

[Indian River County, FL letterhead]

DATE

Mr. Will Abberger
Vice President, Director of Conservation Finance
The Trust for Public Land
306 N. Monroe Street
Tallahassee, FL 32301

Dear Mr. Abberger:

The Indian River County Board of County Commissioners requests technical advice and assistance from The Trust for Public Land in connection with our efforts to continue and sustain reliable, ongoing sources of funding for land conservation.

As part of your advice and assistance, I understand you will conduct research with affected groups to develop recommendations for the Indian River County Commission on strategies for supporting continued, dedicated, ongoing sources of public funds for land conservation.

We are interested not only in the factual information that you can provide, but also your opinions and recommendations on public funding measures available to us and strategies to enact such measures. That would include understanding the public's priorities and attitudes concerning land conservation, water quality, and natural areas--including parks, trails, and fish and wildlife habitat--and how the public would respond to different methods of presenting those issues.

Information provided to the County Commission will be public record as a matter of law. This request does not in any way commit public funds to the efforts of The Trust for Public Land related to this request, nor does it require public disclosure of any confidential information of either organization.

This request will continue in effect for any advice you offer or presentations you submit for the use of this body related to such matters. In addition, we would like to take this opportunity to request that you continue to be available to provide technical advice and assistance in this area and on related matters in the future.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Susan Adams
Chairman