

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE WORKSHOP BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Board Chambers
Suite 100
Ernie Lee Magaha Government Building - First Floor
221 Palafox Place

November 13, 2014 9:00 a.m.

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Call to Order

(PLEASE TURN YOUR CELL PHONE TO THE SILENCE OR OFF SETTING.)

- 2. Was the meeting properly advertised?
- 3. <u>Semi-Annual Report for the Disability Awareness Committee</u> (Warren Jernigan 15 min)
 - A. Board Discussion
 - B. Board Direction
- Operation Night Light
 (Commissioner Barry 15 min)
 - A. Board Discussion
 - B. Board Direction
- 5. <u>Santa Rosa Island Authority Auxiliary Code Enforcement Officers</u>

(Alison Rogers - 15 min)

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- B. Board Direction

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- 7. Property Search for 1476-Bed Correctional Complex (BACKUP TO BE DISTRIBUTED UNDER SEPARATE COVER)

(David Wheeler - 15 min)

- A. Board Discussion
- B. Board Direction
- 8. RESTORE Act Needs Assessment for Escambia County

(Dewberry Consultants - 20 min)

- A. Board Discussion
- B. Board Direction
- 9. <u>New "Piggybacking" Process</u>

(Amy Lovoy - 30 min)

- A. Board Discussion
- B. Board Direction
- 10. <u>Escambia River Logiam</u>

(Keith Wilkins - 10 min)

- A. Board Discussion
- B. Board Direction
- 11. Adjourn

Committee of the Whole

Meeting Date: 11/13/2014

Issue: Semi-Annual Report for Disability Awareness Committee

From: Jack Brown, County Administrator

Information

Recommendation:

<u>Semi-Annual Report for the Disability Awareness Committee</u> (Warren Jernigan - 15 min)

A. Board Discussion

B. Board Direction

Attachments

Semi-Annual Progress Report ECDAC Presentation

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ESCAMBIA COUNTY DISABILITY AWARENESS COMMITTEE SEMI-ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT TO COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

This committee represents over 54,500 people with disabilities over the age of 5 in Escambia County.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: JANUARY THROUGH JUNE 2014

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES: Modify MyEscambia.com website to be user friendly for people with disabilities.

Are you aware it was very difficult for people with disabilities to maneuver through the many pages to request a service or file a complaint using the MyEscambia.com website?

Donald Christian, III referred Frank Cherry to speak with Grant Corbin, Web Coordinator, IT Department. Grant provided outstanding service to solve the problem. He moved the CONTACT link from the bottom of MyEscambia.com to just under the copyright logo at the top of the page so that people may send an email to county staffers when requesting services or filing a complaint. **THANKS, Grant Corbin**.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES: Modify handicap-accessible Port-A-Potties at Navy Point and Galvez Boat Landing to comply with the ADA.

Are you aware that people with disabilities did not have a handicap-accessible Port-a-Potty at the Navy Point and Galvez Boat Landings?

With a referral from Donald Christian, III to Parks and Recreation Department Director Michael Rhodes, we received pictures of the handicap-accessible Port-a-Potty at the Navy Point boat landing, which is open for use. The handicap parking space and handicap-accessible Port-A-Potty at the Galvez boat landing must be moved out of the traffic flow. This should be accomplished by December. <u>Michael Rhodes is very professional</u>, and does an outstanding job.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES: All new handicapped parking signs in Escambia County are to read "\$250 Max Fine"

Are you aware that the amount of the fine on handicapped parking signs is not consistent throughout the county?

An email was sent to Donald Christian, III and he reported at the last Escambia Disability Awareness Committee that all new construction will have a handicap parking sign that displays "\$250 Max Fine." The existing signage does not need to be changed until the sign is replaced or modified. THANKS, Donald Christian, III

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES: Add a hand rail to the ramps at the Santa Rosa Island Authority Building

Are you aware that the Santa Rosa Island Authority Building had a hand rail only on one side on each ramp leading to the front door?

Mr. Paolo Ghio CFM, Dir of Dev & Env Services, SRIA, has decided to add a rail to the other side of both ramps to facilitate all our visitors. **THANKS, Mr. Paolo Ghio**

SIX MONTHS STRATEGIC PLAN (JULY - DECEMBER)

1. **GOAL:** Modify MyEscambia.com website to be more user-friendly for people with disabilities.

OBJECTIVE: County staff to receive training on new procedures when responding to emails which request services or file a complaint from the MyEscambia.com website.

Recommend training on:

- **a.** Sending an immediate email reply stating the county received the email and is forwarding it to the appropriate department for action.
- **b.** Including a work order number for follow-up reference.
- **c.** Including an email address for the department and the name of the contact person for follow-up?

