ITEM 6:

Consider whether an approximately 0.53-acre public easement for installation, operation, and maintenance of an underground sewer force main across Koreshan State Park is consistent with the Board of Trustees' Linear Facilities Policy.

LOCATION:

Lee County

Section – 28, Township – 46S, Range – 25E

APPLICANT:

Lee County

DSL STAFF REMARKS:

The Applicant has requested this easement for the installation, operation, and maintenance of an underground sewer force main as part of a larger septic to sewer project. This sewer force main will switch all residents of Sunny Grove Park and Tahiti Village from a private onsite wastewater treatment plant to the public sewer system maintained by the Applicant. The project includes a stub out to benefit Koreshan State Park (Park). The sewer force main will be installed by directional bore and open-cut trenching on the state-owned lands adjacent to Sunny Grove Park. The requested state-owned land adjacent to Tahiti Village is needed to meet the minimum width requirement, the sewer line will be located completely on Tahiti Village owned land. The easement will be issued for a term of fifty years. The proposed easement area is currently managed by the State of Florida, Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Recreation and Parks (DRP) under Board of Trustees' (BOT) Lease No. 3630. The northern portion of the proposed easement area was donated to the BOT in 1961, the southern portion of the proposed easement area was acquired by the BOT in 2005 with Florida Forever funds. Both areas are managed for conservation and recreational activities.

DRP consented to the easement in a letter dated December 16, 2022. In a letter, dated March 3, 2023, the Division of Historical Resources (DHR) requested that ground-disturbing activities associated with the project be monitored by someone who has completed Archaeological Resource Management (ARM) training. At completion of the project, the ARM monitor shall submit the appropriate monitoring forms to DHR. In the event that unmarked human remains are encountered during permitted activities, all work shall stop immediately, and the proper authorities notified in accordance with Chapter 872, Florida Statutes.

Avoidance:

There are no other practical alternatives for this easement request. Other locations were considered but were not viable options.

Minimizing Impacts:

The location of the proposed easement has limited public access and little to no affect to designated recreational opportunities. The Applicant at their expense, are responsible for repairing any damages caused to the Park that are a direct result of this project.

Gopher tortoises, a threatened wildlife species and Florida pine snakes are commonly found in open areas adjacent to the Park. The Applicant shall review species conservation measures and

permitting guidelines and conduct a survey to identify any tortoises and snakes located within the requested easement area. The Applicant shall obtain any required permits from the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission needed to relocate any gopher tortoises or Florida pine snakes prior to any construction activity. No other imperiled species occur within the requested segments of the Park.

Compensation:

The easement fee is waived for Public Agencies. Per the BOT's Linear Facilities Policy, additional compensation, in the form of replacement land or goods and services, will be provided at 1.5 times the market value of the easement area.

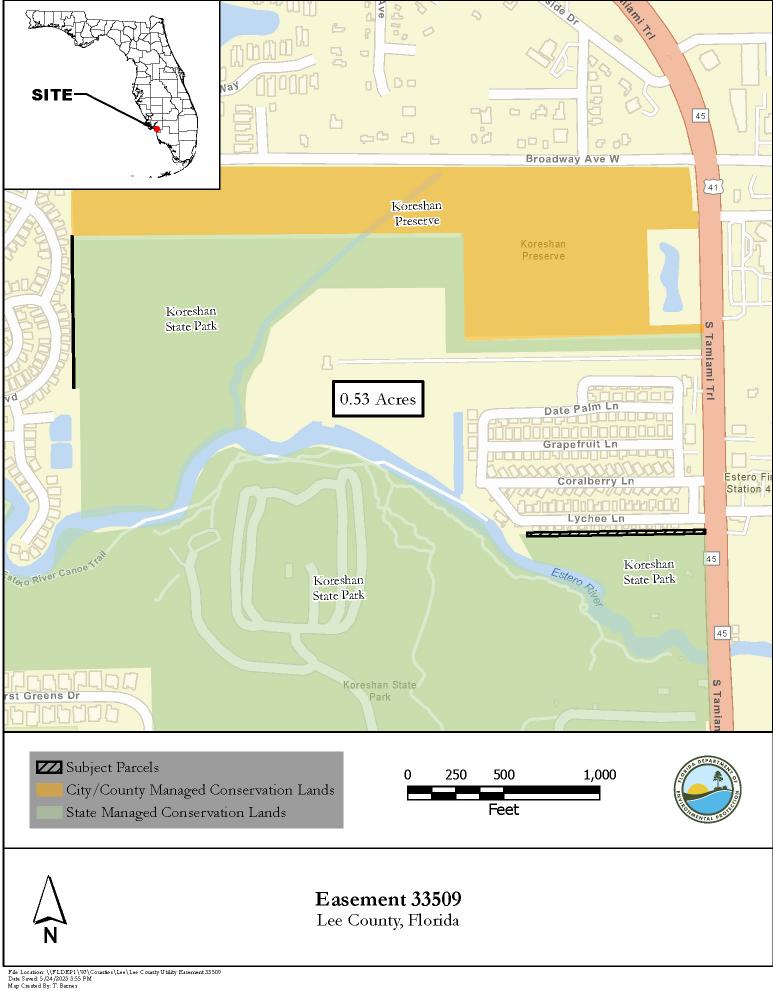
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Approve the easement.

