

I. INTRODUCTION

No changes.

II. ISSUES

Intergovernmental Coordination issues are identified for specific Comprehensive Plan Elements. Each issue is analyzed in accordance with the requirements of Chapter 9J-5, F.A.C.

A. Future Land Use

Intergovernmental Coordination plays a key role in future land use decisions. Coordination is necessary to accomplish Citrus County's goal of providing cost effective provision of services and protection of areas to retain the rural character of the County while providing for residential growth and agricultural pursuits. Such goals are placed in jeopardy when annexations or incorporations occur within the County boundaries.

Two municipal governments make land use decisions in Citrus County: the Cities of Crystal River and Inverness. In addition, there are four adjacent counties making land use decisions, which could potentially affect the land use pattern in Citrus County. The adjoining counties include Hernando bordering on the south; Sumter to the East of the County; Marion to the northeast; and Levy County, bordering Citrus on its northern edge.

The City of Inverness has been less than aggressive in the past in pursuing annexations. The City of Crystal River has annexed several ~~two~~ major areas in the past. These areas were ~~defined as the Crystal River Mall and the Crystal Cove area. Historically, the County has had little recourse in annexation attempts. Through future intergovernmental coordination losses to the County of valuable services and facilities can be minimized.~~ In 2004, a large area was annexed south of the City along US-19. However, the annexation was challenged and subsequently overturned by court order in June of 2005.

Possible areas of future incorporation could include the communities of Beverly Hills, Citrus Springs, and Sugarmill Woods. Agreements could be pursued to identify and implement joint planning areas, especially for the purpose of incorporation and joint infrastructure service should incorporation become a reality in the future. The County does not foresee the need to adopt municipal overlays for these areas at this time.

Land use compatibility is an issue of adjacent local governments outside the County's boundaries. Citrus County has obtained all Comprehensive Plans and Future Land Use maps from adjoining counties. Adjoining counties are informally notified of land

use changes that could impact upon their counties. Coordination of land use planning with these counties can facilitate appropriate development along county lines. Citrus County should attempt to establish agreements, as needed, with adjacent local governments to address land use compatibility, environmental protection, coordination of level of service standards, and mechanisms for formal exchange of information and data.

B. Infrastructure Element

1. Potable Water

Citrus County has a duty to ensure its residents a reliable source of potable water in the future. Three issues are pertinent to ensuring the future supply of potable water: saltwater intrusion, provision of a central water supply and protection of the aquifer recharge areas.

Saltwater intrusion has been a problem in the Coastal area as increased pressure from development is placed on the saltwater/freshwater interface by private wells and water systems. Development restrictions set forth in the Citrus County Land Development Code (LDC) have provided some relief to the water supply in the Coastal area by requiring proposed development to connect to a regional wastewater treatment facility as soon as the service is available. The Technical Review ~~Committee (TRC)~~ Team (TRT), of which the Department of Health; the County Public Health Unit is a part, monitors non-residential development in the County.

Saltwater intrusion is not monitored by the County. An effective relationship exists with the Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD) for monitoring. A District Water Management Plan prepared by SWFWMD in March of 1995 sets standards for natural systems, water quality, flood protection and water supply. The district interacts with 98 local governments, over 260 public and private utilities, five regional planning councils, four water management districts and key State and Federal agencies. Large-scale freshwater withdrawals along the Coast are a future possibility as regions to the South look for alternative water sources. The County, in conjunction with the Withlacoochee Regional Water Supply Authority, and SWFWMD will continue to work together to quantify its knowledge of current aquifer capacity, recharge, and hydrology, as well as existing and future use and needs to assure that interregional transfer will not occur to the detriment of the region's environment or residents.

An agreement with the City of Inverness, entered into in January, 1989, provides for water and wastewater treatment in surrounding lakes and river areas. Further coordination is essential, especially with the Floral City Water Association. An interlocal agreement with the City of Crystal River regarding stormwater, the provision of sewer services in the Coastal region and water services, was signed in March, 1997. The Department of Development Services and the Department of

Public Works also coordinates with the Ozello Water Association and Homosassa Special Water District.

