

PALM BEACH COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Meeting Date: August 19, 2008 (X) Consent () Regular
() Workshop () Public Hearing

Department

Submitted By: Environmental Resources Management
Submitted For: Environmental Resources Management

I. EXECUTIVE BRIEF

Motion and Title: Staff recommends motion to approve: Budget Transfer of \$100,000 within the Capital Outlay Fund from the Loxahatchee River Pedestrian Bridge to the Loxahatchee Slough Pedestrian Bridge.

Summary: The transfer within the Capital Outlay Fund reduces funding for the Loxahatchee River Pedestrian Bridge. This project was difficult to get sited due to the involvement of multiple agencies, and will be built in the future by the Florida Department of Transportation during the widening of the Florida Turnpike. Funding will increase the Loxahatchee Slough Pedestrian Bridge for \$100,000 to connect the Loxahatchee Slough Natural Area over the West Leg of the C-18 canal. District 1 (SF)

Background and Justification: The Loxahatchee River and Loxahatchee Slough Pedestrian Bridge Projects are important parts of the Ocean-to-Lake Trail (OTL). The OTL will be designated as a side trail to the Florida National Scenic Trail. County staff has been working with the Florida Trail Association (FTA) to construct these trails, primarily through public lands in Palm Beach and Martin Counties. The trail will allow hikers to walk from the Atlantic Ocean near Hobe Sound, to Lake Okeechobee. The Loxahatchee River Bridge was to be constructed between I-95 and the Florida Turnpike in northern Palm Beach County, but instead will be connected to a future Florida Turnpike bridge that will be built over the Loxahatchee River. An alternate hiking trail has been established for the FTA in the interim. The Loxahatchee Slough Pedestrian Bridge will connect the Loxahatchee Slough Natural Area over the west leg of the C-18 Canal to establish connectivity to Riverbend Park, Jonathan Dickinson State Park, and other conservation lands prior to reaching Lake Okeechobee. The Loxahatchee Slough Natural Area is the largest and most diverse of the sites acquired as natural areas by Palm Beach County.

Attachment:
Budget Transfer (3900)

Recommended by: Richard E. Maloney 7/15/08
Department Director Date

Approved by: [Signature] 7/21/08
County Administrator Date

II. FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS

A. Five Year Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Fiscal Years	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Capital Expenditures	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Operating Costs	<u>100,000</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____
External Revenues	_____	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
Program Income (County)	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
In-Kind Match (County)	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
NET FISCAL	<u>100,000</u>	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
# ADDITIONAL FTE POSITIONS (Cumulative)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Is Item Included in Current Budget? Yes No
 Budget Account No.: Fund 3900 Department 301 Unit E456 Object 650A
 Program

B. Recommended Sources of Funds/Summary of Fiscal Impact:

C. Department Fiscal Review: *JF*

III. REVIEW COMMENTS

A. OFMB Fiscal and /or Contract Dev. and Control Comments:

atwillhite 7-21-08
 OFMB *7/21/08* *CN 7/16/08* *John J. Jarek 7/21/08*
 Contract Development and Control

B. Legal Sufficiency:
7/21/08
Ramon Joy
 Assistant County Attorney

C. Other Department Review:

 Department Director

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BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA

BUDGET TRANSFER
Fund 3900 Capital Outlay

ACCOUNT NAME AND NUMBER	ORIGINAL BUDGET	CURRENT BUDGET	INCREASE	DECREASE	ADJUSTED BUDGET	ENC/EXP 7/7/2008	REMAINING BALANCE
Appropriations							
381-E451 Lox River Pedestrian Bridge 6504-Iotb Non Infrastructure	100,000	100,000	0	100,000	0		0
381-E456 Loxahatchee Slough Pedestrian Bridge 6504-Iotb Non Infrastructure	0	0	100,000		100,000		100,000
			100,000	100,000			

Environmental Resources
Management

INITIATING DEPARTMENT/DIVISION
Administration/Budget Department Approval
OFMB Department - Posted

Signatures & Dates

Richard E. Ubaldey 7/15/08
Atwillhite 7-21-08
7/21/08

BY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
AT MEETING OF
August 19, 2008
Deputy Clerk to the
Board of County Commissioners