



## Legislation Text

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### **TITLE**

Cooperative Funding Initiative Project Agreement With Southwest Florida Water Management District for Brittle Road Within Lizzie Hart Sink Watershed Stormwater Improvement Feasibility Study and Associated Budget Resolution

### **BRIEF OVERVIEW**

The Southwest Florida Water Management District (District) and Hernando County will partner and combine resources through the attached Cooperative Funding Initiative (CFI) Project Agreement for the development of a feasibility study to include a resource evaluation of the watershed, a Level of Service Analysis (LOS), and identification and ranking of Best Management Practices (BMPs) to mitigate flooding and water quality impacts near Brittle Road within Lizzie Hart Sink watershed in Hernando County.

The project will provide more detail for water quality and flood protection benefits, project costs, property rights/acquisition needs, and permitting/mitigation requirements for proposed BMPs to help determine whether the County moves forward with design and construction.

The feasibility cost is \$200,000.00; to be split 50/50 by both agencies. The agreement effective date is October 1, 2022, through July 1, 2025, or upon satisfactory completion of the project and subsequent final reimbursement to the County, whichever occurs first.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

The feasibility study cost is \$200,000.00; to be split 50/50 (District share is \$100,000.00 and County share is \$100,000.00). County funding share in the amount of \$100,000.00 is available with approval of the attached budget resolution in Account No. 7552-09552-5303103 (Stormwater Management MSTU, Professional Services).

### **LEGAL NOTE**

The Board has the authority to act on this matter pursuant to Chapter 125, Florida Statutes.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended the Board approve and authorize the Chairman's signature on the attached Cooperative Funding Initiative Project Agreement with the Southwest Florida Water Management District for the Brittle Road Lizzie Hart Sink Stormwater Improvement Feasibility Study and associated budget resolution recognizing Southwest Florida Water Management District funding and realigning County's cost share from reserves.