Citrus County coordinates with six private utilities and the Cities of Crystal River and Inverness to operate central water systems to specific areas (reference the Infrastructure Element). However, a majority of the County is still not served by central water facilities. Expansion of existing systems, coupled with the regionalization of wellfields is needed. The County, in partnership with the Withlacoochee Regional Water Supply Authority (WRWSA), completed a feasibility study in 1983. As a result, Citrus County and the WRWSA developed the Charles A Black Facility (reference Infrastructure Element for further discussion).

The Planned Service Area was established to promote compact urban development through the provision of public services and facilities. ~~In coordination with the Department of Public Works, Utilities Division, the County should prepare and adopt a Water/Sewer Master Plan showing future locations of regional water facilities.~~ A Water/Sewer Master Plan showing future locations of regional water facilities has been prepared. (Refer to the Potable Water Subelement.)

A major portion of land committed for residential development is in the Central Ridge area. The high recharge value of the Central Ridge creates a need to provide protection for both recharge and quality. The confined nature of the aquifer in this region represents a potential hazard to groundwater quality from potential pollutants. The Citrus County Department of Development Services, Department of Public Works, and the Public Health Unit review project applications in this area. In addition, coordination exists between the County and SWFWMD and Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) in the review of applications.

2. Sanitary Sewer

The goal of the Sanitary Sewer Subelement is to provide wastewater collection and treatment facilities in a manner which protects investments in existing facilities and promotes orderly and compact growth. In order to achieve this, Citrus County must continue to coordinate with municipal and private wastewater facilities.

Provision of sewer services to the Coastal, Lakes, and River areas is especially important due to the sensitive nature of the soils and the need to protect the potable water supply. Citrus County, private utilities, and the Cities of Crystal River and Inverness each operate their own sanitary sewer systems to serve specific areas of the County. ~~In coordination with the Department of Public Works, Utilities Division, the County should prepare and adopt a Water/Sewer~~

~~Master Plan showing future locations of regional sewer facilities. Refer to the Sanitary Sewer subelement.~~

Septic tanks are still the primary sewerage method used throughout the County. This has caused problems in the Coastal, Lakes, and River areas. Discharge of contaminants into waters has led to problems with aquatic weed growth and pollution of marine life. In areas where high percolation exists, the use of septic tanks poses the danger of pollutants in the aquifer.

Package plants are still utilized in many areas. Efforts are ~~still~~ being made to expand sanitary sewer to fully serve the Homosassa area. ~~construct a regional plant to serve the Homosassa area.~~

To make future systems more efficient, the County should continue to investigate alternative systems for providing wastewater treatment. The County should develop proposals for extending regional sewer service facilities in the Ozello, Homosassa, and Chassahowitzka areas. Coordination is needed with existing utility companies in the Central Ridge area to secure connections for the Coastal area for safely treating and disposing of waste. The County entered into an agreement with the City of Inverness to provide wastewater treatment in 1989 in the Lakes and River areas. In addition, the County entered into an agreement in March, 1997, with the City of Crystal River to provide sewer services in parts of the coastal area. Other entities coordinating with Citrus County include Rolling Oaks Utilities, Citrus Springs Utilities, and Southern States Utilities.

3. Drainage

Intergovernmental coordination is essential for stormwater management as drainage basins often cross over political boundaries. The characteristics of natural drainage systems and the need to control flooding, protect the aquifer and surface water qualities requires cooperation.

The Coastal, Lakes, and River Areas are subject to the possibility of flooding and potential adverse effects of stormwater runoff. This issue is especially important in flood prone areas where septic tanks are a potential health hazard. A stormwater Master Plan for the County has not been developed to date. However, the LDC, Appendix B, contains stormwater facility design standards. All new residential subdivisions are required to adhere to these standards and new standards are set for existing developments (reference Infrastructure Element).

The SWFWMD, in their District Water Management Plan, has set forth flood protection policies for watershed management, which calls for a comprehensive, watershed-based approach to surface water management. ~~Coordination will be needed as specific implementation strategies are determined in conjunction with Federal, State, and local agencies and governments.~~ The County should partner

with the SWFWMD via a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for flood protection coordination and development of a watershed management plan.

