

## Section I

### Notice of Development of Proposed Rules and Negotiated Rulemaking

#### WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICTS

##### Southwest Florida Water Management District

RULE NO.:        RULE TITLE:  
40D-2.321        Duration of Permits

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: Chapter 2024-180, Laws of Florida, required water management districts to develop rules promoting reclaimed water use and encouraging quantifiable potable water offsets with specific requirements for such rules. The purpose and effect of the proposed amendments was to create rule amendments to allow for a water use permit (WUP) duration up to 30 years and WUP extensions up to 10 years if a water supply development or water resource development project using reclaimed water meets certain conditions under new subsection 373.250(9), F.S. (in Rules 40D-2.321 and 40D-2.331, F.A.C.) The District recently adopted rule amendments to comply with this statutory mandate. However, the District has discovered errors in its amendments to Rule 40D-2.321, F.A.C. This rulemaking is to correct those errors.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: This rule development will cover the amendment of a District rule concerning longer water use permit durations for certain projects using reclaimed water that meet subsection 373.250(9), F.S.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 373.044, 373.103, 373.113, 373.171, 373.250 FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 373.103, 373.171, 373.219, 373.223, 373.227, 373.236, 373.250 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: Mike Bray, Assistant General Counsel, at (813)422-6509, or by email at mike.bray@swfwmd.state.fl.us.

THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS AVAILABLE AT NO CHARGE FROM THE CONTACT PERSON LISTED ABOVE.

#### WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICTS

##### South Florida Water Management District

RULE NOS.:        RULE TITLES:  
40E-21.631        Source Classes

40E-21.671        Method of Withdrawal Classes

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The South Florida Water Management District is proposing to move Figures 21-1 through 21-8 that appear in Rule 40E-21.671, F.A.C., to Rule 40E-21.631, F.A.C., where the figures are referenced. The District is not proposing to change these figures. Additionally, the District is proposing to add sections 373.171 and 373.246, Florida Statutes, to the rulemaking authority.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Surface water use basins grouped by region (Figures 21-1 through 21-8).

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 373.044, 373.113, 373.171, 373.246, F.S.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 373.175, 373.246, F.S.

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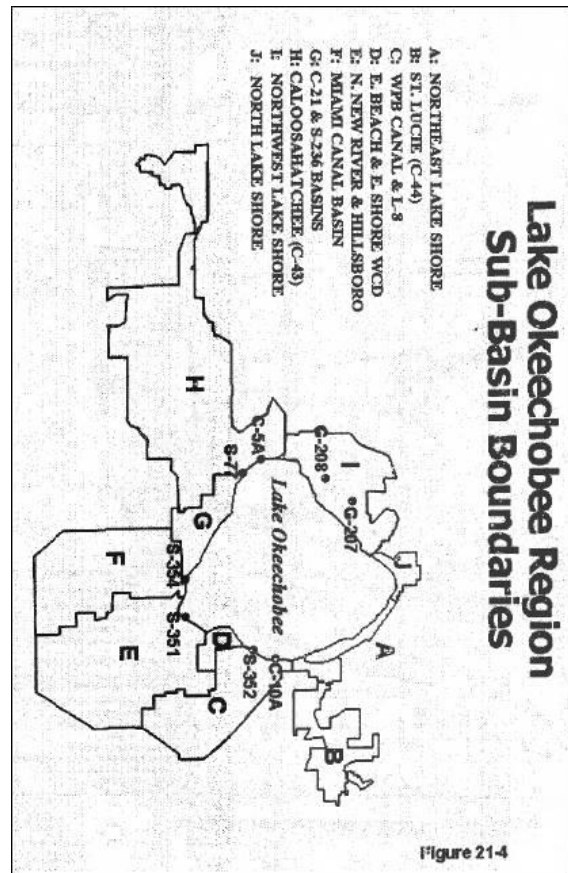
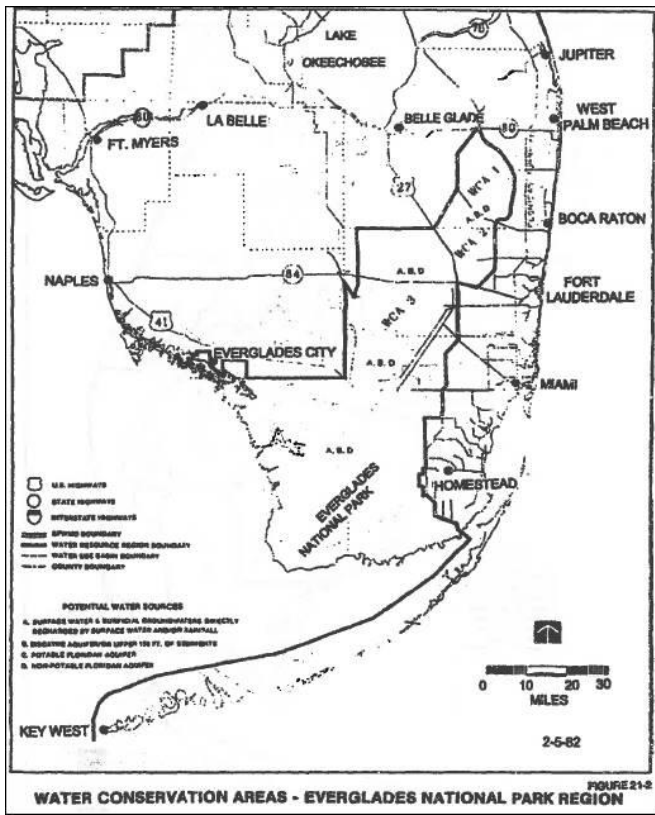
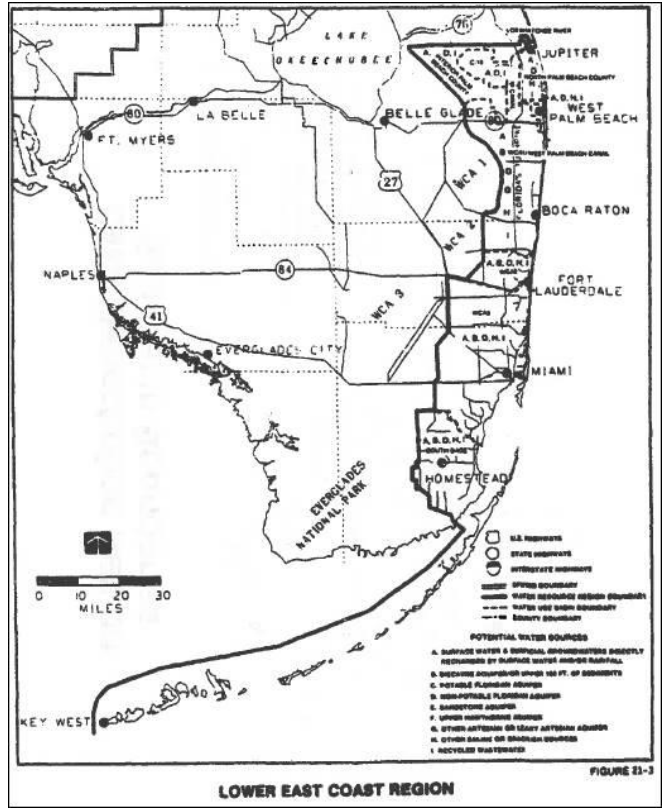
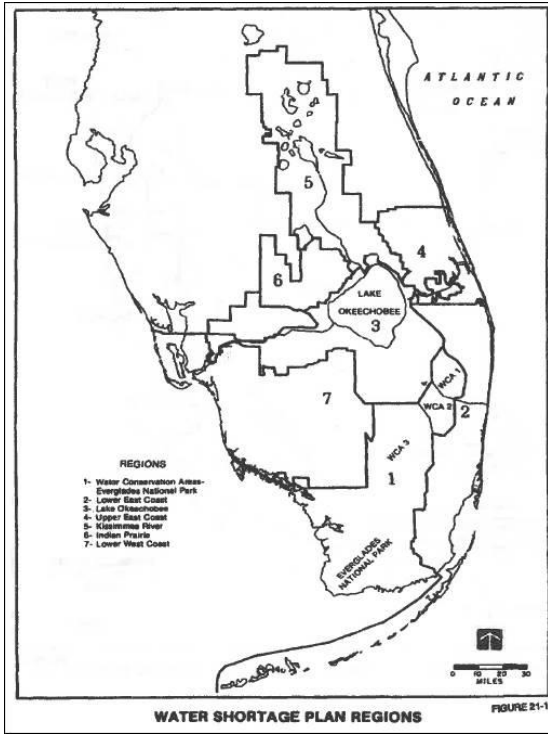
THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT, IF AVAILABLE, IS: Jan Sluth, Paralegal Specialist, South Florida Water Management District, 3301 Gun Club Road, West Palm Beach, FL 33406, via email: jsluth@swfwmd.gov or via telephone: (561)682-6299.

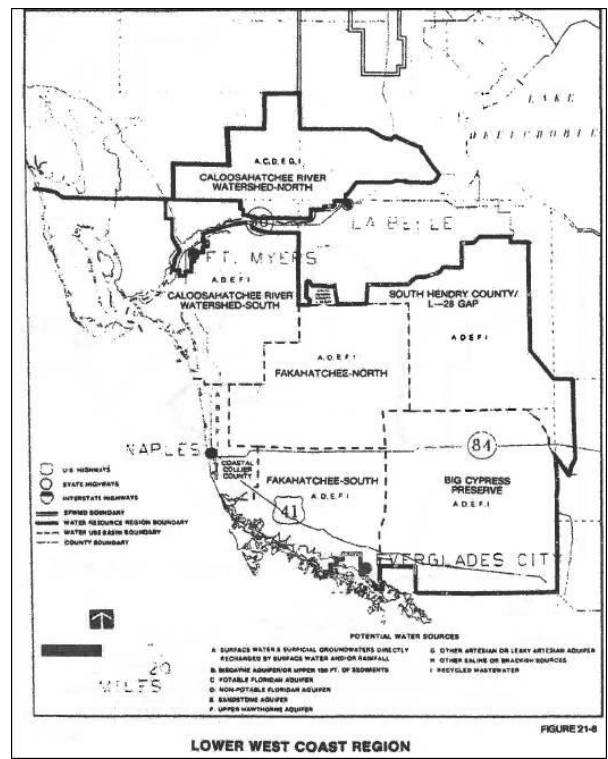
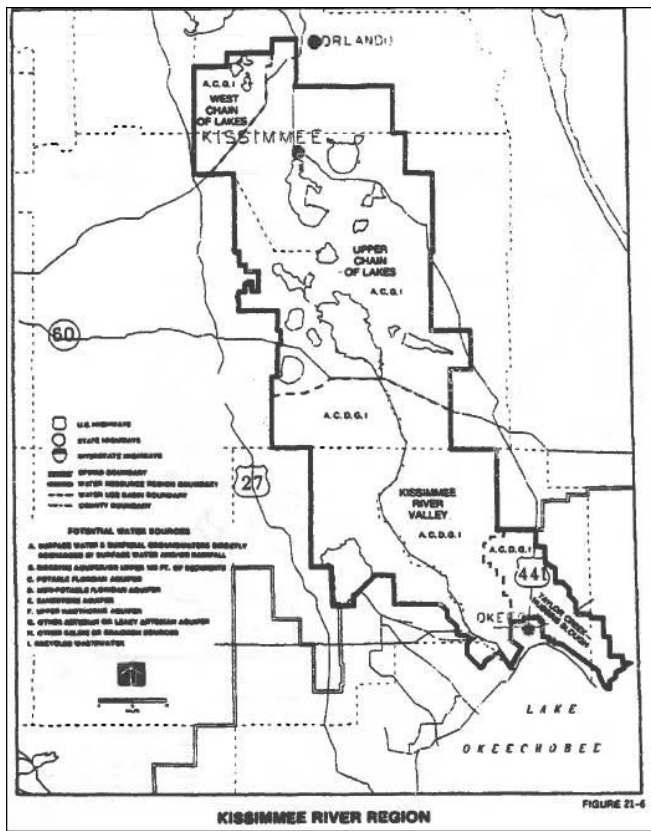
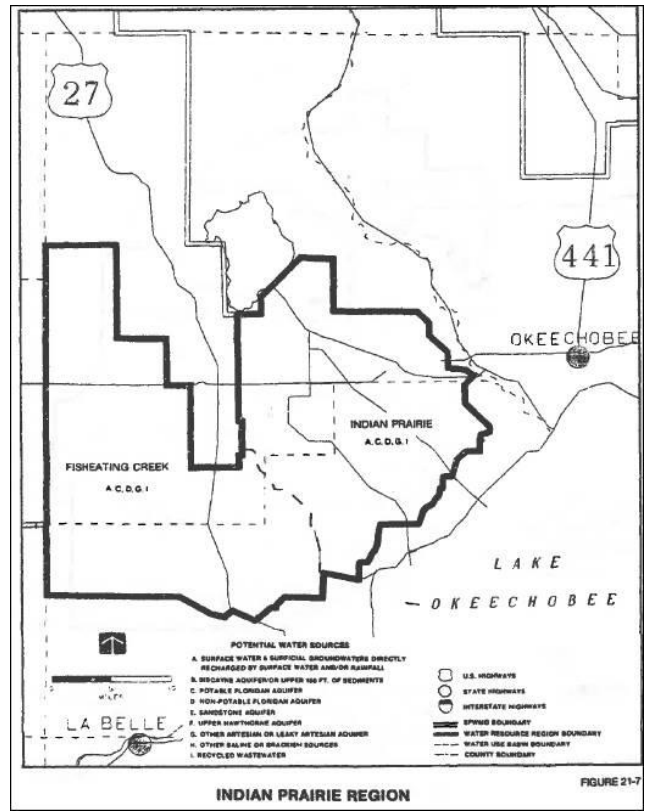
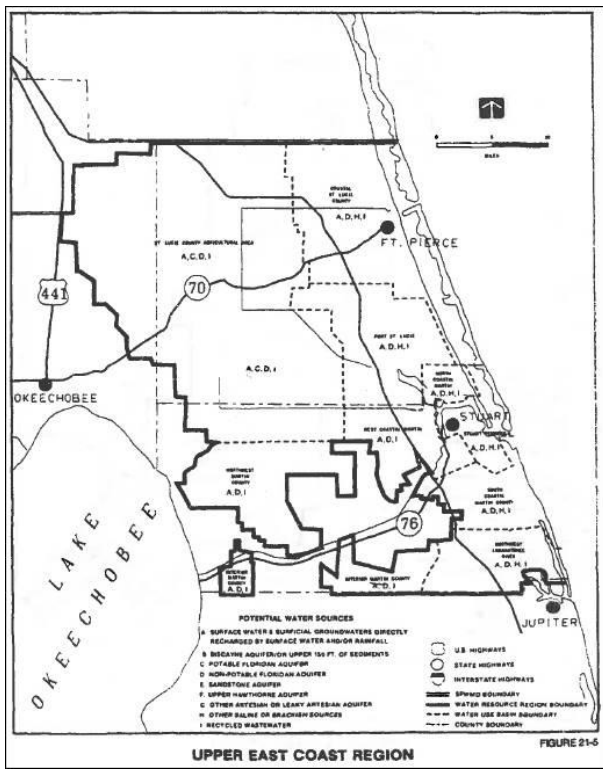
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#### 40E-21.631 Source Classes.

