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Sent: Monday, March 11, 2019 1:11 PM
To: Loveland, David; Ennis, Audra
Cc: Rozdolski, Mikki; Jacob, Michael; Dunn, Brandon
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Messing with our Water/Lime Rock Mining and The Floridian Aquifer

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From: Kathy Dobash
Sent: Monday, March 11, 2019 10:47 AM
To: Dist4, Brian Hamman ; Dist2, Cecil Pendergrass ; Dist5, Frank Mann ; Dist3, Larry Kiker ; Dist1, John Manning
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1. [Florida's Water Then and Now - FCIT | Florida Center for ...fcit.usf.edu/florida/lessons/water/water.htm](http://fcit.usf.edu/florida/lessons/water/water.htm)

Because **limestone** is porous, water gradually dissolved the **rock** and formed cracks and passages. Underground areas were formed that could hold large amounts of water. These areas are called **aquifers**. The water that is found underground is called ground water. The **aquifer** systems under **Florida** provide the majority of the state's water.

1. [Hydrochemical Effects of Limestone Rock Mining](#)

www.evergladeshub.com/lit/pdf10/gn10-WSAP-mineSUB.pdf

The rock mining pit is situated at $100\text{ m} < x < 300\text{ m}$ **and** is 15m deep. Generally, groundwater moves from **the** upper surface to **the** outlet at $x = 1000\text{ m}$ with a slope of 3.8 cm km^{-1} following **the** topography of **the** EAA. **The** depth of **the** surficial **aquifer** is approximately 60m deep beneath **the** EAA.

2. [Hydrochemical Impacts of Limestone Rock Mining](#)

[itech.fgcu.edu/faculty/ndemers/Mining/Naja et al -2010...](http://itech.fgcu.edu/faculty/ndemers/Mining/Naja%20et%20al%20-2010...)

aquifer and the surface water via the rock mining pit. In both cases, the solute migrates within the aquifer via advection and dispersion. Throughout the domain, porosity (η) is 0.35 (sand), 0.4 (sand), and

0.5 (rock mining pit); the longitudinal dispersivity α_L and transverse vertical dispersivity α_T are 0.5 m and 0.005 m, respectively.

Commissioners,

Your consideration of the elimination of Map14, and the destructive changes to rezone agricultural land to lime rock mining is reckless to say the least.

Who is driving this train wreck?

Anyone Commissioner who has taken campaign contributions from all involved must recuse themselves from voting on the proposed amendments. It is obvious there is some motivation behind your support to rezone this land. Is it money, political favors, support promised for your next campaign? Please, you do not need these easements on lime rock mining on SR82. I have a home here, and there are other residents. I am concerned about my home structure and the integrity of my well.

Do you have to create more problems for SW Florida residents?

It is appalling and scary.

Why are you attempting to mess with the Floridian Aquifer? It does not make any sense, when there is so much evidence on the harm to us and the wildlife.

County Commissioners, I am concerned about your support for the destructive easements to Lime Rock mining which will occur near my home off of SR82.

Aquifer facts

More than 90 percent of people in northeast and east-central Florida use groundwater, which comes from an aquifer, as their water supply.

The largest aquifer in the southeastern United States is the Floridan. The Floridan aquifer is found beneath all of Florida and portions of Alabama, Georgia and South Carolina, and extends into the Gulf of Mexico and the Atlantic Ocean.

The Floridan aquifer averages 1,000 feet thick, and freshwater can extend to a depth of 2,000 feet below land surface. Freshwater is thickest in the central portions of the state and rapidly thins toward the coast and the south.

There is no excuse.

Leave the rural areas in this targeted area alone. The sweet fragrance of the orange blossoms might change your mind. Take a ride out some evening soon. It will convince you to keep this area green. Do not turn this into a mining disaster for the area residents. It is our home.

This is the wrong path for Lee County.

Kelly McNab explains why in a very clear direct way. Read below.