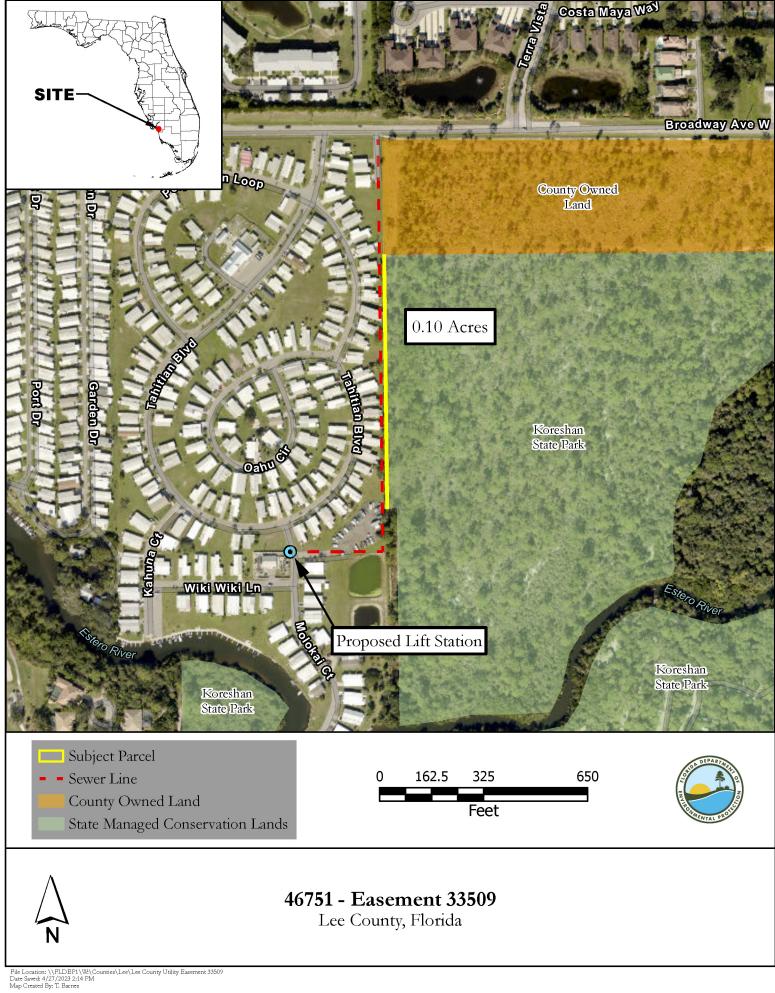
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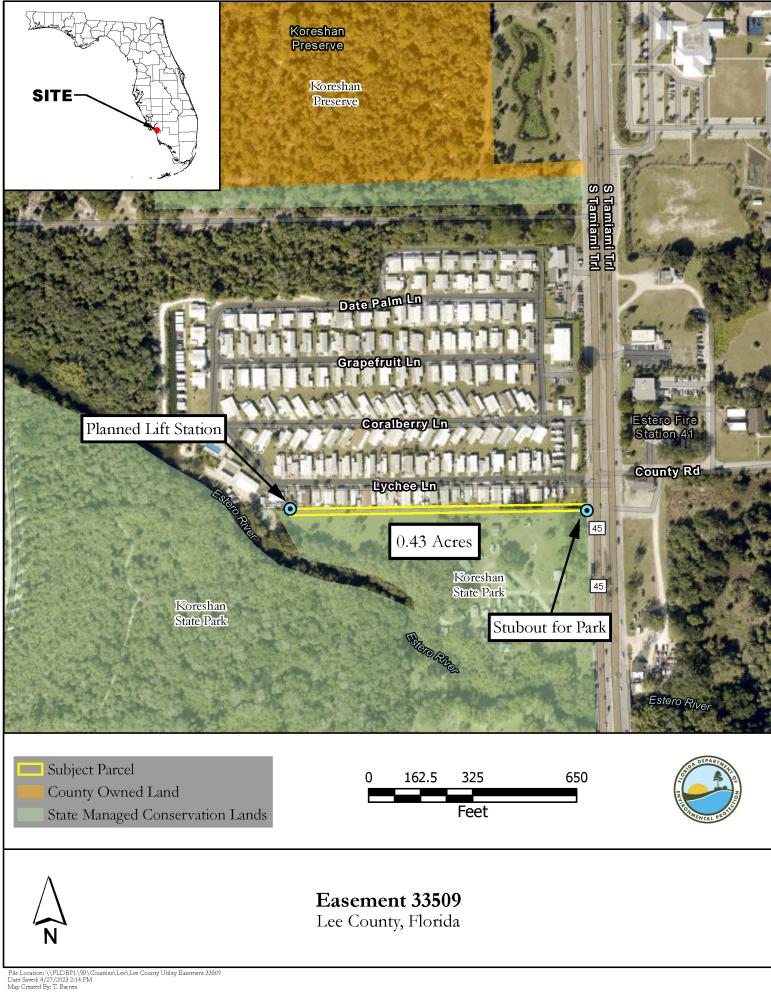
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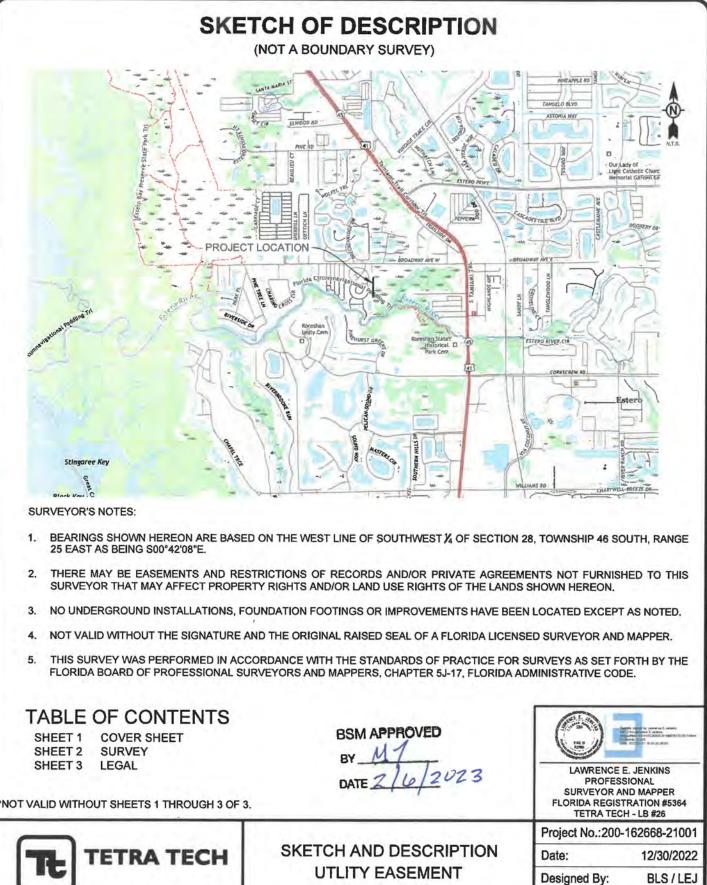


