode: kV6PU9oB

By Phone: (213)458-8552 – Conference ID 476191287#.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:

General board business.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Florida Barbers' Board, 2601 Blair Stone, Tallahassee, Florida, 32399, (850)487-1395.

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DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Board of Professional Engineers

The Florida Board of Professional Engineers Probable Cause Panel announces a telephone conference call to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: November 4, 2026, 8:30 a.m. or soon thereafter

PLACE: via video and/or telephone conference

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:

Although this meeting is open to the public, the Probable Cause Panel meeting may be closed consistent with the law. If you wish to participate in any public portion of the Probable Cause Panel Meeting, please contact Rebecca Sammons at least 10 days prior to the meeting.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84811218476>

Meeting ID: 848 1121 8476

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Rebecca Sammons, rsammons@fbpe.org

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DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Board of Professional Engineers

The Florida Board of Professional Engineers announces a telephone conference call to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: November 4, 2026, 1:00 p.m. or soon thereafter

PLACE: via video and/or telephone conference

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:

General business of the board, including reviewing and approving or denying applications for licensure, and any old or new business of the Board. If you would like to participate in the Zoom call, please contact Rebecca Sammons at (850)521-0500 ext. 114 at least 10 days before the meeting.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89389815895>

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DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Board of Professional Engineers

The Florida Engineers Management Corporation Board Operations Committee announces a telephone conference call to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: November 6, 2026, 9:00 a.m. or soon thereafter

PLACE: via video and/or telephone conference

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: to monitor the operations of the Florida Board of Professional Engineers and the Florida Engineers Management Corporation, and other general business of the Committee. If you would like to participate in the Zoom call, please contact Rebecca Sammons at (850)521-0500 ext. 114 at least 10 days before the meeting.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81825712506>

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A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Rebecca Sammons, rsammons@fbpe.org

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If any person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at this meeting or hearing, he/she will need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence from which the appeal is to be issued.

For more information, you may contact: Rebecca Sammons, rsammons@fbpe.org

NORTHEAST FLORIDA AREA AGENCY ON AGING

The ElderSource announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: October 20, 2009, 8:00 a.m.

PLACE: via Zoom

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Personnel and Bylaws Committee

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: adminsUPPORT@myeldersource.org

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Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

For more information, you may contact: adminsUPPORT@myeldersource.org

CENTRAL FLORIDA TOURISM OVERSIGHT DISTRICT
The CENTRAL FLORIDA TOURISM OVERSIGHT DISTRICT announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: October 23, 2026, 10:30 a.m.

PLACE: 1900 Hotel Plaza Boulevard, Lake Buena Vista, Florida

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: District Business

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Vanessa Heiser, District Clerk, at (407)810-6818

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CENTER FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING IN CENTRAL FLORIDA, INC.

The Center For Independent Living in Central Florida, INC announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: October 16, 2026, 8:30 a.m.

PLACE: 720 North Denning Drive, Winter Park FL 32789

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Executive Committee Meeting

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Josue Obando (407)961-5539

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FLORIDA LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE COMMISSION

The Florida Local Government Finance Commission announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: October 27, 2026, 11:00 a.m.

PLACE: Via Zoom or by telephone

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:
NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

The Florida Local Government Finance Commission (the "Commission") announces a public meeting to which all interested persons are invited. The meeting will be held virtually on Tuesday, October 27, 2026, at 11:00 a.m. Eastern Time, via Zoom or by telephone.

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://fl-](https://fl-counties.zoom.us/j/88970140829?pwd=qphcOggBid4YNgzMCO4NDXGac900jQ.1)

[counties.zoom.us/j/88970140829?pwd=qphcOggBid4YNgzMCO4NDXGac900jQ.1](https://fl-counties.zoom.us/j/88970140829?pwd=qphcOggBid4YNgzMCO4NDXGac900jQ.1)

Meeting ID: 889 7014 0829

Passcode: 865408

Toll-Free Number

1(888)788-0099

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Passcode: 865408

Interested persons may access internet-connected computers at their local full service public library. Persons wishing to physically attend the meeting are invited to do so at the offices of Nabors, Giblin & Nickerson, P.A., as General Counsel to the Issuer, located at 2502 N. Rocky Point Drive, Suite 1060, Tampa, Florida 33607.

The meeting of the Commission will be for the purpose of taking certain actions related to the Commission's private projects conduit revenue bond program and for purposes of reviewing the statewide pooled commercial paper loan program for Florida governmental entities. The Commission will consider the adoption of a bond resolution approving the issuance of private project conduit bonds for the benefit of Presbyterian Retirement Communities, Inc. and its affiliates. The Commission may also consider introductions and/or approval(s) of a TEFRA inducement resolution(s) related to the possible issuance of private project conduit bonds, along with any other business which may properly come before it.

