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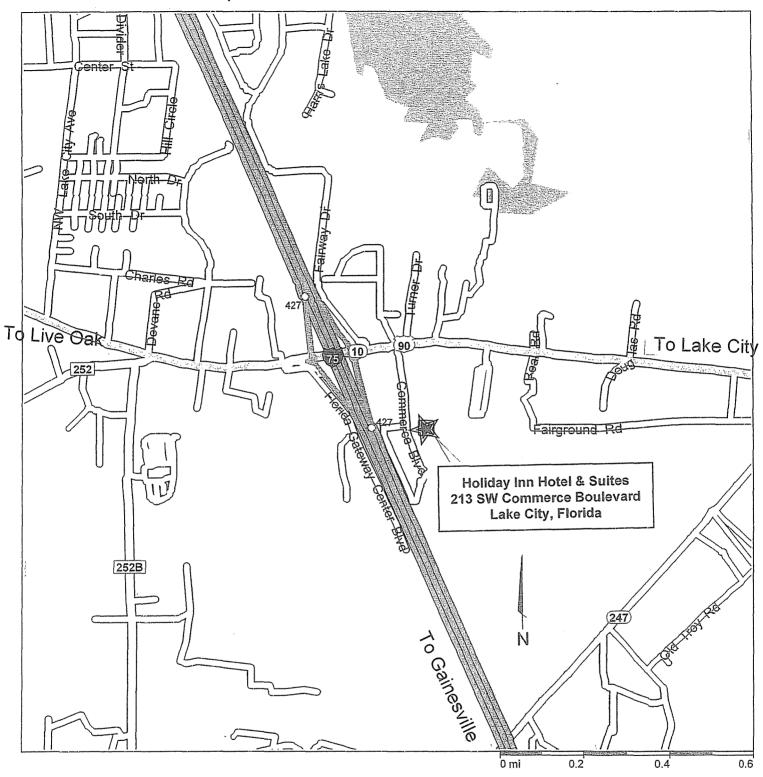
### MEETING NOTICE

## NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

There will be a meeting of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council on July 28, 2011. The meeting will be held at the Lake City Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites, 213 Southwest Commerce Boulevard, Lake City, Florida. Dinner will start at 7:00 p.m. and the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Please call the Council at (352) 955-2200, or (800) 226-0690, or email <u>laine@ncfrpc.org</u> by July 25th to let us know if you will be attending the meeting. (You can call after hours and leave a message on voice mail too.) THANK YOU.

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#### AGENDA

#### NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

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## NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL MINUTES

Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites Lake City, Florida June 30, 2011 7:30 p.m.

#### MEMBERS PRESENT

Stephen Bailey, Columbia County Susan Bottcher, City of Gainesville Ben Boukari, Jr., City of Alachua Thomas Collett, Alachua County Louie Davis, City of Waldo Rusty DePratter, Columbia County Alphonso Dowdell, City of Perry Roy Ellis, Madison County Sandra Haas, Suwannee County Donnie Hamlin, Lafayette County Thomas Hawkins, City of Gainesville Charles Maultsby, Taylor County James Montgomery, Columbia County Garth Nobles, Jr., City of Live Oak Eleanor Randall, City of Hawthorne Daniel Riddick, Bradford County Carolyn Spooner, City of Starke Kenrick Thomas, Gilchrist County Myra Valentine, City of Madison Stephen Witt, City of Lake City

#### OTHERS PRESENT

Hon. Gib Coerper, City of Alachua Diana Davis Hon. Gabe Green, City of Archer George Haas Eddie Martin Kyle Mitchell, Intern to Commissioner Bottcher Joseph Riddick

#### **EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS PRESENT**

Jordan Green, FL Dept. of Transportation Kraig McLane, St. Johns River Water Management District

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT**

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#### COUNCIL ATTORNEY PRESENT

Jonathan Wershow

#### STAFF PRESENT

Steve Dopp Scott Koons Carol Laine Jean Strong

Board Members names are bolded Gubernatorial Members names are italicized

#### I. INVOCATION, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Louie Davis called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., with an invocation given by Mr. Eddie Martin and the pledge of allegiance to the flag. He stated that there was a quorum of the Board and all Council members were able to vote.

Chair Davis introduced and welcomed Mayor Gib Coerper from the City of Alachua, Commissioner Gabe Green from the City of Archer, George Haas, husband of Council member Sandra Haas, former Council member Joseph Riddick and the Chair's wife, Diana Davis.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - May 26, 2011

Chair Davis asked that the minutes of the May 26, 2011 meeting be approved as written.

ACTION: Ms. Haas made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Ellis, to approve the minutes of the May 26, 2011 meeting as written. The motion carried unanimously.

III. CONSENT AGENDA - Community Development Block Grant Housing Rehabilitation Administrative Services Agreement - Bradford County

Chair Davis asked if there were any questions regarding the item on the Consent Agenda and requested that this item be approved.

ACTION: Commissioner Ellis made the motion, with a second by Mr. Maultsby, to approve the item on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

#### IV. CHAIR'S REPORT

A. Introduction of New Members

Chair Davis introduced and welcomed new Council member, Commissioner Susan Bottcher from the City of Gainesville and Commissioner Bottcher's Intern, Mr. Kyle Mitchell.

B. Transportation Disadvantaged Program Resolution of Appreciation - Robert Little

Chair Davis asked that a Resolution of Appreciation for past services be approved for Robert Little, who served as the Veterans Representative on the Columbia County Transportation Disadvantaged Coordinating Board since September 2003.

ACTION: Commissioner Bailey made the motion, with a second by Ms. Haas, to approve the Resolution of Appreciation for Robert Little. The motion carried unanimously.

C. Resolutions of Appreciation - David Biddle
David Dodge

Chair Davis asked that Resolutions of Appreciation for past services to the Council be approved for Mr. David Biddle, who served as a gubernatorial representative for Gilchrist County since January 2010 and Mr. David Dodge, who served as a gubernatorial representative for Bradford County since April 2001.