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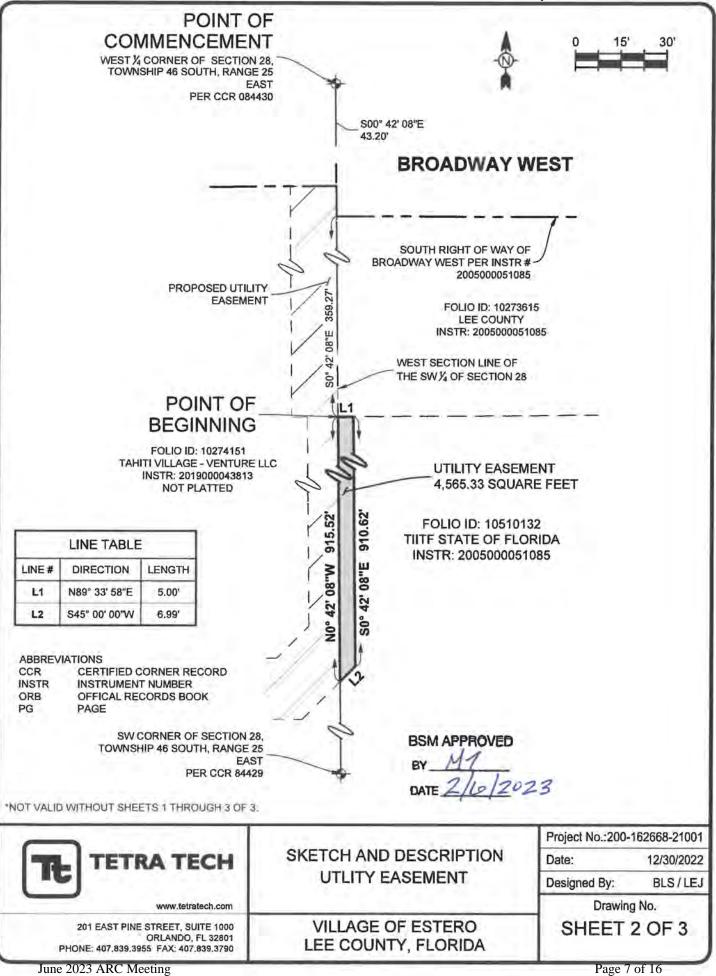
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LEGAL DESCRIPTION - UTILITY EASEMENT