The agenda for such meeting can be obtained prior to the meeting from the Commission's website at <https://www.floridalocal.org/agendas>. The Commission is an unincorporated, nonprofit association whose members are comprised of Brevard County, Florida, Charlotte County, Florida, Lee County, Florida, Osceola County, Florida, Sarasota County, Florida and St. Johns County, Florida.

ALL PERSONS FOR OR AGAINST ANY MATTER, PROPOSITION OR OFFICIAL ACTION BEFORE THE COMMISSION CAN BE HEARD AT SAID TIME AND

PLACE. PERSONS INTERESTED IN TAKING FURTHER ACTION WITH RESPECT TO SUCH MEETING WILL NEED TO ENSURE THAT A VERBATIM RECORD OF SUCH MEETING IS MADE (AT THEIR SOLE COST AND EXPENSE) WHICH RECORD INCLUDES THE TESTIMONY AND EVIDENCE UPON WHICH ANY APPEAL IS BASED.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this meeting should contact Anna Doughty at the Florida Association of Counties, 100 S. Monroe Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32301, or by telephone at (850)922-4300, no less than twenty-four (24) hours prior to the date of the meeting.

/s/ Nicole Jovanovski

Chair, Florida Local Government

Finance Commission

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Anna Doughty, adoughty@fl-counties.com, Florida Association of Counties, 100 S. Monroe Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32301, (850)922-4300

CARPE DIEM COMMUNITY SOLUTIONS, INC.

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Thursday, October 29, 2026, 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. (CDT)

PLACE: Virtual (Online): Register at www.nwflroads.com/projects/437905-2

In-person: NorthStone Baptist Church, 2550 W. Nine Mile Road, Pensacola

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) will hold a hybrid public meeting to present information concerning the Interstate 10 (I-10) widening project in Escambia County. This hybrid public meeting is being held both virtually and in-person to provide interested persons an opportunity to express their views concerning the proposed improvements. Those who are unable to participate virtually may attend the meeting in-person. Interested persons may visit the project website at www.nwflroads.com/projects/437905-2 and register for one viewing option (virtual or in-person). The same materials will be presented in each format. If you have any questions or issues registering, please contact Nikole Arrant, P.E., Project Manager, at (850)415-9017, or via email at narrant@hntb.com. Maps, drawings, and other information is available for review online beginning at 12:00 noon (CDT), Thursday, October 8, 2026, at www.nwflroads.com/projects/437905-2.

Project materials may also be viewed by contacting the Project Manager at the information provided above.

The intent of this project is to widen approximately 2.196 miles of I-10 from east of the eastbound weigh station to east of Nine Mile Road, expanding the roadway from four to six travel lanes. Additional right of way is required. Bids for construction are scheduled to occur mid-2027.

Representatives will be available to discuss proposed improvements, answer questions, and receive comments.

Persons wishing to submit written comments may do so at the meeting or may contact the Project Manager using the information provided above. The deadline to submit official public comments related to this project is Monday, November 9, 2026.

Public participation is held without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: The Project Manager using the information provided above.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least seven days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: The Project Manager using the information provided above. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

For more information, you may contact: The Project Manager using the information provided above. You may also contact Ian Satter, FDOT District Three Public Information Director, toll-free at (888)638-0250, ext. 1205, or via email at ian.satter@dot.state.fl.us.

Section VII

Notice of Petitions and Dispositions Regarding Declaratory Statements

NONE

Section VIII

Notice of Petitions and Dispositions Regarding the Validity of Rules

Notice of Petition for Administrative Determination has been filed with the Division of Administrative Hearings on the following rules:

NONE

Notice of Disposition of Petition for Administrative Determination has been filed with the Division of Administrative Hearings on the following rules:

NONE

Section IX

Notice of Petitions and Dispositions Regarding Non-rule Policy Challenges

NONE

Section X

Announcements and Objection Reports of the Joint Administrative Procedures Committee

NONE

Section XI

Notices Regarding Bids, Proposals and Purchasing

MID-FLORIDA AREA AGENCY ON AGING

2027 CPA Notice RFP/Bidders Conference

Competitive proposals from qualified Certified Public Accounting (CPA) firms to provide financial statement, accounting services, audit assistance, and tax reporting requirements for January 1 through December 31, 2027 will be received by the Mid-Florida Area Agency on Aging dba Elder Options until 3:00 p.m. on November 10, 2026.

