



Legislation Text

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TITLE

Budget Resolution Reversing Grant Funds Back to Department of Environmental Protection Under Recreational Trails Program and Reversing Grant Match Funds to Budget Reserves Due to Termination of Grant Agreement for Access Improvements at Peck Sink Trail and Overlook

BRIEF OVERVIEW

Sensitive Lands is requesting the Board to approve the attached reversing budget resolution to reduce funds from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) grant budget and local match from Impact Fees District 2 and transfer back to FDEP and Impact Fee Reserves budget. Due to increased construction costs, Sensitive Lands staff had difficulties securing a construction bid within the allocated funding for this project.

FDEP provides financial assistance to agencies for the development of recreational trails, trailheads, and trailside facilities access through the Recreational Trails Program (RTP) Grant.

On January 29, 2019, the Board authorized Sensitive Lands staff to submit an application to construct the Peck Sink Trail and Overlook Platform project to the FDEP RTP program for the 2019-2020 grant cycle. The estimated total project cost was \$206,200 and required a 20% local match (\$41,240), which the Board approved to be utilized from the Parks Impact Fees District 2 account on February 9, 2021 (MT #17264). After review of the application by FDEP Recreational Trail Program, the County was advised funding for the Peck Sink Project was available and initiated creation of a grant award agreement.

The proposed project went out for bid with only one contractor responding. This bid was more than double the grant award amount. The County reached out to FDEP for additional grant funding; however, this was not available. As such the County, due to the increased cost of the project, requested the grant to be terminated with FDEP.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

For Capital Improvement Project #108540: Reverse in Funds Revenue 0011-37101-3317101 - \$164,960, 0011-37101-3813342 -\$41,240. Expense 0011-37101-5606388 -\$206,200, and 3342-04542-5910011 -\$41,240. Return funds to Expense Account 3342-04542-5909967 \$41,240. As reflected in the attached reversing budget resolution. GMS# 303.

LEGAL NOTE

Pursuant to Chapter 125, Florida Statutes, the Board has the authority to take the recommended action.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board approve and authorize the Chairman's signature on the attached

reversing budget resolution.