ACTION: Commissioner Valentine made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Ellis, to approve the Resolutions of Appreciation for Mr. David Biddle and Mr. David Dodge. The motion carried unanimously.

Chair Davis asked that a Resolution of Appreciation for past services to the Council be approved for Mr. Eddie Martin, who served as a gubernatorial representative for Alachua County since December 2005.

ACTION: Commissioner Spooner made the motion, with a second by Ms. Haas, to approve the Resolution of Appreciation for Mr. Eddie Martin. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Scott Koons, Executive Director, then presented a 40-year certificate of service to Mr. Martin for his 40 years of dedicated service to the Council. He stated that Mr. Martin served the Council for 10 years as a citizen participant beginning in 1971, as a city commissioner representing the City of Hawthorne for 24 years and as a gubernatorial appointee representing Alachua County for 6 years until June 2011.

Mr. Martin then thanked the Council for the certificate of service and for allowing him to serve the Council and the north central Florida region.

#### V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

#### A. Executive Committee

Chair Davis stated that there were no items to report.

#### VI. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Koons stated that the employee health insurance proposal was received from United Healthcare. He stated that United Healthcare has offered to continue health insurance coverage for the Council with an increase in premiums for the coming year beginning September 1, 2011 of 15.0 percent. He stated that a special meeting of the Executive Committee would be scheduled before the next regularly scheduled Council meeting to review health insurance alternative proposals and make a recommendation to the Council at the next meeting.

#### A. St. Johns River Water Management District Jacksonville Consumptive Use Permit

Mr. Koons stated that on May 10, 2011, the St. Johns River Water Management District Governing Board, by a vote of 7-1, granted a 20-year consumptive use permit to the Jacksonville Electric Authority which combined 27 existing separate permits into a single permit. He stated that the 27 separate permits allowed up to 155 million gallons per day withdrawal of groundwater from the Floridan Aquifer. Currently, the Jacksonville Electric Authority withdraws 116 million gallons per day of groundwater. The new 20-year permit allows groundwater withdrawal of up to 142 million gallons per day.

Mr. Koons reported that between 2021-2031, water consumption could increase from 142 million gallons per day to 155 million gallons per day, if the Jacksonville Electric Authority meets certain specified water reclamation targets. The targets are 13.12 million gallons per day in 2021 and 43.76 million gallons per day by 2030. He stated that in 2010, the Jacksonville Electric Authority reclaimed 11.05 million gallons per day. In 2010, the Jacksonville Electric Authority generated 87 million gallons per day of treated wastewater.

Mr. Koons stated that if water reclamation targets are met, the Jacksonville Electric Authority will be able to increase its withdrawal to 155 million gallons per day. If water reclamation targets are exceeded, the Jacksonville Electric Authority will be able to increase withdrawal to 162 million gallons per day, being 46 million gallons per day or 40 percent more than currently being withdrawn from the Floridan Aquifer.

Mr. Koons stated that the Suwannee River Water Management District has raised questions concerning data used to justify the granting of the permit in a letter dated May 27, 2011 sent to the St. Johns River Water Management District. He stated that they have raised concerns about both existing and anticipated future adverse impacts to groundwater levels in the Floridan Aquifer and reduced spring flows in the Suwannee River Water Management District resulting from the groundwater withdrawn by the Jacksonville Electric Authority.

#### B. Foley Master Development of Regional Impact Status Report

Mr. Koons stated that on November 5 and November 12, 2009, a pre-application conference was held with the applicant and review agencies for the master development of regional impact to begin the review process. The Foley Timber and Land Company intend to submit an application for Master Development Approval for the Foley Master Development of Regional Impact. The project is located in Taylor County and is designed to implement the Taylor County Vision 2060.

Mr. Koons reported the revised development is anticipated to consist of 32,710 residential dwelling units, 2,686,400 square feet of retail commercial, 1,318,900 square feet of office, 650,000 square feet of industrial/warehousing, 1,250 hotel rooms, a 600-bed hospital and educational/institutional uses.

Mr. Koons stated transportation methodology meetings were held with the applicant and review agencies on December 1, 2009 and December 17, 2009. Following the December 17, 2009 transportation methodology meeting, the County had received from the Florida Department of Community Affairs the Objections, Recommendations and Comment Report concerning the County Evaluation and Appraisal Report amendments which include portions of the Taylor County Vision 2060. Based upon the Objections, Recommendations and Comment Report, the applicant had requested that future transportation methodology meetings not be scheduled until the County responds to the objections raised by the Florida Department of Community Affairs in the Objections, Recommendations and Comment Report. The County recently responded to the Objections, Recommendations and Comment Report and adopted Evaluation and Appraisal Report amendments. The final transportation methodology meeting was held on September 8, 2010. The Master Development Agreement among the applicant, County and Council concerning the review process was approved by the Council on October 28, 2010.

Mr. Koons further reported on December 8, 2010, in accordance with the transportation methodology, a meeting attended by the applicant, County representatives, state agencies and Council staff was held to review pass-by trips, background traffic and modeling for trip distribution and assignment of project trips.

Mr. Koons reported that on June 14, 2011, a meeting was held between the applicant and Council staff to discuss a proposed development of regional impact related Comprehensive

Plan amendment for the project. At the meeting, the applicant indicated that they anticipate submitting both the development of regional impact Comprehensive Plan amendment and the Application for Master Development Approval for sufficiency review next month.

#### C. 2010-11 Member Certificates of Outstanding Attendance

Mr. Koons stated that an essential component of the ability of the Council to conduct its business is the regular attendance of members at Council meetings. He reported that a Council Member Attendance Recognition Program was established by the Council to recognize the commitment of those Council members actively engaged in the organization by regularly attending Council meetings. Mr. Koons then awarded Certificates of Outstanding Attendance to Commissioner Roy Ellis, Madison County, Councilman Alphonso Dowdell, City of Perry, Eddie Martin, Alachua County, gubernatorial appointee, James Montgomery, Columbia County gubernatorial appointee and Mayor Garth Nobles, Jr., City of Live Oak in recognition of their attendance at every scheduled Council meeting during Program Year 2010-11.