Details for the 2027 CPA RFP are available in the News section on the Elder Options website at agingresources.org/news. Elder Options reserves the right to reject any and all proposals.

A Bidders/Pre-Proposal Conference will be held at 1:00 p.m. on October 26, 2026 via Zoom. The link is as follows:

<https://agingresources-org.zoom.us/j/87040592171?pwd=MazWF6jc6eZaSHQeeumi2zydJ9Xz2l.1>

Section XII

Miscellaneous

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Index of Administrative Rules Filed with the Secretary of State Pursuant to subparagraphs 120.55(1)(b)7. – 8., F.S., the below list of rules were filed in the Office of the Secretary of State between 3:00 p.m., Wednesday, October 7, 2026, and 3:00 p.m., Tuesday, October 13, 2026.

Rule No.	File Date	Effective Date
1A-39.001	10/8/2026	10/28/2026

6A-1.0957	10/9/2026	10/29/2026
6A-10.0246	10/9/2026	10/29/2026
12D-9.014	10/13/2026	11/2/2026
12D-9.019	10/13/2026	11/2/2026
12D-9.020	10/13/2026	11/2/2026
12D-9.026	10/13/2026	11/2/2026
12D-16.002	10/13/2026	11/2/2026
25-4.0161	10/12/2026	11/1/2026
25-6.0131	10/12/2026	11/1/2026
25-7.0131	10/12/2026	11/1/2026
25-7.101	10/12/2026	11/1/2026
25-30.120	10/12/2026	11/1/2026
60LER26-2	10/8/2026	10/8/2026
60LER26-3	10/8/2026	10/8/2026
61-20.011	10/7/2026	10/27/2026
61-35.027	10/13/2026	11/2/2026
68D-21.004	10/13/2026	11/2/2026
68D-24.003	10/8/2026	10/28/2026
LIST OF RULES AWAITING LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 120.541(3), 373.139(7) AND/OR 373.1391(6), FLORIDA STATUTES		
Rule No.	File Date	Effective Date
14-10.0043	4/11/2025	**/**/****
65C-9.004	3/31/2022	**/**/****

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAY SAFETY AND MOTOR VEHICLES

Division of Motor Vehicles

The establishment of Hook N GO Trailers LLC

Notice of Publication for a New Point Franchise Motor Vehicle Dealer in a County of More than 300,000 Population

Pursuant to section 320.642, Florida Statutes, notice is given that Textron E-Z-Go LLC, intends to allow the establishment of Hook N GO Trailers LLC, as a dealership for the sale of low-speed vehicles manufactured by Textron E-Z-Go LLC (line make- EZGO) at 394 S Hwy 1, Oak Hill, (Volusia County), Florida, 32759, on or after November 14, 2026.

The name and address of the dealer operator(s) and principal investor(s) of Hook N GO Trailers LLC are dealer operator(s): Allison Clausen, 394 S US Highway 1, Oak Hill, Florida 32759-9726; principal investor(s): Allison Clausen, 394 S US Highway 1, Oak Hill, Florida 32759-9726.

The notice indicates intent to establish the new point location in a county of more than 300,000 population, according to the

latest population estimates of the University of Florida, Bureau of Economic and Business Research.

Certain dealerships of the same line-make may have standing, pursuant to section 320.642, Florida Statutes to file a petition or complaint protesting the application.

Written petitions or complaints must be received by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice and must be submitted to: Sondra L. Howard, Administrator, Dealer License Section, Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, Neil Kirkman Building, Room A-312 MS65, 2900 Apalachee Parkway, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0635.

A copy of such petition or complaint must also be sent by US Mail to: Macsam Asare-Bediako, Textron E-Z-Go LLC, 1451 Marvin Griffin Road, Augusta, Georgia, 30906.

If no petitions or complaints are received within 30 days of the date of publication, a final order will be issued by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles approving the establishment of the dealership, subject to the applicant's compliance with the provisions of Chapter 320, Florida Statutes.

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAY SAFETY AND MOTOR VEHICLES

Division of Motor Vehicles

The establishment of Southern LLC

Notice of Publication for a New Point Franchise Motor Vehicle Dealer in a County of More than 300,000 Population

Pursuant to section 320.642, Florida Statutes, notice is given that Textron E-Z Go LLC, intends to allow the establishment of Southern LLC, as a dealership for the sale of low-speed vehicles manufactured by Textron E-Z Go LLC (line make- EZGO) at 14331 Southern Blvd, Loxahatchee, (Palm Beach County), Florida, 33470, on or after November 14, 2026.