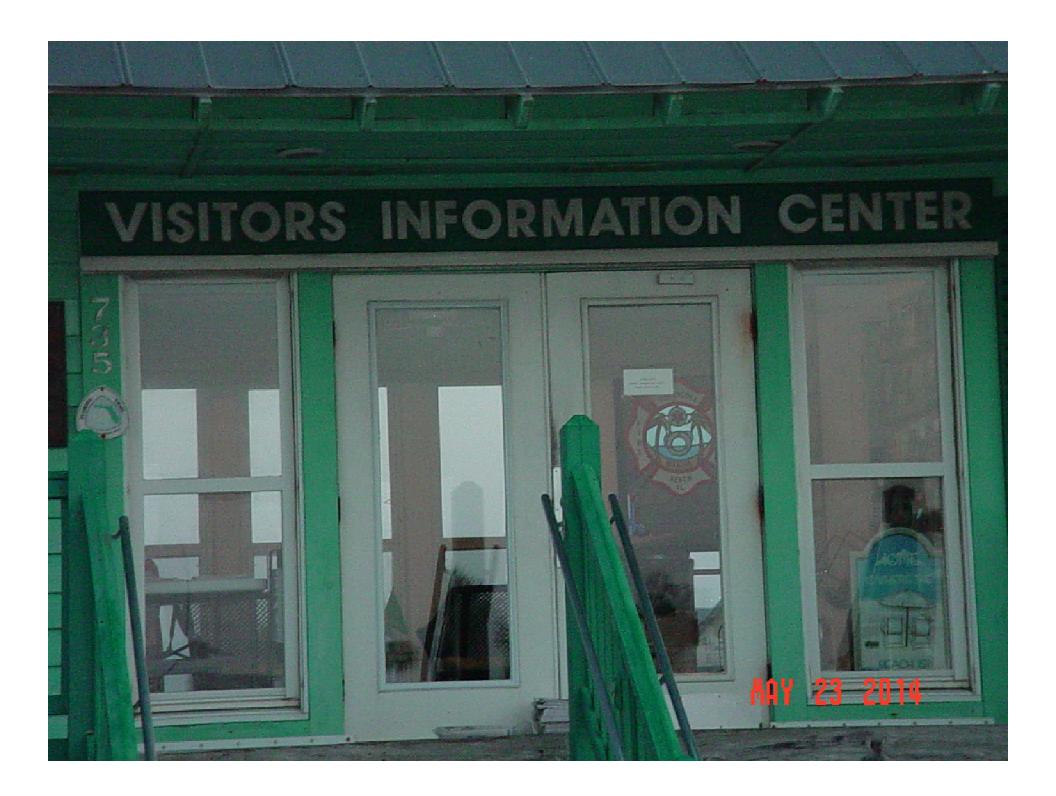
ESTIMATED DATE OF COMPLETION:
RESPONSIBLE INDIVIDUAL:
ACTION TAKEN:
2. GOAL: Pensacola Beach is recognized as an accessible beach for people with disabilities.
OBJECTIVE: Improve accessibility at Pensacola Beach for people with disabilities.
Recommend the following improvements: a. The Pensacola Beach Welcome Center b. Santa Rosa Island Authority building c. Bath House (Sound side) - add a handicap-accessible Port-A- Potty d. Handicap Parking (Sound side, beach access along Ft. Pickens Road, and Sheriff's Office) e. Replace handicap-accessible Port A-Potties with ones that are ADA-accessible
ESTIMATED DATE OF COMPLETION:
RESPONSIBLE INDIVIDUAL:
ACTION TAKEN:
3. GOAL: Provide closed caption text for the deaf and hard of hearing at Escambia County Board or County Commissioners (BOCC) meetings.
OBJECTIVE: Expand television caption system to include captioning at the BOCC meetings and on video of meetings when available on the MyEscambia.com website. Recommend: a. Having an IPad capable of viewing the BOCC meetings on TV, during the meeting, for use by those who are deaf or hard of hearing. b. Add captions to the MyEscambia.com website.
ESTIMATED DATE OF COMPLETION:
RESPONSIBLE INDIVIDUAL:
ACTION TAKEN:

ESCAMBIA COUNTY DISABILITY AWARENESS COMMITTEE

PURPOSE:

 Raise Awareness of the needs of persons with disabilities.

 Participate as technical advisors to the Commissioner's on issues related to persons with disabilities in our community.









