

Agenda

11/18/2025

Subject

Approve the Conservation Easement with HGS, LLC, dba RES Environmental Operating Company (Grantor) in favor of Polk County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida (Grantee). (No Fiscal Impact)

Description

Polk County ("County") and HGS, LLC, dba RES Environmental Operating Company ("RES") entered into a Comprehensive Services Agreement ("CSA") contract number 2023- 059 executed October 17, 2023, to improve and restore the Peace River streambank through the Wilson Ranch Property

The CSA requires as a deliverable for RES to dedicate to the COUNTY a Conservation Easement. The project includes construction of strategic water quality structures, including hydrating or enhancing historic wetlands and/or creating new wetlands to address water resource issues and nutrient loading in local waterbodies. The Conservation Easement ensures the County's investments and interests are protected in perpetuity.

Progress to date is RES has completed all pre-construction activities and plans to start construction Winter of 2025.

Recommendation

Approve the Conservation Easement between RES and the County.

Fiscal Impact

No Fiscal Impact

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