

INDIAN RIVER COUNTY
MEMORANDUM

TO: Michael Zito
Interim County Administrator

THROUGH: Phillip Matson, AICP
Community Development Director

FROM: Andrew Sobczak
Assistant Community Development Director

DATE: January 4, 2023

RE: Amendment One to SJRWMD's cost-sharing agreement with Indian River County for plugging abandoned artesian wells

It is requested that the Board of County Commissioners formally consider the following information at the Board's regular meeting of January 17, 2023.

BACKGROUND

On August 18, 2020, the Board of County Commissioners approved, and authorized the Chairman to sign, a 3-year cost-sharing agreement with the St. Johns River Water Management District (SJRWMD) for plugging abandoned artesian wells in the County. This cost-sharing program has been in place for many years, and has helped successfully stop many abandoned artesian wells from continuing to flow unchecked.

Recently, SJRWMD staff contacted County staff concerning a typo in the current agreement. This typo consists of an incorrect date for the end of the agreement. To correct this error, SJRWMD staff asked that an amendment to the agreement correcting this error be approved by the Board.

ANALYSIS

The amendment to the agreement corrects the typo, and makes the agreement consistent with the Board's approval of a 3-year term (the agreement will end on September 30, 2023). It is anticipated that staff will bring forward a new 3-year cost-sharing agreement to the Board in August of 2023 to renew this program.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Board of County Commissioners approve Amendment One to SJRWMD's cost-sharing agreement with Indian River County, and authorize the Chairman to sign the amendment.

ATTACHEMENTS:

1. Amendment One to SJRWMD's cost-sharing agreement