The name and address of the dealer operator(s) and principal investor(s) of Southern LLC are dealer operator(s): Eric Garoutte, 4680 129th Ave N, West Palm Beach, Florida 33411; principal investor(s): Eric Garoutte, 4680 129th Ave N, West Palm Beach, Florida 33411, Paul Giarusso, 218 Saratoga Blvd, Royal Palm Beach, Florida 33411.

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HERNANDO COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE
HERNANDO COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS REPORT OF PUBLIC INTEREST
DETERMINATION REGARDING UNSOLICITED
PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP PROPOSAL

Project: Northwest Waste Management Facility Landfill Gas-to-Renewable Natural Gas Project

Private Entity: Viridi Energy Asset Holdings IV, LLC

Notice is hereby given that Hernando County, Florida (the "County"), received an unsolicited proposal from Viridi Energy Asset Holdings IV, LLC ("Viridi") pursuant to section 255.065, Florida Statutes, and Sections 44 and 45 of the Hernando County Procurement Manual. Viridi proposes to finance, design, construct, own, operate, and maintain an integrated landfill gas collection, control, and beneficial-use project at the County's Northwest Waste Management Facility. The proposed project includes expansion and optimization of the landfill's gas collection and control system and construction of a renewable natural gas processing facility that would convert collected landfill gas into pipeline-quality renewable natural gas. The Hernando County Board of County Commissioners considered the unsolicited proposal at a duly noticed public meeting held on August 25, 2026. At the meeting, the proposal was presented, and affected public entities and members of the public were afforded an opportunity to provide comments. The Board authorized County staff to proceed with negotiating an interim agreement with Viridi and to continue consideration of the proposal without initiating a public bidding phase, subject to the additional public meeting, public-interest determination, agreement negotiations, and approval requirements of section 255.065, Florida Statutes, and the Hernando County Procurement Manual. The Board considered the factors required by section 255.065(3)(c), Florida Statutes, and made the following preliminary findings:

Benefits to the Public

The proposed project would improve the collection and management of landfill gas at the Northwest Waste Management Facility, increase methane-capture efficiency,

reduce emissions, support environmental and regulatory compliance, and convert an existing waste product into a beneficial renewable-energy resource. The project would also expand and improve the facility's gas collection and control infrastructure, including extraction wells, collection piping, flare systems, and associated monitoring and control systems. These improvements would support existing landfill operations and future landfill-cell development. The project is proposed to be funded entirely through private investment, thereby avoiding upfront County capital expenditures. It would also create a new long-term revenue stream for the County from an existing County resource and may support local employment and economic activity. The Board also considered that the County's prior agreement for the beneficial use and monetization of landfill gas has been terminated. At present, the collected landfill gas is not being put to its highest and best environmental or financial use for the benefit of County residents. The proposed project would provide a means to convert that existing resource into renewable natural gas, improve its environmental use, and restore an opportunity for the County to receive revenue from the gas. Although Viridi proposes to own the renewable natural gas facility during the proposed term and ownership is not presently proposed to be conveyed to the County after commercial operations begin, the public benefits apart from ownership include privately funded infrastructure improvements, enhanced landfill-gas management, improved environmental performance, support for regulatory compliance, recurring revenue to the County, and preservation of County ownership and control of the underlying landfill property.

Financial Structure and Economic Efficiencies

Viridi proposes to fund 100 percent of the project's development and construction costs and to assume responsibility for financing, design, construction, operation, and maintenance of the landfill gas collection and renewable natural gas systems. No upfront capital cost to the County is proposed. Compensation to the County would be performance-based and derived from a royalty on gross revenues generated by the sale of renewable natural gas and associated environmental attributes. Payments would be calculated monthly and remitted quarterly, accompanied by production and revenue reports. Based upon the proposal, estimated County revenue during the proposed twenty-year term ranges from approximately \$19,885,540 to \$40,000,168, with an estimated net present value ranging from approximately \$11,313,862 to \$19,659,423. These figures remain projections subject to validation, negotiation, market conditions, project performance, and approval of an interim agreement and comprehensive agreement. The proposed structure may produce economic efficiencies by combining project financing, design, construction, operation, maintenance, and optimization under a single private entity; using private capital instead of

County capital; and generating revenue from landfill gas that would otherwise have limited beneficial use. The Board also considered the potential availability and financial significance of the federal investment tax credit ("ITC") to the proposed project. Based on the information presented at the meeting, the facility would need to be placed in service and producing renewable natural gas by the end of 2028 to obtain the maximum anticipated benefit associated with the ITC. The Board considered the proposed schedule important because the availability and value of the tax credit may affect the project's financial structure, economic feasibility, and potential financial return to the County. The availability, amount, and treatment of any tax credit remain subject to applicable federal law, project eligibility, timely completion, and further due diligence and negotiation.