A PARCEL LAND LOCATED IN THE SOUTHWEST ¼ OF SECTION 28, TOWNSHIP 46 SOUTH, RANGE 25 EAST. LEE COUNTY FLORIDA.

BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCING FROM THE WEST ¼ CORNER OF SECTION 28, TOWNSHIP 46 SOUTH, RANGE 25, THENCE RUN S.00°42'08"E., ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID SOUTHWEST 1/4 FOR A DISTANCE OF 43.20 FEET, TO A POINT ON THE SOUTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF BROADWAY WEST AS RECORDED IN INSTRUMENT NUMBER 2005000051085, THENCE CONTINUE S.00°42'08"E., FOR A DISTANCE OF 359.27 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE DEPARTING SAID WEST LINE RUN N.89°33'58"E., FOR A DISTANCE OF 5.00 FEET; THENCE RUN S.00°42'08"E., FOR A DISTANCE OF 910.62 FEET; THENCE RUN S.45°00'00"W., FOR A DISTANCE OF 6.99 FEET TO THE AFOREMENTIONED WEST LINE; THENCE RUN N.00°42'08"W., ALONG SAID WEST LINE FOR A DISTANCE OF 915.52 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

CONTAINING 4,565.33 SQUARE FEET OR 0.1048 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.

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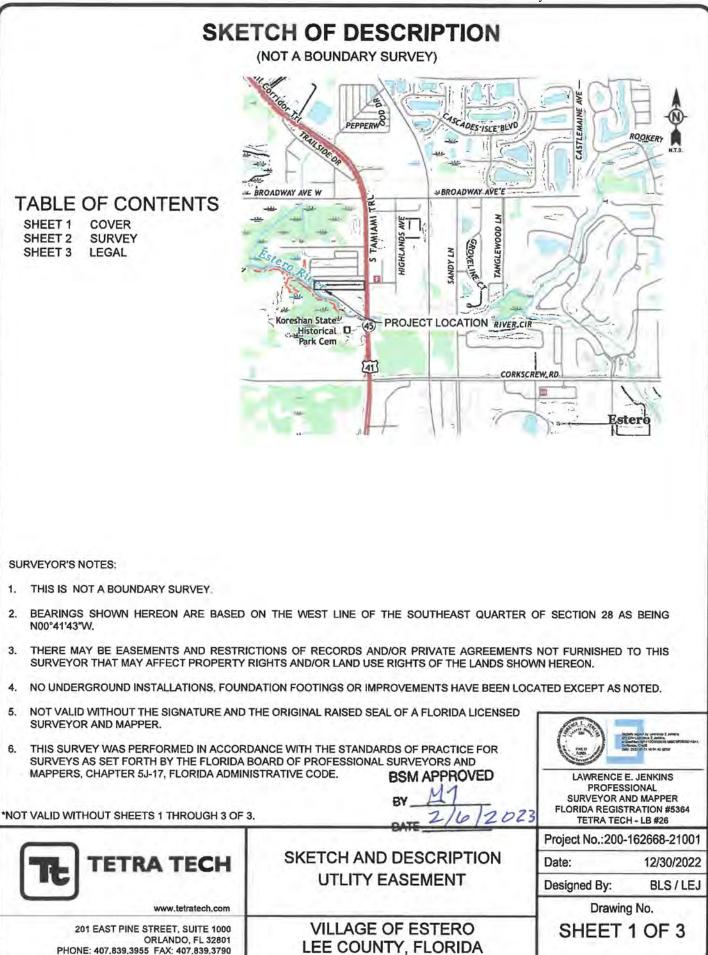
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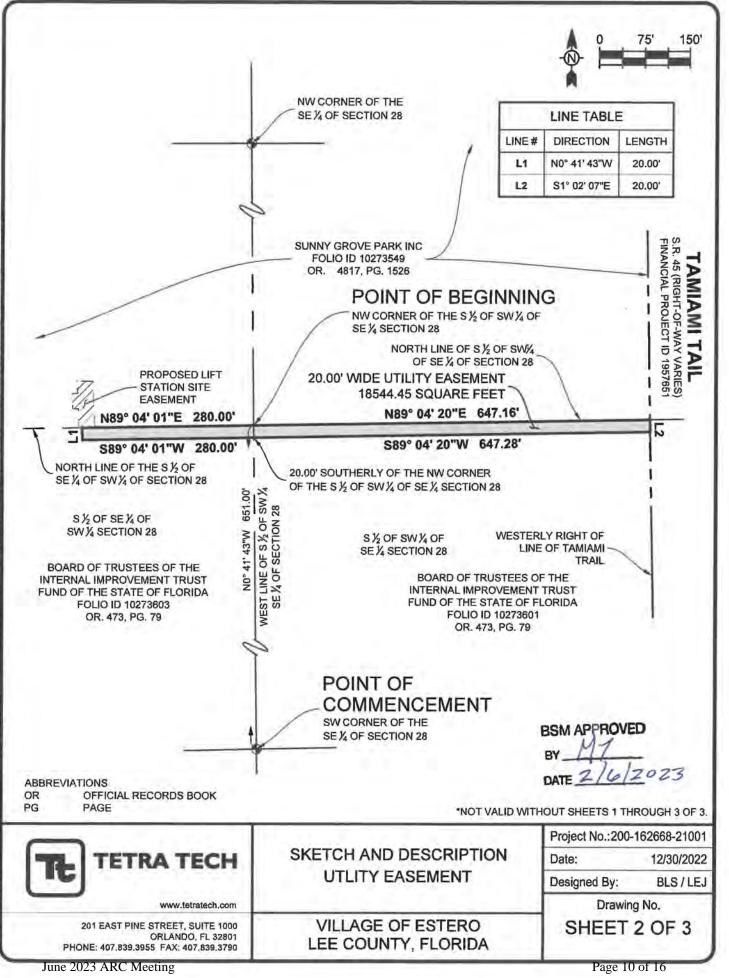
