



April 21, 2025

Melissa Meisenburg  
Indian River County  
Department of Natural Resources  
1801 27th St  
Vero Beach, FL 32960

Dear Melissa,

This letter summarizes the Indian River Land Trust's financial commitment toward Indian River County's planned Indian River Lagoon pump-out boat initiative in an effort to accelerate the elimination of pollutants from sewage waste in the Lagoon. The Land Trust Board of Directors has agreed to provide the required 25% match, up to a total of \$50,000, for a grant proposal the County is submitting for the purchase of a pump-out boat and related equipment.

The Land Trust's funding relies on the County to apply for and receive the grant in the next 12 months, together with the County's commitment to provide the funding necessary to maintain and operate the boat, including a staff position to conduct regular pump-out service on the Lagoon. If the pump-out boat program is not funded accordingly, or will not commence by October 1, 2026, the Land Trust Board of Directors may retract or modify this financial commitment accordingly.

In summary, the Indian River Land Trust is delighted that Indian River County is taking the initiative to reduce unnecessary pollutants from entering the Indian River Lagoon, and is pleased to partner with the County in this effort to improve the water quality of this estuary of national significance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Ken Grudens", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Ken Grudens  
Executive Director