## INDIAN RIVER COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

## INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: Members of the Board of County Commissioners

DATE: November 4, 2020

SUBJECT: Discussion on Locating an Inter-County Emergency Services Facility in

the Vicinity of Yeehaw Junction

FROM: Tim Zorc

Commissioner, District 3

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## **Discussion Item:**

Due to the rural characteristics of the state along the Florida Turnpike as it moves through Indian River, Okeechobee, Osceola, and St. Lucie counties, there is a possibility that accident victims could experience far-longer-than-normal wait times in the event they suffered life-threatening injuries. I'd like to discuss the possibility of holding discussions on an "inter-county" emergency services facility in the vicinity of Yeehaw Junction, one that would be jointly-funded and reduce response times where no current response teams are stationed.

As these discussions would take a number of years to bring to fulfillment, I would like to have Chief Stone continue the dialogue that was brought up at a recent, regional emergency services chief's meeting.