



Agenda Item Summary

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Contract Amendment for Septic System Rebate Grant

Presenter:

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Description:

Request approval of a Contract Amendment One for the Septic System Retrofit Rebate Grant project to expand the project to not only include the Santa Fe Springs Basin, but also the Silver Springs Basin area within Alachua County. This item would also authorize the County Manager to approve future no-cost contract changes.

Recommended Action:

Approve and sign Contract Amendment One and designate the County Manager as the signatory for any future no-cost changes to this contract by approving this agenda item.

Prior Board Motions:

2/28/23 approval of original contract and budget amendment.

Fiscal Note:

This contract amendment is to revise the workplan but there is no change to the grant award. Total grant amount remains \$250,000.

Strategic Guide:

Environment

Background:

Septic Systems are one of the sources contributing 250,000 pounds of nitrogen a year to waterbodies within Alachua County. This project is offering 50% rebates, up to \$5,000, to property owners that voluntarily upgrade to Aerobic Treatment Units (ATU) or In-Ground Nutrient Reducing Bioreactors (INRB) with a registered septic installer or licensed plumber within the Santa Fe River Basin Management Action Plan (BMAP) area in Alachua County. This amendment would allow the funds to also be used for upgrades that occur within the Silver Springs BMAP area within Alachua County. The purpose of this rebate is to offset the increased costs of nutrient reducing systems and to increase awareness regarding the role of septic systems and the need to upgrade. At least 50 septic systems would be upgraded during this project.