Source classes are generally divided into surface water use basins and groundwater sources. A water user may be assigned any combination of both surface water use basin and groundwater source classes.

(1) through (2) No Change.



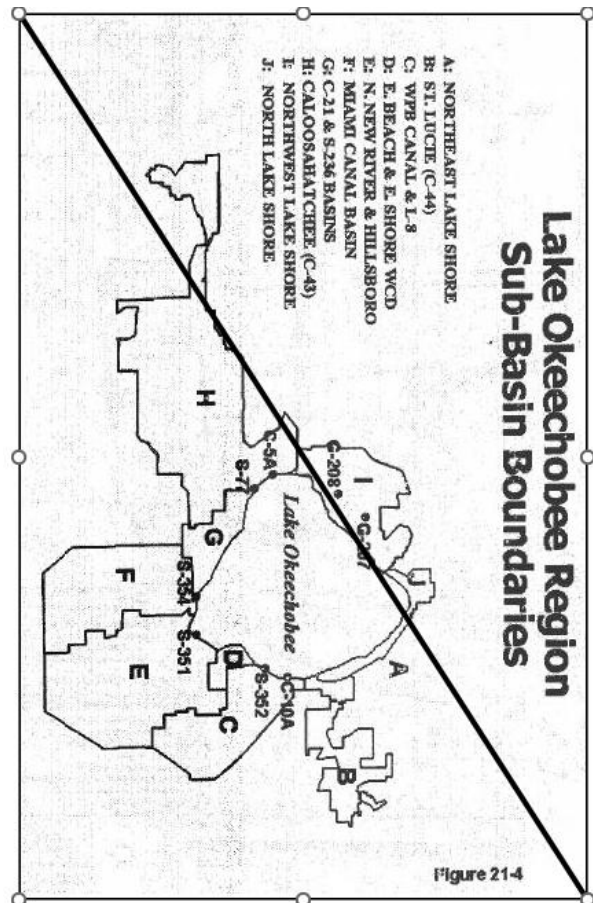
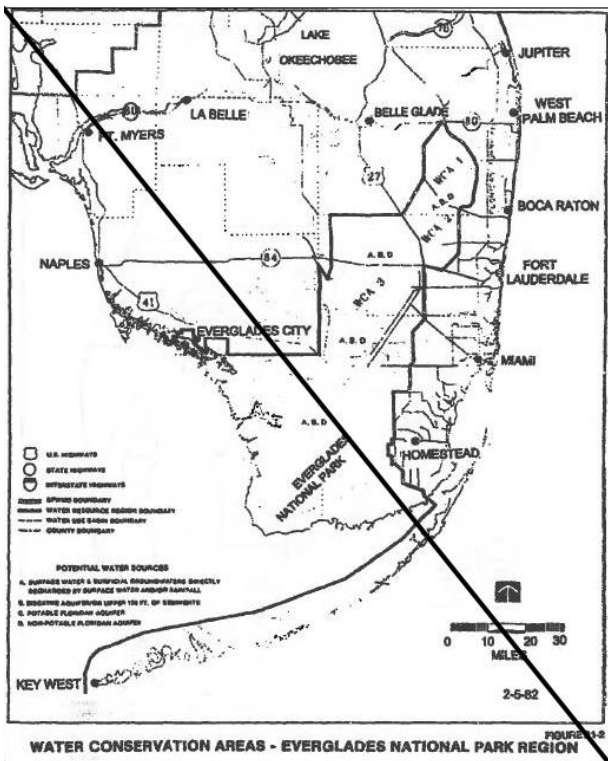
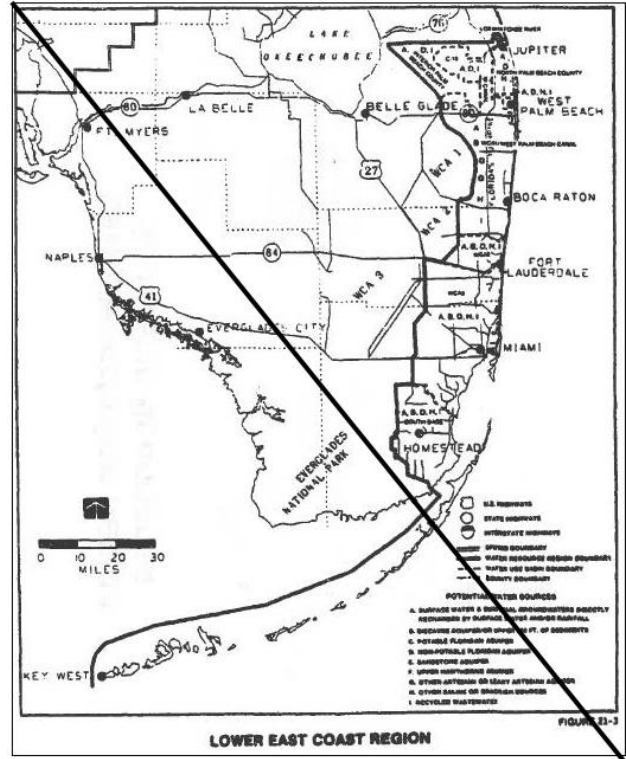
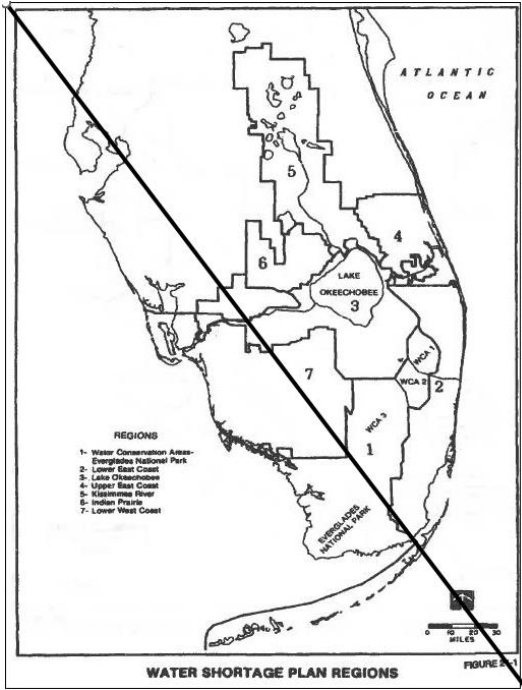


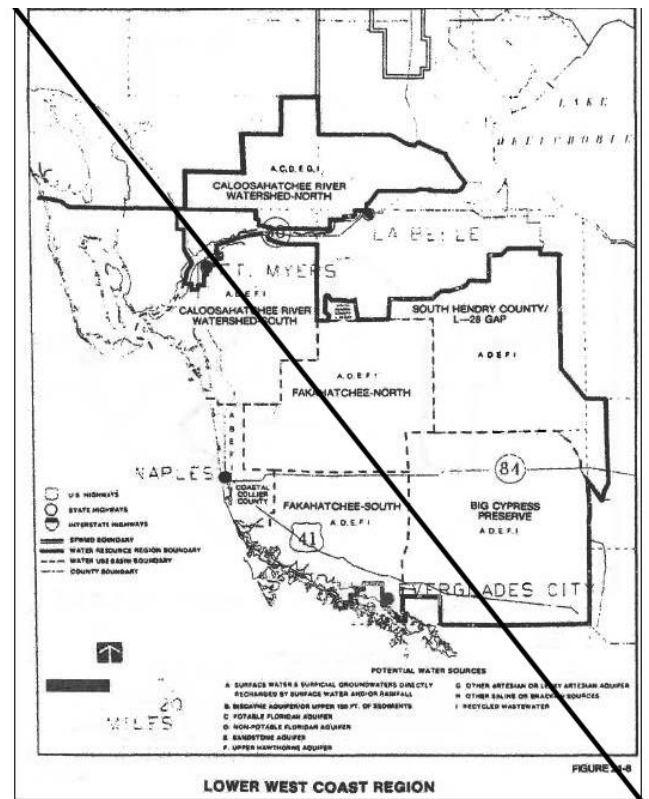
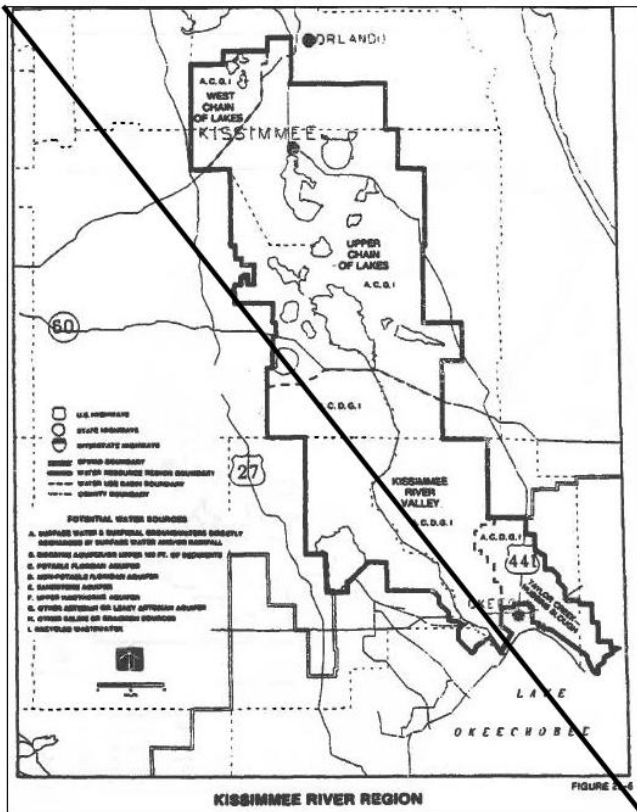
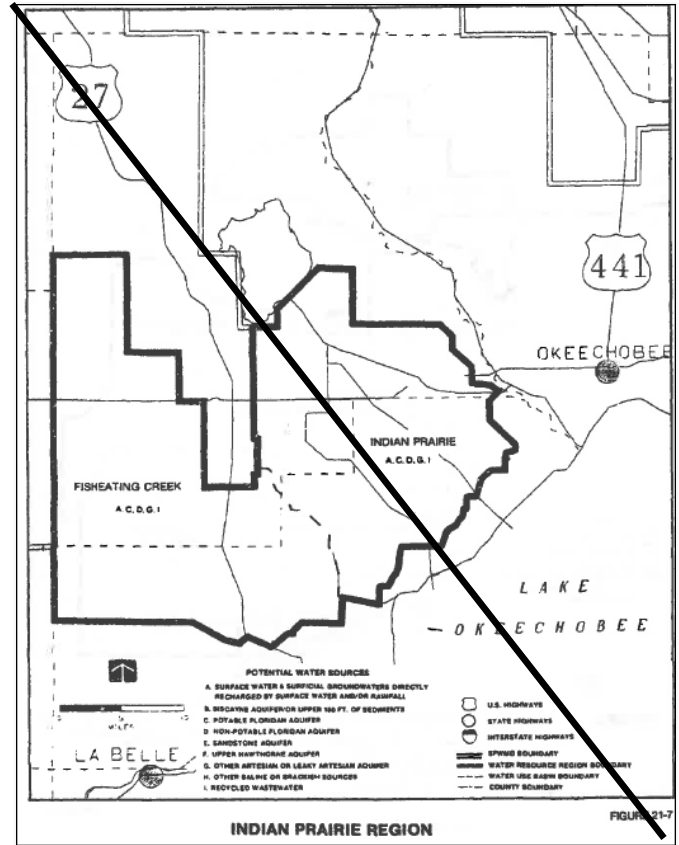
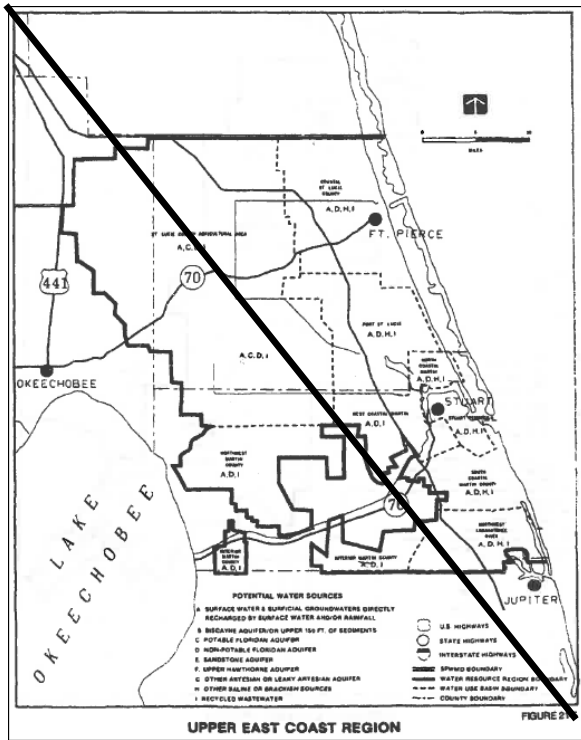
Rulemaking Authority 373.044, 373.113, 373.171, 373.246 FS. Law Implemented 373.175, 373.246 FS. History—New 5-31-82, Amended 1-26-86, 2-14-91, \_\_\_\_\_.

