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RE: Fiddlesticks Boulevard Comprehensive Plan Amendment Letter of Parks Service Availability

Both regional and community parks have two levels of service standards as prescribed in the Lee Plan and reported by the 2011 Concurrency Report. These two sets of standards are referred to as the "level of service" (LOS) and the "desired level of service" (DLOS). The current regional park inventory is 7,128 acres and the Lee Plan prescribed service standards of 6 acres (LOS) and 8 acres (DLOS) of developed regional park open to the public per 1,000 total seasonal county population are currently being met through 2016.

The Fiddlesticks Blvd proposed amendment is in the community park benefit district 44-South Fort Myers. South Fort Myers Community park district 44 has a current inventory of 198 acres of developed community park open to the public. District 44 meets the (LOS) of 0.8 acres of developed community park acreage per 1,000 permanent population in the district through 2016. District 44 currently does not meet the (DLOS) of 2 acres of community park per 1,000 permanent population in the district and is not projected to meet this standard through 2016. Lee County currently does not meet the desired level of service standard for Boat Ramps of one boat ramp lane with adequate parking per 12,500 people based on seasonal population and will not meet this level of service as currently projected through 2016.

Lee County currently has an adopted formula and objective based park impact fee which charges development to pay a one-time, up-front, proportionate fair share of the capital costs of new park facilities. Please refer to the currently adopted park impact fee schedule for the park impact fee calculations and payments required by new development.

Should you have any additional requests or questions please do not hesitate in contacting me.

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Enclosure: [2011 Lee County Concurrency Report, Parks & Recreation tables.]