

**Lee County Board of County Commissioners
Agenda Item Summary**

20041533
Blue Sheet No.

1. REQUESTED MOTION:

ACTION REQUESTED: 1. Consider acceptance of the recommendation from the Conservation Land Acquisition and Stewardship Advisory Committee (CLASAC) to allocate certain, 2020 funds into a separate, County interest-bearing subfund for the purpose of providing additional funding for the purchase of the Babcock Ranch property lying within Lee County. Should the purchase of the Babcock Ranch property not close, the funds would then be returned to the Conservation 2020 Program for continued land acquisition. 2. Create an interest-bearing, County subfund for Babcock Ranch, P.A. from the Conservation 2020 Program consisting of \$5 million from existing FY 03-04 Conservation 2020 funds, \$10 million from FY 04-05 Conservation 2020 revenues; and revenues representing up to .2 mills annually (not to exceed 40% of the total program revenues per year) starting in FY 05-06. Approve budget amendment resolution and budget transfer in the amount of \$15,000,000.

WHY ACTION IS NECESSARY: CLASAC recommendations were requested by the Board of County Commissioners. The Committee is proposing this action to assist with the acquisition of the Babcock property.

WHAT ACTION ACCOMPLISHES: Will allow Conservation 2020 funds to be used toward the purchase of the Lee County portion of the Babcock Ranch property. Establishes Babcock property acquisition subfund.

2. DEPARTMENTAL CATEGORY:

COMMISSION DISTRICT #

3. MEETING DATE:

11-16-2004

4. AGENDA:

5. REQUIREMENT/PURPOSE:
(Specify)

6. REQUESTOR OF INFORMATION:

<input type="checkbox"/> CONSENT	<input type="checkbox"/> STATUTE		
<input type="checkbox"/> ADMINISTRATIVE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORDINANCE	96-12	
<input type="checkbox"/> APPEALS	<input type="checkbox"/> ADMIN. CODE		
<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WALK ON			
<input type="checkbox"/> TIME REQUIRED:			

A. COMMISSIONER	
B. DEPARTMENT	
C. DIVISION	County Lands <i>H. J. J.</i>
BY:	Karen Forsyth, Director <i>Karen Forsyth</i>

7. BACKGROUND: On November 4, 2004 at its regular meeting, the Conservation Land Acquisition and Stewardship Advisory Committee voted unanimously to support a recommendation to the Board that proposes an allocation of certain, identified Conservation 2020 funds be placed into a separate, County interest-bearing subfund for the purpose of providing additional funds for the purchase of the Lee County portion of the Babcock Ranch properties. The specific CLASAC recommendation was to allocate \$5 million in existing Conservation 2020 funds from Fiscal Year 2003-04; \$10 million from Fiscal Year 2004-05; and up to .2 mills, but not more than forty percent (40%) of the total program revenue per year, of the potential .5 mills allocated annually for the Conservation 2020 Program. The term of this transfer is intended to meet only the required funding for the Lee County portion of the Babcock property.

8. MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATIONS:

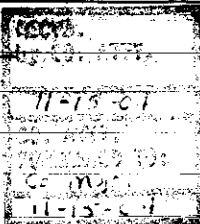
Approve the CLASAC recommendation for Babcock Ranch funds.

9. RECOMMENDED APPROVAL:

A Department Director	B Purchasing or Contracts	C Human Resources	D Other	E County Attorney	F Budget Services				G County Manager
<i>K.F. (continued)</i>	N/A	N/A	N/A	<i>William J. J.</i>	OA <i>11/15/04</i>	OM <i>11/15</i>	RISK <i>11-15-04</i>	GC <i>11/15/04</i>	<i>11/15/04</i>

10. COMMISSION ACTION:

	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	APPROVED	<i>(5-0)</i>	
		DENIED		
		DEFERRED		
		OTHER		



The motion was seconded by JoAnne Fowler and carried unanimously.

A site inspection has been scheduled for Nomination 271 in North Fort Myers for 9:30 a.m., November 10, 2004. Please contact me if you are interested in attending.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Reneé Armstrong
Property Acquisition Assistant
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CC: Daltry, Wayne; Gooderham, Kate; Schwartz, Holly; Winton, Pete

From: Holly Schwartz CC: Dist1, Janes; Winton, Pete

To: Griffin, Tracey

Subject: Fwd: Re: Walk on for tomorrow (Vacation)

Message: Tracey,

You've probably already received the Babcock walk on for tomorrow but just to let you know the reason for the walk-on is that we needed to expedite the process due to negotiation deadlines between the State and the Babcock Family.



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Re: Walk on c2020bab...
for tomor...

Date: 11/15/04 3:14PM

From: Renee Armstrong
To: Burdette, Bill; Mitchh@bonitabaygroup.com; Tasman, Gary
Date: 11/5/04 10:47AM
Subject: CLASAC Meeting Handouts

The next CLASAC meeting will be held in the County Administration Building 2115 Second Street at 4:00 p.m. on December 9. You may park in the Public Works Building parking lot.

Does the 4:00 p.m. start time interfere with your schedules?

The annual election of CLASAC Officers was conducted last evening. After eight years of dedicated service, Rick Barber stepped down as Chairman. Kate Gooderham was nominated and accepted as Chairwoman. Matt Bixler will be Co-Chairman and Ray Pavelka will be Secretary. Rick Barber will be presented with a plaque and possibly a print from the Pine Island Flatwoods Preserve.