Kathy Dobash
Lee County Resident

1250 Bacon Ave
Fort Myers, FL 33913

Why proposed lime rock mines are a danger to you In Southwest Florida, protecting our water resources is paramount. Wildlife, plants and even humans cannot thrive if there is an imbalance. That's why Lee County and Florida created the Density Reduction/Groundwater Resource (DR/GR) area in 1990. This region of southeast Lee County protects and stores a crucial supply of groundwater, and helps ensure cleaner water flows downstream and into Estero Bay. To protect that land, rules were put in place allowing four primary types of land use within the DR/GR: low-density residential, agriculture, open space/recreation and conservation. A fifth type of land use – natural resource extraction – can also be approved through the county's rezoning process. However, lime rock mining presents incompatibilities with the DR/GR's mission of protecting groundwater and surface water. Mining also is not compatible with other potential land uses in the DR/GR, specifically conservation and residential. That's why in 2010, Lee County ruled that mining activities should be congregated along the Alico Road corridor, which would prevent incompatibilities with other land uses. Still, mining applications continued flowing into Lee County for proposed locations well outside of the established Alico Road mining corridor. And while we recognize the need for lime rock for future development, current studies show that enough supplies are available for existing mines for the next 30-plus years. Now in 2018, another pair of mining applications have been submitted to Lee County, and their proposed locations truly are worrisome. Old Corkscrew Plantation has filed a request to rezone 4,204.87 acres of DR/GR land from agricultural to industrial planned development, specifically for mining. Old Corkscrew has proposed blasting as part of its application, and the company is requesting excavation depths as deep as 110 feet. Meanwhile, Troyer Brothers Mine has asked to rezone 1,732.75 acres from agriculture to industrial planned department, with a maximum mine depth of 110 feet for a mining operation that could last 35 years. If approved, these mining applications will cause significant ecological damage to a region that we're supposed to be protecting. By its very nature, lime rock mining causes immediate ecological damage to hydrologic flow ways and wildlife habitat. According to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Lee County's DR/GR contains important wetland areas and is home to a variety of habitats for listed species, and is located in close proximity to several conservation and mitigation lands. The Airport Mitigation Park, for example, is used to mitigate wetland and species losses from construction of the airport.

Nearby, the Corkscrew Regional Ecosystem Watershed

contains the largest remaining stand of undisturbed bald cypress and slash pine flatwoods in Florida. The Audubon Corkscrew Swamp Sanctuary protects the largest wood stork rookery in the nation. This land also is an important habitat for the endangered Florida Panther. Over the years, there has been significant public and private investment in adjacent and nearby conservation lands, and allowing mines in these locations would needlessly put those lands at risk. Old Corkscrew's application currently is making its way through the zoning process. Residents of the rural area, including Wildcat Farms, already have issued passionate speeches in front of the hearing examiner. Homeowners spoke against the proposed blasting and mining activities, fearing their homes, rural lifestyle and wildlife would be destroyed. Once the hearing examiner renders a decision, the Lee County Board of County Commissioners will make a final decision. Troyer Brothers application also is in the zoning process and is set to go before the hearing examiner on June 26. You can still have your voice heard on the Troyer proposal. However, if you want Lee County Commissioners to hear your opinion, too, you must be present and speak during the hearing examiner's public comment period. We urge everyone who is concerned

about the well-being of their environment, wildlife, water resources and character of this community to speak against these mining applications. To find out additional information about the proposals and how to make your voice heard, please visit NoMine-On82.com. Kelly McNab is an environmental planning specialist with the Conservancy of Southwest Why proposed lime rock mines are a danger to you. In Southwest Florida, protecting our water resources is paramount. Wildlife, plants and even humans cannot thrive if there is an imbalance. That's why Lee County and Florida created the Density Reduction/Groundwater Resource (DR/GR) area in 1990. This region of southeast Lee County protects and stores a crucial supply of groundwater, and helps ensure cleaner water flows downstream and into Estero Bay. To protect that land, rules were put in place allowing four primary types of land use within the DR/GR: low-density residential, agriculture, open space/recreation and conservation. A fifth type of land use – natural resource extraction – can also be approved through the county's rezoning process. However, lime rock mining presents incompatibilities with the DR/GR's mission of protecting groundwater and surface water. Mining also is not compatible with other potential land uses in the DR/GR, specifically conservation and residential. That's why in 2010, Lee County ruled that mining activities should be congregated along the Alico Road corridor, which would prevent incompatibilities with other land uses. Still, mining applications continued flowing into Lee County for proposed locations well outside of the established Alico Road mining corridor. And while we recognize the need for lime rock for future development, current studies show that enough supplies are available for existing mines for the next 30-plus years. Now in 2018, another pair of mining applications have been submitted to Lee County, and their proposed locations truly are worrisome. Old Corkscrew Plantation has filed a request to rezone 4,204.87 acres of DR/GR land from agricultural to industrial planned development, specifically for mining. Old Corkscrew has proposed blasting as part of its application, and the company is requesting excavation depths as deep as 110 feet. Meanwhile, Troyer Brothers Mine has asked to rezone 1,732.75 acres from agriculture to industrial planned development, with a maximum mine depth of 110 feet for a mining operation that could last 35 years. If approved, these mining applications will cause significant ecological damage to a region that we're supposed to be protecting. By its very nature, lime rock mining causes immediate ecological damage to hydrologic flow ways and wildlife habitat. According to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Lee County's DR/GR contains important wetland areas and is home to a variety of habitats for listed species, and is located in close proximity to several conservation and mitigation lands. The Airport Mitigation Park, for example, is used to mitigate wetland and species losses from construction of the airport. Nearby, the Corkscrew Regional Ecosystem Watershed

