



# Alachua County Board of County Commissioners

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Dear Chairs Spooner, Ford, Storey, Martin, Murphy, Surles, Jones, Mills, Kelley, White, English, Dobbs, and Messersmith:

On behalf of the Alachua County Board of County Commissioners, I am informing you that we have made the decision to discontinue our participation in Original Florida Tourism Task Force (commonly referred to as Visit Natural North Florida), an administrative entity of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council.

This letter is to notify you that we are giving the 60-day notice required in the interlocal agreement.

Alachua County has a very different composition than the other partnering counties and we have decided to redirect the dues and staff time involved to better serve our businesses, attractions, and residents.

We wish you the best in your future endeavors.

Best regards,

Mary C. Alford, Chair  
Alachua County  
Commission Chr24.XXX

cc: Board of County Commissioners  
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