Development applications are reviewed by the following County Departments: Development Services, Public Works and the Public Health Unit. The County also coordinates closely with the Department of Environmental Protection on stormwater drainage issues.

C. Housing Element

Citrus County has historically used Federal funds to assist its residents with affordable and special needs housing. However, governmental funds have decreased over the years, creating the need to find new ways to solve housing problems.

As the population of Citrus County increases, especially among the retirees, there will be increased need for housing for the elderly. This creates the need for more Assisted Living Facilities (ALF) and subsidized housing.

Rental housing is subsidized by the Section 515 Rural Rental Housing Program, U.S. Department of Agriculture. Also, on the Federal level, Citrus County coordinates with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). It is the responsibility of the Department of Development Services, Division of Housing, to administer these funds. Federal monies are provided for rental assistance through HUD's HOME Rental Program and Section 811 program.

On the State level, Citrus County coordinates with the Department of Community Affairs, which administers the federal funding through the State Housing Initiative Program (SHIP), and Low Income Energy Home Assistance Program (LIHEAP). Funds through the SHIP program are used for home repair, no interest home improvement loans, and first time buyers program. Funds provided through LIHEAP are used for low-income home energy assistance.

At the local level the Division of Housing provides funding to the Housing Assistance Foundation for the Elderly and the Habitat for Humanity Program. These programs use volunteers to help low income persons fix and repair their homes. In 1994, the Citrus County Board of Commissioners (BOCC) entered into an agreement with the Escambia County Housing Authority for low interest homes to first time buyers.

~~The Board of County Commissioners (BCC) appointed a Housing Advisory Committee and a representative from the Public Health Unit is a member of this board.~~ The County should continue to revise its regulations to assure that a variety of housing types are available. Using recommendations from the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee (AHAC), the BCC adopted a

Resolution in 1994, which defines methods to remove regulatory barriers to affordable housing. The BCC should continue to address affordable housing issues through recommendations by the AHAC. In addition, the County should coordinate with the North Central Florida Health Planning Council to plan for placement of ALFs.

D. Recreation and Open Space Element

Coordination has, and will continue to be, a necessary component to the supply of recreation and open space land in Citrus County. The purchase and planning of designated open space, scenic trails, and canoe trails is important to achieving the goal of providing a variety of parks, facilities, and programs, and open space areas to all residents and visitors of Citrus County.

Scenic trails and open space areas are vital in order to preserve the aesthetic character of Citrus County. In 1993, the County coordinated with the State of Florida through the “Rails to Trails” program. The abandoned railroad has been purchased and converted to the Withlacoochee State Trail.

~~The Department of Development Services coordinates with the Department of Parks and Recreation on development of a Master Plan for each park within the County.~~

Effective coordination exists between the County, the Army Corp of Engineers (ACOE) and the Office of Greenways & Trails in the development and conservation of the Cross Florida Greenbelt State Conservation and Recreation Area.

Coordination with the SWFWMD resulted in the acquisition of two preserve areas. These preserve areas are the Flying Eagle Ranch and Potts Preserve providing additional recreational areas for the public.

The County should continue to coordinate with SWFWMD and the DEP to designate portions of the Chassahowitzka River, Crystal River, Homosassa River, Coastal Estuarine, and the Tsala Apopka Chain of Lakes as State designated canoe trails. In addition, the County should continue to work with SWFWMD, DEP, and other appropriate governmental agencies to secure the purchase and planning of designated open space areas, but not limited to Save Our River (SOR) and the Conservation and Recreation Lands (CARL) programs.

E. Conservation Element

The main focus of the Conservation Element is the preservation and protection of Citrus County’s natural resources. Preservation and protection of surface water, floodplains, groundwater, uplands, wetlands, and endangered wildlife and plants

cannot be effectively accomplished in an isolated environment. It is essential to coordinate with local, regional, and State agencies for the protection and maintenance of our natural resources. Conservation efforts are effectively coordinated with the SWFWMD, DEP, the ~~Florida Game and Freshwater Fish Commission~~ Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, the ACOE, and Florida Department of Forestry.