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From: Cheryl Croce
Sent: Sunday, March 10, 2019 8:24 PM
To: Dist1, John Manning
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Lime Rock Mine SR82

To: John Manning

I am writing to you because I am deeply concerned with the possibility of a lime rock mine on SR82.

In the 9 years that I have lived in Woodridge Preserve, off of SR 82, I have seen an increase in traffic and fatal accidents. The addition to traffic, especially trucks, would only increase the probability of fatalities. Rezoning for lime rock mining would destroy known wild life habits (especially panthers), harm nearby farms and potentially threaten our water supply and the quality of our air...breathing silica dust is dangerous and can be fatal.

It has also come to my attention that no new lime rock mines are needed for the next 33 years, according to Lee County reports. Why

would we want to risk lives and our environment for something that is not needed?

Please consider the repercussions of changing the zoning. Also, it is crucial that the 2000 foot buffer between the mines and homes NOT be decreased. It is not just the disturbing blasting but the harm to our air quality and water that concerns us all!!!

**Thank You,
Cheryl Croce**

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Mayor
District Five

March 14, 2019

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Honorable Mayor Tracy Gore
Fort Myers Beach

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Town Hall
2525 Estero Boulevard

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District Three

Fort Myers Beach, FL 33931

Katy Errington
District Four

Dear Honorable Mayor Gore,

Nick Batos
District Six

The Estero Village Council has directed me to seek your support and that of the other four county municipalities in opposition to Lee County's staff proposal to repeal virtually all the meaningful restrictions on mining in the Density Reduction/Groundwater Resource (DR/GR) area in Southeast Lee County. Adoption of this proposal threatens the future potable (fresh) water supply for the entire county, including Fort Myers Beach, the vast majority of which is supplied by about 250 wells in the DR/GR area.

Jim Wilson
District Seven

Steve Sarkozi
Village Manager

Burt Saunders
Village Attorney

The County's CPA2018-00014 proposes to eliminate the Lime Rock Mining Overlay (Map 14) and the supply and demand studies that have heretofore determined where mining should be located and to amend five goals and eight objectives and policies that currently regulate the location and timing of future DR/GR lime rock mines. If the effort goes forward, Lee County will be giving up its ability to limit the amount and location of DR/GR rock mining. Which undermines the question: **HOW IMPORTANT IS OUR CURRENT AND FUTURE WATER SUPPLY AND DEMAND?**

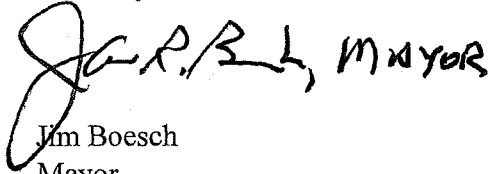
Myself and others, including most of the environmental organizations, have been involved heavily in opposition, to Collier County seeking to build CR951 in the critical DR/GR watershed area since 2004, which emphasizes the critical nature and importance of the DR/GR. It should be obvious to the county staff that protecting this largest watershed area in all of Lee County, is of prime importance.

The bottom line if this is ultimately passed, is that Lee County will be giving up its ability to limit the amount and location of DR/GR lime rock mining which would have a catastrophic impact on the DR/GR and to all the area of Lee County, especially to Estero and Bonita Springs.

