

Blue Sheet No. 20160237	Lee County Board Of County Commissioners Agenda Item Report Meeting Date: 5/17/2016	Item No. 16
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TITLE:

Yellow Fever Creek Preserve Land Management Plan, Second Edition

ACTION REQUESTED:

- A) Approve Yellow Fever Creek Preserve Land Management Plan, Second Edition;
 b) Direct the Department of Community Development to initiate rezoning of Yellow Fever Creek Preserve to "Environmentally Critical" and change Future Land Use to reflect the "Conservation Lands Wetlands" and "Conservation Lands Uplands" portions of the preserve. A portion of the preserve falls within the City of Cape Coral which will require staff to work with the City on re-zoning.

FUNDING:

\$20,538 annually; Capital Improvement-Environmentally Sensitive Land Management; Included in budget; Board Strategic Initiative: Conservation 20/20

Estimate of \$75,000 for a hydrological restoration project; estimated ongoing annual maintenance of \$20,538 and that planned restoration and maintenance over the next ten years will be approximately \$205,380

WHAT ACTION ACCOMPLISHES:

Approve the recently completed 10 year update of the Yellow Fever Creek Preserve Land Management Plan which outlines management and recreational objectives, describes what has occurred, on-going projects and future management plans as well as direct the Department of Community Development to initiate rezoning of Yellow Fever Creek Preserve to "Environmentally Critical" and change Future Land Use to reflect the "Conservation Lands Wetlands" and "Conservation Lands Uplands" portions of the preserve. A portion of the preserve falls within the City of Cape Coral which will require staff to work with the City on re-zoning.

MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATION:

Approve

Requirement/Purpose: (specify)	Request Initiated
<input type="checkbox"/> Statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ordinance <input type="checkbox"/> Admin Code <input type="checkbox"/> Other	Commissioner: Department: PARKS AND RECREATION Division: No Divisions By: Alise Flanjack

Background:

A land management plan is necessary for appropriate and planned restoration, management and public

Required Review:

Alise Flanjack	Anne Henkel	Corris L. McIntosh Jr.	Peter Winton	David Harner	
PARKS AND RECREATION	Budget Analyst	County Attorney	Budget Services	County Manager	

use planning on any Conservation 20/20 preserve. The attached land management plan is the ten year revision that details the restoration that has occurred, the current recreational uses and future land management work. The CLASAC (Conservation Lands Acquisition and Stewardship Advisory Committee) Management Sub-committee approved the Yellow Fever Creek Land Management Plan (second edition) on January 27, 2016 and the full CLASAC committee unanimously approved it on February 11, 2016.

The plan was available for public comment via the internet and a hard copy at the North Fort Myers Public Library and the Cape Coral Public Library prior to the public meeting which was held on February 4, 2016.

1. Yellow Fever Creek Preserve Land Management Plan, Second Edition