**40E-21.671 Method of Withdrawal Classes.**

Each water user may be identified by one or more of the following methods of withdrawal classes:

(1) through (2) No Change.





Rulemaking Authority 373.044, 373.113, 373.171, 373.246 FS. Law Implemented 373.175, 373.246 FS. History—New 5-31-82, Amended.

**DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES**

**Personnel Management System**

- RULE NOS.:      RULE TITLES:
- 60L-34.003      Work Schedules
  - 60L-34.0031     Regular Time and Overtime
  - 60L-34.0032     Holidays
  - 60L-34.004      General Requirements for Leave Earning, Approval, and Use
  - 60L-34.0041     Annual Leave
  - 60L-34.0042     Sick Leave
  - 60L-34.00421    Paid Parental Leave Following the Birth or Adoption of a Child.
  - 60L-34.0043     Regular Compensatory Leave
  - 60L-34.0044     Special Compensatory Leave
  - 60L-34.0051     Family Supportive Work Program
  - 60L-34.0052     Leaves of Absence Without Pay
  - 60L-34.0061     Disability Leave
  - 60L-34.0062     Military Leave
  - 60L-34.0071     Administrative Leave
  - 60L-34.0072     Educational Leave With Pay

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: To update, simplify, and clarify Rule Chapter 60L-34, F.A.C., which describes employee and agency activities regarding attendance and leave in accordance with the requirements of Chapter 110, Florida Statutes.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: The proposed rulemaking will update and clarify rules relating to work schedules, leave use, leave approval, and payment for employees within the State Personnel System.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: (formerly “Specific Authority”): 110.1055 110.201, 110.219(5), F.S.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 110.117, 110.121, 110.122, 110.1522, 110.219, 110.221, 110.403, 110.605, 115.07, 115.14, 121.091(13), 216.251, 250.48, 295.09, F.S.

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THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT, IF AVAILABLE, IS: Lecia Ferrell, State Workforce Policy Administrator, telephone: (850)487-1508, email: lecia.ferrell@dms.fl.gov. The draft may also be accessed on the Department’s website at [https://www.dms.myflorida.com/agency\\_administration/general\\_counsel/rulemaking](https://www.dms.myflorida.com/agency_administration/general_counsel/rulemaking).

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION**

RULE NO.:      RULE TITLE:  
62-554.400      Loan Application and Agreements

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The proposed amendment makes a change to update the publisher of a bond index and adds language to reflect the current method used to determine the interest rate for loans made to local governments or water supply entities for the development and construction of water storage facilities under the Department’s Water Storage Facility Loan (WSFL) Program.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: As a result of the Department’s review of Chapter 62-554, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), the Department has determined that a substantive change to Rule 62-554.400 is necessary to update the publisher of the bond index and the method that is used to calculate the interest rate for making loans under the WSFL Program

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 373.475, F.S

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 373.475, F.S

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THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT, IF AVAILABLE, IS: Eric Meyers (850)245-2969 Eric.V.meyers@FloridaDEP.gov Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, religion, sex, pregnancy, national origin, age, handicap, or marital status. Persons who require special accommodations under the American with Disabilities Act (ADA) or persons who require translation services (free of charge) are asked to contact DEP’s Limited English Proficiency Coordinator at (850)245-2118 or LEP@FloridaDEP.gov at least ten (10) days before the workshop. If you have a hearing or speech impairment, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, (800)955-8771 (TDD) or (800)955-8770 (voice).

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**Section II  
Proposed Rules**

**DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT**

**Division of Criminal Justice Information Systems**

RULE NO.:      RULE TITLE:  
11C-4.003      Arrest Fingerprint Card Submission

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: 11C-4.003: Updating the rule to

reflect the current email address for inquiries related to arrest submissions and clarifying the fingerprint submission process.

SUMMARY: Amending rules to specify how fingerprint cards are submitted and updating email addresses.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

The Agency has determined that this 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: The Department's economic analysis of the adverse impact or potential regulatory costs of the proposed rule did not exceed any of the criteria established in Section 120.541(2)(a), Florida Statutes.

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

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 943.03(4), 943.05(2), 943.051(2), 943.052, F.S.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 943.05, 943.051, 943.052, F.S.

IF REQUESTED WITHIN 21 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE, A HEARING WILL BE HELD AT THE DATE, TIME AND PLACE SHOWN BELOW (IF NOT REQUESTED, THIS HEARING WILL NOT BE HELD):

DATE AND TIME: Thursday, April 16, 2026, 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: Florida Department of Law Enforcement, Criminal Justice Information Services, 2331 Phillips Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32308

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 5 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Rachel Truxell at (850)410-7100, or racheltruxell@fdle.state.fl.us, or write to Florida Department of Law Enforcement, Criminal Justice Information Services, 2331 Phillips Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32308. 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).

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Rachel Truxell at (850)410-7100, or racheltruxell@fdle.state.fl.us, or write to Florida Department of Law Enforcement, Criminal Justice Information Services, 2331 Phillips Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32308.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

**11C-4.003 Arrest Fingerprint Card Submission.**

All law enforcement agencies of the State shall take the following action on all felony, misdemeanor, or comparable ordinance arrests of adults and on all felony and statutorily specified misdemeanor arrests of juveniles:

(1) through (2) No change.

(3) Fingerprints completed on hard cards must be submitted ~~Submit~~ on a daily basis ~~all completed fingerprint cards~~ to: Florida Department of Law Enforcement, Attention: Florida Crime Information ~~Center~~ Bureau, Post Office Box 1489, Tallahassee, Florida 32302-1489.

(4) Contact the Department with any arrest submission inquiries at CJISBiometrics@fdle.state.fl.us. ~~Statutes@fdle.state.fl.us~~.

*Rulemaking Authority 943.03(4), 943.05(2)(d), 943.051(2) FS. Law Implemented 943.05, 943.051 FS. History—New 6-24-76, Amended 6-27-78, Formerly 11C-4.03, Amended 7-7-99, 3-21-07, 6-9-08, 3-13-13, 5-29-14, \_\_\_\_\_.*

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Bureau Chief Mary Jackson

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: Governor and Cabinet

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: February 24, 2026

DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR: October 29, 2025

**DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT  
Division of Criminal Justice Information Systems**

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

11C-10.003 SPECTRUM Alert

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: 11C-10.003: Promulgating the procedures on how the Spectrum Alerts will be implemented.

SUMMARY: Processes and Procedures on Spectrum Alerts.

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

The Agency has determined that this 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.

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impact or potential regulatory costs of the proposed rule did not exceed any of the criteria established in Section 120.541(2)(a), Florida Statutes.

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

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 937.0401(4), 943.03(4), F.S.  
LAW IMPLEMENTED: 937.0401, F.S.

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DATE AND TIME: Thursday, April 16, 2026, 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: Florida Department of Law Enforcement, Missing Persons and Offender Enforcement, 2331 Phillips Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32308

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 5 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: John McClellan at (850)410-7000, or johnmcclellan@fdle.state.fl.us, or write to Florida Department of Law Enforcement, Missing Persons and Offender Enforcement, P.O. Box 1489, Tallahassee, Florida 32302-1489. 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).

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: John McClellan at (850)410-7000, or johnmcclellan@fdle.state.fl.us, or write to Florida Department of Law Enforcement, Missing Persons and Offender Enforcement, P.O. Box 1489, Tallahassee, Florida 32302-1489.

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

### **11C-10.003 SPECTRUM Alerts.**

#### **(1) Definitions:**

**(a) “Imminent Danger” means an immediate threat that poses a risk of harm or injury.**

**(b) “Kidnapping” has the same meaning as provided in section 787.01, F.S.**

**(c) “Autism Spectrum Disorder” (ASD) means a condition defined by atypical or impaired development in social interaction and communication skills and the presence of repetitive behaviors and restricted interests. ASD is considered a “spectrum disorder” because there are many characteristics that vary from person to person, and these can change over time as a result of intervention and development.**

#### **(2) Steps for Activation of a Spectrum Alert:**

**(a) The local law enforcement agency of jurisdiction will contact the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) Missing Endangered Persons Information Clearinghouse (MEPIC) via phone at 1-888-356-4774 to request activation. The requesting local law enforcement agency of jurisdiction shall contact MEPIC directly to begin the alert process.**

**(b) A conference call will be conducted between a sworn member of the local law enforcement agency, a regional FDLE Special Agent Supervisor, a sworn member of the FDLE Enforcement and Investigative Support Bureau, a MEPIC analyst, and a MEPIC Supervisor.**

**(c) The conference call participants will work together to determine if the criteria for activation have been met and what information should be broadcast to the public. Authorization for the alert must be unanimously agreed upon by all participants.**

#### **(3) Spectrum Alert Criteria:**

**(a) The activation of a Spectrum Alert requires the following five (5) criteria to be met:**

**1. The child must be under 18 years of age.**

**2. The law enforcement agency of jurisdiction reasonably believes the child has autism spectrum disorder (ASD).**

**3. The law enforcement agency of jurisdiction has a well-founded belief, based on an active investigation, that the child is in danger of death or serious bodily injury.**

**4. There is a detailed description and/or photograph of the child to broadcast to the public.**

**5. The law enforcement agency of jurisdiction recommends activation.**

**(b) The requesting law enforcement agency must verify the facts of the case and confirm that the child is missing prior to a Spectrum Alert being issued by MEPIC. If a Spectrum Alert is activated and evidence of kidnapping is later discovered, the local law enforcement agency of jurisdiction should contact MEPIC directly to discuss upgrading the alert.**

#### **(4) Wireless Emergency Alert (WEA):**

**(a) A WEA may be appropriate to alert the public to a Spectrum Alert when the law enforcement agency of jurisdiction reasonably believes that the child has autism spectrum disorder and is in imminent danger of death or serious bodily injury and a kidnapping has not occurred. Such dangers could include, but are not limited to, nearby natural or man-made surroundings that represent a severe threat due to the child’s age or having ASD.**

**(b) The WEA may be used as part of an Emergency Alert System (EAS) to alert the public to a Spectrum Alert. The WEA is reserved for situations where law enforcement has a reasonable belief that the child can be located within a defined geographic area.**

**(c) Several additional factors must be considered when determining if a WEA is applicable, such as the age of the child, the timeframe of the missing episode, the use of a vehicle,**

wandering affiliation, a hazardous geographic area, or the time of day the alert is requested.