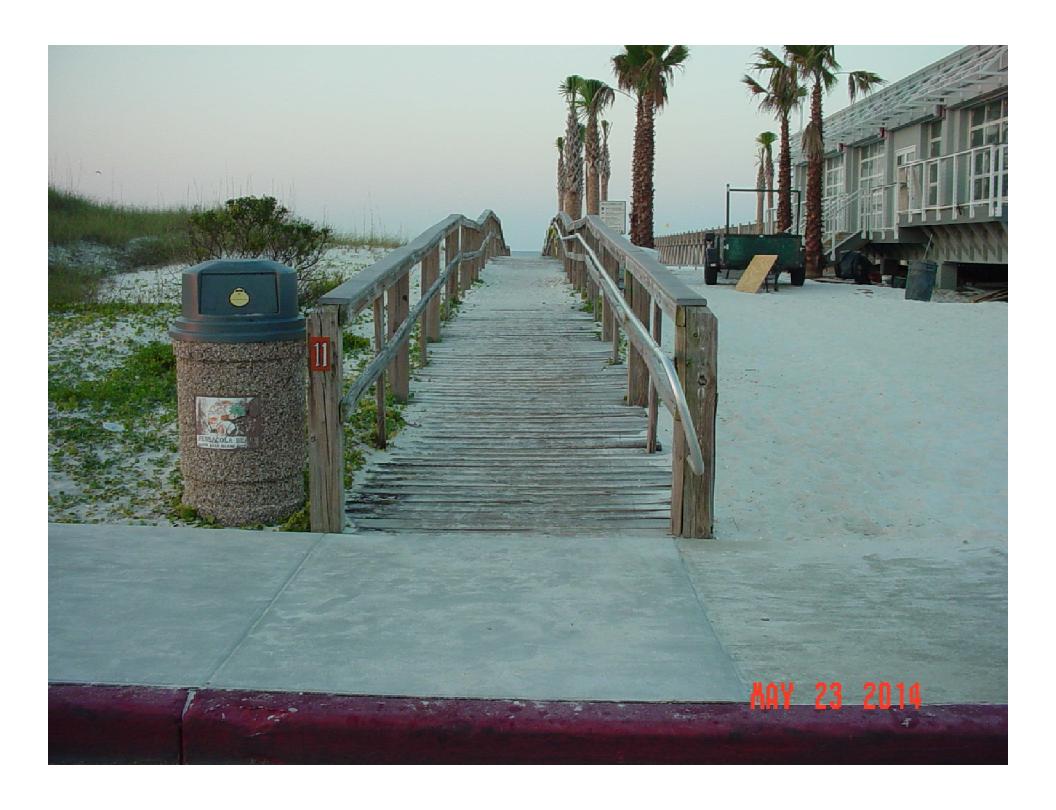
































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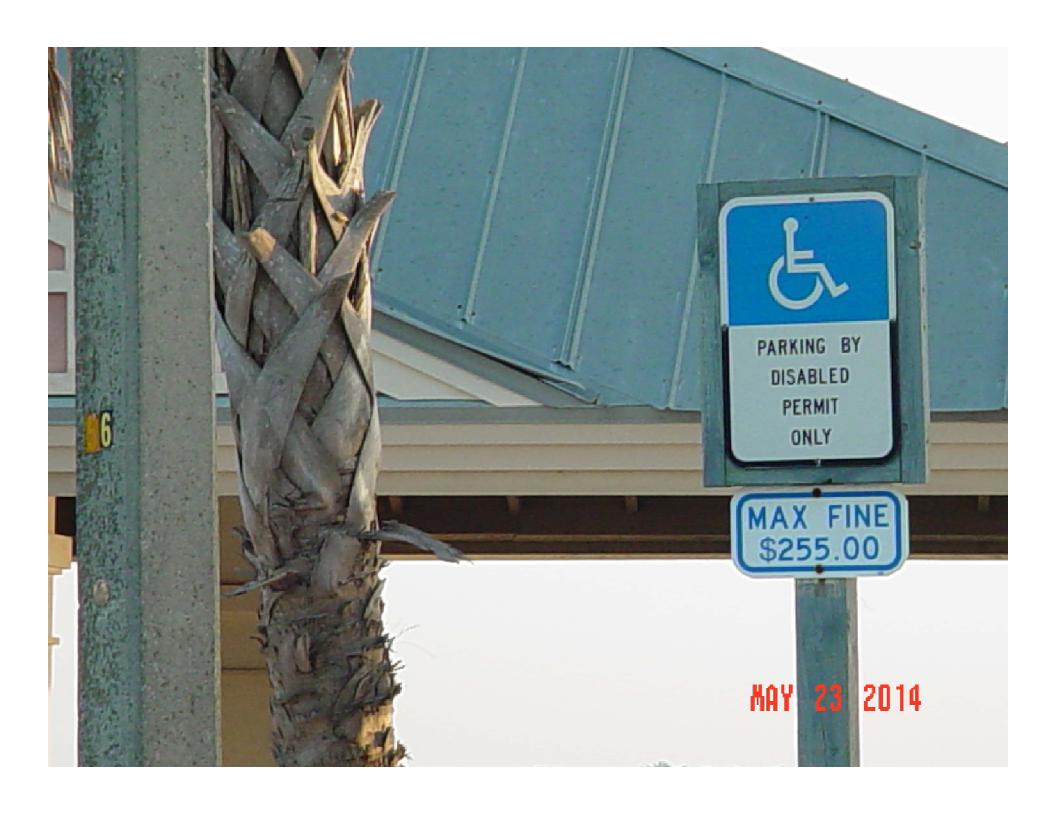
























Beaches: How do we get there?



- Trail heads and paths—no access.
- Ramp not level with ground
- Violation of state and federal laws.
- Signage not accessible
- Pensacola Beach trails
- No access
- No handicap parking

Pensacola Beach



- Most signage is not accessible
- No path of travel over sand

WHERE CAN I FISH



WE NEED ACCESS TO SEE PENSACOLA



I DON'T HAVE A DISABILITY



MAKE THE COUNTY ACCESSIBLE AND WE WILL COME



Meeting Date: 11/13/2014

Issue: Operation Night Light

From: Steven Barry, District 5 Commissioner

Information

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Recommendation:

Operation Night Light (Commissioner Barry - 15 min)

A. Board Discussion
B. Board Direction

Attachments

Resolution

Map of Proposed Lights
Esc. Co. Night Light Logo

RESOLUTION NUMBER R2014-

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ESCAMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA; PROVIDING FOR AN OUTDOOR LIGHTING PROGRAM TO HELP LOWER CRIME RATES AND IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE OF NEIGHBORHOOD RESIDENTS; PROVIDING FOR ESCAMBIA COUNTY PARTICIPATION IN OPERATION NIGHT LIGHT; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, outdoor lighting can have a positive effect on lowering crime rates and can deter activities that can intimidate and otherwise affect the quality of life of neighborhood residents; and

WHEREAS, outdoor lighting allows for increased opportunities to participate in recreational, leisure or work activities; and

WHEREAS, outdoor lighting provides safer and more inviting environment for children to play in their neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, outdoor lighting can help increase property values and create safer neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, a program to systematically address outdoor lighting needs in neighborhoods with insufficient, or dangerously low levels of outdoor lighting is needed; and

WHEREAS, such a program is best accomplished via a partnership with the Community Redevelopment Agency, Gulf Power, the Escambia County Sheriff's Department, the City of Pensacola, the Escambia County Sheriff's Department, Crimestoppers, the private sector and the Board of County Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the Escambia County Board of County Commissioners desires to participate in such a program, to be known as Operation Night Light.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ESCAMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA:

<u>Section 1.</u> <u>Recitals:</u> That the foregoing recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by reference.

<u>Section 2.</u> <u>Participation:</u> The Board of County Commissioners resolves that it wishes to participate in Operation Night Light in partnership with the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA), Gulf Power, the Escambia County Sheriff's Department,

the City of Pensacola, Crimestoppers and the private sector in order to provide outdoor lighting for areas designated in need of such lighting.

Section 3. Program Structure: Gulf Power and the Escambia County Sheriff's Department will identify on maps specific locations in four geographical zones of the County needs for outdoor lighting. Gulf Power will make available cobra-head LED lights and, where needed, poles for placement as well as installation and maintenance. In order to ensure the needs identified on the four zone maps are addressed, different community partners will need to contribute. The lights, their installation, maintenance and power will be paid for by these partners.

<u>Section 4.</u> <u>Escambia County and the appropriate CRAs:</u> The County and its CRAs agree to contribute \$25,000 in order to address lighting needs as identified in an area to be known as Zone 1, phase 1.

<u>Section 5.</u> <u>City of Pensacola, the Escambia County School District and Crimestoppers.</u> It is hoped that those lighting needs identified on School District property or City property, will be financially supported by those parties respectively.