#### D. Executive Director's Cup

Mr. Koons stated that in furtherance of the Council's Council Member Attendance Recognition Program and to encourage attendance at Council meetings, an Executive Director's Cup is awarded each year to recognize the perfect attendance by either county, city or gubernatorial members during a program year. Mr. Koons then co-awarded the Program Year 2010-11 Executive Director's Cup to city members Councilman Alphonso Dowdell, City of Perry and Mayor Garth Nobles, Jr., City of Live Oak and gubernatorial members Eddie Martin, Alachua County and James Montgomery, Columbia County.

#### E. Original Florida Tourism Task Force Familiarization Tour

Mr. Koons stated that the Council provides staff services to the Original Florida Tourism Task Force to assist them in implementing their work program. In order to increase tourism generated revenues in the north Florida region, the Original Florida Tourism Task Force implements campaigns to increase tourist visits to the Natural North Florida region. He stated that the Original Florida Tourism Task Force conducted a culinary themed press familiarization tour on June 13-16, 2011. The tour highlighted the local culinary treasures of counties in the region.

He further stated that journalists sampled different local specialties at each location along the route, from Madison to Monticello to Tallahassee. Along the way, the writers learned about local foods with tours of the Bea Sweet Watermelon Packers, Tuten Farms and O'Tooles Herb Farm in Madison County, tours of Green Meadows Blueberry Farm and Golden Acres Farm and a farm to table dinner at Avera-Clark House in Jefferson County a tour of Mission San Luis Winery and a wine tasting along with a tour of Bradley's Country Store in Leon County, as well as experiencing the fine culinary opportunities the region has to offer.

#### F. Florida Department of Community Affairs Growth Management Workshop

Mr. Koons stated that six workshops have been scheduled in place of the annual Florida Department of Community Affairs Growth Management Implementation Workshop held in June of each year. He reported that one of the workshops, co-sponsored by the Council and the Withlacoochee Regional Planning Council, was held on June 27, 2011 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Doyle Conner Building, 1911 Southwest 34th Street (State Road 121), Gainesville, Florida. He further reported that Secretary Buzzett and Department staff discussed the 2011 Legislative Session and its impact on the Florida Department of Community Affairs and the State's growth management programs at the workshop held in Gainesville.

#### G. North Central Florida Rural Planning Network Meeting

Mr. Koons reported that a meeting of the North Central Florida Rural Planning Network will be held on July 8, 2011. The North Central Florida Rural Planning Network includes the 10 rural counties of the north central Florida region and Baker, Jefferson, Levy and Putnam Counties. Mr. Koons stated that the meeting will be held at the R.O. Ranch Equestrian Park in Lafayette County and will be hosted by Lafayette County and cosponsored by the Council. He stated that the guest speakers participating in the workshop are Eric Black from the Florida Forest Service, Terry Demott, Senior Land Resource Coordinator of the Suwannee River Water Management District, Brian Kauffman, Facilities Director of the R.O. Ranch Equestrian Park and Sandra Joseph, Senior Planner, North Central Florida Regional Planning Council.

#### H. Regional Directory

Mr. Koons stated that, pursuant to Council authorization, staff prepared a regional directory of local governments in the region and state and federal agencies. He reported that earlier this week, the 2011 Regional Directory was mailed to local, regional, state and federal officials, and planning and related agencies. He added that a downloadable version of the 2011 Regional Directory in pdf format is also available on the Council website at www.ncfrpc.org.

#### I. Financial Disclosure Report Filing

Mr. Koons reminded all gubernatorial appointees to the Council to file their financial disclosure forms with the supervisor of elections in their respective counties by July 1, 2011.

Chair Davis informed the Council that the next Council meeting will be held on July 28, 2011 at the Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites in Lake City. The meeting was adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

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Louie Davis, Chair	Date



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July 21, 2011

TO:

Council Members

FROM:

Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director

SUBJECT:

Amendment to Agreement with Florida Division of Emergency Management

for Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness (Modification No. 1) -

Fiscal Year 2010-11

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Authorize the Chair to execute an amendment to an agreement with the Florida Division of Emergency Management (Modification No. 1) to add an additional \$4,000 to the Hazardous Materials Emergency Planning program training budget to conduct a hazardous materials technician level class.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

The Florida Division of Emergency Management passes through funds from the United States Department of Transportation for hazardous materials planning and training. The Council, on behalf of the Local Emergency Planning Committee, offers free hazardous materials response training to local government employees. The Council has requested from the Florida Division of Emergency Management an additional \$4,000 in training funds to pay for a hazardous materials technician level course.

The class will provide responders an opportunity to practice advanced hazardous response procedures. The class will be held in Bell and will be open to all hazardous materials technicians in the region.

If you have questions concerning this matter, please do not he sitate to contact me.



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July 21, 2011

TO: Council Members

FROM: Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director

SUBJECT: Agreement with Florida Division of Emergency Management for

Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness - Fiscal Year 2011-12

#### RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the Chair to execute an agreement with the Florida Division of Emergency Management for \$47,210 in training and planning funds, on behalf of the North Central Florida Local Emergency Planning Committee, for Fiscal Year 2011-12.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

The Florida Division of Emergency Management passes through funds from the United States Department of Transportation for hazardous materials planning and training. The Council, on behalf of the Local Emergency Planning Committee, offers free hazardous materials response training to local government employees.

This training includes basic awareness level through more advanced technician level training. The Council will receive \$18,000 to conduct a planning project and \$29,210 to offer free training classes.

The Local Emergency Planning Committee selects the planning project for the year. The project last year consisted of a quality assurance project to verify firefighter emergency response data.