**(5) Cancellation of a Spectrum Alert:**

(a) Once the missing child has been located, the local law enforcement agency of jurisdiction shall immediately contact the FDLE MEPIC via phone at 1-888-356-4774 to request cancellation of the Spectrum Alert.

Rulemaking Authority 937.0401(4), 943.03(4), F.S. Law Implemented 937.0401, F.S. New

**NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE:**

Director Melissa Bujeda

**NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE:** Governor and Cabinet

**DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD:** February 24, 2026

**DATE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT PUBLISHED IN FAR:** October 29, 2025

**DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION**

<b>RULE NOS.:</b>	<b>RULE TITLES:</b>
62-788.101	Applicability and Limitations
62-788.201	Definitions
62-788.301	Site Rehabilitation Voluntary Cleanup Tax Credit Application Process
62-788.311	Site Rehabilitation Completion Order Bonus Voluntary Cleanup Tax Credit Application Process
62-788.341	Solid Waste Removal Voluntary Cleanup Tax Credit Application Process
62-788.401	Eligibility Determination

**PURPOSE AND EFFECT:** The Department of Environmental Protection (Department) is proposing amendments to the Voluntary Cleanup Tax Credit (VCTC) Rule to implement Chapter 2025-116, Laws of Florida, and revise rule language to conform to the changes of the VCTC and Brownfields statutes passed during the previous legislative session. Additionally, the Department is amending the rules to remove duplicative terms, include new language that improves the application submittal and review process, and clarify existing rule language as part of the Department's rule review conducted in accordance with s. 120.5435, F.S. The Department previously published a Notice of Rule Development on July 30, 2025, in the Florida Administrative Register, Vol. 51, No. 147.

**SUMMARY:** The Department's review of Chapter 62-788, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), conducted pursuant to section 120.5435, F.S., determined that amendments are necessary to implement changes to state law. Amendments to the VCTC rules will provide updated requirements and procedures that assist applicants and will provide consistency during the application review process. The revised rule language requires applicants to submit a cost-summary table,

clarifies rule language regarding Voluntary Cleanup Agreements, updates the application review timeframes to comport with new statutory timeframes, and removes unnecessary requirements associated with claiming solid waste removal tax credits. The revised rule updates the VCTC application form to clarify the applicable submission deadlines for site rehabilitation tax credit applications and makes further revisions to the VCTC application form to help streamline the application process and eligibility determination.

**SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:**

The Agency has determined that this 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: The Department has not prepared a SERC based upon the Department's SERC Checklist determination. This rulemaking will not incur any costs to governments, businesses, small businesses, or professionals. The proposed rule will not have an adverse effect on the economy, private markets, health, safety and the environment. The proposed rule changes are not expected to have adverse impacts on economic growth, job creation, or employment, nor will they have impacts on business competitiveness, nor will they increase regulatory costs in excess of \$1 million in aggregate within five years.

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

**RULEMAKING AUTHORITY:** 376.30781, FS.

**LAW IMPLEMENTED:** 220.1845, 376.301, 376.3078, 376.30781, 376.79, 403.703, 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:** Scott Sweeney, Environmental Manager, Scott.L.Sweeney@FloridaDEP.gov, or (850)245-8958.

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THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

**62-788.101 Applicability and Limitations.**

(1) This chapter applies to any tax credit applicant seeking a tax credit toward corporate income tax pursuant to Sections 220.1845 and 376.30781, Florida Statutes (F.S.). A tax credit applicant shall claim tax credits for the costs of voluntary cleanup activity using the percentages and the amounts in Table 1 by completing Florida Department of Environmental Protection (Department) Form 62-788.101(1) Voluntary Cleanup Tax Credit Application and Affidavit, effective date ~~May 2026~~ ~~March 2022~~, hereby adopted and incorporated by reference. Copies of this form are available from the Department’s Voluntary Cleanup Tax Credit (VCTC) Program, Mail Station 4505, 2600 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2400, or online at <https://floridadep.gov/waste/waste-cleanup/documents/vctc-application-form> or <https://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-19369> ~~<http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-14053>~~.

(2) A tax credit applicant can only submit a single completed application per contaminated or Brownfield site for each calendar year’s site rehabilitation costs. A tax credit applicant can be multiple entities working together to rehabilitate a contaminated or Brownfield site as identified and described in the Voluntary Cleanup Agreement (VCA) or Brownfield Site Rehabilitation Agreement (BSRA). Multiple entities must work together to prepare one application document, as detailed in subsection 62-788.301(1), Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.).

(3) No change.

(4) Table 1: Tax Credit Percentages and Amounts for Eligible Sites Pursuant to subsection 62-788.101(1), F.A.C.

	Tax Credit Type <sup>1</sup>				
	Site Rehabilitation <sup>2</sup>	Site Rehabilitation Completion Order (SRCO) Bonus <sup>3</sup>	Affordable Housing Bonus <sup>4</sup>	Health Care Bonuses <sup>5</sup>	Solid Waste Removal <sup>6</sup>
Application Frequency	Annually	Once	Once	Once	Once

Percentage and Maximum Credit for Costs Incurred and Paid from 07/01/1998 to 06/30/2006	35%; \$250,000	10%; \$50,000	N/A	N/A	N/A
Percentage and Maximum Credit for Costs Incurred and Paid after 06/30/2006	50%; \$500,000	25%; \$500,000	25%; \$500,000	N/A	50%; \$500,000
Percentage and Maximum Credit for Costs Incurred and Paid after 12/31/2007	50%; \$500,000	25%; \$500,000	25%; \$500,000	25%; \$500,000	50%; \$500,000

<sup>1</sup> More than one Tax Credit Type listed in Table 1 can be claimed in a single VCTC application.

<sup>2</sup> The maximum site rehabilitation tax credit issued per contaminated or Brownfield site shall not exceed \$500,000 annually.

<sup>3</sup> The maximum SRCO bonus tax credit issued per contaminated or Brownfield site shall not exceed \$500,000.

<sup>4</sup> The maximum Affordable Housing bonus tax credit issued per Brownfield site, as identified and described in the BSRA, shall not exceed \$500,000.

<sup>5</sup> The maximum Health Care bonus tax credit issued per Brownfield site, as identified and described in the BSRA, shall not exceed \$500,000.

<sup>6</sup> The maximum Solid Waste Removal tax credit issued per Brownfield site, as identified and described in the BSRA, shall not exceed \$500,000.

(5) No change.

*Rulemaking Authority 376.30781 FS. Law Implemented 220.1845, 376.30781 FS. History—New 3-9-22, Amended .*

**62-788.201 Definitions.**

(1) All words and phrases defined in Sections 376.301, 376.30781, 376.79, and 403.703, F.S., shall have the same meaning when used in this chapter unless otherwise set forth in this subsection or unless the context clearly indicates otherwise. See Sections 376.301 and 376.79, F.S., for definitions of the following: “Contaminant,” “Contaminated site,” “Department,” “Engineering controls,” “Person,” and “Site

rehabilitation.” See Section 376.301, F.S., for the definitions of the following: “Drycleaning facility,” “Drycleaning solvents,” and “Real property owner.” See Section 376.30781, F.S., for definitions of the following: “Solid waste disposal area,” “~~Monetary compensation,~~” and “Solid waste removal.” See Section 376.79, F.S., for definitions of the following: “Brownfield,” “Brownfield area,” “Brownfield site sites,” “Local pollution control program,” and “Person responsible for brownfield site rehabilitation.” See Section 403.703, F.S., for definitions of the following: “Recovered materials” and “Solid waste.” See Section 420.0004, F.S., for the definition of “Affordable.”

(2) No change.

(3) “Voluntary Cleanup Agreement” or “VCA” means a voluntary drycleaning solvent contaminated site cleanup agreement entered by an applicant and the Department pursuant to Section 376.3078, F.S.

~~(4)~~(3) No change.

*Rulemaking Authority 376.30781 FS. Law Implemented 220.1845, 376.301, 376.3078, 376.30781, 376.79, 403.703 FS. History—New 3-9-22, Amended*

#### **62-788.301 Site Rehabilitation Voluntary Cleanup Tax Credit Application Process.**

(1) A tax credit applicant, or multiple tax credit applicants working jointly to conduct site rehabilitation at a single contaminated or Brownfield site, can only file one tax credit application per contaminated or Brownfield site per year, claiming the percentage and the amount for the Site Rehabilitation Tax Credit Type in Table 1, for the cost of voluntary cleanup activity that is integral to site rehabilitation. If multiple tax credit applicants submit an application, then they must indicate on the application form each tax credit applicant’s percentage contribution toward payment of site rehabilitation costs.

(2) Complete applications for the annual site rehabilitation tax credit must be received by the Department’s Division of Waste Management in Tallahassee by 5:00 p.m. (Eastern Standard Time) on January 31 of the year following the calendar year for which a tax credit applicant is claiming site rehabilitation costs. If January 31 falls on a weekend, then the deadline moves forward to the next business day. A tax credit applicant shall submit an application using Form 62-788.101(1), incorporated by reference in subsection 62-788.101(1), F.A.C. In addition to the requirements of subsection 62-788.101(3), F.A.C., the application must include the following:

(a) through (b) No change.

(c) Proof that the tax credit applicant has entered into a ~~voluntary cleanup agreement (VCA)~~ or a BSRA, as applicable. A copy of the cover page and the signature page(s) of the VCA

or BSRA, as applicable, will suffice as proof;

(d) Proof of payment of all applicable deductibles pursuant to Section 376.3078(3)(e), F.S., for eligible drycleaning solvent cleanup program sites. As referenced in Section 376.30781(5)(a), F.S., if deductibles must be ~~were~~ paid prior to submitting a tax credit application, evidence of the deductible payment must be included in the tax credit application. If the deductible was paid and noted in an application for the previous year, the applicant must then the tax credit applicant shall include a copy of the cancelled check or a receipt for a cashier’s check or money order as proof of payment and note the application year the deductible was paid in Section II.C. of Form 62-788.101(1), incorporated by reference in subsection 62-788.101(1), F.A.C.; ~~If deductibles have not been paid, the tax credit applicant shall fill out the deductible information in Section II.C. of Form 62-788.101(1), incorporated by reference in subsection 62-788.101(1), F.A.C., and enclose a cashier’s check or money order for the appropriate amount.~~

(e) Copies of documents that clearly describe the goods or services and associated costs that are being claimed in the application. If such documents also include costs for goods or services that are not being claimed in the application, such goods or services and the associated costs shall be clearly annotated or shall otherwise clearly identify such goods or services and unclaimed costs. ~~Though not required, inclusion of a cost summary table that provides detail of claimed costs as represented by payment requests and payment records is encouraged.~~ Copies of documents for goods or services that are being claimed shall demonstrate a link between the contractual records, the payment requests associated with the contractual records, and the payment records for the claimed portions of the payment requests, as required by each of the following three subparagraphs:

1. Contractual records must describe the scope of work performed at the Brownfield site as defined in the BSRA or the contaminated site as defined in the VCA that was integral to site rehabilitation during the time period covered by the application. These contractual records shall correlate the costs claimed with both the payment requests and the payment records provided in accordance with subparagraphs 62-788.301(2)(e)2. and 3., F.A.C. If the tax credit applicant did not procure the services listed on the contractual records included in the application, then the tax credit applicant must explain its relationship to the entity that procured those services. Examples of such contractual records include contracts, documentation of contract negotiations, proposals, work orders, task assignments, and change orders;

2. No change.

3. Payment records involving actual costs incurred that were integral to site rehabilitation during the time period covered by the application and paid prior to submittal of the tax

credit application (or by the January 31 application deadline). These payment records shall correlate the costs claimed with both the contractual records and the payment requests provided in accordance with subparagraphs 62-788.301(2)(e)1. and 2., F.A.C. The payment records shall also demonstrate that the tax credit applicant, which must be the signatory to the VCA or BSRA, paid the costs of site rehabilitation. For cases in which costs were prepaid (e.g., made in a previous year), the amount claimed must be only for the prorated portion of the prepaid work conducted in the calendar year for which tax credits are sought. Documentation must support these expense amounts and the timing of the work and show that it is part of the prepaid scope. Additionally, the Certified Public Accountant (CPA) must clearly describe these transactions and the proration amount claimed in a given calendar year in the report described in paragraph ~~62-788.301(2)(h)~~ ~~62-788.301(2)(g)~~, F.A.C. Payment records include, but are not limited to, cancelled checks and bank statements that show payment was received by the Payee;

(f) A cost-summary table that clearly summarizes the information required by paragraph 62-788.301(2)(e), F.A.C. must be provided. The cost-summary table must list all payee name(s) and include, at a minimum, the following information associated with each payee: the corresponding invoice numbers or statement dates; the payment amounts made by the applicant on each invoice or statement; and the amount of costs included in the invoice or statement that are integral to site rehabilitation and being claimed by the applicant. The cost-summary table must also include the dollar amount of the total costs claimed as being integral to site rehabilitation and this dollar amount must be provided at the bottom of the cost-summary table;

~~(g)(f)~~ No change.