<u>Section 6.</u> <u>Private Sector:</u> Due to the extensive nature of the lighting needs, the private sector will be a necessary partner to help complete Operation Night Light by contributing to purchase, install and maintain lighting identified on the maps. Private contributions will be made to Crimestopppers, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Any individual or corporate entity can identify which light or location it wishes to fund, or can contribute to the program generally. Donations of over \$500.00 will be memorialized on a plaque that will be placed on the light requested, or selected on their behalf if one is not selected

<u>Section 7.</u> <u>Legislative Findings:</u> The Board of County Commissioners finds that this program, Operation Night Light serves a public purpose and enhances the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of and visitors to Escambia County, Florida.

<u>Section 8.</u> <u>Effective Date:</u> This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption by the Board of County Commissioners.

ADOPTED this day of _	, 2014.
ATTEST: PAM CHILDERS Clerk of the Circuit Court By:	BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ESCAMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA By: Lumon J. May, Chairman
Deputy Clerk	Approved as to form and legal sufficiency. By/Title:

None

Data Source: Gulf Power DistGIS



Meeting Date: 11/13/2014

Issue: Santa Rosa Island Authority - Auxiliary Code Enforcement Officers

From: Alison Rogers, County Attorney

Information

Recommendation:

Santa Rosa Island Authority - Auxiliary Code Enforcement Officers (Alison Rogers - 15 min)

A. Board Discussion

B. Board Direction

Attachments

Ordinance

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1	ORDINANCE 2014
2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12	AN ORDINANCE OF ESCAMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA AMENDING CHAPTER 10, SECTION 10-25 RELATING TO THE PENSACOLA BEACH DOG PARK, CHAPTER 30, SECTION 30-62 RELATING TO CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS; AND CHAPTER 102, SECTIONS 102-64 AND 102-67 RELATING TO THE GLASS RESTRICTION ON SANTA ROSA ISLAND, DEFINITIONS AND ENFORCEMENT PROCEDURES; APPOINTING AUXILIARY CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS FOR ENFORCEMENT OF SECTIONS 10-25, 74-36(18), AND 102-65 OF THE CODE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILTY; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN THE CODE; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE
13	DATE.
14 15	WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners is authorized to designate code
16	enforcement officers pursuant to Section 162.21(2), Florida Statutes (2014); and
17	WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners desires to provide an equitable
18	expeditious, and effective method of enforcing its codes and ordinances; and
19	WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners finds that designating certain
20	employees of the Santa Rosa Island Authority to serve as auxiliary code enforcemen
21	officers better ensures the continued health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the
22	County who utilize the Pensacola Beach dog parks, Quietwater Pier, and the beaches
23	of Santa Rosa Island; and
24	WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners further finds that the proposed
25	amendments serve an important public purpose.
26	NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY
27	COMMISSIONERS OF ESCAMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA:
28	Section 1. Chapter 10, Section 10-25 of the Code of Ordinances of Escambia
29	County, Florida is hereby amended to read as follows:
30	Sec. 10-25. Pensacola Beach dog park.

- (1) Short Title. This section shall be known as the "Pensacola Beach Dog Park Ordinance."
- (2) Legislative Intent. The intent of this section is to establish two parks on Pensacola Beach where dogs are permitted subject to the regulations provided herein that will promote a pet-friendly atmosphere while enhancing the health, safety and welfare of the public by providing protection for, regulation and control of animals on designated public beaches in Escambia County.
 - (3) Dog parks, requirements, hours.
 - (a) Except as specifically provided nerein, it shall be unlawful for the owner of an animal to allow his animal, whether roaming at large or on a leash or otherwise under his control, on public bathing beaches or recreational areas on that portion of Santa Rosa Island owned by and under the jurisdiction of the county or the Santa Rosa Island Authority.
 - (b) Dogs shall be permitted on that portion of Pensacola Beach on the Gulf of Mexico adjacent to Parking Lot B ("Park West") extending south from the dune vegetation line to the Gulf of Mexico and 100 yards to the west of the dune walkover and Parking Lot E ("Park East") extending south from the dune vegetation line to the Gulf of Mexico and 150 feet to the east and 150 feet to the west of the dune walkover.
 - (c) From May 1 through October 31, the hours of operation shall be from 7 00 a.m. until sunset. From November 1 through April 30, the hours of operation shall be from the time of sunrise until sunset.
 - (d) The Santa Rosa Island Authority shall provide appropriate signage designating the park boundaries and rules of operation.
 - (e) All dogs shall be prohibited from roaming freely within the boundaries of the park. Each dog must be fastened to a suitable leash of dependable strength not to exceed eight (8) feet in length, and the leash must be held at all times by the person maintaining supervision and control over the dog.
 - (f) Any person having a dog on the beach during the above enumerated hours must carry with and on such person suitable materials with which to remove from the beach any fecal matter deposited by the dog. Any fecal matter must be removed immediately upon its deposit by the person maintaining supervision and control over the dog.

- (g) Each dog must have the proper license tags affixed to its collar or harness at all times.
- (h) No person maintaining supervision and control over a dog on the beach may deliberately disobey a reasonable command to ensure compliance with the rules and regulations provided in this section. A reasonable command shall only be made by the executive director, the director of public safety, the water safety supervisor and senior lifeguards of the Santa Rosa Island Authority while in the performance of their official duties. A reasonable command shall be preceded by a verbal warning to cease the prohibited activity and such person shall be permitted a reasonable opportunity to comply with the warning. A reasonable command shall be made in the presence of the county sheriff or his or her deputies.
- (i) The executive director and the director of public safety of the Santa Rosa Island Authority shall have the authority to close the parks when deemed necessary to ensure the health, safety and welfare of the general public.
- (4) Enforcement and penalty. This section may be enforced by the county sheriff and his or her deputies, or county animal control officers, or auxiliary code enforcement officers as provided in this chapter. Violators of this section shall be guilty of a civil infraction and punishable pursuant to section 10-23.
- (5) Sunset provision. This provision shall stand repealed one year from the date of enactment unless reviewed and saved from repeal through reenactment by the Board of County Commissioners.
- 31 <u>Section2</u>. Chapter 30, Section 30-62 of the Code of Ordinances of Escambia
- 32 County, Florida is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 33 Sec. 30-62. Code Enforcement Officers.

