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St. Johns River Water Management board approves $500,000 for Plantation Bay Wastewater Treatment Facility

December 13, 2017 – Flagler County will receive $500,000 in cost-share funding from the St. Johns River Water Management District for its $3.8 million Plantation Bay wastewater treatment facility project. The project will help upgrade the county’s reuse system and improve water quality.

Flagler County was one of 17 applicants for the “2018 REDI (Rural Economic Development Initiative) Community/Innovative Projects Cost-Share Program.” Projects were required to benefit one or more of the Water Management District’s core missions, including: water supply, water quality, natural systems, and flood protection, and were ranked accordingly.

Commission Chair Greg Hansen addressed the Governing Board at its meeting Tuesday before the board unanimously agreed to award funding for seven projects – including Flagler County’s, and another $462,000 for the City of Bunnell for its westside storm and sanitary improvements.

“Thank you for the REDI Program,” Hansen said. “We appreciate your help. You also helped us greatly after Matthew and Irma. It was tremendous. Thank you again.”

Governing Board Member Ron Howse made the motion to approve $3.46 million total to fund the seven projects. Vice Chair Fred Roberts seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

“This funding is very important to us,” said County Administrator Craig Coffey. “We appreciate having wonderful partners like the St. Johns River Water Management District. The support helps us complete these important projects for our residents.”

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