



## Agenda Item Summary

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**File #: 25-00568**

**Agenda Date: 7/8/2025**

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**Agenda Item Name:**

**Ranking of Request for Proposal (RFP) 26-239-MM Northeast Flatwoods - Alachua County Preserves Hunting Services for Environmental Protection, Land Conservation.**

**Presenter:**

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**Description:**

Ranking of RFP 26-239-MM Northeast Flatwoods – Alachua County Preserves Hunting Services for Environmental Protection, Land Conservation.

**Recommended Action:**

Approve the ranking and authorize staff to negotiate agreements with the top ranked hunt group for RFP 26-239-MM Northeast Flatwoods – Alachua County Preserves Hunting Services Agreement:

1. Doug Mercer
2. A.T.N & Associates, Inc.
3. SIMS, Inc

Should the staff be unable to negotiate a satisfactory agreement with the top-ranked group, negotiations with the unsuccessful group will be terminated. Negotiations with the second ranked firm may be undertaken in the same manner in order of ranking until an agreement is reached, and so forth.

**Prior Board Motions:**

N/A

**Fiscal Note:**

This is for Ranking only. No fiscal impact until the agreement is approved by the Board.

**Strategic Guide:**

Environment

**Background:**

The services requested, herein, are for the Northeast Flatwoods Preserve Agreement for Contractual Services to allow limited hunting opportunities in exchange for caretaking, maintenance, security and any other agreed upon services on the Property(ies).

RFP 26-239-MM Northeast Flatwoods Preserve – Alachua County Preserves Hunting Services Agreement was released on April 2, 2025. The deadline for receipt of RFP 26-239-MM Northeast Flatwoods Preserve – Alachua County Preserves Hunting Services Agreement was May 14, 2025; three (3) vendors responded.

The project details can be found here:

<https://procurement.opengov.com/portal/alachuacounty/projects/153448>