(a) All county code inspectors as defined in article I of this chapter and all law enforcement officers as defined in F.S. ch. 403 shall serve as code enforcement officers under this article and have the authority to enforce county codes through the issuance of citations. The county administrator or authorized designee shall have the authority to authorize individual county employees or agents to serve as code enforcement officers within classes established by resolution of the board of county commissioners. The county administrator shall establish uniform training and qualifications necessary for code enforcement officers and code inspectors.

- Senior employees of the Santa Rosa Island Authority (SRIA), as identified (b) by resolution of the board of county commissioners, are hereby appointed to serve as auxiliary code enforcement officers for the limited purpose of monitoring and issuing citations for violations of Section 10-25, the Pensacola Beach Dog Park Ordinance, Section 74-36(18), related to jumping/diving off the Quietwater Pier, and Section 102-65 of the Santa Rosa Island Glass Safety Ordinance. The SRIA shall be responsible for supplying identifying clothing, markings, or badges to auxiliary code enforcement officers, which shall be approved by the county administrator and worn at all times the auxiliary code enforcement officers are engaged in enforcement activities. Auxiliary code enforcement officers shall comply with the training requirements of F.S. Section 828.27(4), and complete any portion of the uniform training specified in subsection (a) above as required by the county administrator. This subsection does not prohibit county animal control officers from enforcing Section 10-25, or code inspectors, law enforcement officers, or code enforcement officers appointed under subsection (a) above from enforcing Sections 74-36(18) and 102-65 of the code.
- 17 Section 3. Chapter 102, Section 102-64 of the Code of Ordinances of Escambia
- 18 County, Florida is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 19 Sec. 102-64. Definitions.

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The following words, phrases, or terms used in this article, unless context indicates otherwise, shall have the following meaning:

Enforcement officer means any law enforcement officer of the United States, of the state or its political subdivisions, which shall also include county sheriff's department auxiliary deputies, code enforcement officers, which shall also include auxiliary code enforcement officers, refuse control officers of the county solid waste department, and county health department agents.

Glass container means any container made of glass, including but not limited to any cup, tumbler, jar or bottle; however, there is specifically excepted herefrom those glass containers used for and actually containing prescription drugs.

- 33 Section 4. Chapter 22 Section 102-67 of the Code of Ordinances of Escambia
- 34 County, Florida is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 35 Sec. 102-67. Enforcement procedures.
 - (a) Enforcement officers, except health officer agents <u>and code enforcement officers</u>, are hereby empowered to issue uniform traffic citations, court summonses, or arrest any person violating any provision of this article and may serve or execute all warrants and other process issued by the court in enforcing the provisions of this article.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7	The health officers' agents are hereby empowered to obtain arrest warrants. The hHealth officers' agents and code enforcement officers may request the assistance of a deputy sheriff law enforcement officer or refuse control officer at the scene of a violation, and if in the opinion of the law enforcement officer or refuse control officer, sufficient probable cause exists, the officer may arrest or issue the violator a court summons.
8 9 10	(b) Prosecution for violation of this article shall be initiated by the enforcement agency officer who witnesses such offense or has sufficient probable cause to believe a violation has occurred.
11	Section 5. Severability.
12	If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is held to be invalid
13	or unconstitutional by any Court or competent jurisdiction, then said holding shall in no
14	way affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.
15	Section 6. Inclusion in the Code.
16	It is the intention of the Board of County Commissioners that the provisions of
17	this Ordinance shall become and be made a part of the Escambia County Code; and
18	that the sections of this Ordinance may be renumbered or relettered and the word
19	"ordinance" may be changed to "section", "article", or such other appropriate work or
20	phrase in order to accomplish such intentions.
21	Section 7. Effective Date.
22	This Ordinance shall become effective upon filing with the Department of State.
23 24 25	DONE AND ENACTED THIS DAY OF, 2014.
26 27 28	BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ESCAMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA
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31 32	Lumon J. May. Chairman

1 ATTEST: PAM CHILDERS Clerk to the Circuit Court 2 3 4 5 6 BY: Deputy Clerk 7 (Seal) 8 Enacted: 9 Filed with Department of State: Effective: 10 11 12 13

Meeting Date: 11/13/2014

Issue: Report on "Pits"

From: Jack Brown, County Administrator

Information

Recommendation:

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No file(s) attached.

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Meeting Date: 11/13/2014

Issue: Property Search for 1476-Bed Correctional Complex

From: David Wheeler, Department Director

Information

Recommendation:

Property Search for 1476-Bed Correctional Complex (BACKUP TO BE DISTRIBUTED UNDER SEPARATE COVER)

(David Wheeler - 15 min)

A. Board Discussion

B. Board Direction

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No file(s) attached.

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Meeting Date: 11/13/2014

Issue: RESTORE Act Needs Assessment for Escambia County

From: Keith Wilkins, Department Director

Information

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Recommendation:

RESTORE Act Needs Assessment for Escambia County

(Dewberry Consultants - 20 min)

A. Board Discussion

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Attachments

RESTORE-PressRelease-NeedsAssessment

RESTORE-DraftNeedsAssessment

RESTORE-MYIP Development



RESTORE Update: Community Input Sought By October 30

Wednesday, October 22, 2014 - 3:45pm

The RESTORE Act Advisory Committee, formed by Escambia County to develop recommendations for short-and long-term recovery strategies post-BP oil disaster, has worked diligently with County staff and the consultant firm Dewberry to include public input into the development of a draft Needs Assessment document (attached), a process that has been ongoing for several months. Now that the Needs Assessment is in the final stages, community members have an opportunity, once again, to take a few minutes to review the draft document and provide feedback.

