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Pinellas County PLANNING

September 18, 2012

Lauren Matzke
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Subject: Pinellas County's Ten Year Water Supply Facilities Work Plan

Dear Ms. Matzke:

Your jurisdiction is included within Pinellas County's Water Demand Planning Area, and pursuant to Section 163.3177, Florida Statutes (F.S.), Pinellas County is providing your jurisdiction with assurance that the County plans for, and provides, the facilities necessary to transmit and distribute potable water to your jurisdiction.

As you are aware, Pinellas County receives its potable water supply from Tampa Bay Water, the regional water supply utility. Pinellas County is a member government to the regional utility, and Tampa Bay Water is under agreement with its member governments, including the Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners, to supply the potable water to meet all member government water demands. Attached to this letter is recent correspondence from Tampa Bay Water evidencing this commitment as well as coordination of their Master Water Plan with the updated Regional Water Supply Plan prepared by the Southwest Florida Water Management District.

Also, attached to this letter is a copy of the County's **Ten Year Water Supply Facilities Work Plan**, which reflects the long term funding commitment to the facilities required to support the potable water needs of Pinellas County's retail and wholesale customers (i.e. Pinellas County's Water Demand Planning Area).

We are sending you this Work Plan to assist your municipality with preparing the necessary updates/amendments to the applicable Elements of your respective Comprehensive Plan to meet the requirements of Section 163.3177, F.S., which requires local governments to adopt a **Ten Year Water Supply Facilities Work Plan** into their Comprehensive Plan within 18 months after the Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD) adopts an updated Regional Water Supply Plan. The Regional Water Supply Plan was approved by SWFWMD on July 26, 2011, and the deadline for local governments to meet this requirement is January 26, 2013.

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This Work Plan has been updated to be consistent with the County's proposed Capital Improvement Program, scheduled to be adopted by the Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners on September 18, 2012. However, if there are any changes to the Work Plan as a result of the Board action on September 18, 2012 we will forward you a revised Work Plan.

Please contact Elizabeth Freeman or Ryan Brinson of my staff at (727) 464-8200 if you need additional information, or have any questions. Pinellas County is planning to take the proposed Work Plan to the Local Planning Agency on October 11, 2012, with first reading by the Board of County Commission scheduled for November 27, 2012. Also, for your reference we will be posting the adopted version of the **Ten Year Water Supply Facilities Work Plan** on our website at www.pinellascounty.org/plan.

Sincerely,

Larry Arrington, Director
Pinellas County Department of Strategic Planning & Initiatives

cc:
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