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MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Commissioners
FROM: Tony Gomillion, County Administrator
DATE: November 1, 2016
SUBJECT: Land Donation to the County

DISCUSSION

Discussion of donation of land to the County.

BACKGROUND

The current owners of approximately 2,700 acres of property bordered by Berryhill Road and Willard Norris Road have provided an unsolicited offer to donate this property to the County through fee simple title transfer. It is their desire to consummate this donation prior to the end of the calendar year, therefore; if the Board is agreeable, the acceptance of the donation would be scheduled for action on the December agenda. The donation would cover all the parcel except a 50 acre parcel on Luther Fowler Road and a 50 acre parcel on Willard Norris Road. The only restrictions on the property would be approximately 184 acres in conservation easements that cover numerous wetlands. There is a three year agreement with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) related to mitigation projects surrounding these wetlands and these projects will have to be monitored and maintained for continued compliance. The anticipated cost of the transaction would be limited to title transfer/documentary fees, (\$30,000 to \$50,000 dependent on appraisal) the outstanding 2015 and 2016 ad valorem taxes (approximately \$140,000), and any monitoring and maintenance cost associated with the FDEP agreement. None of these costs would pose an impediment to the acceptance of the property donation.

Additional background information is attached.

ACTION TO CONSIDER

Direct staff to work with Strategic Capital Partners to finalize the conveyance for acceptance at the December 8, 2016 BOCC meeting.

"Jubilee" Land Donation



TRACT 1:
1,355 AC.

50 AC PARCEL

TRACT 2:
1,360 AC.

50 AC PARCEL