Increasing concern over water transfer from this region to urbanized areas to the south has initiated increased coordination with SWFWMD and the Withlacoochee Regional Water Supply Authority. Joint efforts will be needed in the future to prevent degradation of surface water bodies and natural systems within the County.

SWFWMD is also involved in maintaining a high quality water system through the Surface Water Improvement and Management plan (SWIM). A SWIM study of Crystal River/Kings Bay has resulted in the City of Crystal River taking corrective action to improve the water quality in that area. In addition, SWFWMD is involved in floodplain protection. Three SOR projects have been completed: Flying Eagle Ranch, Pott's Preserve, and the Chassahowitzka Riverine Swamp.

The County successfully coordinated with FDEP, during the years 1990-1991, to list the Homosassa, Hall's, and Chassahowizka Rivers as Outstanding Florida Waters (OFW). With the exception of Lake Rousseau and the Cross Florida Greenway waters, all significant water bodies have been classified as such.

The Florida Department of Forestry works closely with the County on managing the lands dedicated as the Withlacoochee State Forest. The Withlacoochee State Forest is an important wildlife habitat.

The State adoption of an inshore commercial net ban has severely impacted upon the local economics and it is hoped that commercial aquaculture can offset these impacts. The county has established an Ecotourism Committee under the auspices of the Tourist Development Council to develop and promote ecotourism.

Citrus County should continue to pursue the acquisition and preservation of conservation areas by cooperating with the agencies involved. The county should pursue interlocal agreements with the cities of Crystal River and Inverness to work toward preserving and maintaining lands adjoining their boundaries, especially in the Coastal, Lakes, and River Areas.

F. Traffic Circulation Element

No changes to this section.

G. Manatee Protection Plan Element

No changes to this section.

H. Coastal, Lake, and River Management Element

Protection and conservation of natural resources in the Coastal, Lakes, and River areas is necessary in maintaining and preserving wildlife habitat areas. The County has effectively coordinated with the FDEP, SWFWMD, and private organizations in ongoing programs for land acquisition. Much of the land in the Coastal, Lakes, and River areas have been acquired for public use through the Save Our River (SOR) Program and Conservation and Recreation Lands (CARL) Program.

Citrus County shares permitting responsibilities with several governmental entities for development within these environmentally sensitive areas, especially in the area of permitting development in wetlands areas. Development in these areas could potentially require several permits. The FDEP regulates dredge and fill activities and all modifications to wetlands or waters of the State. The Department of Health, Citrus County Public Health Unit, Environmental Health Section, issue permits for all on-site sewage disposal systems. SWFWMD is responsible for well construction, surface water management analysis and stormwater regulation. At times, these requirements may be in conflict. Minimal coordination exists between these agencies before the issuance of a development order. Mechanisms and methods of coordination would be useful to address conflicting regulations.

The safety and welfare of the Coastal area residents has always been a County concern. This has become even more prevalent since the March, 1993 storm (reference Future Land Use Element). ~~The U.S. Army Corp of Engineers prepared a Cedar Key Basin Hurricane Evacuation Study in 1996 producing a Sea, Lake, and Overland Surges from Hurricanes (SLOSH) model.~~ The Withlacoochee Regional Planning Council prepared an updated regional hurricane evacuation plan in 2004. For further discussion, refer to the Coastal, Lakes, and River Management Element. Citrus County has been working with SWFWMD and DEP to put much of the Coastal area into public ownership. Continued cooperation with these agencies will result in more land being reserved for conservation purposes.

III. INVENTORY OF COORDINATING ENTITIES

The preceding section identified issues that require intergovernmental coordination to implement effective planning principles and growth management. This section identifies the entities Citrus County must coordinate with to resolve these and other issues that may

impact upon the County in the future. The entities include cities and agencies within the County, adjacent counties and municipalities, regional agencies, utility providers in Citrus County providing service to the unincorporated areas, and State and Federal Agencies. See Table 11-1 for a listing of all entities coordinating with Citrus County.