If you have questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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July 21, 2011

TO: Council Members

Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director FROM:

Purchase Order with Northeast Florida Regional Council to SUBJECT:

> Coordinate Tactical Interoperable Communications Mutual Aid Radio Communications Training

#### RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the Council to assist the Northeast Florida Regional Council to coordinate a Tactical Interoperable Communications Mutual Aid Radio Communications class for the Northeast Florida Regional Domestic Task Force pursuant to a purchase order for services for a fixed fee amount of \$5,500.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security has provided funding to the State of Florida for regional planning councils to help improve regional Tactical Interoperable Communications capabilities. The goal includes training, planning and conducting exercises. The objective is to ensure that, during an emergency, state and local government responders are able to communicate with each other.

The Council will be paid a fixed fee amount of \$5,500 by the Northeast Florida Regional Council to assist with coordinating a Mutual Aid Radio Communications (MARC) class in Gainesville on August 23-24, 2011.

If you have questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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July 21, 2011

TO: Council Members

FROM: Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director

SUBJECT: Purchase Order with Northeast Florida Regional Council to

Coordinate Tactical Interoperable Communications

Emergency Deployable Interoperable Communications System Training

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Authorize the Council to assist the Northeast Florida Regional Council to coordinate a Tactical Interoperable Communications Emergency Deployable Interoperable Communications System class for the Northeast Florida Regional Domestic Task Force pursuant to a purchase order for services for a fixed fee amount of \$8,500.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security has provided funding to the State of Florida for regional planning councils to help improve regional Tactical Interoperable Communications capabilities. The goal includes training, planning and conducting exercises. The objective is to ensure that, during an emergency, state and local government responders are able to communicate with each other.

The Council will be paid a fixed fee amount of \$8,500 by the Northeast Florida Regional Council to assist with coordinating an Emergency Deployable Interoperable Communications System and Emergency Deployable Wide Area Remote Data System (EDICS/EDWARDS) class in Gainesville on August 3-5, 2011.

If you have questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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July 21, 2011

TO:

Council Members

FROM:

Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director

SUBJECT:

Purchase Order with Northeast Florida Regional Council to

Coordinate Tactical Interoperable Communications

Florida Interoperable Network Training

#### RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the Council to assist the Northeast Florida Regional Council to coordinate a Tactical Interoperable Communications Florida Interoperable Network class for the Northeast Florida Regional Domestic Task Force pursuant to a purchase order for services for a fixed fee amount of \$5,500.

#### BACKGROUND:

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security has provided funding to the State of Florida for regional planning councils to help improve regional Tactical Interoperable Communications capabilities. The goal includes training, planning and conducting exercises. The objective is to ensure that, during an emergency, state and local government responders are able to communicate with each other.

The Council will be paid a fixed fee amount of \$5,500 by the Northeast Florida Regional Council to assist with coordinating a Florida Interoperable Network (FIN) class in Gainesville in August 2011.

If you have questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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July 21, 2011

TO: Council Members

FROM: Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director

SUBJECT: Purchase Order with Northeast Florida Regional Council

to Assist with Tactical Interoperable Communications Summit

#### RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the Council to assist the Northeast Florida Regional Council with a Tactical Interoperable Communications Summit pursuant to a purchase order for fixed fee of \$2,000.

#### BACKGROUND:

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security has provided funding to the State of Florida for regional planning councils to assist with improving regional Tactical Interoperable Communications capabilities. The goal includes training, planning and conducting exercises. The objective is to ensure that during an emergency that state and local government responders are able to communicate with each other.

The Council has been asked to provide assistance for a State Interoperable Communications Summit which includes meetings and training classes. The Summit will be held in St. Petersburg on August 15-18, 2011.

The Council will be paid a fixed fee amount of \$2,000 by the Northeast Florida Regional Council for these services.

If you have questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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July 21, 2011

TO: Council Members

FROM: Louie Davis, Chair

SUBJECT: Resolution of Appreciation - Andrew Smith

#### RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the attached resolution of appreciation for Andrew Smith.

#### BACKGROUND:

As a token of appreciation for his service on the Council since May 2004 and in recognition of his commitment and concern for the growth and development of the north central Florida area, the attached resolution of appreciation is recommended for approval by the Council.

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July 29, 2011

Mr. Andrew Smith 25443 Northeast 137th Trail Raiford, FL 32083

Dear Andrew:

On behalf of the entire Planning Council, I want to express our regret that you will no longer be representing Union County as a gubernatorial representative on the Council. Certainly your interest in the organization and your concern for growth and development in the North Central Florida area has made you a valuable asset to the Council.

As a token of our appreciation for your service, the Council, at its regular meeting on July 28, 2011, unanimously approved the enclosed resolution. I hope this adequately expresses the feeling w have for the loss of your leadership as a Council member.

Sincerely,

Louie Davis Chair

Enclosure

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# OF APPRECIATION

WHEREAS, Andrew Smith has been representing the governor as a representative from Union County on the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council since May 2004;

WHEREAS, Andrew Smith has ably discharged his duties throughout his association with the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council:

NOW. THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the membership and staff of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council do hereby express their appreciation to Andrew Smith for the dedicated service he has rendered to the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council, and for his concern for the future growth and development of this area and the State of Florida: and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That this expression of appreciation be spread upon the minutes of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council for all citizens of the region to view and recognize the accomplishments and service of Andrew Smith.

Louie Davis, Chair

ATTEST:

Roy Ellis, Secretary-Treasurer

ADOPTED BY THE NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL AT THEIR MEETING OF JULY 28, 2011.



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TO:

Council Members

FROM:

Louie Davis, Chair

SUBJECT:

Committee Appointments

#### RECOMMENDATION:

Ratify the appointment of Carolyn Spooner to the Finance Committee.

#### **BACKGROUND**:

Due to a vacancy on the Finance Committee, an appointment to this committee needs to be made. I am recommending the appointment of Commissioner Carolyn Spooner, City of Starke, to serve as a member of the Finance Committee. In addition to jurisdictional balance and geographic balance, attendance records at Council meetings were also considered in making this appointment.

