

INITIAL REVIEW

Imperial Marsh/County Wellfield Area
Approximately 1,360 ACRES

NOMINATION 496

STRAP#s 19-46-27-00-00001.0000, .0010, .0040, .0050, .0060; 23-46-26-00-00003.0000; 24-46-26-00-00001.0000

| INITIAL REVIEW CRITERIA QUESTION AND RESPONSE | |
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| No | 1. Does the owner indicate by his/her asking price a willingness to sell below market value range? The property is offered for \$72,000,000 (\$52,902/acre) |
| No | 2. Are there any other funds available to contribute towards the purchase price of the parcel? |
| Yes | 3. Does the parcel contain any documented environmentally sensitive lands? Property has been identified in the DR/GR Planning Study (Ord #10-19, Obj. 33.2, Policy 33.2.2.) in the Priority Restoration overlay, which "depicts land where protection and restoration are most critical to restore historic surface water and groundwater levels and to connect existing corridors or conservation areas". It is one of the Tier 1 lands. |
| Yes | 4. Does the parcel have important water resource features? See #3 above. |
| Yes | 5. Is the parcel contiguous to a protected environmentally sensitive land or water body? |
| No* | 6. Is the parcel located within an area identified on the Master Mitigation Plan map? <i>*Note from staff: The Master Mitigation Plan is out of date and needs to be updated. They may want to consider revising this criteria until it is updated.</i> |
| Yes | 7. Is there good potential for long term management of the property? Property is large and adds an important area to the CREW/Wellfield/Imperial Marsh conservation corridor. |
| Yes | 8. Are the native plant communities or water resources on the property in danger of being detrimentally altered? Land has been mostly cleared but patches of pines and cypress are scattered throughout the property. The BoCC denied a request to mine the property. The denial has been under litigation and is awaiting final judgement. |
| 5 | Number of Criteria Met |
| Planned transportation projects: None | |
| Additional Comments: Ord #10-19, Obj. 33.2, Policy 33.2.3 states "It is in SW Florida's interest for public and nonprofit agencies to actively pursue acquisition of partial or full interest in land within the Tier 1 areas ...through direct purchase..." | |
| Staff Recommendation: Retain | |
| 31-Jan-12 | CRSC Recommendation: Do not retain because landowner and County are in litigation over this property at present. |
| 9-Feb-12 | CLASAC Recommendation: |