Citrus County Interlocal Service Delivery Report

Chapter 2002-296, Laws of Florida, added sections 163.3177(6)(h)6., 7. and 8., F.S., requiring all counties having a population of greater than 100,000, and the municipalities and special districts within those counties to prepare an Interlocal Service Delivery Report that identifies all existing or proposed interlocal service delivery agreements regarding education, sanitary sewer, public safety, solid waste, drainage, potable water, parks and recreation and transportation facilities. The statutory requirement grew out of the findings of the Commission on Local Government II which was created in 1996 by the Florida Legislature to suggest statutory and constitutional changes regarding the powers, financing, and service delivery capacity of local governments. The report must identify any deficits or duplication in the provision of these services within the county.

The Community Development Division completed the report in October of 2003 on behalf of Citrus County, the City of Crystal River, the City of Inverness, and all relevant special districts. Over 100 interlocal service delivery agreements were identified however no deficits or duplications in provision of needed services were identified. The report is on file in the Department of Development Services.

TABLE 11-1

**INVENTORY OF PUBLIC AND PRIVATE ENTITIES
COORDINATING WITH CITRUS COUNTY**

Municipalities	Adjacent Counties
Crystal River	Hernando
Inverness	Levy
	Marion
	Sumter
Adjacent Municipalities	
Dunnellon	
Inglis	Non-Adjacent Counties
Yankeetown	Pinellas
City of Ocala	Escambia
	Alachua
	Putnam
Intra-County Agencies	
Citrus County Public Safety, Fire Services Division	Regional Agencies
Library Taxing District Board	Withlacoochee Regional Planning Council
Mosquito Control Board	Withlacoochee Regional Water Supply Authority
School Board	North Central Florida Health Planning Council
Sheriff Department	Southwest Florida Water Management District
Homosassa Springs Chamber of Commerce	Gulf Soil and Water Conservation District
Office of Historical Resources	Marion-Citrus Mental Health Center
Salvation Army	Withlacoochee Private Industry Council
Crystal River Chamber of Commerce	
	State Agencies
Federal Agencies	Department of Transportation
U.S. Army Corp of Engineers	Department of Community Affairs
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	Department of Children and Families
U.S. Environmental Protection	Department of Environmental Protection
Federal Emergency Management Agency	Department of Health (Citrus Co. Public Health Unit)
	Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services
U.S. Department of Agriculture	Florida League of Cities
	Florida Division of Historical Resources
Utilities	Game and Freshwater Fish Commission
Florida Power Corporation	<u>Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission</u>
<u>Progress Energy</u>	Florida Division of Library Services

Withlacoochee River Electric Cooperative
 Sumter Electric Cooperative
 Florida Water Services Corporation
 Telesat Cable Television
 Time Warner Cable
 United Telephone
 Southern Bell
 Floral City Water Association
 Homosassa Special Water District
 Ozello Water Association
 Rolling Oaks Utilities

Source and Preparer: Citrus County Community Development Division, ~~1996~~2005.

Primary areas of concern for Citrus County are municipalities within the County, adjacent municipalities, and adjacent counties. A focal point of the discussion involving growth and development affecting Citrus County is the adopted Comprehensive Plans of adjacent municipalities and counties and the cities of Crystal River and Inverness. Assessment was based on the following Comprehensive plans and their adoption dates as listed below.

TABLE 11-2
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN ADOPTION DATES

Municipality/County	Adoption Date
Citrus County	April 18, 1989
City of Crystal River	April 13, 1989
City of Inverness	April 14, 1989
Hernando County	June 7, 1989
Levy County	January 23, 1990
Town of Yankeetown	June 1, 1989
Town of Inglis	May 18, 1990
Sumter County	February 3, 1992
Marion County	January 29, 1992
City of Dunnellon	December 5, 1991

Source: Citrus County Community Development Division 1996.
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A. Adjacent Counties

1. Levy County

Citrus County shares its border to the northwest with Levy County. The boundary is formed by the Withlacoochee River and Lake Rousseau, both environmentally sensitive areas. Due to development constraints in this area, it is essential to coordinate conservation efforts. Joint conservation efforts are needed to coordinate preservation of both of these waterways under the SOR program. A comprehensive regional approach is needed to ensure land use compatibility along these corridors.