~~(h)(g)~~ Proof that the documentation submitted pursuant to paragraph (e) has been reviewed and verified by an independent CPA in accordance with standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants [Section VI. of Form 62-788.101(1), incorporated by reference in subsection 62-788.101(1), F.A.C.]. The CPA's report shall clearly state the total costs integral to site rehabilitation ~~amount~~ claimed in the application and the total costs integral to site rehabilitation ~~amount~~ approved by the CPA. A copy of the CPA's report shall be submitted with the tax credit application [refer to A Guideline for Agreed-Upon Procedures Attestation Service for the Voluntary Cleanup Tax Credit (VCTC) Program, dated December 2021, referenced in subsection 62-788.151(1), F.A.C.].

(3) No change.

(4) For purposes of Rule 62-788.301, F.A.C., integral costs are those the tax credit applicant(s) incurred and paid in the applicable timeframe that were "integral to site rehabilitation," as defined in Rule 62-788.201, F.A.C. Site rehabilitation costs

include activities conducted pursuant to Chapter 62-780, F.A.C. In addition to the express definition of "integral to site rehabilitation" as defined in Rule 62-788.201, F.A.C., the Department defines the following costs as not being ~~Costs that are not~~ integral to site rehabilitation and are therefore ineligible for tax credit consideration ~~under this section include, but are not limited to,~~ the following:

(a) Costs related to ~~B~~ Brownfield area designation and preparing a tax credit application (as detailed in Section 376.30781(14)(d), F.S.);

(b) through (e) No change.

(f) Unpaid contractor retainage costs ~~or claimed retainage costs for work performed in a year beyond the applicable application timeframe;~~

(g) through (m) No change.

(5) No change.

*Rulemaking Authority 376.30781 FS. Law Implemented 220.1845, 376.30781 FS. History—New 3-9-22, Amended .*

#### **62-788.311 Site Rehabilitation Completion Order Bonus Voluntary Cleanup Tax Credit Application Process.**

(1) Tax credit applicants that complete site rehabilitation at a contaminated or Brownfield site and receive an SRCO are eligible to receive a one-time ~~an~~ additional tax credit, which shall be calculated using the percentage and the amount for the SRCO Bonus Tax Credit Type in Table 1, based only upon the total site rehabilitation costs that the Department has determined eligible for the VCTC in previous site rehabilitation applications (or current, if final year costs are claimed at the same time as the SRCO bonus). To receive the SRCO bonus tax credit, the tax credit applicant shall submit a copy of the SRCO with its application form, excluding previously submitted annual site rehabilitation cost documentation. However, in order for the tax credit applicant to claim the SRCO bonus tax credit in the same year as the final year's annual site rehabilitation costs, the tax credit applicant must submit its claim for both the final year's site rehabilitation costs and the SRCO bonus tax credit in the same application. If multiple tax credit applicants are submitting an application, then they must indicate on the application form each tax credit applicant's percentage contribution toward payment of total site rehabilitation costs.

(2) The tax credit applicant, or multiple tax credit applicants working jointly, must claim the SRCO bonus tax credit within two ~~one~~ calendar years ~~year~~ of the SRCO being issued. The tax credit applicant shall submit an application using Form 62-788.101(1), incorporated by reference in subsection 62-788.101(1), F.A.C. In addition to the requirements of subsection 62-788.101(3), F.A.C., the application must include the following:

(a) through (c) No change.

(3) No change.

Rulemaking Authority 376.30781 FS. Law Implemented 220.1845, 376.30781 FS. History—New 3-9-22, Amended.

**62-788.341 Solid Waste Removal Voluntary Cleanup Tax Credit Application Process.**

(1) A tax credit applicant, or multiple tax credit applicants jointly conducting solid waste removal from a Brownfield site, as identified and described in the BSRA, and claiming the solid waste removal tax credit can file a one-time application for this tax credit using Form 62-788.101(1), incorporated by reference in subsection 62-788.101(1), F.A.C. The solid waste removal tax credit shall be calculated using the percentage and the amount for the Solid Waste Removal Tax Credit Type in Table 1, based upon the costs for solid waste removal from the Brownfield site that have been incurred and paid since July 1, 2006. If multiple tax credit applicants are submitting an application, then they must indicate on the application form each tax credit applicant's percentage contribution toward payment of solid waste removal costs since July 1, 2006. Claims for the solid waste removal tax credit are not subject to a calendar-year limitation or annual filing deadline. Instead, the tax credit applicant shall submit the one-time solid waste removal VCTC claim when the tax credit applicant determines that the solid waste removal is complete.

(2) To receive the solid waste removal tax credit, the tax credit applicant must submit a statement an affidavit with its application form indicating that, states that the tax credit applicant has consulted with the appropriate local government official and the appropriate Department District Solid Waste Supervisor and reviewed the available historical records, and to the best of the tax credit applicant's knowledge, the Brownfield site identified and described in the BSRA was never operated as a permitted solid waste disposal area, as defined in subsection 62-788.201, F.A.C., ~~or was never operated for monetary compensation, as defined in subsection 62-788.201, F.A.C.~~ The statement affidavit is included in Section IV.F. of Form 62-788.101(1), incorporated by reference in subsection 62-788.101(1), F.A.C. ~~When consulting with the local government official and the Department District Solid Waste Supervisor, the tax credit applicant shall inquire whether the landfill or dump site operations involved any type of monetary compensation including private or government fees or assessments.~~

(3) Complete applications for the solid waste removal tax credit must be submitted to the Department's Division of Waste Management in Tallahassee. A tax credit applicant shall submit an application using Form 62-788.101(1), incorporated by reference in subsection 62-788.101(1), F.A.C. In addition to the requirements of subsection 62-788.101(3), F.A.C., the application must include the following:

(a) through (b) No change.

(c) The statement affidavit required by subsection 62-788.341(2), F.A.C.; ~~and~~

(d) Copies of documents that clearly describe the goods or services and associated costs that are being claimed in the application. Documents that include costs for goods or services that are not being claimed in the application shall be clearly annotated or shall otherwise clearly identify such goods or services and unclaimed costs. ~~Inclusion of a cost summary table that provides detail of claimed costs as represented by payment requests and payment records is required.~~ Copies of documents for goods or services that are being claimed shall demonstrate a link between the contractual records, the payment requests associated with the contractual records, and the payment records for the claimed portions of the payment requests, as required by each of the following three subparagraphs:

1. Contractual records must describe the scope of work performed that was related to solid waste removal during the time period covered by the application. These contractual records shall correlate the costs claimed with both the payment requests and the payment records provided in accordance with subparagraphs 62-788.341(3)(d)2. and 3., F.A.C. If the tax credit applicant did not procure the services listed on the contractual records included in the application, then the tax credit applicant must explain its relationship to the entity that procured those services. Examples of such contractual records include contracts, documentation of contract negotiations, proposals, work orders, task assignments, and change orders; ~~and~~

2. Payment requests that describe the goods or services provided for solid waste removal during the time period covered by the application. These payment requests shall correlate the costs claimed with both the contractual records and payment records provided in accordance with subparagraphs 62-788.341(3)(d)1. and 3., F.A.C. The payment requests must include the name of the payee, a description of the goods or services provided, the period of service during which the goods or services were provided, the date upon which the payment request was issued, and the total amount being requested. Examples of such payment requests include, but are not limited to, invoices, payment applications, sales tickets, and account statements. Payment requests that include costs for goods or services that are not being claimed in the VCTC application must clearly identify which costs are being claimed; and

3. Payment records involving actual costs incurred and paid for solid waste removal during the time period covered by the application. These payment records shall correlate the costs claimed with both the contractual records and the payment requests provided in accordance with subparagraphs 62-788.341(3)(d)1. and 2., F.A.C. The payment records shall also demonstrate that the tax credit applicant, which must be the

signatory to the BSRA, paid the costs for solid waste removal. Payment records, include, but are not limited to, cancelled checks and bank statements that show payment was received by the payee;

(e) A cost-summary table that clearly summarizes the information required by paragraph 62-788.341(3)(d), F.A.C., must be provided. The cost-summary table must list all payee name(s) and include, at a minimum, the following information associated with each payee: the corresponding invoice numbers or statement dates; the payment amounts made by the applicant on each invoice or statement; and the amount of costs included in the invoice or statement that are related to solid waste removal and being claimed by the applicant. The cost-summary table must also include the dollar amount of the total costs claimed for solid waste removal and this dollar amount must be provided at the bottom of the cost-summary table;

~~(f)~~(e) No change.

~~(g)~~(f) Proof that the documentation submitted pursuant to paragraph (d) has been reviewed and verified by an independent CPA in accordance with standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants [Section VI. of Form 62-788.101(1), incorporated by reference in subsection 62-788.101(1), F.A.C.]. The CPA's report shall also clearly state the total solid waste removal costs amount claimed in the application and the total solid waste removal costs amount approved by the CPA. A copy of the CPA's report shall be submitted with the tax credit application [refer to A Guideline for Agreed-Upon Procedures Attestation Service for the Voluntary Cleanup Tax Credit (VCTC) Program, dated December 2021, referenced in subsection 62-788.151(1), F.A.C.].

(4) No change.

(5) For purposes of Rule 62-788.341, F.A.C., integral costs are those the tax credit applicant(s) incurred and paid to perform solid waste removal as defined in Rule subsection 62-788.201, F.A.C. Eligible solid waste removal costs are further described as follows:

(a) Costs for transporting solid waste, even if the solid waste contains recoverable material that could have been, but was not, separated from the solid waste:

1. Off the Brownfield site to a licensed or exempt solid waste management facility, or

2. To a temporary storage area meeting the requirements of this subparagraph. The temporary storage area must be approved or exempt as follows:

a. If the temporary storage area is located off the Brownfield site, it must operate only in accordance with a permit issued pursuant to Chapter 62-701, F.A.C.;

b. If the temporary storage area is located on the Brownfield site, it must operate only in accordance with either a permit issued pursuant to Chapter 62-701, F.A.C., or only in

accordance with specific written authorization in the BSRA; or  
c. If the temporary storage area is located on the Brownfield site and is within the footprint of the solid waste disposal area being removed, it is exempt from the requirement for a solid waste permit in accordance with Section 403.707(1), F.S., provided the Department is notified at least seven days before temporary storage begins and that the temporary storage area meets the following requirements:

(I) through (III) No change.

(b) Costs for sorting and screening, provided that such processing occurs on the Brownfield site; and

(c) No change.

(6) The tax credits claimed pursuant to Rule 62-788.341, F.A.C., shall not include costs associated with solid waste that is created at the Brownfield site as part of the site's redevelopment activities, such as land clearing debris or construction and demolition debris, or costs that are not considered necessary to perform solid waste removal, such as Brownfield area designation and tax credit application preparation and submittal costs.

(7) No change.

*Rulemaking Authority 376.30781 FS. Law Implemented 220.1845, 376.30781 FS. History--New 3-9-22, Amended \_\_\_\_\_.*

#### **62-788.401 Eligibility Determination.**

(1) through (3) No change.

(4) The Department will review each ~~the~~ complete tax credit application package submitted by an ~~each tax credit~~ applicant to verify that the tax credit applicant has met the qualifying statutory and rule criteria for the tax credits being sought, and has submitted all required documentation. ~~Upon verification that the tax credit applicant has met such completeness requirements,~~ The Department shall have until June ~~May~~ 1 (for annual site rehabilitation applications subject to the January 31 deadline) to issue a written decision granting eligibility for tax credits, in accordance with the percentages and the amounts specified in Table 1. The June ~~May~~ 1 deadline for annual site rehabilitation tax credit certificate awards shall not apply to any tax credit application for which the Department has issued a notice of deficiency pursuant to paragraph 62-788.401(3)(b), F.A.C.; instead, the Department shall respond to those applications within 120 ~~90~~ days of receiving the completing documentation. The Department shall respond to any solid waste or bonus application with no annual site rehabilitation component within 120 ~~90~~ days of the date the application is deemed complete.

(5) through (7) No change.

*Rulemaking Authority 376.30781 FS. Law Implemented 220.1845, 376.30781 FS. History--New 3-9-22, Amended \_\_\_\_\_.*

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**Section III**

**Notice of Changes, Corrections and  
 Withdrawals**

**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER  
 SERVICES**

**Division of Agricultural Environmental Services**

RULE NOS.:      RULE TITLES:  
 5E-14.108      Fumigation Requirements - General  
                          Fumigation  
 5E-14.111      Fumigation Requirements - Application;  
                          Restrictions and Precautions

**NOTICE OF CORRECTION**

Notice is hereby given that the following correction has been made to the proposed rule in Vol. 52 No. 28, February 11, 2026 issue of the Florida Administrative Register.

**5E-14.108 Fumigation Requirements – General Fumigation.**

(1) through (11) no change.