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July 21, 2011

TO: Council Members

FROM: Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director

SUBJECT: Certificate of Service for Council Employee

#### RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the attached certificate of service for Carol Laine.

#### **BACKGROUND**:

As you know, the Council recently amended its Personnel Regulations to establish an Employee Length of Service Program.

The strength and stability of an organization is based upon the experience and institutional knowledge of its senior, long-serving employees. Carol Laine has been an employee of the Council for 25 years. As a token of appreciation for 25 years of service to the Council and in recognition of her dedicated service to the Council, the attached certificate of service is recommended for approval by the Council.

If you have questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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# Certificate of Service

has been awarded to

## Carol A. Laine

as an expression of appreciation for 25 years of dedicated service as an employee of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council from June 9, 1986 to June 9, 2011.

Years

Witness the Seal of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council and the signatures of its duly authorized officers thereunto affixed.

Given this Twenty-Eighth day of July in the year Two Thousand Eleven.

Louie Davis. Chair

Roy Ellis, Secretary-Treasurer

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July 21, 2011

TO:

Council Members

FROM:

Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director

SUBJECT:

Employee Health Insurance Proposal

#### RECOMMENDATION:

- Approve the alternative proposal received from UnitedHealthcare for Plan 9G-O for employee health insurance, Plan P3416 for dental insurance and life insurance for the year beginning September 1, 2011;
- Approve the discontinuance of the \$15,228 per year health insurance premium savings rebate to employees effective September 1, 2011, and;
- Approve changing the Council health, dental and life insurance premium payment share from 75 percent for both employee and dependent coverage to 100 percent for employee coverage and 50 percent for dependent coverage effective September 1, 2012.

#### BACKGROUND:

UnitedHealthcare has offered to continue health insurance coverage for the Council with an increase in premiums for the coming year beginning September 1, 2011. The total increase in cost to the Council for the coming year, prior to any previous year savings rebate to participants, would be \$1,944.14 per month, or an increase of 15.0 percent. The resulting total monthly cost to the Council would be \$14,913.37.

UnitedHealthcare is proposing no change in life insurance premiums for the coming year. UnitedHealthcare is proposing to increase the cost for dental insurance to the Council for the coming year by \$55.70 per month or an increase of 7.0 percent. The resulting total monthly cost to the Council would be \$850.70.

The total combined increase for health, dental and life insurance cost to the Council for the coming year, prior to any previous year savings rebate to participants, would be \$1,999.84 per month, or an increase of 14.3 percent. The resulting total combined monthly cost for health, dental and life insurance to the Council would be \$16,025.45.

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On July 19, 2011, the Executive Committee reviewed three alternative proposals for health insurance from UnitedHealthcare. All three of the alternative proposals include reduced benefits for employees. Attached is a summary of the existing plan and the three alternative plans with coverage and costs reviewed by the Executive Committee.

After reviewing the renewal proposal and three alternative proposals for health insurance, the Executive Committee recommends approval of alternative Plan 9G-0 resulting in a total decrease in cost to the Council for the coming year of (\$1,307.88) per month, prior to any previous year savings rebate to participants, or a decrease of (10.1) percent for the plan year beginning September 1, 2011. The resulting total monthly cost to the Council would be \$11,661.30.

In June 2004, the Council changed health insurance plans with Blue Cross Blue Shield that resulted in reduced benefits to employees and the Council authorized that the \$15,228 in annual savings in reduced premiums to the Council be rebated to the employees. The Executive Committee recommends that this rebate no longer be awarded to the employees effective September 1, 2011.

Currently, the Council pays 75 percent and the employees pay 25 percent of the health and dental insurance premium for both employee and dependent coverage, and the Council pays 75 percent and the employees pay 25 percent of the employee life insurance premium. The Executive Committee recommends that the Council pay 100 percent of the health, dental and life insurance premium for employee coverage and 50 percent of the health and dental insurance premium for dependent coverage effective September 1, 2012.

Also, please find attached for your information a graph showing the total cost to the Council and employees for health, life and dental insurance costs from Fiscal Year 2002-03 through Fiscal Year 2010-11 and proposed costs for Fiscal Year 2011-12.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

#### Attachment

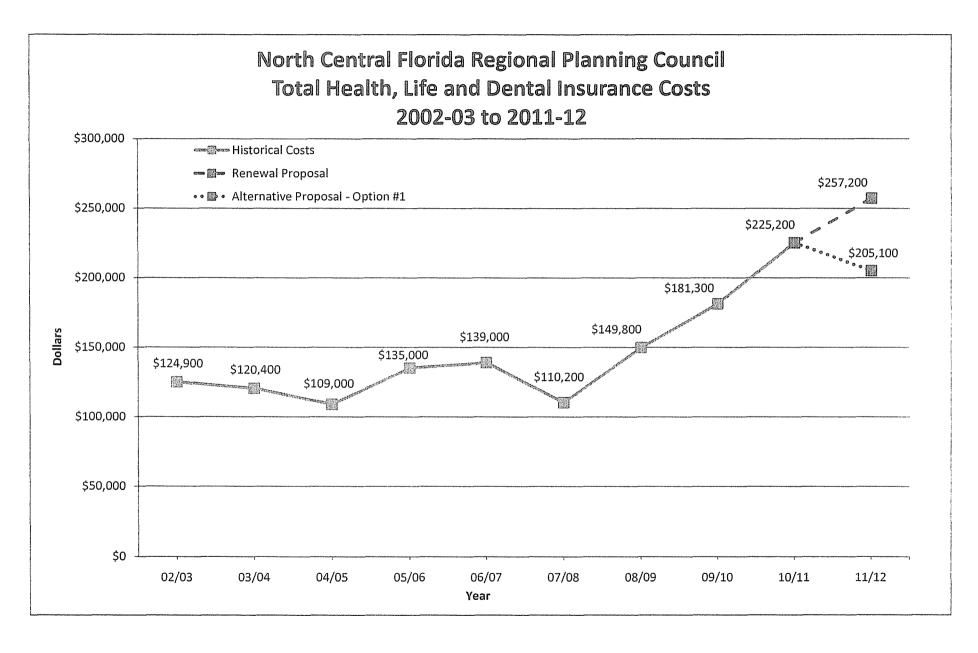
#### NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL SUMMARY OF HEALTH INSURANCE BENEFIT PLANS UNITED HEALTHCARE July 21, 2011