The Cross Florida Greenbelt State Conservation Area extends out of Citrus County and through the southern part of Levy County. Joint planning efforts by both counties with the State Office of Greenways & Trails could help to ensure compatible land uses along the perimeters of this conservation area.

~~A proposed Hy Power Plant along the Withlacoochee River in Levy County could affect the future flows of the River. Improved coordination between Levy County and Citrus County is needed as this project proceeds.~~

Levy County and Citrus County rely on US-19 as a major route through both counties to points north and south. Joint planning efforts could ensure for adequate future road capacity. The Suncoast Parkway II could have a major influence on roadways in Levy County as traffic coming onto US-19 and headed north into Levy County could substantially increase the use of this major roadway. Coordination with Levy County, FDOT, and Citrus County should be pursued in the event the Suncoast Parkway II becomes a reality.

A Memorandum of Understanding exists between Levy and Citrus County for the provision of EMS mutual aid services.

2. Marion County

No change.

3. Hernando County

No change.

4. Sumter County

No change.

B. Adjacent Municipalities

Three municipalities adjoin Citrus County: the Town of Yankeetown, the Town of Inglis, and the City of Dunnellon. All three are located on the County's northern boundary along the Withlacoochee River.

1. Town of Yankeetown

No change.

2. Town of Inglis

No change.

4. Town of Yankeetown

No change.

C. Cities in Citrus County

1. City of Inverness

No change.

2. City of Crystal River

The City of Crystal River is located in the western portion of the County. Currently, interlocal agreements exist in the areas of fire inspection, fire protection, law enforcement mutual aid, road improvements, collection of impact fees, library services, and provision of water and sewer services.

~~Although annexations have been made in the past by the City of Crystal River, the County does not view this as a threat. However, agreements should be pursued to protect County infrastructure should annexations become a problem in the future.~~

D. Regional Agencies

1. Withlacoochee Regional Planning Council

No change.

2. Withlacoochee Regional Water Supply Authority

No change.

3. North Central Florida Health Planning Council

No change.

4. Southwest Florida Water Management District

No change.

5. Gulf Soil and Water Conservation District

No change.

E. Intra-County Agencies

1. Mosquito Control Board

No change.

2. Citrus County School Board

The public educational system in Citrus County receives guidance from the School Board. The School Board is composed of five elected members and an elected Superintendent of Schools. Local revenues are generated through the County ad valorem millage tax. Local revenues are also garnered by a School Impact Fee imposed on all newly created development by the County Department of Development Services. In addition, through an intergovernmental agreement, Citrus County provides tax assessor services for the School Board.

~~Changes to Chapter 163, F.S. during the 1996 legislative session will guide Citrus County cooperation with the school district in the future. Citrus County has begun to lay groundwork for an interlocal agreement with the school district toward meeting requirements of Chapter 163.3177 (6) (h), F.S. Citrus County does not wish to establish school concurrency requirements for Citrus County Schools at the present time. Presently, the School Board coordinates with the County when siting new public educational facilities. Upon written request by the School Board, the County advises as to the consistency of the site with the Comprehensive Plan.~~

In May of 2003, the County approved an interlocal agreement with the school board for school siting. The agreement contains provisions for coordination and mutually agreed upon criteria for school facility siting. Upon written request by the School Board, the County advises as to the consistency of a site with the Comprehensive Plan.

Recreational facilities are available through the Citrus County School system. An interlocal agreement exists for joint use of recreational facilities for Citrus County residents. An interlocal agreement also exists between the Citrus County School Board and the County for provision of water/wastewater treatment at the Rock Crusher school site.

3. Citrus County Public Safety, Fire Services Division

No change.