I have attached a brief history of the DR/GR showing how this proposal is totally contrary to the County's extensive planning for this environmentally sensitive, water rich area.

I am asking for a meeting to be called with all the six municipalities quickly to see what we can do to gain your support for this important initiative.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jim Boesch, Mayor". The signature is stylized and written in a cursive-like font.

Jim Boesch
Mayor
Village of Estero
H: 239-947-2966
M: 239-292-1715

CC: Honorable Mayor Kevin Ruane
Honorable Mayor Peter Simmons
Honorable Mayor Randall P. Henderson, Jr.
Honorable Mayor Joe Coviello

Enc: Estuary Impacts and The Lee County Proposal to Deregulate Lime

RE: Estuary Impacts and The Lee County Proposal to Deregulate Lime Rock Mine in the Density Reduction/Groundwater Resource Land Use

Background - Initial Density Reduction/Groundwater Resource (DR/GR) Plan

In 1989 Lee County adopted the Density Reduction-Groundwater Resource Future Land Use area containing the southeast one-sixth of the county's land mass, it did so for two reasons:

- Recognizing that the county already had two of the state's largest pre-platted communities, Cape Coral and Lehigh Acres, they reduced the density of the DR/GR area in order to prevent the county from becoming excessively crowded, and
- To establish the DR/GR as a conservation area because it is the primary source of the potable (fresh) water supply for all of Lee County.

This comprehensive plan change authorized only four land uses for the DR/GR area. They were:

- Residential development was limited to one housing unit per 10 acres for uplands and one housing unit per 20 acres for wetlands,
- Agriculture,
- Conservation/Restoration, and
- Mining as long as the Board of County Commissioners zoned the property for such use.

The 2010 Dover Kohl Report Land Use Plan Amendments

Following a 2005 DR/GR Development Moratorium, in part, due to unwarranted lime rock mining impacts, in 2008 Lee County undertook a comprehensive land use restudy of the area. The restudy involved County staff supplemented by a broad array of expert consultants including planners, ecologists, hydrologists, transfer of development rights experts, water modelers, geologist and so on. In the course of this multi-year effort the County spent about \$1.6 million on this project (the 2007-09 Dover Kohl Study).

Recognizing the inherent land use conflicts of mining, conservation and residential land uses, the County was determined that the DR/GR land use would achieve a balanced policy and regulatory approach based on science. This type of factual foundation would allow for appropriate support if legally challenged. In fact, several aspects of the new DR/GR Comp Plan that were adopted following the Dover Kohl Report in 2010 were challenged in court and all were sustained.

One of the primary goals of the initiative was to separate the conflicting uses, primarily housing and mining. This was accomplished by creating a Future Limerock Mining Overlay (Map 14), that concentrated future mining activity in the Alico Road industrial corridor, and by mandating that no new lime rock mines were to be permitted "*until such time as there is a clear necessity to do so*" based upon a finding that demand for lime rock exceeded supply as determined by quantitative analytical approach.

The boundaries of the Mining Overlay were determined by a study of the future limerock supply and demand in the 7-county market area from Sarasota County to Collier County so that the DR/GR could continue to be the major supplier of this market for the next 20 years. In order to permit Lee County to continue to support the regional market for limerock, the Plan included a requirement that this type of study be updated every 7 years.

As the Dover Kohl Report stated, "*Lime rock mining is a high disturbance activity whose effect on the surrounding area cannot be fully mitigated*" The 2010 Lee Plan amendments recognized the unique, non-reversible nature of mining and its significant impact on the water table and the wetland in the area surrounding each mine, along with downstream watershed water quality, water supply and flooding impacts. *Finally, the 2010 amendments second primary goal was to "reestablish the area's historic floways and protect the future water supply for the county"*.

The County's Pending 2019 Mining Expansion Proposal

Over the last two years the County has approved Comp Plan amendments for two very large mine developments located outside the Future Limerock Mining Overlay (Map 14) and will soon be considering rezoning applications for them. Two weeks before Christmas, Staff proposed to essentially deregulate lime rock mining in the DR/GR by eliminating the Alico Road Corridor mine location standard and eliminated the requirement that new mines are to be allowed on a basis of clear necessity following a scientifically based supply and demand analysis. Succinctly, the County's proposal is to allow lime rock mines anywhere regardless of need. Equally troublesome is the fact that after spending two plus years and \$1.6MM to get this issue right, the County is refusing to have public workshops on this critical issue. The public will be allowed to speak for 3 minutes to the BOCC.

