

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

Blue Sheet No. 20061516

1. ACTION REQUESTED/PURPOSE: Adopt a County Resolution enacting the Conservation 20/20 "Leave a Legacy" Program.

2. WHAT ACTION ACCOMPLISHES: Provides an incentive through a recognition program to owners of exceptional conservation lands to become willing sellers to the Conservation 20/20 Land Acquisition Program.

3. MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATION: Approve the "Leave a Legacy" program

4. Departmental Category: 6 CCB **5. Meeting Date:** DEC 05 2006

6. Agenda: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consent <input type="checkbox"/> Administrative <input type="checkbox"/> Appeals <input type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Walk-On	7. Requirement/Purpose: (specify)		8. Request Initiated:	
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	<input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance	<input type="checkbox"/>	Department <u>Independent</u>	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Admin. Code	<input type="checkbox"/>	Division <u>County Lands</u>	
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	By: <u>Karen L.W. Forsyth, Director</u> <i>KLF</i>	

9. Background:
The Conservation Lands Acquisition and Stewardship Advisory Committee (CLASAC) developed this incentive program to attract nominations of exceptional conservation land. Eligible nominations will meet certain minimum criteria. Nominators of such lands will be allowed to name the Conservation 20/20 Preserve if their land is acquired, subject to approval by the Board. Nominations will also receive special recognition from the Board at a public meeting and with a permanently displayed plaque at the Lee County Courthouse.

10. Review for Scheduling:

Department Director	Purchasing or Contracts	Human Resources	Other	County Attorney	Budget Services				County Manager/P.W. Director
					Analyst	Risk	Grants	Mgr.	
<i>K. Forsyth</i>				<i>U. Baden 11/17/06</i>	<i>11-17-06</i>	<i>11/17/06</i>	<i>11/17/06</i>	<i>11/20/06</i>	<i>11-20-06</i>

11. Commission Action:

- Approved
- Deferred
- Denied
- Other

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LEE COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. _____

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners supports the acquisition of conservation lands critical to water supply, flood protection, wildlife habitat, and passive recreation in Lee County through the Conservation 20/20 Program; and

WHEREAS, the Conservation Lands Acquisition and Stewardship Advisory Committee (CLASAC) was appointed by the Board of County Commissioners to develop criteria for nominating, ranking and managing lands submitted to the Conservation 20/20 Program; and

WHEREAS, the CLASAC Committee periodically reviews the criteria and overall status of the Conservation 20/20 Program and makes recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners for potential improvements to the Program; and

WHEREAS, critical parcels of land consistent with the Conservation 20/20 mission are becoming increasingly scarce due to rapid population increase and subsequent urbanization; and

WHEREAS, such critical parcels of land are important culturally, environmentally and economically to the future of Lee County; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of this resolution to provide willing sellers of land an incentive through recognition for nominating parcels of land critical to the future of Lee County and consistent with the Conservation 20/20 Program and mission.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Lee County, Florida, that:

1. An incentive through recognition program hereafter referred to as Conservation 20/20 "Leave a Legacy" will be established as part of the existing Conservation 20/20 Program as established by Lee County Ordinance No. 05-17.
2. All lands nominated for consideration to the Conservation 20/20 "Leave a Legacy" Program will be subjected to the same basic criteria for any nomination to Conservation 20/20. Eligible nominations are expected to represent the best example of lands consistent with the Conservation 20/20 mission and as such, certain initial screening criteria will apply.
3. Parcels of land nominated to the Conservation 20/20 "Leave a Legacy" Program will be at least 100 acres in size or have a minimum score of 35 on the Conservation 20/20 Secondary Review Criteria Matrix.
4. Final designation of a parcel to the Conservation 20/20 "Leave a Legacy" Program will be made after a presentation by the nominator to the CLASAC Committee. The CLASAC Committee will consider the special characteristics of the parcel beyond the initial screening criteria and by a majority vote, the CLASAC Committee will determine the designation of the parcel to the Conservation 20/20 "Leave a Legacy" Program as a recommendation to the Board of County Commissioners.

5. In recognition for nominating their parcel of land to the Conservation 20/20 "Leave a Legacy" Program, the owners of said land will have the opportunity to name the Conservation 20/20 Preserve. The preserve name will be featured on appropriate signage and other information about the preserve normally developed for such purposes by Lee County. The owner of the land will be given considerable latitude toward naming the preserve but the final name will be approved by the CLASAC Committee as a recommendation to the Board of County Commissioners. Owners of land whose nomination becomes part of the conservation "Leave a Legacy" Program will also be recognized, at their discretion, on a plaque permanently displayed at the Lee County Courthouse and so honored by the Board of County Commissioners at one of their regularly scheduled meetings.

6. This Resolution is approved pursuant to the terms and conditions of Lee County Ordinance No. 05-17 and will take effect immediately upon its adoption.

THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION was offered by Commissioner _____, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner _____, and being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Bob Janes	
Brian Bigelow	
Ray Judah	
Tammy Hall	
Frank Mann	

Duly passed and adopted this _____ day of _____, 2006.

ATTEST:
CHARLIE GREEN, CLERK

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

By: _____
Tammara Hall, Chairwoman

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

By: _____
Office of the County Attorney