4. Citrus County Library Taxing District Board

Instituted in May, 1984, the Citrus County Library Taxing District Board is a seven member body consisting of the County Commission and one member each from Crystal River and Inverness. The Board receives revenues generated by the Special Library Tax District and from impact fees generated by new development within the County. Citrus County has forwarded a proposed interlocal agreement to the School Board and anticipates several meetings over the next year to reach an agreement. The County is served by Region Libraries in Crystal River, Inverness, Beverly Hills, and by Community Libraries in Hernando, Homosassa, and Floral City. Since June, 1987, the Division of Library Services prepares an annual Long Range Plan, endorsed by the Library Advisory Board, which contains goals and objectives to improve and maintain the library system and to expand funding sources. These Long Range Plans are incorporated into the Citrus County Comprehensive Plan.

5. Sheriff's Department

No change.

6. Citrus County Historical Society

No change.

F. Service Providers

1. ~~Florida Power Corporation~~ Progress Energy (formerly Florida Power Corporation)

Cooperation between Florida Power Corporation (now Progress Energy) and the County resulted in the adoption of the Utility Element. The Utility Element was premised on the Ten-Year Development Plan of Florida Power Corporation.

Monitoring and permitting of the ~~Florida Power Corporation~~ Progress Energy activities is done through the FDEP and Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC). Development on the ~~Florida Power Corporation~~ Progress Energy site is required to meet applicable current development standards set forth in the Citrus County

Land Development Code, and review by the Technical Review ~~Committee~~ Team (TRT) (~~TRC~~) through the Department of Development Services.

2. ~~United Telephone and Southern Bell~~ Sprint and other local telephone service providers

No change.

3. Electric Cooperatives: Withlacoochee River, Sumter Electric, and Central Florida

No change.

G. State Agencies

1. Florida Department of Environmental Protection

No change.

2. ~~Florida Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission~~ Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission

The ~~Florida Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission (FGFWFC)~~ Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FFWCC) was created to “manage freshwater aquatic life and wild animal life and their habitats to perpetrate a diversity of species with densities that provide sustained ecological and economic benefit”. The commission is also responsible for the conservation of endangered species. Developments that may impact upon wildlife resources, especially rare or significant species, may require review by the ~~FGFWFC~~ FFWCC. Cooperative efforts with this agency have helped preserve the West Indian (Florida) Manatee in the coastal waters of Citrus County. Future cooperation is needed to preserve the many rare species of wildlife found in the boundaries of Citrus County.

3. Florida Department of Health

No change.

4. Florida Department of Community Affairs

No change.

5. Florida Department of Transportation

No change.

6. Department of Agriculture and Consumer Affairs, Division of Forestry

No change.

7. Florida Division of Historic Resources

No change.

8. Department of Children and Families

The Department of Children and Families offers programs in the form of employment assistance and economic self-sufficiency to enable persons to become independent from welfare assistance. Their programs extend to adoption assistance, drug and alcohol programs, and protection of and preservation of families. Another aspect of the services offered is assistance in housing needs for residents of the community (reference Housing Element).

H. Federal Agencies

1. Army Corps of Engineers

No change.

2. United States Department of Housing and Urban Development

No change.

IV. CONCLUSION

No change.

V. GOALS, OBJECTIVES, AND POLICIES

GOAL #18 – Establish processes among Citrus County and the various governmental, public, and private entities to coordinate development, preserve and improve the quality of life, and efficiently use available resources.

Plan Coordination

Objective 18.1 The County shall coordinate the Comprehensive Plan with Comprehensive Plans of the Cities of Crystal River and Inverness, Comprehensive Plans of adjacent counties and municipalities, and Plans of other units of local government providing services by not

having regulatory authority over the use of land. This shall be accomplished during the amendment process each year.