Notwithstanding the fact that the subject land areas may be located 20 miles away, your community interests are at stake! Upstream land use decisions do have a direct effect on downstream and estuary water quality and quantity conditions. Last summer's water quality problems and related economics are not just because of Lake O releases, but of the decisions made in our own backyard!

If these Comp Plan amendments are approved, your community will be impacted. The only issue is to what direct or indirect degree. As indicated earlier, any expansion of mining in the DRGR threatens our future fresh water supply that is now supplied

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Cc: Stephanie Eller ; Steve Urban
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: Without hearing the public, Lee County could remove limits on mine development

Opinion sent by Kathy Dobash
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Fort Myers, FL 33913

570 814 9111

On Thursday, March 14, 2019, 4:25:27 PM EDT, Kathy Dobash <kathydobash@yahoo.com> wrote:

Editor,

This is disturbing information to see and hear in regard to Lime Rock mining easements in Lee County.

Commissioner Brian Hamman is now on record and on TV before he even hears the case with his recent statements to Fox4 news.

Where Mr. Hamman goes wrong with his statement is there is only a few places left to mine. He promised to make the appropriate decision at the appropriate time based on information and public input in his recent email to me on March 1.

Why not conserve and be efficient with this resource. No need to mine it now. His Lake Park comment does not hold up. Lakes Park does not have a 100ft deep and 2.5 mile long pit.

Lakes Park was a long time ago and still has low oxygen issues.

We would have to wait until the year 2100 with the proposed Troyer Mine to compare the reclaimed life to Lakes Park. Mr. Hamman needs to get the real facts. Guess he lied to me about his concern. He is bending over backwards to please these mining applicants.

It is not government's job to do harm. The County does not have the right to just change everything up on these residents who bought homes to an area they believed was zoned agricultural.

The Commissioners, the County Manager and other Government employees should be held accountable and liable for negative impacts this will cause homeowners .

<https://www.fox4now.com/news/protecting-paradise/lee-county-could-remove-limits-on-mine-development>

Kathy Dobash

Lee County Resident

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Attachments: Letter to Lee County Commissioners 03152019 w attachment.docx.pdf; ATT00001.htm

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Begin forwarded message:

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Subject: Comprehensive Plan Amendment CPA 2018-10014, Limerock Mining

Good morning, on behalf of Mayor Boesch please see attachment.
NOTE: Hard copy will also be mailed today.

Thank you and have a nice day.

Carol Sacco



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Re: Comprehensive Plan Amendment
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Dear County Commissioners,

I am writing to convey the profound concern of the Village of Estero Council, expressed at the March 6th Council Meeting, regarding the County's proposed Comprehensive Plan Amendment CPA 2018-10014 Limerock Mining. This amendment will overturn the critical protections of the current plan related to mining development within the Density Reduction/ Groundwater Resource (DR/GR) Future Land Use category.

You may be aware that the Village Council recently commissioned a peer review of the Stuart and Waldrop mine reports. The peer review indicates that there is an abundance of supply over demand for limerock. I am attaching a copy for your information and use.

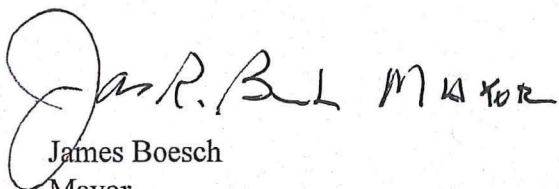
The Village Council wishes to notify the County Commission of its concerns and urges the Commission not to transmit the amendment at this time. The amendment should only proceed after meaningful discussions and evaluation occurs with the stakeholders including the citizens of the Village of Estero.

The Village of Estero is directly affected by development in the DR/GR and without adequate protections in the comprehensive plan its citizens, landowners, and businesses are threatened by environmental degradation, water pollution, detrimental traffic and safety impacts created by truck traffic and multiple other negative impacts. The county has had very limited public outreach on this topic. There have been no public workshops on the meaning and effect of the proposed changes and no effort to meaningfully encourage public discussion and study as was the case with the creation and adoption of the planning controls associated with the original award-winning Dover Kohl study. This is in stark contrast to the way in which the current protections in the plan were created, that is, after careful and thorough study of the issue of where mining should be allowed, balancing environmental issues, water quality issues and compatibility with existing residential uses against the need for limerock for construction, and after significant and sustained public participation in that effort.

