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Stormwater Utility Planning and Implementation Update (30min)

Date of BOCC Meeting: January 6, 2020

Request for Board Action:

The Board is requested to receive a progress report on the County Stormwater Utility and offer feedback and guidance on its continued development. At the November 4, 2019 Work Session County Staff and its consultant outlined for Commissioners a path forward in the development of the County's Stormwater Utility, including additional work on the rate structure, educational efforts, and credit potential.

Since that time, the following activities have been completed:

- Digitization of 1,000 total residential parcels
- Data distribution and evaluation of those 1,000 parcels
- Recalculation of the Equivalent Residential Unit (ERU) upon which the rate is based
- Development of Tiered Rate options
- Assessment of credit program options and their costs, challenges, and benefits

This information will be presented to the Commissioners, at which time the Board will be able to determine how the utility will be structured, whether to implement a credits program, and how much and what types of public education approaches will be used. Depending on these decisions, a portion of or all the remainder of the consultant contract may be utilized. Items included in the full scope include:

- Digitization of all 13,581 residential parcels
- Final analysis and data distribution of residential parcels
- Computation and finalization of tiers and final quality control
- Final credit program development and benchmarking
- Four additional public education and outreach meetings (total of 10)

Alignment with Strategic Plan: This agenda item supports Strategic Plan Goal 4: Environmental Stewardship and Community Prosperity. More specifically it supports the objective of improving water quality.

Resource Persons: Ryan D. Eaves, PE, Stormwater and Erosion Control Division Manager; McKenzie Gentry, PE, Stormwater Manager; Jay Gibson, PE, General Manager; Peri Manns, ASLA, Deputy Director, Engineering and Environmental Services; Tom Murray, PE, WK Dickson; Keith Readling, PE, Raftelis

County Manager's Recommendation: The County Manager recommends that the Board receives an update on the development of the County's stormwater utility and offers feedback to further inform the next steps on its planning and implementation.

County Manager: _____