- Policy 18.1.1 The Comprehensive Plan and the County Land Development Code (LDC) shall be used as the primary sources for coordinating development and planning activities when reviewing development proposals and Plan amendments.
- Policy 18.1.2 The County shall file a written request with adjacent counties and municipalities to receive copies of proposed Comprehensive Plans or plan amendments for review.
- Policy 18.1.3 The County shall coordinate its planning activities implemented with the adopted Comprehensive Plans of adjacent counties and municipalities, the Cities of Crystal River and Inverness, the five-year work program of the Citrus County School Board, other units of local government providing services but not having regulatory authority over the use of land, ~~with the comprehensive plans of adjacent municipalities, adjacent counties, or~~ with the Strategic Regional Policy Plan, ~~and~~ the State Comprehensive Plan, and the District Water Management Plan or regional water supply plan if one is developed for the region.
- Policy 18.1.4 The County shall make information available to the public on all development plans and proposals and services provided by County government.
- Policy 18.1.5 Prior to annexation or deannexation of parcel(s) of land, the County shall ensure that the intended action is consistent with the adopted Plans of all affected local governments, shall strongly discourage the creation of enclaves and strongly encourage negotiated settlements.
- Policy 18.1.6 The County shall pursue an intergovernmental agreement with the Cities of Crystal River and Inverness to plan for the extension of City roads into the unincorporated portion of the County, with emphasis on the protection of future right-of-way, consistent road alignment, Level of Service standards, and provisions for impact fee spending.
- Policy 18.1.7 The Citrus County Board of County Commissioners (BCC) shall conduct bi-annual joint meetings with the Crystal River City Council and the same with the Inverness City Council.
- Policy 18.1.8 ~~The County shall coordinate the Comprehensive Plan with the five-year work program of the County School Board and execute~~

~~an interlocal agreement within one year of adoption of this policy with the School Board to provide for future school siting and cooperation in planning efforts in accordance with the requirements of Chapter 163, Part II and Chapter 235, Florida Statutes (F.S.). The interlocal agreement shall address those joint processes described in Policy 18.1.9. The County shall coordinate with the Citrus County School Board in accordance with the Interlocal Agreement for Public Educational Facility Planning in Citrus County approved on May 14, 2003.~~

~~Policy 18.1.9 — Until such time as an interlocal agreement is adopted by the County and the School Board, the following joint processes shall be used by the County and the School Board for collaborative planning and decision making on population projections relative to public school siting:~~

- ~~• Upon written notice from the County School Board informing the County of any new public educational facility as described in s. 235.193, F.S., the County shall advise of consistency with the Comprehensive Plan;~~
- ~~• The County shall coordinate population estimates and projections with the County School Board as part of the review of the five year work program of the County School Board;~~
- ~~• The County shall coordinate the review of the Capital Improvements Element of the County and the five year work program of the County School Board;~~
- ~~• The County shall encourage the effective and efficient provision and siting of educational facilities with associated infrastructure and services within the County, subject to concurrency; and~~
- ~~• The County shall encourage the location of public schools proximate to urban residential areas to the extent possible.~~

Policy 18.1.9 Reserved.

Policy 18.1.10 Conflicts with plans between Citrus County and adjacent local governments, local governments within the County, and adjacent counties that cannot be resolved by the affected parties may be brought to the Withlacoochee Regional Planning Council (WRPC) for resolution through their Dispute Resolution Process.

Development Impacts

No change.

Levels of Service

No change

Conservation

No change.

Provision of Water

Objective 18.5 Citrus County shall coordinate with agencies and governments to further the infrastructure Goals, Objectives, and Policies of the Citrus County Comprehensive Plan.

Policy 18.5.1 The County shall continue to coordinate with the SFWMD and the Withlacoochee Regional Water Supply Authority and all other appropriate agencies to control exportation of water from the Withlacoochee River and Coastal Rivers Basins to basins outside these boundaries.

Policy 18.5.2 The County shall coordinate with appropriate governmental agencies to establish baseline studies on the saltwater/freshwater interface and to monitor saltwater intrusion.

Policy 18.5.3 The County shall coordinate its Comprehensive Plan process with all public entities and/or local governments that have jurisdiction over management of bays, estuaries, and harbors.

Policy 18.5.4 The County will coordinate water supply planning activities with the Southwest Florida Water Management District to ensure consistency with the District Water Management Plan and any regional water supply plan should one be developed for the region in which the county is located.

Manatee Protection

No change.