The Village has no assurance that there is adequate data and analysis to back up this wholesale abandonment of the plan's protections, nor is it evident at this time that the proposed amendment contains meaningful and predictable standards for the use and development of the affected lands.

In summary, the Village Council does not support eliminating the policies or Map 14 in the proposed amendment.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James Boesch" in a cursive style.

James Boesch
Mayor
Village of Estero

Attachment: 2019 Peer Review Report

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Sent: Tuesday, March 19, 2019 5:06 PM
To: Dist1, John Manning
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Mining in the DR/GR Area

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Richard Ragazzo

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From: Rohland, Stacey
Sent: Wednesday, March 27, 2019 12:06 PM
To: Loveland, David
Cc: Dunn, Brandon; Rozdolski, Mikki; Ennis, Audra
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Lee County Mining - April 17 Agenda Item

FYI

Stacey Rohland
Executive Assistant to Commissioner John Manning
Lee County Board of County Commissioners
District 1
239-533-2224

From: Stacey Weiss
Sent: Wednesday, March 27, 2019 9:09 AM
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Stacey Weiss
13409 Villa Di Preserve Lane
Estero, FL 33928

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-----Original Message-----

From: pookypal45@aol.com <pookypal45@aol.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 27, 2019 1:29 PM
To: Dist1, John Manning <Dist1@leegov.com>
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Bill and Pat Dueger
Sent from my iPad

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Dunn, Brandon

From: Rohland, Stacey
Sent: Friday, March 29, 2019 8:19 AM
To: Dunn, Brandon
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Stop Development of DR/GR !!!

Stacey Rohland
Executive Assistant to Commissioner John Manning
Lee County Board of County Commissioners
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From: Doris Tabel
Sent: Thursday, March 28, 2019 2:35 PM
To: Dist1, John Manning ; Dist2, Cecil Pendergrass ; Dist3, Larry Kiker ; Dist4, Brian Hamman ; Dist5, Frank Mann
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Stop Development of DR/GR !!!

Commissioners Manning, Pendergrass, Kiker, Hamman, Mann:

I plead with you to STOP the development of the DR?GR and maintain Map 14 development restrictions that preserve and protect our water supply!

We need water to live. Too many people have found Florida.

Save our water supply.

Many thanks.

Bill & Doris Tabel

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From: Rohland, Stacey
Sent: Friday, March 29, 2019 8:20 AM
To: Dunn, Brandon
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Estero DR/GR and Map 14

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Executive Assistant to Commissioner John Manning
Lee County Board of County Commissioners
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From: M Luanne Sutton
Sent: Thursday, March 28, 2019 6:13 PM
To: Dist1, John Manning
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Estero DR/GR and Map 14

March 29, 2019

Dear Commissioner,

As a 46 year resident of the Bonita Springs and Estero area, I am writing you with my concerns regarding new development east of I-75 on Corkscrew Road. I ask that you stop development of the Density Reduction / Groundwater Resource and **maintain** Map 14. I am completely opposed to open lime rock mining and development continuing in this area.

With all of the new developments that have already gone in or are under construction, it is now time to implement and maintain development restrictions that preserve and protect our water supply. Not to mention the adverse effects on our wildlife habitat.

Without this commitment on your part, our water supply is at risk –animal habitats are at risk - traffic is at risk - public safety is at risk. I urge you to maintain Map 14 and stop development of the DR/GR!

Sincerely,

Luanne Sutton

Estero Resident

Dunn, Brandon

From: Rohland, Stacey
Sent: Friday, March 29, 2019 8:20 AM
To: Dunn, Brandon
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] DRGR

Stacey Rohland
Executive Assistant to Commissioner John Manning Lee County Board of County Commissioners
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-----Original Message-----

From: James Foerster <foerster.james@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 28, 2019 7:19 PM
To: Dist1, John Manning <Dist1@leegov.com>; Dist2, Cecil Pendergrass <dist2@leegov.com>;
Dist3, Larry Kiker <dist3@leegov.com>; Dist4, Brian Hamman <dist4@leegov.com>; Dist5, Frank
Mann <Dist5@leegov.com>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] DRGR

As an Estero resident I understand the politics involved when the village of Estero became its own village and with it took all that revenue away from County. I understand that the Village took a poor stance of assisting you in funding school resource officers. I understand that there is huge sight development, building permit, and tax dollars coming your way as a result of all this immense development your are doing out on Corkscrew Road. I also understand the childish political behavior that can result as evidenced by Mr. Pendergass's stunt over the Estero bridge.