The team is looking for input as to the accuracy of the general overall needs of Escambia County and for anything you feel should be considered for addition. You will see that the needs have been divided into four broad categories, including: environment, economy, infrastructure and social issues. The Needs Assessment Document will be used, in part, as a way to evaluate the overall impact of future proposed projects in each area of concern. Since one, or all, of these areas impact the lives of Escambia County residents, please take this opportunity to weigh in on these important quality of life issues. If you are unfamiliar with the RESTORE Act and the steps the RESTORE Act Advisory Committee has taken to implement it, please visit http://www.myescambia.com/restore/links.

The comment period opens today, October 22, through Thursday, October 30. Submit your comments to RESTORE@myescambia.com. The comments received will be presented to the RESTORE Act Advisory Committee at its meeting on Monday, November 3. The Committee will accept additional comments at that meeting as well. Thank you for your active participation in this process.

Attachment:

Draft Needs Assessment

Source URL (retrieved on 10/22/2014 - 3:42pm): http://myescambia.com/home/news/restore-update-community-input-sought-october-30

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Introduction:

Coastal communities throughout the Gulf region continue the costly and arduous task of repairing the damages inflicted on their ecological, environmental, economic, social assets and supporting systems caused by the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill. In response to the unfolding requirements for RESTORE Act, Escambia County took the initiative to construct and administer a community inclusive collaborative planning structure. As part of that process the Escambia County RESTORE Advisory Committee was convened in May 2013. Made up of community leaders with experience that spans the breadth of the major RESTORE components in Environment, Infrastructure and Economy, this group was tasked with amassing knowledge on the existing condition of Escambia County and understanding how that condition may be advanced on a positive trajectory by RESTORE based projects. In June 2014, Escambia County again chose to step off of the sidelines and take a strategic leadership position on behalf of its citizens by contracting Dewberry, a consulting firm, and securing the integrated professional services needed to successfully guide the development of the County's multi-year implementation planning (MYIP) and recovery framework.

The following tables summarize issues and ideas presented to: the Escambia RESTORE Advisory Committee at their monthly public meetings¹; to the county through information and reference document submissions; and to Dewberry during initial meetings with stakeholders at the launch of this project and subsequent follow-up.

The goal of this exercise is to provide a comprehensive list of issues/challenges facing the Escambia County which should be considered for holistic planning purposes. The first three topic categories are based groupings of the eligible criteria under the Direct Component of the RESTORE Act of 2012 (Table 5). The final category (social issues) represents issues that may not be eligible for RESTORE funding, but eligible for other sources of federal and state funding. These categories do not reflect future project criteria categories. It is for the initial needs assessment process.

Environment (Table 1)

Environmental Needs			
 Improve ambient water quality Point sources (industry, septic tanks, WWTPs) Nonpoint sources (stormwater, agriculture) Watershed approach 	Restore habitats Suitable habitats Loss of biodiversity (threatened and endangered species) Terrestrial habitats Aquatic habitats Beach erosion Lack of maintenance Climate change Sea level rise	Develop and expand stormwater management/flooding systems	 Improve air quality Health effects to humans, animals and plants Water quality effects (mercury and nitrogen) Ground level ozone
Expand environmental education	Cleanup and removal of landfills and pits	Corrective action of recycling programs and industry	Remediate legacy contaminants (e.g. PCBs, PAHs) in sediment and water
Address climate change and sea level rise Projected loss of 650 acres of land in Escambia County (shoreline inundation of 20 feet) Impacts water quality, habitat Increases flooding	Redevelop Brownfields sites	Improve fish and shellfish health	Improve drinking water quality
Remediate Superfund sites and other contaminated property	Best management practices for agricultural businesses		

Economy (Table 2)

Economic Needs			
Business & Economic Development			
Expand and diversify target industries Advanced manufacturing Aviation/aerospace IT/cyber security Call centers	Create jobs	Utilize existing areas Community Redevelopment Areas Brownfields sites	Enhance business opportunities for minorities and increase minority business development
 Strengthen tourism industry Focus on heritage and cultural tourism, including African American and other minority tourism Authenticate visitor experiences through understanding of community impact of tourists Universal design to accommodate people with disabilities Focus on overnight vs. day visitors Shift to year-round tourism (arts, sports, heritage, convention sectors) 	Improve gross household earnings	Build upon: Military assets Transportation network Business park development Available sites/buildings	
Education & Workforce Developme	ent		
Develop skilled workforce and workforce readiness programs to support high skill/high wage occupations in growing economy sectors STEM-focused programming Arts training Build employability into existing curriculums	Develop jobs in arts, entertainment, leisure/hospitality	Facilitate early childhood education	Increase youth employment and job training
Recruit talent to the area	Increase technology and media training	Improve schools, public safety, quality of local assets to attract workforce	Build employability skills into existing curriculums
Target economic and workforce development programs towards persons with disabilities and minorities	Improve adult/basic education/GED programs		

Infrastructure (Table 3)

Infrastructure Needs			
Develop and expand	Improve and update	Water quantity and	
stormwater management	roads, highways and	quality – groundwater	
systems	bridges	withdrawal, drinking	
		water distribution (i.e.	
		smaller systems –	
		consolidation?),	
		improved sanitary	
		systems (expand	
		distribution collection	
		systems)	

Social Issues (Table 4)

Social Needs			
Improve education system	Address	Meet needs of	Improve mental
	poverty/homelessness	minority community	health programs
Address income inequality	Meet needs of	Drugs and alcohol	Reduce crime and
	disabled citizens		improve public safety
Affordable housing	Affordable health care	Reduce/eliminate	Improve nutrition and
		litter	access to nutritious
			foods
Improved transportation	Develop more	Preserve cultural	Build non-profit
system	'walkable'	heritage	capacity
	neighborhoods		
Address food deserts	Improve African	Support ex-offender	Build family support
	American infant	re-entry programs	services
	mortality rates		
Improve literacy efforts	Build obesity-	Develop anti-tobacco	
	reduction and physical	programs	
	activity programs		