CURRENT PLAN F1H F1M	<u>DEDUCTIBLE</u> (Person/Aggregate) \$500/\$1,500 \$1,000/\$3,000	CO-INSURANCE (In Network/Out Network)  80%/50%  50%/50%	OUT-OF-POCKET MAXIMUM (Person/Aggregate) \$3,000/\$6,000 \$5,000/\$15,000	PRESCRIPTIONS (Generic/Brand/ Non-Preferred) \$10/\$35/\$60 \$10/\$35/\$60
<u>OPTION #1</u> 9G-O	\$2,000/\$6,000	100%/0%	\$4,000/\$8,000	\$15/\$45/\$85
OPTION #2 PL-C	\$1,500/\$4,500	80%/0%	\$4,500/\$9,000	\$10/\$35/\$60
OPTION #3 PL-G	\$2,000/\$6,000	100%/0%	\$2,000/\$6,000	\$10/\$35/\$60

#### Council Cost per Month/Annum Prior to Any Previous Year Savings Rebate (\$1,269/\$15,228) to Employees

	Month / Annum	<u>Change</u>	Percent Change
Current Plan - Existing Cost	\$12,969 / \$155,628		
Current Plan - Proposed Cost	\$14,913 / \$178,956	\$23,328	15.0%
Option #1 Option #2 Option #3	\$ 11,661 / \$139,932 \$ 12,858 / \$154,296 \$ 13,529 / \$162,348	(\$15,696) (\$1,332) \$6,720	(10.1%) (0.9%) 4.3%

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TO: Council Members

FROM: Sandra Haas, Chair, Clearinghouse Committee

RE: Chair's Report

The next regularly-scheduled meeting of the Clearinghouse Committee is 6:00 p.m., July 28, 2011 at the Holiday Inn and Suites, 213 SW Commerce Boulevard, Lake City. At its meeting, the Committee will review the following Committee-level items which require Council action. I will present an oral report on the Committee's actions and recommendations at the Council meeting held later that evening.

#### I. COMMITTEE-LEVEL REVIEW ITEMS

Local Government Comprehensive Plan Amendments and Evaluation and Appraisal Reports

#104 - Taylor County Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment (DCA No. 08-1)

#105 - Hamilton County Comprehensive Plan Adopted Amendment (DCA No. 11-2)





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TO: Council Members

FROM: Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director

SUBJECT: Election of Officers and Board of Directors

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Approve the Nominating Committee slate of nominees for Executive Committee and Board of Directors for Program Year 2011-12.

#### BACKGROUND:

The Nominating Committee met on July 19, 2011, to develop, for the Council's consideration, recommendations concerning the Executive Committee positions, including the additional Executive Committee member, and other members of the Board of Directors. A list of those recommendations is attached.

Also attached, for your information, are excerpts from the policies which govern the elections to these positions. Specifically, the Council is to elect individuals to the following positions.

Chair
Vice-Chair
Secretary-Treasurer
Additional Executive Committee Member
Ten Non-Executive Committee Members for Board of Director Positions

### NOTE:

- 1. No more than one officer may be from representatives appointed by the same governmental unit.
- 2. Of the total 15 members of the Board of Directors (including the Executive Committee), 10 shall be representatives appointed by city and county members, and 5 shall be selected from among gubernatorial appointees.
- 3. At least two-thirds (2/3) of the representatives on the Board must be elected officials.
- 4. There must be broad regional representation on the Board.

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- 5. At least 8 counties must be represented on the Board.
- 6. At least 3 Board members must be from Alachua County.

In addition, if you want to make nominations from the floor, please find attached a list of current Council members. Only local government representatives and gubernatorial appointees are eligible for election as officers and to the Board of Directors.

If you have any questions concerning the election process, please do not hesitate to contact me.

## Attachments

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### NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

2011-2012 July 21, 2011

### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Roy Ellis, Chair Lorene Thomas, Vice-Chair Garth Nobles, Jr., Secretary/Treasurer Kenrick Thomas, Member Louie Davis, Immediate Past Chair

## OTHER BOARD MEMBERS

# LOCAL GOVERNMENT APPOINTEES

ALACHUA COUNTY HAMILTON COUNTY

<u>City of Gainesville</u> Ronny Morgan

Thomas Hawkins <u>LAFAYETTE COUNTY</u>

BRADFORD COUNTY Donnie Hamlin

<u>Starke</u> MADISON COUNTY

Carolyn Spooner City of Madison

<u>COLUMBIA COUNTY</u> Myra Valentine

Stephen Bailey

### **GUBERNATORIAL APPOINTEES**

ALACHUA COUNTY SUWANNEE COUNTY

Thomas Collett Sandra Haas

<u>COLUMBIA COUNTY</u> <u>TAYLOR COUNTY</u>

James Montgomery Charles Maultsby

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- (3) The Council shall establish its meeting dates at its annual meeting each year, and the May meeting shall be the Annual Meeting.
- (4) At the Annual Meeting, the Council shall elect the Board of Directors, adopt the annual Budget and Work Program, and conduct other business which may be deemed appropriate.
- (5) Special meetings of the Council may be called for any appropriate purpose by the chairman or by written request of any nine (9) voting members of the Council.
- (6) Written notice of Council meetings shall be mailed to each member at the member's address, as it appears on the records of the Council, at least seven (7) days prior to that meeting. The notice shall state the time, place and object of the meeting and the business to be transacted.
- (7) A majority of the Council shall constitute a quorum at any Council meeting. When a quorum is present, the majority of the votes cast shall decide any question, other than amendments to the Strategic Regional Policy Plan, which shall require an affirmative vote of a majority of the total representatives on the Council.
- (8) All regular and special meetings, workshops or hearings of the Council or of any Council Committee shall be open to the general public.