But please do the right thing environmentally by protecting the DRGR. We finally have things headed in the right direction when it comes to water quality and the protection of springs. Don't be the OUTLIER government entity that is not on board with protecting our water quality at this time in our history for the sake of a few tax dollars and getting even with the Village of Estero.

Please be above this.

Sent from my iPhone

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To: Dunn, Brandon
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] DR/GR

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From: KATHLEEN Callan
Sent: Thursday, March 28, 2019 7:21 PM
To: Dist1, John Manning
Subject: [EXTERNAL] DR/GR

Dear Mr. Manning,

We are voicing our desire for the stop of development of the DR/GR and for the maintenance of Map 14 development restrictions that preserve and protect our water supply. This is an extremely important issue for us and we are most hopeful that you will work diligently to address our desires for the greatest good of the entire Estero community.

Thank you, kindly,

Kathleen and Robert Callan

10851 Crooked River Rd, #102

Estero, Fl 34135

Dunn, Brandon

From: Rohland, Stacey
Sent: Friday, March 29, 2019 8:20 AM
To: Dunn, Brandon
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] DRGR Development

Stacey Rohland
Executive Assistant to Commissioner John Manning Lee County Board of County Commissioners
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-----Original Message-----

From: Robert Loomis <rloomis564@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 28, 2019 7:38 PM
To: Dist1, John Manning <Dist1@leegov.com>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] DRGR Development

Mr Manning

As a resident of Estero I am very concerned about the willingness of the County to allow further development within the DRGR area. I suggest the Council stop development approval until a study is completed by professional engineers, not associated with the development business, to ascertain development sustainability within the GRDR boundaries. Scientific analysis is required before damage is done to the water recharge area.

I look forward to your leadership on this issue.

Regards,

Robert Loomis

Sent from my iPhone

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From: Rohland, Stacey
Sent: Friday, March 29, 2019 8:21 AM
To: Dunn, Brandon
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Density Reduction / Groundwater Resource

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From: Larry Ward
Sent: Thursday, March 28, 2019 10:41 PM
To: Dist1, John Manning ; Dist2, Cecil Pendergrass ; Dist3, Larry Kiker ; Dist4, Brian Hamman ; Dist5, Frank Mann
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Density Reduction / Groundwater Resource

Dear Messrs. Manning, Pendergrass, Kiker, Hamman and Mann,

I am writing to express my concerns about actions being approved and/or taken to develop the DR/GR area and to eliminate Map 14. I recognize that DR/GR is a large area and to date, only a portion has been subject to development. Surely the need can be recognized to keep the remaining area as green space and permit it to play its vital role in water retention.

I most strongly urge you to cease authorizing development activity of any kind in this area and to preserve it in its natural state.

Yours truly

Lawrence A. Ward
202 – 21800 Palmetto Dunes Drive
Estero 33928

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From: Rohland, Stacey
Sent: Friday, March 29, 2019 12:02 PM
To: Dunn, Brandon
Subject: Fwd: [EXTERNAL] DR/GR and Map 14 restrictions

Stacey Rohland, Executive Assistant
Office of Commissioner John Manning
District 1
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Begin forwarded message:

From: B Bender <brianbender@hotmail.com>
Date: March 29, 2019 at 11:09:44 AM EDT
To: "Dist1@leegov.com" <Dist1@leegov.com>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] DR/GR and Map 14 restrictions

John Manning

As a resident of Estero I insist you put a stop to development of the DR/GR and maintain Map 14 development restrictions that preserve and protect our water.

The land was to be developed in this precious natural area at only one home per 20 acres. You have already allowed developers to exceed that density average for the 80,000+ acres. **SO NO MORE DEVELOPMENT SHOULD BE ALLOWED.**

As our representative I hope you are doing everything possible to restrict development.

Brian Bender
19980 Barletta Lane #924, Estero
226-241-7829

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