ELIGIBLE ACTIVIES UNDER RESTORE CRITERIA (Table 5)

RESTORE Act Citation	RESTORE Language	Equivalent Needs Assessment Topic
§1603(3)(t)(1)(B)(i)(I)	Restoration and protection of the natural	Environment
	resources, ecosystems, fisheries, marine	
	and wildlife habitats, beaches, and coastal	
	wetlands of the Gulf Coast region.	
§1603(3)(t)(1)(B)(i)(II)	Mitigation of damage to fish, wildlife and	Environment
	natural resources.	
§1603(3)(t)(1)(B)(i)(III)	Implementation of a federally approved	Environment
	marine, coastal, or comprehensive	
	conservation management, including	
	fisheries monitoring.	
§1603(3)(t)(1)(B)(i)(IV)	Workforce development and job creation.	Economy, Social Issues
§1603(3)(t)(1)(B)(i)(V)	Improvements to or on State parks located	Environment, Economy,
	in coastal areas affected by the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill	Infrastructure
§1603(3)(t)(1)(B)(i)(VI)	Infrastructure projects benefitting the	Environment, Economy,
	economy or ecological resources, including	Infrastructure
	port infrastructure	
§1603(3)(t)(1)(B)(i)(VII)	Coastal flood protection and related	Environment, Economy,
	infrastructure	Infrastructure
§1603(3)(t)(1)(B)(ii)(I)	Promotion of tourism in the Gulf Coast	Environment, Economy
	Region, including recreational fishing	
§1603(3)(t)(1)(B)(ii)(II)	Promotion of the consumption of seafood	Environment, Economy
	harvested from the Gulf Coast Region.	

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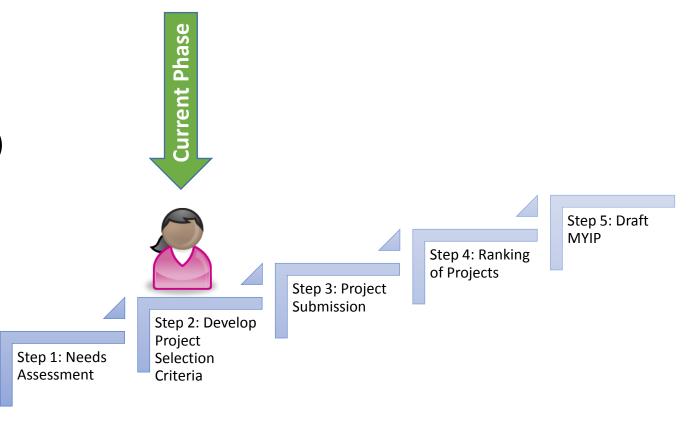
Escambia County Draft Needs Assessment

- Requested the RAC review and comment
- Sent out Press Release
- Summary of results
 - 24 responses
 - 144 comments
 - 58 new items not in NA
 - Meeting County to discuss new comments
 - RAC recommended seeking input from other stakeholders (Santa Rosa Island, Perdido Key, City of Pensacola, Town of Century, ECUA)



Escambia County RESTORE MYIP Development Next Steps

- Project Selection Criteria
- Projects Submittal Process
- Candidate Projects Pool Assessment(s)
- Project Prioritization Tool



Project Selection Criteria Goals

- 1. Consistence with RESTORE Act and Other RESTORE Programs
- 2. Meets Community Needs
- Provides for Long Term Sustainability and Resilience



Examples of Project Selection Criteria

- RESTORE Act Requirements
- Gulf Coast Ecosystem Restoration Council "Final Initial Comprehensive Plan" 2013
- Alabama Gulf Coast Recovery Council (AGCRC)
- National Fish and Wildlife Federation (NFWF)
- Natural Resource Damage Assessment (NRDA)
- Escambia County Needs Assessment
- Municipal CIP Selection Matrix
- Escambia Citizens Coalition for Sustainability
- Economic Indicators from Haas Center
- Special Considerations (Local preference, Handicapped, Minority, etc.)



What will we Need From the RAC and When?

- 12/1 Dewberry's presentation of recommended project selection criteria to RAC
- 12/19 Initiate Public Comment Period
- 1/5 RAC discussion of recommended project selection criteria
- 2/24 BCC Adopts project selection criteria



Committee of the Whole

Meeting Date: 11/13/2014

Issue: New "Piggybacking" Process

From: Amy Lovoy, Department Director

Information

Recommendation:

New "Piggybacking" Process (Amy Lovoy - 30 min) A. Board Discussion

B. Board Direction

Attachments

Piggybacking and Utilization of State Term Contracts

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Piggybacking and Utilization of State Term Contracts

Piggybacking

Piggybacking" is a method of procuring goods or services by utilizing another public entity's award of a bid process or Request for Proposal (RFP).

Current Board Policy for Piggybacking

- The contract being piggybacked should not have been awarded more than 12 months ago.
- Changes to the terms and conditions (including price changes) of the piggybacked contract are not allowable.
- All contracts in excess of \$50,000 must be approved by the Board.

Changes

- Prior to procuring goods or services in excess of \$50,000 from a State/GSA contract or from a piggybacked contract, the Office of Purchasing will conduct a formal solicitation.
- This solicitation will be conducted as all formal solicitations.
- The solicitation shall remain open for a minimum of 30 days during which time it shall be included on the County's website.

Changes

- The award will be made to the lowest cost, most responsive bidder, if any unless extraordinary circumstances exist.
 - Extraordinary circumstances will be documented and included in documentation sent to the Board.
 - The Board will have the final authority to award the contract.
- If there are no responsive bidders, or the responsive bidder is not the least expensive, then the good or service may be piggybacked, subject to Board approval.