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BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 28, TOWNSHIP 46 SOUTH, RANGE 25 EAST; THENCE RUN N.00°41'43"W., ALONG THE WEST LINE OF THE SOUTH 1/2, OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SAID SECTION 28, FOR A DISTANCE OF 651.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, SAID POINT BEING THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE SOUTH 1/2 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SAID SECTION 28; THENCE RUN N.89°04'20"E ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF THE SOUTH 1/2 OF THE SOUTHWEST ½ OF THE SOUTHEAST ½ OF SAID SECTION 28, FOR A DISTANCE OF 647.16 FEET TO A POINT ON THE WESTERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF TAMIAMI TAIL (RIGHT OF WAY VARIES); THENCE RUN S.01°02'07"E., ALONG SAID WESTERLY RIGHT OF WAY, FOR A DISTANCE OF 20.00 FEET; THENCE DEPARTING SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY LINES, RUN S.89°04'20"W., ALONG A LINE 20.00 FEET SOUTH OF AND PARALLEL TO THE AFOREMENTIONED NORTH LINE FOR A DISTANCE OF 647.28 FEET; THENCE RUN S.89°04'01"W. ALONG A LINE 20.0 FEET SOUTH OF AND PARALLEL TO THE NORTH LINE OF THE SOUTH 1/2 OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SAID SECTION 28 FOR A DISTANCE OF 280.00 FEET; THENCE RUN N00°41'43"W., FOR A DISTANCE OF 20.00 FEET; THENCE RUN N.89°04'01"E., ALONG SAID NORTH LINE FOR A DISTANCE OF 280.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING

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Item 6: Lee County Easement No. 33509



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF Environmental Protection

Marjory Stoneman Douglas Building 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399 Ron DeSantis Governor

Jeanette Nuñez Lt. Governor

Shawn Hamilton Secretary

December 16, 2022

Lee County Utilities Attn: Nathan Beals, Manager 1500 Monroe Street, 1st Floor Fort Myers, Florida 33907 <u>Nbeals@leegov.com</u>

Re: Force Main Easement

Dear Mr. Beals:

Thank you for contacting the Division of Recreation and Parks (DRP), leaseholder of Koreshan State Park (Park) under Lease Number 3630. DRP has reviewed Lee County's and the Village of Estero's joint project that includes the installation of force main piping across Park lands, to become part of Lee County's wastewater collection system. DRP has determined this request is not inconsistent with the goals of the Park's approved unit management plan.

Please be aware, however, that this letter should accompany your request for easement to the Division of State Lands, Bureau of Public Land Administration. For more information, visit their website at <u>https://floridadep.gov/lands/bureaupublic-land-administration</u> DRP has determined that it has no objection to the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund of the State of Florida (GRANTOR), issuing this easement to Lee County (GRANTEE), in those areas as depicted in the attached **Exhibit "A"**, subject to the following special conditions:

Special Conditions for Koreshan State Park

A. GRANTEE shall contact the managing agency's park manager (Park Manager) of Koreshan State Park (Park) by phone at (239) 253-1673, not less than (14) days in advance of GRANTEE'S initial planned entry into the Park. At the discretion of the Park Manager, an onsite meeting with GRANTEE'S project manager may be required prior to accessing the Park.

B. GRANTEE shall follow all of the Park Manager's specialized instructions discussed at the pre-construction meeting.

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C. GRANTEE shall contact the Florida Department of State, Division of Historical Resources (DHR), to determine if a certified archaeological monitor is required to be on-site for all ground-disturbing activities. Further, GRANTEE shall provide written confirmation to the Park Manager that the aforementioned determination from DHR has been obtained. Should an on-site monitor be required, GRANTEE shall provide one at GRANTEE'S sole cost and expense. DHR may be contacted directly at (850) 245-6333

D. GRANTEE shall ensure that all stationary and mechanized equipment entering the Park is clean and does not contain any soil, plant, or animal remains in an effort to help prevent exotic or invasive species from entering the Park. The Park Manager may inspect all equipment prior to Park entry and deny access for equipment that has not been sufficiently cleaned. For complete decontamination guidelines visit

https://bugwoodcloud.org/CDN/floridainvasives/DecontaminationGuidelines Han dout.pdf

E. GRANTEE at its sole cost and expense, shall repair all damages caused to the Park that is a direct result of its project activities. This may include, but not be limited to, natural vegetation (trees, grasses, groundcover vegetation or trail surface). All repairs shall be done to the satisfaction and approval of the Park Manager. Additionally, GRANTEE shall leave the Park in the same condition, if not better, as on the first day of planned entry.

F. GRANTEE is prohibited from commencing any construction work within the easement area prior to submitting final construction plans to the State of Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Recreation and Parks (DRP) and receiving written approval from DRP.

G. GRANTEE shall post signs notifying Park visitors of construction activities.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at (850) 245-3084 or via email at <u>daniel.alsentzer@dep.state.fl.us</u> should you have any questions.