# Section 6: Officers---Duties---Term of Office.

- (1) The members of the Council shall elect a Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Secretary-Treasurer to serve as officers of both the Council and of the Board of Directors. The officers shall be elected from among the members of the Council and may be elected or non-elected officials, no more than one of who may be from representatives appointed by the same governmental unit. Should a vacancy occur among the officers, the vacancy shall be filled in the same manner in which the preceding officers were originally elected.
- (2) The officers shall perform the duties enumerated below and other duties prescribed by the Council:
  - (a) The Chairman shall preside at meetings of the Council and of the Board; sign, with the counter-signature of the Secretary-Treasurer, or Executive Director, as authorized by the

- Council, any contracts or other instruments which is deemed in the Council's best interest; and perform such other duties incident to the office as may be prescribed by the Council.
- (b) The Vice-Chairman shall assist the Chairman in the performance of the Chairman's duties, and either in the absence of the Chairman or in the event of the Chairman's inability or refusal to act, shall have the powers and shall perform the duties of the Chairman.
- (c) The Secretary-Treasurer shall keep minutes of the meetings and the records of the Council and of the Board; attest the signatures of the Council officers; and see that notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these Policies or as required by law.
- (d) The Secretary-Treasurer shall, with the Finance Committee, periodically review the financial needs of the Council and at least quarterly, report to the Council regarding its fiscal condition. The Secretary-Treasurer shall also monitor and periodically report to the Council as to whether the Executive Committee and staff are complying with policies of the Council in matters relating to: 1) Receiving monies due the Council and depositing them in a depository designated by the Council; and 2) Expending the funds of the Council as authorized by the Council. Further, the Secretary-Treasurer shall, in general, perform all duties that may be assigned to him/her by the Chairman or the Council.
- (3) Each member elected to an office shall serve for one (1) year or until reelected or until a successor is elected, except that the Chairman's term of office shall be limited to two (2) consecutive one-year (1) terms and a past-chairman shall not be eligible again until two (2) additional years have elapsed nor shall a past-chairman be succeeded by a representative appointed by the same governmental unit.
- (4) Newly elected officers shall be declared installed following the election, and shall assume the duties of office upon adjournment of the Annual Meeting at which they are elected.

Section 7: Board of Directors.

- (1) The membership of the Board of Directors shall be elected by the whole Council at its Annual Meeting as follows:
  - (a) The composition of the Board shall consist of the Executive Committee and ten (10) other Council representatives. Of these fifteen, ten (10) shall be representatives appointed by city and county members, and five (5) shall be selected from among the representatives appointed by the Governor of the State of Florida. At least two-thirds (2/3) of the representatives serving on the Board shall be officials elected to the governing body of local governments or other county elected officials chosen by said governing boards or the Governor.
  - (b) The ten (10) non-Executive Committee Members of the Board shall be selected in the following manner. A slate of nominees to fill each of the ten (10) positions shall be presented by the Nominating Committee. In selecting nominees, the Committee shall:
    - 1. Ensure broad and equitable representation throughout the membership, with consideration being given to proper representation: 1) From both counties and cities, 2) From rural as well as urban areas, and 3) According to population distribution; and further, consideration should be given to nominating minority representatives in number sufficient to provide minority representation on the Board in approximately the same proportion as minority population exists in the Region's total population.
    - 2. Select at least one (1) nominee from a sufficient number of counties to ensure that eight counties are represented on the Board, including members of the Executive Committee. Furthermore, there shall be a sufficient number of nominees selected from among the representatives from all counties with more than 75,000 population to ensure that at least three members of the Board represent said county, including members of the Executive Committee.

- (c) Nominations may also be made from the floor providing that such nominees shall challenge specific nominees designated by the Committee, and such nominees shall satisfy the requirements set forth in Paragraphs (b)1. and (b)2.
- (2) Should a vacancy(ies) occur among the directors, the successor(s) shall be filled in the same manner in which the preceding directors were originally filled. Otherwise, all board members shall serve one (1) year or until successor is elected.
- (3) A majority of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. In the event a member of the Board resigns, or for other reasons is no longer a representative to the Council, then the position vacated by that member shall not be included in the total number of Board positions for the purpose of determining a quorum until such time as the position is filled. When a quorum is present at any meeting, a majority of the directors present shall decide any question under consideration.
- (4) The Board shall keep minutes of its proceedings and records of its official actions, all of which shall be filed in the office of the Council and shall be of public record.
- (5) The Board shall have the duties and responsibilities as may be delegated to it by the Council which will best effectuate and carry out the purposes and functions for which the Council is created and as outlined in these Policies.
- (6) In the event the Council fails to assemble a quorum for the purposes of transacting business at any regular or called meeting, the Board is authorized to act on behalf of the Council with respect to all items. In such instances, all members of the Council who are present may vote on items considered by the Board, and a majority of those voting shall decide any question under consideration. Actions of the Board shall be final.

#### Section 8: Executive Director.

The Executive Director shall be responsible for all personnel and administrative matters as prescribed by the Council through adopted policies and rules. The Executive Director shall function as agency clerk responsible for filing final Council decisions. The Executive Director is also authorized to attest the





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TO:

Council Members

FROM:

Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director

SUBJECT:

Florida Regional Councils Association Policy Board Meeting Report

Chair Louie Davis, Secretary-Treasurer Roy Ellis and I attended the semi-annual meeting of the Florida Regional Councils Association Policy Board in Orlando on June 24, 2011.

Matt Chase, Executive Director, National Association of Development Organizations, reported on Regionalism: A National Perspective. He discussed several federal initiatives under consideration by Congress.