Committee of the Whole

Meeting Date: 11/13/2014

Issue: Escambia River Logjam

From: Keith Wilkins, Department Director

Information

Recommendation:

Escambia River Logiam (Keith Wilkins - 10 min)

A. Board Discussion

B. Board Direction

Attachments

Logjam Timeline

Logjam-WMD Map

Logjam-Inset Map

Logjam Aerial Map

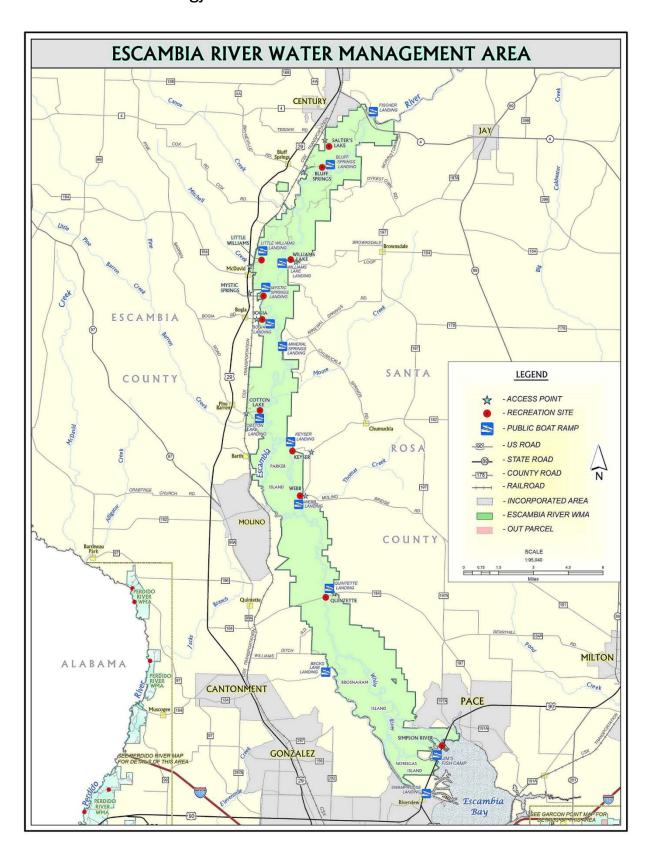
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Escambia River Logjam Timeline Committee of the Whole – November 2014

- Escambia River changed course after county lines drawn
- Historic logiams at present site; river changing course again (to east)
- 2004-2005 Hurricanes Ivan & Dennis; FEMA and EWP denied Escambia County requests to fund logjam removal
- 28 September 2005 Three Rivers RC&D Council meeting to discuss options; Three Rivers taking lead
- 5 July 2006 Email update to County Administrator and District 5 Commissioner
- Unknown date Florida Forest Recyclers, LLC, (FFR LLC) initiate permitting for logjam removal and "Dead-head" logging
- 4 March 2010 BCC Resolution 2010-29 requesting FDEP Secretary take action to remove logiam
- 25 January 2011 Escambia County meeting with FDEP and FDOT regarding potential solution of logjam; Army Corps confirmed federal channel not funded above Mile 7 (Solutia industrial complex)
- July 2011 Escambia County Administrator letter to State of FL
- 22 August 2011 Escambia County CED Natural Resources Conservation Division confirmed Florida
 Forest Recyclers are seeking permits to remove logiam
- 2 September 2011 Mr. LD Henderson (Florida Forest Recyclers, LLC) confirmed Northwest FL Water Management District will authorize state property use for removing logjam
- 13 September 2011 Escambia County Marine Resources Division (MRD) requested FWC determination of funding eligibility from Vessel Registration Fees (Three Rivers RC&D still have project lead)
- 16 November 2011 Florida Department of Environmental Protection issued permits with 25-ft buffer to Florida Forest Recyclers, LLC, for removal of logjam and "Dead-head Logging"; this was unacceptable to Florida Forest Recyclers, LLC, and they requested permit modification to eliminate buffers
- 15 December 2011 BCC Direction to "take no action at this time" regarding the following actions: determine allowable extent of logjam, confirm funding source, negotiate cost-sharing agreement with Santa Rosa County, and solicit bids for final Board approval
- 18 January 2012 Army Corps proffered permit with 25-ft buffer (unacceptable to Florida Forest Recyclers); FFR requested permit modification to eliminate buffers
- 20 January 2012 FDEP modified permit eliminating buffer

- 25 January 2012 Escambia County CED letter concurred with FFR request to modify FDEP and Army Corps permits' requirements for excessive buffers (prohibiting removal of up to ½ of the existing logjam debris)
- 13 March 2012 Escambia County Water Quality Division analyzed LIDAR data and confirmed River bypass(es) existing logjam
- 15 March 2012 Army Corps letter confirming 25-ft buffer (FFR to determine if they wish to proceed)
- 13 June 2012 Army Corps letter eliminating permit requirement for 25-ft buffer
- 25 June 2012 Escambia County Office of Purchasing solicitation for logjam removal
- 28 June 2012 Interlocal Agreement with Santa Rosa County for joint funding of logjam removal (\$90k max)
- 12 July 2012 Bid Opening #1 Bids: \$120,000*; \$288,600; \$1,360,000; *Bid determined ineligible by
 Office of Purchasing
- 7 January 2013 Re-Solicited by Office of Purchasing
- 22 January 2013 Bid Opening #2 \$68,498; \$527,000; \$792,622.44
- 17 June 2013 PO # 131159 issued to Florida Forest Recyclers Inc., for \$68,498 (Bond requirement waived)
- 30 September 2013 MRD request to FFR for project update
- 4 October 2013 FFR project update with documented River conditions above safe working levels
- 3 December 2013; 23 January 2014; 24 January 2014 MRD requests to FFR for project update
- FFR did not obtain WMD permission to begin work
- FFR claimed various weather & River water level conditions unsuitable for work; CSX train derailment
- MRD query to FFR
- 23 July 2014 MRD query to Water Management District: FFR has not executed License Agreement
- 23 July 2014 Email from Vince Whibbs Jr., indicating desire to cancel permit; email forwarded to
 Office of Purchasing

Escambia River Logjam - Committee of the Whole November 2014



Escambia River Logjam (inset map) – Committee of the Whole November 2014



Escambia River Logjam – Committee of the Whole November 2014

