

Background and Justification (continued):

communities guide prepared by FNAI and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) and to new scrub management guidelines prepared by FWC and FNAI; inclusion of a commitment to inform the regional FWC office of opportunities for an FWC staff person to serve on NAMAC; and inclusion of revised monitoring protocols that were being prepared by ERM staff. The vegetation and wildlife monitoring protocols were finalized in February 2010. At that time, FDEP staff concurred with ERM staff's recommendation to also update the figures, the listed species and exotic species information, the annual cost information, and other data in the plan to reflect 2010 conditions. Staff also revised other portions of the plan to be consistent with the ARC-approved changes and the changes agreed to by FDEP. After Board approval of the revised plan, it will be submitted to FDEP, which will issue an approval letter that will specify the date on which the next 10-year revision of the plan will be due to the State. It is anticipated that the next update to the management plan will be due in 2020.