Sincerely, P. A Rit

Daniel Alsentzer Environmental Administrator Office of Park Planning

DA/dp Attachment cc: Ezell "BJ" Givens, Bureau Chief District 4 Zach Lozano, Park Manager, Koreshan State Park Angel Granger, Planning Manager, OPP



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT Of STATE

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Governor

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March 2, 2023

Department of Environmental Protection Bureau of Public Lands Administration 3800 Commonwealth Blvd. Tallahassee, FL 32399

Re: DHR Project File No.: 2023-0642 Project: 46751 - Easement 33509

To Whom It May Concern:

Our office reviewed the referenced projects in accordance with Chapter 267, Florida Statutes, and implementing state regulations, for possible effects on historic properties listed, or eligible for listing, in the National Register of Historic Places, or otherwise of historical, architectural or archaeological value.

Based on the information provided, it is the opinion of this agency that ground-disturbing activities for the above project should be monitored by someone who has completed our Archaeological Resource Management (ARM) training program. Once the project is complete, the monitor should submit the appropriate monitoring forms to this agency. In the event that unmarked human remains are encountered during permitted activities, all work shall stop immediately and the proper authorities notified in accordance with Section 872, *Florida Statutes*.

If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer Tobias, Historic Sites Specialist, by email at *Jennifer.Tobias@dos.myflorida.com*.

Sincerely,

Alissa S. Lotane Director, Division of Historical Resources and State Historic Preservation Officer



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ARC Questionnaire Koreshan State Park – BOT Lease Number 3630 Easement 33509- Lee County Utility

1. Description of when and under what program or fund the parcel under consideration was acquired (EEL, LATF, CARL, P-2000, Florida Forever, etc) or donated. *Deed from Florida Board of Parks and Historic Memorials transferred to TIITF as part of 1967 transfer.* Acquired through CARL funds. Donation in 1961 and FF Funds 2005.

2. Description of the purpose for the parcel's acquisition (P-2000 or Florida Forever goals and criteria or similar purpose descriptions) or donation and any restrictions or conditions of use that apply to the parcel, if any. The primary purpose of the acquisition was to provide resource-based public outdoor recreation.

3. Description of the current level of public recreational use or public access of the parcel. The portion of the parcel(s) being affected by the easement(s) have very limited public access. There are no designated recreation opportunities that would be affected by the proposed easement(s).

4. Description of the natural resources, land cover, vegetation, habitat or natural community, if any, that are currently present on the parcel. The requested easement(s) are located along boundary fence lines. Theses effected areas are already disturbed. Vegetation is primarily native grasses with some upland trees such as adult slash pines and cabbage palms.

5. Description and list of the imperiled and other wildlife species, if any, that occur on or use the parcel. Gopher tortoises are commonly found in open areas adjacent to the proposed easement footprint.

6) Description and list of historical or archaeological resources, if any, that occur or have the potential of occurring on the site. None to report.

7) Formal alternative siting analysis that includes a description and assessment of other potential alternative sites and why they are not feasible or practicable alternatives. Other locations were considered but we not viable options.

8) Assessment of the impacts the proposed alternative use will have on the natural/historical/archaeological/recreational resources, if any, as well as on the current public use and purpose for the site or parcel. Impacts to recreation and natural resources should be minimal. Current public use within easement footprint is very limited. No impacts to historical and archaeological resources.

9) Assessment of the potential impacts on the larger area of conservation lands the parcel is located within (park, wildlife management area, forest trail, etc.) and on any surrounding conservation lands, if any. Potential impact to boundary fence at both easement locations. Potential impact to fire break that runs along fence line adjacent to Easement #1. Applicant will be required to make repairs resulting from this project.

10) Assessment of how the proposed package of consideration and net positive benefit for the requested alternative use of the parcel, such as the generally standard requirement for replacement land (depending on the parcel's size), will offset the impacts and benefit the larger area of conservation lands (park, forest, wildlife management area, trail system, etc.) the parcel is within and particularly how it will offset the impacts or benefit the natural/historical/archaeological resources, habitat and public recreational uses of the public conservation area the parcel is located within. The NPB will be used for areas designated for improvement within the Park. It will be the responsibility of the managing agency on whose property a non-conservation or non-public recreation use is proposed to have staff at ARC meetings who will be able to answer questions about the effect of that proposed use on the lands that they manage and about their justification for agreeing to allow it. BPLA staff will continue to present the items, but managing agency staff should be ready to answer any questions related to the resources and recreation on the site and the effects of proposed uses.