

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board Members

FROM: Ray Palmer, Real Estate

DATE: September 11, 2025

SUBJECT: Access Easement Exchange, Corkscrew Regional Ecosystem Watershed (CREW), Lee County

Agenda Item Background:

The District has existing access easement interests totaling approximately 6.75 acres that provide ingress and egress to its fee owned lands in Section 36, Township 46 South, Range 27 East located in the Corkscrew Regional Ecosystem Watershed (CREW) project area south of Corkscrew Road in Lee County. The District will enter into an Agreement for Exchange of Real Property Interests with CAM-7 Sub, LLC, a Florida limited liability company whereby the District will release the Existing Access Easement, in exchange for the acquisition of a relocated newly constructed access easement interest of approximately 7.62 acres and an additional access easement interest of approximately 3.50 acres, all located in the CREW project area adjacent to and south of Corkscrew Road in Lee County. This has been determined to be an even real estate value exchange. However, the new road and new easement benefit the District as it improves access to the CREW project area for land managers.

Additional Item Background:

Core Mission and Strategic Priorities:

The District's CREW Management Area is operated and maintained in both Lee and Collier counties and provides natural flood protection, water purification and critical aquifer recharge. The area also serves as important habitat for animal species such as the endangered Florida panther, snail kite and wood stork. This access easement exchange has no adverse effect or impact with respect to the operation and maintenance of the CREW Management Area.

Funding Source:

There is no expenditure of funds by the District. All costs associated with the transaction, including all closing and recording costs, will be paid by the owner of the underlying fee parcel.

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ATTACHMENTS:

[Resolution No. 2025-0902](#)

[Exhibit A](#)

[Exhibit B](#)