*Rulemaking Authority 482.051, 570.07(23) FS. Law Implemented 482.021(7), (25), 482.032, 482.051(1), 482.051(6), 482.061, 482.152, 482.163 FS. History—New 1-1-77, Amended 6-22-83, Formerly 10D-55.108, Amended 7-5-95, 6-12-02, 4-17-03, 5-7-17, \_\_\_\_\_.*

**5E-14.111 Fumigation Requirements – Application; Restrictions and Precautions.**

(1) through (6) No change.

*Rulemaking Authority 482.051 FS. Law Implemented 482.051(1), 482.152, 482.241 FS. History—New 1-1-77, Amended 6-27-79, 6-22-83, Formerly 10D-55.111, Amended 8-11-93, 9-17-08, 9-6-10, \_\_\_\_\_.*

**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER  
 SERVICES**

**Division of Agricultural Environmental Services**

RULE NO.:      RULE TITLE:  
 5E-14.142      Responsibilities and Duties - Records,  
                          Reports, Advertising, Applications  
                          NOTICE OF CHANGE

Notice is hereby given that the following changes have been made to the proposed rule in accordance with subparagraph

**5E-14.142 Responsibilities and Duties – Records, Reports, Advertising, Applications.**

(1) through (2) No change.

(3) Licensees performing fumigation with a residential fumigant, their employees, certified operators, and special identification cardholders shall comply with the label requirements and Stewardship Policy requirements of the residential fumigant being used.

(a) In addition, the following safety procedures shall be followed to enhance safety in the clearance of structures fumigated with a residential fumigant.

The certified operator in fumigation or the special fumigation identification card holder conducting a structural fumigation shall record on the Fumigation Log, FDACS-13000, Rev. 03/26 02/26, which is hereby adopted and incorporated by reference and available online at <https://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-19186> the included elements for each fumigation. The certified operator in fumigation or the special fumigation identification card holder conducting a structural fumigation may use an alternative fumigation log form only if it incorporates all information required to be recorded in the current Fumigation Log, FDACS-13000, Rev. 03/26 02/26. All information recorded on the Fumigation Log shall be legible and accurate.

(b) No change.

(4) The sections of the Fumigation Log, FDACS-13000, Rev. 03/26 02/26, designated by a (B) must be documented before the initiation of the fumigation; information designated by a (\*) shall be completed on site during the fumigation process, if not before. The required information shall be recorded no later than one (1) working day after the date of application.

(5) through (8) No change.

(9) Business license application: In accordance with Section 482.071(1), F.S., the following shall be submitted online at <http://www.FDACS.gov> or via the Pest Control Business License Application, FDACS-13605, Rev. 02/26, which is hereby adopted and incorporated by reference and available online at <https://flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-19192>.

(a) through (c) No change.

(d) Either the licensees or the licensee’s certified operator in charge must also submit an Application for Pest Control Employee-Identification Card, FDACS-13606, Rev. 03/26 11/25, which is hereby adopted and incorporated by reference and available online at <https://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-19187> with each original or renewal business license

application, or any business license change (Change of Address, Change of Name or Change of Owner), or within 30 days of employment of that employee in accordance with Section 482.091(1)(b), F.S.

(10) through (13) No change.

*Rulemaking Authority 482.051, 570.07(23) FS. Law Implemented 112.011(1), 482.021(21), 482.032, 482.051(1), (5), 482.061, 482.071, 482.091, 482.111(5), (9), 482.161(1)(g), (h), 482.163, 482.226(1), (6), 482.2265 FS. History–New 1-1-77, Amended 6-27-79, 6-22-83, 1-20-87, 10-25-90, Formerly 10D-55.142, Amended 8-11-93, 5-28-98, 4-29-02, 4-17-03, 6-2-04, 6-1-06, 7-23-08, 9-17-08, 1-4-09, 5-20-12, 1-9-17, 5-7-17, 2-27-19, 9-21-21, 10-24-23, \_\_\_\_\_.*

Note: The Department is revising the following incorporated materials to include definitions for acronyms listed within the forms.

“Fumigation Log, FDACS-13000”, incorporated by reference in paragraph 5E-14.142(3)(a), F.A.C., is being amended to include the following language: (COIC)=Certified Operator in Charge; (JD) and (SPID)=Fumigation Special ID Card; (JE)=ID Card; (JF)=Certified Pest Control Operator; (PIC)=Chloropicrin; (SF)=Sulfuryl Fluoride

“Application for Pest Control Employee-Identification Card, FDACS-13606,” incorporated by reference in subparagraph 5E-14.142(9)(d), F.A.C., is being amended to include the following language: (JE)=ID Card; (JB)=Pest Control Business License; (WDO)=Wood-Destroying Organism; (SPID)=Fumigation Special ID Card; (FID)=Fumigation ID Card; (JF)=Certified Pest Control Operator

**DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT**

**Division of Criminal Justice Information Systems**

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:  
11C-4.006 Final Disposition Reporting  
NOTICE OF CORRECTION

Notice is hereby given that the following technical change has been made to the above rule:

**11C-4.006 Final Disposition Reporting.**

(1) through (3) No Change.

(4) Contact the Department for information on how to access the disposition submission software at [EDA@fdle.state.fl.us](mailto:EDA@fdle.state.fl.us). ~~Disposition@fdle.state.fl.us.~~

*Rulemaking Authority 943.03(4), 943.052, FS. Law Implemented 943.052 FS. History–New 6-24-76, Amended 11-12-81, Formerly 11C-4.06, Amended 7-7-99, 6-9-08, 3-13-13, Technical Change 3-18-26.*

**DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE**

**Child Support Program**

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:  
12E-1.027 Written Agreements for Payment of Past-Due Support  
NOTICE OF CORRECTION

Notice is hereby given that the following technical change has been made to the above rule:

**12E-1.027 Written Agreements for Payment of Past-Due Support.**

(1) through (4) No change.

*Rulemaking Authority 409.2557(3)(f), 409.2564(13) FS. Law Implemented 61.13016, 409.2561(1), (2)(b), (3), 409.2564(4), 409.2598 FS. History–New 3-6-02, Amended 10-26-22, 9-14-23, Technical Change 3-18-26.*

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH**

**Board of Hearing Aid Specialists**

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:  
64B6-1.004 Public Comment  
NOTICE OF CORRECTION

Notice is hereby given that the following technical change has been made to the above rule:

**64B6-1.004 Public Comment.**

The Board of Hearing Aid Specialists invites and encourages all members of the public to provide comment on matters or propositions before the Board or a committee of the Board. The opportunity to provide comment shall be subject to the following:

(1) through (3) No Change.

*Rulemaking Authority 286.0114(4), (5), 484.044 FS. Law Implemented 286.0114 FS. History–New 11-5-14, Technical Change 3-18-26.*

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE RULE IS: Ashleigh K. Irving, Executive Director, Board of Hearing Aid Specialists, 4052 Bald Cypress Way Bin C-08, Tallahassee, FL 32399-3258, (850)245-4462 or by electronic mail – [Ashleigh.Irving@flhealth.gov](mailto:Ashleigh.Irving@flhealth.gov)

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH**

**Board of Hearing Aid Specialists**

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:  
64B6-2.003 Licensure by Examination  
NOTICE OF CORRECTION

Notice is hereby given that the following technical change has been made to the above rule:

**64B6-2.003 Licensure by Examination.**

Any person desiring to be licensed as a hearing aid specialist shall apply to the Department at least one hundred twenty (120)

days prior to the date the examination is to be administered, and by completing the Hearing Aid Specialist Application for Examination on Form DH-MQA 1155 (Revised 03/2025) hereby adopted and incorporated by reference, which can be obtained from <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18073>, the Board of Hearing Aid Specialists' website at <http://floridashearingaidspecialists.gov/applications/app-licensure-examination.pdf>. As a condition of licensure by examination, the following shall be completed;

(1) through (3) No Change.

*Rulemaking Authority 456.013(1)(a), 456.017(1)(e), (6), 484.044, 484.0447 FS. Law Implemented 456.0135, 456.017(1)(e), (6), 484.045, 456.013, 456.0635, 484.0447 FS. History—New 8-9-84, Amended 1-20-85, Formerly 21JJ-4.01, 21JJ-4.001, Amended 12-21-86, 5-22-90, 3-5-91, Formerly 21JJ-2.003, Amended 8-18-93, 6-28-95, Formerly 61G9-2.003, Amended 1-24-02, 3-4-08, 5-28-09, 8-8-10, 10-26-16, 6-14-18, 1-12-21, 4-11-22, 10-12-23, 8-28-24, 7-1-25, Technical Change 3-18-26.*

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE RULE IS: Ashleigh K. Irving, Executive Director, Board of Hearing Aid Specialists, 4052 Bald Cypress Way Bin C-08, Tallahassee, FL 32399-3258, (850)245-4462 or by electronic mail – [Ashleigh.Irving@flhealth.gov](mailto:Ashleigh.Irving@flhealth.gov)

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH**

**Board of Massage Therapy**

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:  
64B7-23.001 Definitions

**NOTICE OF CORRECTION**

Notice is hereby given that the following technical change has been made to the above rule:

**64B7-23.001 Definitions.**

(1) through (11) No Change.

*Rulemaking Authority 480.035(7) FS. Law implemented ~~456.035(7), 480.033(10),~~ 480.033(12), 480.035(7), 480.046(1)(o) FS. History—New 2-1-22, Technical Change 3-18-26.*

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE RULE IS: Stephanie Webster, Executive Director, Board of Massage Therapy, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin #C06, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3257, (850)245-4161 [Stephanie.Webster@flhealth.gov](mailto:Stephanie.Webster@flhealth.gov).

**DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES**

**Substance Abuse Program**

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:  
65D-30.0036 Licensure Application and Renewal  
**NOTICE OF CORRECTION**

Notice is hereby given that the following technical change has been made to the above rule:

**65D-30.0036 Licensure Application and Renewal.**

(1) through (7) No change.

*Rulemaking Authority 397.321(5), 397.4014 FS. Law Implemented 397.321(6), 397.4014, 397.403, 397.407, 397.410, ~~397.4014,~~ 397.411 FS. History—New 8-29-19, Amended 11-22-22, 1-1-24, 10-20-24, 10-16-25, Technical Change 3-18-26.*

**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-1.004 General Sanitation and Safety Requirements

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on March 17, 2026, the Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation, Division of Hotels and Restaurants, received a petition for an Emergency Variance for paragraph 61C-1.004(1)(a), Florida Administrative Code and Paragraph 5-202.11(A), 2017 FDA Food Code from Chocolart LLC located in West Palm Beach. The above referenced F.A.C. addresses the requirement that each establishment have an approved plumbing system installed to transport potable water and wastewater. They are requesting to utilize holding tanks to provide potable water and to collect wastewater at the handwash and 3-compartment sinks.

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

A copy of the Petition for Variance or Waiver may be obtained by contacting: [Daisy.Aleman@myfloridalicense.com](mailto: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 IS HEREBY GIVEN that on March 11, 2026, the Board of Clinical Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy

and Mental Health Counseling, received a petition for variance and waiver submitted by Alexander Iribar, Petitioner. Petitioner is seeking a variance and waiver from subsections 64B4-2.0025(4)-(5), F.A.C., and paragraphs 64B4-3.0085(3)(a)-(b) and subsection (4), F.A.C. Petitioner requests that the Board grant the requested waiver/variance from subsection 64B4-2.0025(4) and paragraphs (5)(a)-(b), F.A.C. as applied to Petitioner for the period stated, and credit the supervised clinical experience obtained in good faith under a Board-approved Qualified Supervisor and in the alternative, if the Board determines additional relief is required to credit the hours, grant the requested waiver/variance from paragraphs 64B4-3.0085(3)(a)-(b) and subsection (4), F.A.C., solely to permit crediting of those supervised experience hours for that limited period. Petitioner further requests the opportunity to present additional evidence or testimony in support of this Petition if the Board deems it necessary.

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](mailto:Ashleigh.Irving@flhealth.gov), within 14 days of publication of this notice.

A copy of the Petition for Variance or Waiver 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.

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#### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

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

The Board of Clinical Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy, and Mental Health Counseling hereby gives notice: that on March 11, 2026, an Order was filed on the Petition for Variance or Waiver. The Petition was filed by Jasmin Suarez-Cordero, Petitioner. Petitioner sought a variance and waiver from Rule 64B4-3.0085, F.A.C., regarding the requirements for intern registration. Petitioner requested that the Board allow her the opportunity to appear at the November 2025 hearing represented by Dr. Joseph and Qualified Supervisor, Dr. Nidia Medina. The Notice of Petition for Variance or Waiver was published in Vol. 51, No. 211, on October 29, 2025, in the Florida Administrative Register. The Board, at its meeting held on December 12, 2025, denied the Petition for variance or waiver, finding that the Petitioner has failed to establish that the Board's application of Rule 64B4-3.0085, F.A.C., to the Petitioner's circumstances would violate the principles of fairness or impose a substantial hardship.

A copy of the Order or additional information may be obtained by contacting: Ashleigh Irving, Executive Director, 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](mailto:Ashleigh.Irving@flhealth.gov)

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#### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Nursing

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

64B9-3.002 Qualifications for Examination

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on March 16, 2026, the Board of Nursing received a petition for variance or waiver filed by Lakeisha Denise Golf. Petitioner erroneously cited Rule 64B9-3.007 but is instead seeking a variance or waiver from Rule 64B9-3.002, F.A.C., which states in part, for an applicant writing the examination for practical nurses on the basis of practical nursing education equivalency, a completed Practical Nurse Equivalence (PNEQ) Application Letter or an official certified transcript which sets forth graduation from an approved professional program is required.

A copy of the Petition for Variance or Waiver may be obtained by contacting: Laura Jensen, Executive Director, Board of Nursing, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin #C02, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3252; [MQA.Nursing@flhealth.gov](mailto:MQA.Nursing@flhealth.gov). Comments on this petition should be filed with the Board of Nursing within 14 days of publication of this notice.

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#### DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Family Safety and Preservation Program

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

65C-45.001 Background Screening Requirements for all Levels of Licensure

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on March 16, 2026, the Department of Children and Families, received a petition for a temporary waiver of paragraph 65C-45.001(2)(c), Florida Administrative Code, from Northwest Florida Health Network. This rule requires background screenings of out-of-home caregivers and all adult household members age 18 and older to include local criminal records check through local law enforcement agencies, including records of any responses to the home by law enforcement that did not result in criminal charges.

A copy of the Petition for Variance or Waiver may be obtained by contacting: Agency Clerk, Department of Children and Families, 2415 North Monroe Street, Suite 400, Tallahassee, FL 32303 or [Agency.Clerk@myflfamilies.com](mailto:Agency.Clerk@myflfamilies.com).

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#### DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Family Safety and Preservation Program

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

65C-45.001 Background Screening Requirements for all Levels of Licensure

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on March 16, 2026, the Department of Children and Families received a petition for a

temporary waiver of paragraph 65C-45.001(2)(c), Florida Administrative Code, from Family Partnerships of Central Florida. This rule requires background screenings of out-of-home caregivers and all adult household members age 18 and older to include local criminal records check through local law enforcement agencies, including records of any responses to the home by law enforcement that did not result in criminal charges.

A copy of the Petition for Variance or Waiver may be obtained by contacting: Agency Clerk, Department of Children and Families, 2415 North Monroe Street, Suite 400, Tallahassee, FL 32303 or [Agency.Clerk@myflfamilies.com](mailto:Agency.Clerk@myflfamilies.com).

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES  
Securities

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on March 12, 2026, the Office of Financial Regulation received a petition for Waiver from paragraph 69W-600.0024(6)(b), Florida Administrative Code from Cory Schauer. The petition seeks a Waiver of paragraph 69W-600.0024(6)(b) which requires an associated person of an investment adviser or federal covered adviser to provide the Office with one of the following:

1. Proof of passing, within two years of the date of application for registration, the Uniform Investment Adviser Law Examination (Series 65); or 2. Proof of passing, within two years of the date of application for registration, the General Securities Representative Examination (Series 7), the Uniform Combined State Law Examination (Series 66), and proof of passing within four years of the date of application for registration, the Securities Industry Essentials (SIE) Examination. Comments on this petition should be filed with the Agency Clerk, Office of Financial Regulation, P.O. Box 8050, Tallahassee, Florida 32314-8050, (850)410-9889, [Agency.Clerk@flofr.gov](mailto:Agency.Clerk@flofr.gov) within 14 days of publication of this notice.

A copy of the Petition for Variance or Waiver may be obtained by contacting: Agency Clerk, Office of Financial Regulation, P.O. Box 8050, Tallahassee, Florida 32314-8050, (850)410-9889, [Agency.Clerk@flofr.gov](mailto:Agency.Clerk@flofr.gov).

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES  
Securities

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on February 27, 2026, the Office of Financial Regulation received a petition for Waiver from paragraph 69W-600.0024(6)(b), Florida Administrative Code from Kristopher Cowles. The petition seeks a Waiver of paragraph 69W-600.0024(6)(b) which requires an associated person of an investment adviser or federal covered adviser to provide the Office with one of the following:

1. Proof of passing, within two years of the date of application for registration, the Uniform Investment Adviser Law Examination (Series 65); or 2. Proof of passing, within two

years of the date of application for registration, the General Securities Representative Examination (Series 7), the Uniform Combined State Law Examination (Series 66), and proof of passing within four years of the date of application for registration, the Securities Industry Essentials (SIE) Examination. Comments on this petition should be filed with the Agency Clerk, Office of Financial Regulation, P.O. Box 8050, Tallahassee, Florida 32314-8050, (850)410-9889, [Agency.Clerk@flofr.gov](mailto:Agency.Clerk@flofr.gov) within 14 days of publication of this notice.

A copy of the Petition for Variance or Waiver may be obtained by contacting: Agency Clerk, Office of Financial Regulation, P.O. Box 8050, Tallahassee, Florida 32314-8050, (850)410-9889, [Agency.Clerk@flofr.gov](mailto:Agency.Clerk@flofr.gov).

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES  
Securities

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on March 16, 2026, the Office of Financial Regulation received a petition for Waiver from paragraph 69W-600.0024(6)(b), Florida Administrative Code from Carlo Sestito. The petition seeks a Waiver of paragraph 69W-600.0024(6)(b) which requires an associated person of an investment adviser or federal covered adviser to provide the Office with one of the following:

1. Proof of passing, within two years of the date of application for registration, the Uniform Investment Adviser Law Examination (Series 65); or 2. Proof of passing, within two years of the date of application for registration, the General Securities Representative Examination (Series 7), the Uniform Combined State Law Examination (Series 66), and proof of passing within four years of the date of application for registration, the Securities Industry Essentials (SIE) Examination. Comments on this petition should be filed with the Agency Clerk, Office of Financial Regulation, P.O. Box 8050, Tallahassee, Florida 32314-8050, (850)410-9889, [Agency.Clerk@flofr.gov](mailto:Agency.Clerk@flofr.gov) within 14 days of publication of this notice.

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## Section VI Notice of Meetings, Workshops and Public Hearings

DEPARTMENT OF LEGAL AFFAIRS

The Florida Commission on the Status of Women announces a telephone conference call to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: March 24, 2026, 4:00 p.m.

PLACE: Please call (850)414-3300 for instructions on participation.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Executive Committee

NOTE: In the absence of quorum, items on this agenda will be discussed as workshop, and notes will be recorded although no formal action will be taken. If you have any questions, please call (850)414-3300.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Florida Commission on the Status of Women at the Office of the Attorney General, The Capitol, Tallahassee, FL 32399-1050 PHONE: (850)414-3300 FAX: (850)921-4131

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 3 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Florida Commission on the Status of Women at the Office of the Attorney General, The Capitol, Tallahassee, FL 32399-1050 PHONE: (850)414-3300 FAX: (850)921-4131. 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).

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: Florida Commission on the Status of Women at the Office of the Attorney General, The Capitol, Tallahassee, FL 32399-1050 PHONE: (850)414-3300 FAX: (850)921-4131

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#### DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT

Office of General Services

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

DATE AND TIME: April 17, 2026, 10:00 a.m., ET

PLACE: VIA Conference call (850)270-3999 Participation Code: 592 235 620#

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: In accordance with section 120.525, Florida Statutes, a bid opening is hereby noticed for the following Invitation to Bid Number: FDLE-ITB-2610 Oral Swab Collection Kits. The department reserves the right to issue addenda and changes to the timeline and specifically to the meeting notice listed above. The department will post notice of any changes or additional meetings within the Vendor Information Portal (VIP) in accordance with section 287.042(3), Florida Statutes, and will not re-advertise notice in the Florida Administrative Register (FAR). The VIP may be accessed at <https://vendor.myfloridamarketplace.com>.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Angela Githens, Florida Department of Law Enforcement, General Services, 2331 Phillips Road, Tallahassee, FL 32303, Phone: (850)410-7300, and, [FDLEOGSContracts@fdle.state.fl.us](mailto:FDLEOGSContracts@fdle.state.fl.us)

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: If accommodations are needed because of a disability, please contact the Procurement Officer or FDLE General Services at (850)410-7300. 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: Angela Githens, Florida Department of Law Enforcement, General Services, 2331 Phillips Road, Tallahassee, FL 32303, Phone: (850)410-7300, and, [FDLEOGSContracts@fdle.state.fl.us](mailto:FDLEOGSContracts@fdle.state.fl.us)

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#### REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCILS

Emerald Coast Regional Council

The Regional Rural Transportation Planning Organization announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: March 18, 2026, 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: Virtual via GoTo Webinar

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Regional Rural Transportation Technical Advisory Committee is invited to a virtual workshop on March 18, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. This is a virtual only meeting.

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](http://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).

-- OR --

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, (850)332-7976.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Gary.Kramer@ecrc.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 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. Para informacion en espanol, puede llamar a Ada Clark al (850)332-7976, ext. 278 o TTY 711. Si necesita acomodaciones especiales, por favor llame 48 horas de antemano. 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: March 26, 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/193371933>

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

ACCESS CODE: 193 371 933

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: To conduct the regular business 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).

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.

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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: March 26, 2026, 5:30 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: 568 124 316

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: To conduct the regular business of the Program 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: March 26, 2026, 6:00 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:

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.

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). 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.

**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: March 26, 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: 568 124 316  
**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).  
 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.

**REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCILS**

**East Central Florida Regional Planning Council**  
**RULE NOS.:RULE TITLES:**  
 29F-1.101 Organization  
 29F-1.102 Purpose  
 29F-1.103 Definitions  
 29F-1.104 Membership

- 29F-1.105 Council
- 29F-1.106 Council Meeting Agenda
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- 29F-1.111 Committees
- 29F-1.112 Staff
- 29F-1.113 Plans, Studies, Activities, and Reports
- 29F-1.114 Dissolution
- 29F-1.115 Information Request

The East Central Florida Regional Planning Council announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.  
 DATE AND TIME: April 15, 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. Agenda items include continued discussion of the Council’s Five-Year Rule Review pursuant to Section 120.5435, Florida Statutes, including updates regarding proposed rule repeals and rule development affecting Chapter 29F, Florida Administrative Code; consideration of any requested rulemaking hearings; and discussion of subsequent rulemaking steps and timelines under Chapter 120, Florida Statutes.  
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**REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCILS**

**East Central Florida Regional Planning Council**  
**RULE NOS.:RULE TITLES:**  
 29F-1.101 Organization  
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- 29F-1.111 Committees
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- 29F-1.113 Plans, Studies, Activities, and Reports
- 29F-1.114 Dissolution
- 29F-1.115 Information Request

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

DATE AND TIME: April 15, 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. Agenda items include continued discussion of the Council’s Five-Year Rule Review pursuant to Section 120.5435, Florida Statutes, including updates regarding proposed rule repeals and rule development affecting Chapter 29F, Florida Administrative Code; consideration of any requested rulemaking hearings; and discussion of subsequent rulemaking steps and timelines under Chapter 120, Florida Statutes.

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REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCILS

Apalachee Regional Planning Council  
 The Apalachee Regional Planning Council announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Thursday, March 26, 2026, 10:00 a.m., ET  
 PLACE: 2507 Callaway Road, Suite 100, Tallahassee, FL 32303

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: To hold the regular bi-monthly board meeting of Apalachee Regional Planning Council (ARPC).

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Melissa Franklin, ARPC Communications Director, at [mfranklin@arpc.org](mailto:mfranklin@arpc.org) or (850)312-5016.  
 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 5 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Melissa Franklin, ARPC Communications Director, at [mfranklin@arpc.org](mailto:mfranklin@arpc.org) or (850)312-5016. 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).

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Construction Industry Licensing Board  
 The Construction Industry Licensing Board announces a telephone conference call to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Monday, April 6, 2026, 1:00 p.m.  
 PLACE: Please join my meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone.

<https://meet.goto.com/519882189>  
 You can also dial in using your phone.  
 Access Code: 519-882-189

United States: +1(571)317-3116

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Florida Homeowners' Construction Recovery Fund

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Jordan Jones, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, FL 32399-1039, (850)717-1983 or online at <https://www2.myfloridalicense.com/construction-industry/board-meeting-information/>

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 5 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Jordan Jones, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, FL 32399-1039, (850)717-1983 or online at <https://www2.myfloridalicense.com/construction-industry/board-meeting-information/>. 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).

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.

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DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Board of Employee Leasing Companies  
 The DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION Board of Employee Leasing Companies announces a telephone conference call to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: CANCELLED Thursday, March 26, 2026, 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: CANCELLED

<https://meet.goto.com/RichardMorrison>

You can also dial in using your phone.

United States (Toll Free): 1(866)899-4679

Access Code: 371-082-229

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: CANCELLED General Business Meeting.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Board of Employee Leasing Companies, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, FL 32399, (850)717-1984.

