

**ITEM 12:**

Consider project evaluation reports for Amtel Farms, Buck Island Ranch, Hendrie Ranch and Withlacoochee River Corridor 2020 Cycle 1 Florida Forever proposals.

**DSL STAFF REMARKS:**

On December 13, 2019, ARC voted to move four 2020 Cycle 1 proposals on for more detailed review. The Division of State Lands (DSL) with input from partner agencies subsequently have prepared an evaluation report for each proposal. The DSL has included a copy of each report as backup to this item.

Public notice has been posted for receiving public testimony on the 2020 Cycle 1 proposals approved by ARC in December. The DSL held public hearings on the proposals on May 20, 2020 and preceding this item at the June 12, 2020 ARC meeting. The public notices were posted in the Florida Administrative Register and the following newspapers: Lake Okeechobee News, Highlands News-Sun, Citrus County Chronicle and newszap.com.

<b>Proposal</b>	<b>Acres</b>	<b>Acquisition Type</b>	<b>County</b>	<b>Prospective Manager</b>
Amtel Farms	2,207	Fee Simple	Glades/Hendry	Florida Forest Service
Buck Island Ranch	6,560	Less-Than-Fee	Highlands	DSL to monitor
Hendrie Ranch	7,229	Less-Than-Fee	Highlands	DSL to monitor
Withlacoochee River Corridor	1,714	Less-Than-Fee	Citrus	DSL to monitor

**DSL STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

Approve the project evaluation reports.

**ARC RECOMMENDATION:**

**APPROVE**

**APPROVE WITH MODIFICATIONS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**DEFER**

**WITHDRAW**

**NOT APPROVE**

**OTHER:** \_\_\_\_\_