Qualifications, Experience, and Ability of the Private Entity to Perform the Project

Viridi represented that it and its personnel have experience developing, financing, constructing, commissioning, owning, and operating landfill gas-to-renewable-natural-gas projects throughout the United States. The proposal identifies representative projects in Alabama, Wisconsin, New Hampshire, and Nebraska. Viridi also represented that its financing platform is supported by institutional capital and relationships with infrastructure lenders. Based on the information submitted, Viridi and its proposed team appear to possess relevant experience and qualifications sufficient to warrant further consideration and negotiation. Final determinations concerning financial capacity, technical capability, performance requirements, security, and risk allocation will be addressed through additional due diligence and negotiation of any interim and comprehensive agreements.

Compatibility With Regional Infrastructure Plans

The proposed project is compatible with existing and planned operations at the Northwest Waste Management Facility. The site has established landfill operations, continuing disposal capacity, consistent waste intake, and proximity to pipeline infrastructure. The proposed project would be located within the existing landfill footprint and is expected to require approximately one-half to one acre for the renewable natural gas processing facility. Potential infrastructure considerations include utility service, pipeline interconnection, site access, landfill traffic, construction staging, and coordination with existing and future landfill operations. These matters would be evaluated and addressed during due diligence, project design, permitting, and negotiation of the interim and comprehensive agreements.

Public Comments

No comments opposing or raising concerns regarding the proposed project were submitted by affected public or private business entities during the August 25, 2026, meeting. During

the August 25, 2026, meeting, members of the public asked questions and offered comments concerning project safety, regulatory oversight by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection ("FDEP"), the purpose of the proposed extraction wells, the need for appropriate protections during contract negotiations, opportunities to use qualified local contractors, the County's current disposition of landfill gas and any resulting unrealized revenue, and the project's anticipated financial and environmental benefits to the community. It was explained that the County's prior agreement to monetize landfill gas had been terminated and that the gas is not currently being used in a manner that provides the best available environmental and financial benefits to County residents. In response to the remaining questions, representatives explained that the facility would be operated in accordance with applicable federal and state safety requirements governing gas facilities and that local firefighters would be provided an opportunity to tour the facility and receive site-specific orientation. Representatives further confirmed that the project would be subject to applicable FDEP permitting and regulatory requirements. Regarding the wells, it was clarified that they are gas-extraction wells, not injection wells, and that landfill-gas collection wells are required independently of the proposed project because landfill gases cannot be released uncontrolled into the atmosphere. Representatives also stated that reasonable efforts would be made to engage qualified local contractors. The County further advised that it would retain qualified external consultants with relevant industry expertise to assist with due diligence and contract negotiations and to protect the County's interests. The Board considered these questions, responses, and favorable public comments regarding the project's potential financial and environmental benefits and determined that the matters raised can be appropriately addressed through regulatory compliance, technical review, due diligence, and carefully negotiated agreement terms and therefore do not preclude further consideration of the proposal.

Public Interest Determination

Based upon the foregoing factors and findings, the Board determined that further consideration of the unsolicited proposal without initiating a public bidding phase is in the public interest. The proposed project has the potential to provide substantial environmental, operational, infrastructure, and financial benefits to the County while using private financing and avoiding upfront County capital costs. This determination authorizes continued evaluation and negotiation only. It does not constitute approval of an interim agreement, comprehensive agreement, lease, gas-rights agreement, construction activity, or final project. Any interim agreement and comprehensive agreement will be presented to the Board of County Commissioners for consideration and approval at duly noticed public meetings. The County reserves the right to

discontinue negotiations or reject the proposal at any time before execution of a comprehensive agreement. A second duly noticed public meeting will be held at a date and time to be determined in the John Law Ayers County Commission Chambers, Hernando County Government Center, 20 North Main Street, Room 160, Brooksville, Florida 34601. At that meeting, the Board will receive additional public comment and determine whether to proceed with an interim agreement for the unsolicited proposal without engaging in a public bidding process. This report is published in the Florida Administrative Register pursuant to section 255.065, Florida Statutes, and Section 45 of the Hernando County Procurement Manual.

Section XIII

Index to Rules Filed During Preceding Week

NOTE: The above section will be published on Tuesday beginning October 2, 2012, unless Monday is a holiday, then it will be published on Wednesday of that week.