Doug Smith, President of the Florida Association of Counties, addressed the Policy Board. He discussed the Association's initiatives and priorities for the upcoming year.

The Policy Board heard a presentation concerning the Statewide Regional Evacuation Study recently completed by all 11 regional planning councils. The President of the Policy Board received, on behalf of the Florida Regional Councils Association, the 2011 National Association of Regional Councils Achievement Award and the 2011 Florida Planning and Zoning Association Outstanding Public Study Award recognizing the Statewide Regional Evacuation Study.

Ronald Book, Executive Director, Florida Regional Councils Association, also addressed the Policy Board. He discussed the state budget and other policy issues that were addressed during the past legislative session.

The Policy Board also reviewed and approved the Fiscal Year 2009-10 financial statements of the Association and the Fiscal Year 2011-12 budget. In addition, the Policy Board elected officers for Program Year 2011-12.

If you have questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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July 21, 2011

TO:

Council Members

FROM:

Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director

SUBJECT:

Foley Master Development of Regional Impact Status Report

On November 5 and November 12, 2009, a pre-application conference was held with the applicant and review agencies for the master development of regional impact to begin the review process. The Foley Timber and Land Company intend to submit an application for Master Development Approval for the Foley Master Development of Regional Impact. The project is located in Taylor County and is designed to implement the Taylor County Vision 2060.

A Master Development of Regional Impact is intended for projects consisting of multiple Developments of Regional Impact covering an extended period of time. A Master Development Agreement between the Council, the local government, and the Applicant specifies that increments of the project will be reviewed for regional impacts similar to a traditional development of regional impact, ensures that anticipated regional impacts are adequately addressed and clearly defines specific information requirements for the review of subsequent project increments.

The revised development is anticipated to consist of 32,710 residential dwelling units, 2,686,400 square feet of retail commercial, 1,318,900 square feet of office, 650,000 square feet of industrial/warehousing, 1,250 hotel rooms, a 600-bed hospital and educational/institutional uses.

Transportation methodology meetings were held with the applicant and review agencies on December 1, 2009 and December 17, 2009. Following the December 17, 2009 transportation methodology meeting, the County had received from the Florida Department of Community Affairs the Objections, Recommendations and Comment Report concerning the County Evaluation and Appraisal Report amendments which include portions of the Taylor County Vision 2060. Based upon the Objections, Recommendations and Comment Report, the applicant had requested that future transportation methodology meetings not be scheduled until the County responds to the objections raised by the Florida Department of Community Affairs in the Objections, Recommendations and Comment Report. The County recently responded to the Objections, Recommendations and Comment Report and adopted Evaluation and Appraisal Report amendments. The final transportation methodology meeting was held on September 8, 2010. The Master Development Agreement among the applicant, County and Council concerning the review process was approved by the Council on October 28, 2010.

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On December 8, 2010, in accordance with the transportation methodology, a meeting attended by the applicant, County representatives, state agencies and Council staff was held to review pass-by trips, background traffic and modeling for trip distribution and assignment of project trips.

On June 14, 2011, a meeting was held between the applicant and Council staff to discuss a proposed development of regional impact related Comprehensive Plan amendment for the project. The applicant has indicated that they anticipate submitting both the development of regional impact Comprehensive Plan amendment and the Application for Master Development Approval for sufficiency review on July 22, 2011.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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TO:

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FROM:

Scott R. Koons, AICP, Executive Director

SUBJECT:

Statewide Regional Evacuation Study Awards

Working together in a coordinated manner, all 11 regional planning councils recently completed a multiyear Statewide Regional Evacuation Study. The award-winning Study represented an unprecedented undertaking to concurrently update the regional evacuation studies for each region.

Following the destructive 2004 and 2005 hurricane seasons, the Legislature appropriated \$29.0 million for the purpose of hurricane evacuation planning. The Statewide Regional Evacuation Study Program began in 2006 as a direct result of this funding. The Legislature funded two inter-related and dependant projects, \$24.5 million for Light Detection and Ranging data and \$4.5 million to update regional evacuation studies.

The majority of funding was used for developing the Light Detection and Ranging data, which provides elevation data for the entire coastline of Florida with an elevation point every six inches. This data greatly improves the accuracy of the Sea, Lake and Overland Surge from Hurricanes Model and Surge Inundation Model results. Use of such emerging technology sets the Study apart from those previously completed.

The remaining funding was used to design state-of-the-art products to advance the study of evacuation planning. The Study utilized new technology in creating an evacuation study for the 11 regional planning council regions. Most significantly, the same methodology was applied statewide. This was an unprecedented strategy, as no other state has ever addressed evacuation planning in a holistic, integrated, coordinated approach.

In order to achieve one of the primary project goals of a consistent methodology, the Statewide Regional Evacuation Study Program required the coordination of local, regional, State and Federal agencies. As the program manager, the Northeast Florida Regional Council assumed this coordinating role. The Federal Emergency Management Agency and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration played key roles in the funding of the program and the modeling of the Sea, Lake and Overland Surge from Hurricanes basins. State agencies within Florida, including the Florida Division of Emergency Management, the Florida Department of Transportation and the Florida Department of Community Affairs were partners that assisted in achieving a methodology that was consistent and applicable across multiple disciplines.

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A statewide behavioral survey was undertaken, the largest of its kind in Florida, to collect data from every county on the subject of evacuation. Nearly 400,000 calls were placed, with over 18,800 interviews conducted. The data was then analyzed using behavioral assumptions about how people will react to an evacuation order. The survey results were used in the transportation evacuation model. The result of these efforts is an evacuation study for each region, unique to each region, completed using the same methodology across the State.

The Study has recently been recognized for excellence both at the state and national level. The Florida Planning and Zoning Association granted the Study their 2011 Outstanding Public Study Award. At the national level, both trade associations for regional planning councils and regional development organizations have also granted awards for the Study. The National Association of Regional Councils granted the Study a 2011 Achievement Award and the National Association of Development Organizations granted the Study a 2011 Innovation Award.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.