



Agenda Item Summary

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Florida Department of Environmental Protection Agreement No. MN024 Amendment 4 for watershed (groundwater) monitoring

Presenter:

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Description:

Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) Agreement Number MN024 Amendment 4, Alachua County Sampling Support for DEP Temporal Variability Network (Fund 116-5511, Ambient Groundwater Monitoring Program).

Recommended Action:

Sign contract amendment

Prior Board Motions:

N/A

Fiscal Note:

This amendment will provide \$14,316.76 for FY25/26. This brings the new total of the 5-year contract to \$63,517.78.

FDEP Ambient Groundwater Fund: 116.55.5511.537.12.00

Strategic Guide:

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Background:

The Alachua County Environmental Protection Department (ACEPD) has been participating with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) in their Watershed Monitoring Program (formerly called the Ambient Water Quality Monitoring Program) since 1986. The current agreement for continued implementation of the DEP Watershed Monitoring Program in Alachua and Marion counties (DEP Agreement No. MN024) was fully executed on August 13, 2021, with a compensation of \$11,978.20.

On August 31, 2022, the County Manager signed Amendment Number (No.) 1 which was fully executed on September 1, 2022, extending the term through June 30, 2023, and providing an additional \$11,797.92 in compensation. Amendment No. 2 was signed by the County Manager on August 29, 2023, and fully executed on September 6, 2023, and extended the term through June 30,

2024, and provided an additional \$12,025.92 in compensation. On August 13, 2021, Amendment No. 3 was signed by the County Manager and provided an additional \$13,398.98 in compensation. Amendment No. 4 will extend the contract term through June 30, 2026. The payment for services rendered by ACEPD under this agreement will increase by \$14,316.76, based on the sampling proposed in Attachment 3-B Grant Work Plan. This will bring the contract to a total of \$63,517.78, which exceeds the \$50,000 limit for County Manger signature, hence requiring approval by the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC).