## SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

## **MEMORANDUM**

TO: Governing Board

FROM: Patrick Webster, Chief, Office of Agriculture and Environmental Projects

THRU: Steve Minnis, Deputy Executive Director, Business and Community Services

DATE: July 31, 2020

RE: Alternative Water Supply Funding Applications Submittal to the Florida

Department of Environmental Protection

## **RECOMMENDATION**

Authorize the Executive Director to submit 11 project applications to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection for Alternative Water Supply Funding.

## **BACKGROUND**

On June 29, 2020, Governor DeSantis signed the "Bolder, Brighter, and Better Future" state budget, which includes an investment of \$40 million for alternative water supply projects.

District staff collaborated with local governments and interested stakeholders throughout the 15-county area and has selected 11 alternative water supply project concepts for funding consideration at a cost of up to \$74.5 million from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection for review and approval.

Attached is a list of the proposed projects with a funding breakdown and brief description of the proposed project submittals for the Alternative Water Supply Project Funding Program.

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