

**INDIAN RIVER COUNTY, FLORIDA  
BOARD MEMORANDUM**

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**TO:** Jason E. Brown, County Administrator  
**THROUGH:** Richard B. Szpyrka, P.E., Public Works Director  
**THROUGH:** Eric Charest, Natural Resources Manager  
**FROM:** Quintin Bergman, M.S., Sea Turtle Environmental Specialist  
**SUBJECT:** **Approval of FWC Grant for Indian River County Derelict Vessel Removal Project**  
**DATE:** May 7, 2020

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**DESCRIPTION AND CONDITIONS**

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) has awarded Indian River County a \$22,100 Bulk Derelict Vessel Removal Grant to cover the costs associated with the removal and disposition of seven (7) derelict vessels from the Indian River Lagoon within the jurisdictional boundaries of Indian River County. Officers from FWC have investigated the vessels and determined the vessels as derelict in accordance with sections 705.101 (3) and 823.11, Florida Statutes. The derelict designation from FWC allows the County to have the vessels removed and disposed of, improving boating safety and removing these hazards to navigation. CCNK LLC has been selected as the contractor to perform the removal and disposition of the derelict vessels. FWC prepared the grant agreement (Agreement No. 19240) and forwarded it to the County for review and execution.

**FUNDING**

The cost to remove and dispose of the seven (7) derelict vessels totals \$22,100. The FWC Grant will provide the County with 100% reimbursement of the associated costs not to exceed \$22,100. This task is budgeted for in the Florida Boating Improvement Program – Other Contractual Service Account# 13321072-033490.

**RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends that the Board of County Commissioners approve Agreement No. 19240 in the amount of \$22,100 and authorize the Chairman to execute it on behalf of the County.

**ATTACHMENTS**

FWC Grant Agreement No. 19240  
FWC19240\_GrantForm  
IRC DV Removal Maps

**APPROVED AGENDA ITEM FOR: May 12, 2020**