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 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Board of Employee Leasing Companies, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, FL 32399, (850)717-1984. 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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For more information, you may contact: Board of Employee Leasing Companies, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, FL 32399, (850)717-1984.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Pharmacy

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

DATE AND TIME: April 9, 2026, 9:00 a.m., E.T.

PLACE: 1(888)585-9008, Participant Code: 599196982(#)

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The panel will conduct a meeting related to public disciplinary cases with reconsiderations.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: [floridaspharmacy.gov](http://floridaspharmacy.gov)

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 7 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: (850)245-4474. 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).

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.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Division of Children's Medical Services

The Child Abuse Death Review Circuit 8 Committee announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: March 31, 2026, 1:00 p.m. - 1:15 p.m.

PLACE: Zoom Meeting:

Meeting ID: 787 0024 7463

Passcode: 46kJCy

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Committee will address administrative issues, review cases, and discuss the CADR Action Plan. A portion of the meeting is required by paragraph 383.412(3)(a), F.S. to be closed to the public to allow the Committee to discuss information that is confidential and exempt from public meetings and public records. This portion of the meeting will be announced at the meeting.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: [nikki.meadow@flhealth.gov](mailto:nikki.meadow@flhealth.gov)

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For more information, you may contact: [nikki.meadow@flhealth.gov](mailto:nikki.meadow@flhealth.gov)

FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) announces a hearing to which all persons are invited.

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

PLACE: Hendry County Court House, 141 Hickpochee Ave., LaBelle, FL 33935

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Receive public comment regarding considerations for the FWC's ten-year Management Plan for the FWC Lead Managed Portions of the Spirit-of-the-Wild Wildlife Management Area (WMA).

This hearing is being held EXCLUSIVELY for discussion of the DRAFT Spirit-of-the-Wild WMA Management Plan, otherwise referred to as the Management Prospectus. This meeting will not address area hunting or fishing regulations. For more information on the process for FWC rule and regulation development, visit our Proposed Rules Changes webpage at <https://myfwc.com/about/rules-regulations/proposed-rule-changes/>.

The Management Prospectus for the Spirit-of-the-Wild WMA is available on our Land Management Plans in Development webpage at <https://myfwc.com/conservation/management-plans/develop-mps/>.

Questions can be directed to (386)754-1660, or by email at [FWCMgmtPlans@MyFWC.com](mailto:FWCMgmtPlans@MyFWC.com)

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: (386)754-1660, or by email at [FWCMgmtPlans@MyFWC.com](mailto:FWCMgmtPlans@MyFWC.com)

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 5 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: the ADA Coordinator at (850)488-6411. 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: (386)754-1660, or by email at [FWCMgmtPlans@MyFWC.com](mailto:FWCMgmtPlans@MyFWC.com)

Area Agency on Aging of Palm Beach/Treasure Coast, Inc. The Area Agency on Aging of Palm Beach/Treasure Coast, Inc. announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, April 7, 2026, 8:30 a.m.

PLACE: Community Room at 4400 N. Congress Avenue, West Palm Beach, Florida 33407

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Advisory Council will discuss general business.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Lee Hardy, [lhardy@aaapbtc.org](mailto:lhardy@aaapbtc.org); (561)684-5885; ext. 59237

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 3 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Lee Hardy, [lhardy@aaapbtc.org](mailto:lhardy@aaapbtc.org); (561)684-5885; ext. 59237. 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: Lee Hardy, [lhardy@aaapbtc.org](mailto:lhardy@aaapbtc.org); (561)684-5885; ext. 59237

**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**

DEPARTMENT OF CITRUS

RFP Np. 25-03 Low-Code Application Development Services  
The procurement office is soliciting formal, competitive bids for RFP 25-03. The RFP public opening is scheduled for 1:00 p.m., EST, April 21, 2026, at 605 E. Main Street, Bartow, FL 33830. The Department will post any changes or additional meeting(s) on the Vendor Bid System (VBS) in accordance with Section 287.042(3), F.S., and will not re-advertise any notice in the Florida Administrative Register (FAR). Access the Vendor Information Portal at <https://vendor.myfloridamarketplace.com/>.

BARR AND BARR

UF-672 School of Music Demo/Abatement Package  
Barr & Barr is seeking qualified bids for the UF-672 Music School Early Release demo package. The project is located on

main campus in Gainesville, FL and consists of abatement, selective demolition of brick façade, two cast in place concrete stairwells, interior partition demolition, etc. Project start date is anticipated as May 1, 2026. Contact Lauren Pelini at LPelini@barrandbarr.com for addition information.

#### CITY OF WINTER HAVEN

#### Notice of Unsolicited Proposal and Report of Public Interest Determination

#### NOTICE OF UNSOLICITED PROPOSAL AND REPORT OF PUBLIC INTEREST DETERMINATION

Pursuant to Section 255.065, Florida Statutes, THE CITY OF WINTER HAVEN, FLORIDA, a Florida municipal corporation, hereby issues PUBLIC NOTICE of its acceptance of an UNSOLICITED PROPOSAL issued by SIX/TEN, LLC, a Florida limited liability company, without public bidding, for the construction, purchase, and sale of a public parking garage to be generally located Northwest of the corner of 3rd Street SW and Avenue C SW, Winter Haven, Florida, together with this REPORT of its determination that such proposal is in the public's interest, of the factors considered in making such determination, and of the City's findings based on each considered factor.

Parties interested in this unsolicited proposal may view copies of the unsolicited proposal, Resolution R-25-58 adopted by the City Commission of the City of Winter Haven, Florida on December 8, 2025, and supporting documentation regarding the unsolicited proposal, including an independent analysis of the proposal, by following this link to the agenda archive page for City of Winter Haven boards and committees and selecting the agenda packet for the December 8, 2025 City Commission meeting:

[https://winterhaven-fl.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view\\_id=1](https://winterhaven-fl.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view_id=1). Questions regarding this proposal may be directed to: Eric Labbe, AICP, Director of Economic Opportunity & Community Investment, telephone: (863)291-5600, email: elabbe@mywinterhaven.com.

Upon its consideration of the unsolicited proposal at two duly noticed public meetings convened November 24, 2025 and December 8, 2025, the City Commission of the City of Winter Haven, in its capacity as the elected governing body of the City of Winter Haven, Florida, determined the proposal to be in the public's interest based on the following factors and associated statements, each of which was found by the City Commission to be true and correct assertions of fact:

1. The benefits to the public: The parking garage proposed by the unsolicited proposer provides a public benefit by creating additional parking space supply in a rapidly developing downtown area with significant current and planned growth. The garage would also serve as a City-owned infrastructure

asset on a site pre-identified in the 2022 Downtown Strategic Parking and Mobility Master Plan.

2. The financial structure of and the economic efficiencies achieved by the proposal: The proposed construction cost of \$23,224 per space is below both the 2025 national median of \$31,400 per space and the Tampa region median of \$27,224 per space and is within acceptable market parameters for a turnkey, fixed-price delivery parking structure. Further, proposed soft costs are 21% of the construction cost and are within acceptable market parameters of 15%-25%. Just value for underlying realty and its master parcel is \$3,319,331 and, depending on whether the master parcel is subdivided – and to what extent the master parcel is subdivided – prior to being sold to the City, independent analysis confirms that economic efficiencies and costs are within acceptable market parameters for a municipal purchase. After accounting for land value, which represents roughly 20% of the overall project cost, the all-inclusive cost per parking space rises to \$35,000 per space which total cost appears similar to, and even less than, the per space all-inclusive costs paid by other municipalities for other garage projects cited by the Proposer. The proposed garage parking structure will occupy a portion of one parcel, leaving the parcel's existing building and some surface parking intact. Regarding financial structure, Six/Ten is a 50% owner of the parcel and intends to finance construction costs through a capital structure of approximately 80% loan-to-cost construction financing, using a senior construction loan, and the remainder of approximately 20% equity. The total anticipated cost for delivery of the 292-space parking structure is \$10,217,496.

3. The qualifications and experience of the private entity that submitted the proposal and such entity's ability to perform the project: The proposer and its project team member entities are well-known and well-respected in the Greater Winter Haven community. Six/Ten, the proposer, is a real estate development and management company with a strong focus on revitalizing downtown Winter Haven, Florida. It holds a portfolio of over 850,000 square feet of commercial property. Founded in 1954, Whitehead Construction, the proposer's construction company, is a third-generation general contractor based in Winter Haven, Florida with experience in design-build, commercial, and concrete construction, and direct contracting and construction experience with the City of Winter Haven, Florida including construction of the City's 2012 Parking Garage with 267 spaces. Metromont, the proposer's pre-cast concrete manufacturer, is located in Bartow, Florida and has direct experience with parking garage construction having supplied materials for the City of Tampa's 1500-space "Heights Block 1" parking garage project. Finally, C&K Architects, the parking garage designer, maintains an office in Winter Haven, Florida and previously designed the City's 2012 Parking Garage project.

4. The project’s compatibility with regional infrastructure plans: The project is compatible with area and regional infrastructure plans. The proposed garage location is situated in south-central downtown within a rapidly developing area experiencing significant growth across residential, commercial, and institutional sectors. Recent and planned developments include 288 residential units in the immediate area of the Parking Garage, existing downtown restaurants, entertainment venues, and passive recreation facilities within 3 city blocks, 6 new restaurants and planned additional entertainment venues within 2 city blocks, a new hotel concept within 2 city blocks, a medical office facility within 1 city block, and a regional private university campus within 1 city block. The development site for the Parking Garage project was previously vetted in the 2022 Downtown Strategic Parking and Mobility Master Plan.

5. Public comments submitted at the meeting (including a statement addressing such comments and explaining why the proposal should proceed): Comments received noted that additional public parking spaces in the downtown area of Winter Haven are needed. Areas of concern included accommodations and design considerations for mobility impaired and disabled individuals, the general unsolicited proposal procurement process, the cost of the completed parking structure, source or sources of municipal funds needed to purchase the completed parking structure, land value, the desire for spaces to remain public and unleased, the importance of lighting and general design with public safety in mind, and wayfinding to direct patrons to and from the project and local businesses.

After consideration of the Proposal and public comments, the project should proceed. Specifically, Six/Ten has demonstrated, and an independent third-party review has confirmed, that the project is cost effective, with construction costs below both regional and national averages. The proposed structure will increase parking capacity within downtown Winter Haven by 21%, significantly improving public access to downtown businesses, and the project will serve to promote further investment and economic development within the Winter Haven downtown area. The Proposal is consistent with regional infrastructure plans, inclusive of the Downtown Strategic Parking and Mobility Master Plan, and the addition of 292 public parking spaces will provide greater municipal flexibility to create future disabled and mobility-impaired accessible on-street spaces, surface lot spaces, and drop-off spaces. The total cost to acquire the project, inclusive of underlying real estate, is expected to be \$10,217,496, and earmarked municipal funds are available for use together with realized savings from other transportation infrastructure projects. A just appraised value of \$3,319,331 for the underlying real property and its master parcel was determined by the Polk County Property Appraiser for calendar year 2025 and independent analysis confirms that

the Proposer’s assigned real estate valuation is likely within acceptable market parameters for the purchase. The project location has been previously identified and vetted as a desired location for a future parking structure and local law prohibits the lease of more than 10% of municipally owned parking spaces in a parking structure without the approval of a majority of the City’s elected officials. Lighting design and safety considerations both are and will be appropriate subjects for comprehensive agreement negotiations and the City is fully committed to placing thoughtful usable wayfinding markers throughout the greater downtown area indicating paths to and from the project, area businesses, and downtown attractions.

This report is issued on December 8, 2025, at Winter Haven, Florida, pursuant to authority granted by Resolution R-25-58.

Respectfully submitted,

T. Michael Stavres, City Manager, City of Winter Haven, Florida

## 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, March 11, 2026, and 3:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 17, 2026.

Rule No.	File Date	Effective Date
40A-2.011	3/17/2026	4/6/2026
59A-24.003	3/17/2026	4/6/2026
59A-24.004	3/17/2026	4/6/2026
59A-24.005	3/17/2026	4/6/2026
59A-24.006	3/17/2026	4/6/2026
59A-24.008	3/17/2026	4/6/2026
64DER26-4	3/15/2026	3/15/2026
64DER26-5	3/15/2026	3/15/2026
64DER26-6	3/15/2026	3/15/2026
68A-9.004	3/13/2026	4/2/2026
<b>LIST OF RULES AWAITING LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL SECTIONS 120.541(3), 373.139(7) AND/OR 373.1391(6), FLORIDA STATUTES</b>		
Rule No.	File Date	Effective Date
14-10.0043	4/11/2025	**/**/****
62-42.300	12/31/2025	**/**/****
65C-9.004	3/31/2022	**/**/****
69C-2.004	11/5/2025	**/**/****

69C-2.005	11/5/2025	**/**/****
69C-2.016	11/5/2025	**/**/****
69C-2.022	11/5/2025	**/**/****
69C-2.026	11/5/2025	**/**/****
69C-2.034	11/5/2025	**/**/****
69C-2.035	11/5/2025	**/**/****

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**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.

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