

<b>INITIAL REVIEW CRITERIA QUESTION AND RESPONSE</b>	
NO	<b>1. Does the owner indicate by his/her asking price a willingness to sell below market value range?</b>
NO	<b>2. Are there any other funds available to contribute towards the purchase price of the parcel?</b>
YES	<p><b>3. Does the parcel contain any documented environmentally sensitive lands?</b></p> <p>This nomination has generated much interest in the scientific community as evidenced by the considerable correspondence received. Until now, the scientific importance of this sinkhole was undiscovered and unstudied. It offers extremely high research value to the understanding of the environment; particularly paleoenvironmental, climate and eco-archaeological sciences and cultural history. The anaerobic water and bottom sediments provide an ideal preservation condition for prehistoric fossil remains and a pollen record of past climate. Faunal remains found in Warm Mineral Springs sinkhole in Sarasota County included Pleistocene birds, sabercat, llama, proboscideans (mastodons and mammoths), wolf, and giant sloth as well as leaves, tree pollen and plant species. The letters, emails and USGS reports provide much more detail about the science potential.</p>
YES	<p><b>4. Does the parcel have important water resource features?</b></p> <p>The rare sinkhole is a deep aquifer that is directly connected to a potable aquifer system used by a major of Lehigh Acres and all users within the DRGR. The open window to our drinking water supply makes it vulnerable to pollutants such as pesticides, fertilizers and herbicides used on the adjoining golf course. A commercial planned development rezoning is planned for the property. Acquisition will help to protect this rare natural occurrence and the future water supply for residents that rely on this water source.</p>
NO	<b>5. Is the parcel contiguous to a protected environmentally sensitive land or water body?</b>
NO	<b>6. Is the parcel located within an area identified on the Master Mitigation Plan map?</b>
NO	<p><b>7. Is there good potential for long term management of the property?</b></p> <p>The property is isolated from other preserves, small and located within an urban area. There is also concern about taking responsibility for the existing and future contamination of this opening to a potable aquifer system from surface water runoff pollutants and from septic systems. (See #4 above.)</p>
YES	<p><b>8. Are the native plant communities or water resources on the property in danger of being detrimentally altered?</b></p> <p>Nomination # 471 (Flint's Pavillion) – On February 1, 2010, a zoning change (DCI2008-00017) was approved from Residential Multi-Family to Commercial Planned Development. (See #4 above.)</p>
<b>3</b>	<b>NUMBER OF CRITERIA THAT THE PROPERTY MEETS</b>
Other	There are no transportation plan conflicts. See June 30, 2010 Division of Natural Resources Memo for explanation of how sinkholes are formed.
	<b>Staff Recommendation:</b> Lack of consensus.
8-Jul-10	<b>CRSC Recommendation:</b>
8-Jul-10	<b>CLASAC Recommendation:</b>