

II. FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS

A. Five Year Summary of Fiscal Impact:

| Fiscal Years | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 |
|--------------------------|-----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Capital Expenditures | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Operating Costs | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| External Revenues | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Program Income (County) | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| In-Kind Match (County) | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| NET FISCAL IMPACT | <u>*0</u> | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |

ADDITIONAL FTE
POSITIONS (Cumulative)

Is Item Included in Current Budget? Yes _____ No _____

Budget Account No.: Fund _____ Agency _____ Org _____ Object _____ Program Code _____

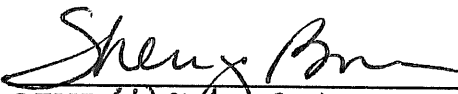
B. Recommended Sources of Funds/Summary of Fiscal Impact

* There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

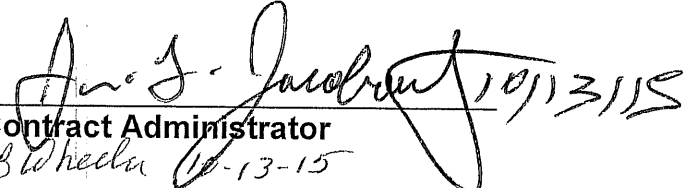
C. Department Fiscal Review:

III. REVIEW COMMENTS

A. OFMB Fiscal and /or Contract Administrator Comments:

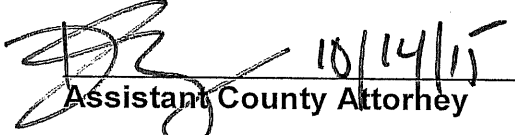


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Contract Administrator
B. Wheeler 10-13-15

B. Legal Sufficiency:



Assistant County Attorney

C. Other Department Review:

Department Director

Resolution No. 2015 - _____

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING A STATEWIDE PROHIBITION ON HYDRAULIC FRACTURING, ACID FRACTURING, AND SIMILAR HIGH PRESSURE WELL STIMULATION PRACTICES PERFORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXPLORATION AND PRODUCTION OF OIL AND NATURAL GAS IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA AND SUPPORTING LEGISLATION PROVIDING FOR THE PROHIBITION

WHEREAS, hydraulic fracturing, acid fracturing, and similar high pressure well stimulation practices, commonly called fracking, are methods of extracting underground oil and natural gas resources; and

WHEREAS, fracking typically involves the pumping or injection of millions of gallons of water mixed with sand and chemicals into the ground at high pressure to fracture rock under the surface of the ground in the vicinity of an extraction well; and

WHEREAS, most of Florida's water supply comes from highly permeable limestone formations which are vulnerable to contamination from fracking and any other activity which introduces potentially harmful substances into subsurface aquifers; and

WHEREAS, Florida's oil and gas regulations found in Chapter 377, Florida Statutes, and Florida Administrative Code Rules 62C-25 thru 30 make no reference to hydraulic fracturing or fracking; and

WHEREAS, in December 2013, high pressure acid fracturing was utilized by a Texas-based oil drilling company in Collier County prompting the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) to issue a cease and desist order, revoke the company's drilling permits, and issue a \$25,000 fine; and

WHEREAS, DEP has installed a series of groundwater wells in the vicinity of the Collier County fracking well to monitor for contamination; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Health, in an extensive study of high volume hydraulic fracturing released in December 2014, found that there were significant uncertainties about

the kinds of adverse health outcomes that may be associated with hydraulic fracturing, the likelihood of the occurrence of adverse health outcomes, and the effectiveness of some of the mitigation measures in reducing or preventing environmental impacts which could affect public health; and

WHEREAS, there is legislation pending in the State of Florida that would provide a statewide prohibition on fracking as well as legislation that provides additional regulation and permitting requirements; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has consistently maintained policies and programs for the protection of public health and natural resources including drinking water supplies, conservation lands, and other local and state resources; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has determined that without compelling scientific evidence of the safety of fracking in the State of Florida, it is in the best interest of Palm Beach County to support a statewide ban on these activities.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, that:

1. Palm Beach County supports a statewide ban on hydraulic fracturing, acid fracturing, and similar high pressure well stimulation practices more commonly known as fracking, and supports legislation providing for same.
2. A copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Governor of the State of Florida, the President of the Florida Senate, the Speaker of the Florida House of Representatives, the Chair and members of the Palm Beach County Legislative Delegation, and the Secretary of the Florida Department of Environmental Protection.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner _____, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner _____, and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

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| Shelley Vana, Mayor | - | _____ |
| Mary Lou Berger, Vice Mayor | - | _____ |
| Commissioner Hal Valeche | - | _____ |
| Commissioner Paulette Burdick | - | _____ |
| Commissioner Steven L. Abrams | - | _____ |
| Commissioner Melissa McKinlay | - | _____ |
| Commissioner Priscilla A. Taylor | - | _____ |

The Mayor thereupon declared the Resolution duly passed and adopted this _____ day of _____, 2015.

ATTEST:
CLERK & COMPTROLLER
Sharon R. Bock, Clerk and Comptroller

**Palm Beach County, Florida by its
Board of County Commissioners**

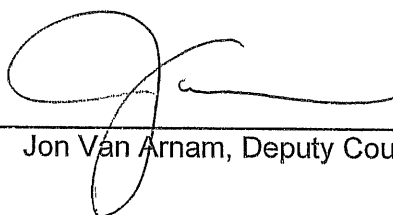
By: _____
Deputy Clerk

By: _____
Shelley Vana, Mayor

**Approved as to Form and Legal
Sufficiency:**

By:  _____
Assistant County Attorney

Approved as to Content:

By:  _____
Jon Van Arnam, Deputy County Administrator