Handouts are as follows:

- Conservation 20/20 Cash Flow Report
- Email from Holly Schwartz to Lynda Riley on Millage Rates
- Negotiation Status Report #32
- Management State Report - November 2004
- Draft Reconsideration Form for 20/20 Nominations
- Press Release for Yellow Fever Creek Public Input
- Letter from Carl Veaux in support of Babcock acquisition
- Dr. George J. Wilder suggested additional land be preserved, just east of Hawks Haven Drive.

STRAP No. 27-43-26-00-00003.0010

(<http://www.pa.lee.fl.us/Scripts/PropertyQuery.asp?FolioID=10459486>) and 27-43-26-00-00004.0000 (<http://www.pa.lee.fl.us/Scripts/PropertyQuery.asp?FolioID=10298872>). CLASAC consensus was to have interested parties obtain willing seller information for presentation to staff and to CLASAC after Nomination forms are obtained. Attached is a copy of Dr. Wilder's written presentation.

A copy of Ray Pavelka's hand written motion to contribute Conservation 20/20 Funds to the **Babcock Ranch** acquisition is attached. I have typed up his hand written notes as follows:

"In an effort to encourage and assist the Lee County Board of County Commissioners in the consideration of Lee County's participation in the acquisition of part or all of the Babcock Ranch, the Conservation Land Acquisition and Stewardship Advisory Committee recommends the following:

1. A reallocation of \$5,000,000 from the 2003-2004 Conservation 20/20 Acquisition Fund Balance;
2. An allocation of \$10,000,000 from the 2004-2005 Conservation 20/20 Acquisition Fund;

Both amounts to become seed money for a to be established or an existing acquisition fund at the descretion of the Board of County Commissioners;

3. An annual allocation of up to 0.2 mils, but not more than 40% of the tax base allocated for Conservation 20/20.

The proceeding motion is based upon the following:

1. CLASAC's support for significantly large parcels
2. CLASAC's support for acquisition of lands within Lee County
3. CLASAC not supportive fo making modifications to the 20/20 Ordinance to acquire a single property
4. CLASAC's interest in not over burdening the Lee County taxpayers should a bond referendum for the acquisition of the Babcock Ranch be initiated."

RESOLUTION # 04-11-42

Amending the Babcock Ranch Acquisition Fund #30108 Budget to incorporate the unanticipated receipts into Estimated Revenues and Appropriations for the fiscal year 2004-2005.

WHEREAS, in compliance with the Florida Statutes 129.06(2), it is the desire of the Board of County Commissioners of Lee County, Florida, to amend the Babcock Ranch Acquisition Fund #30108 budget for \$15,000,000 of unanticipated revenue from a sub-fund transfer and an appropriation of a like amount for other contracted services and;

WHEREAS, the Babcock Ranch Acquisition Fund #30108 budget shall be amended to include the following amounts, which were previously not included.

ESTIMATED REVENUES

Prior Total:		\$0
Additions		
GC5810130108.381900.930103	Sub-fund Transfer From Fund 30103	15,000,000
Amended Total Estimated Revenues		\$15,000,000

APPROPRIATIONS

Prior Total:		\$0
Additions		
20880330108.506540	Improvements Construction	15,000,000
Amended Total Appropriations		\$15,000,000

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Lee County, Florida, that the Babcock Ranch Acquisition Fund #30108 budget is hereby amended to show the above additions to its Estimated Revenue and Appropriation accounts.

Duly voted upon and adopted in Chambers at a regular Public Hearing by the Board of County Commissioners on this 16th day of November, 2004.

ATTEST:
CHARLIE GREEN, EX-OFFICIO CLERK

BY: *Joan Pierce*
DEPUTY CLERK

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA

Anthony
CHAIRMAN



APPROVED AS TO FORM

Andrea R. Jones
OFFICE OF COUNTY ATTORNEY

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REQUEST FOR TRANSFER OF FUNDS

FUND NAME: Cap Imp- Conserv 20-20 DATE: November 12, 2004 BATCH NO.: _____

FISCAL YEAR: 04-05 FUND NO.: 30103 DOC. TYPE: YB LEDGER TYPE: BA

TO: Non-Departmental Interfund Transfers
 (Division Name) (Program Name)

NOTE: Please list the account number below in the following order:
 Business Unit (dept/div, program, fund, subfund); Object Account; Subsidiary; Subledger
 (Example: BB 5120100100.503450)

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Object Name</u>	<u>DEBIT</u>
GC5810130103.509190.T30108	Sub-fund Transfer to Fund 30108	\$ 15,000,000

TOTAL TO: \$ 15,000,000

FROM: Capital Improvement Capital Improvement
 (Division Name) (Program Name)

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Object Name</u>	<u>CREDIT</u>
20880030103.503490	Other Contracted Services	\$ 15,000,000

TOTAL FROM: \$ 15,000,000

EXPLANATION: To establish a fund for the acquisition of the Babcock property.

IS for Karen Joseph Co. Parcel

DIVISION DIRECTOR SIGNATURE/DATE _____ DEPARTMENT HEAD SIGNATURE/DATE _____

DBO: APPROVAL DENIAL _____
Emma K. Wolf 11-15-04
 OPS. ANALYST SIGNATURE _____ DATE

OPS. MGR.: APPROVAL _____ DENIAL _____
Anna M. S. 11/15/04
 OPS. MGR. SIGNATURE _____ DATE

CO. MGR.: APPROVAL DENIAL _____
Wally Sawyer 11/15/04
 CO. MANAGER SIGNATURE _____ DATE

BCC APPROVAL DATE: 11/16/04
[Signature]
 BCC CHAIRMAN SIGNATURE _____

BA. NO. _____ AUTH CODE _____ TRANS DATE _____

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