

# CENTRAL FLORIDA EXPRESSWAY AUTHORITY

## AMENDED MINUTES ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING February 22, 2024

Location: Central Florida Expressway Authority  
4974 ORL Tower Road, Orlando, FL 32807  
Pelican Conference Room

### Committee Members Present:

Charles Lee, Citizen Representative  
Richard Durr, Seminole County Representative  
Maurice "Mo" Pearson, Citizen Representative  
Timothee Sallin, Lake County Representative  
Brittany Sellers, City of Orlando Representative

### Committee Member Participating by Phone:

Beth Jackson, Orange County Committee Chairman

### Committee Members Not Present:

Robert Mindick, Osceola County Representative  
Jim Barfield, Brevard County Representative

### Staff Present:

Michelle Maikisch, Executive Director  
Glenn Pressimone, Chief of Infrastructure  
Will Hawthorne, Director of Transportation & Policy  
Mala Iley, Recording Secretary

## **A. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at approximately 10:05 am by Chairman Jackson.

## **B. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Ms. Mala Iley, Recording Secretary announced there was no public comment. There were no written public comments received by the deadline.

**C. APPROVAL OF THE FEBRUARY 23, 2023 MEETING MINUTES**

A motion was made by Mr. Lee and seconded by Mr. Pearson to approve the February 23, 2023 minutes as presented.

The motion carried unanimously with five (5) committee members in attendance voting AYE by voice vote. One (1) committee member, Ms. Jackson voting AYE by phone. Mr. Mindick and Mr. Barfield were not present.

**D. AGENDA ITEMS**

**1. PD&E PROJECT UPDATE**

Mr. Will Hawthorne, Director of Transportation Planning and Policy provided the Committee with an overview of current and upcoming PD&E projects for CFX. Including statuses on SR 528 Farm Access Bridge Removal, SR 417 Capacity Improvements, SR 429 Capacity Improvements, SR 538 Southport Expressway, SR 515 Northeast Expressway Phase 2, and SR 417 Sanford Connector.

Mr. Lee provided multiple maps to the Committee (attached as **Exhibit "A"**) with his comments and concerns regarding the Southport Connector and the Northeast Connector.

Discussion ensued.

(This item was presented for information only. No committee action was taken.)

**2. ACCEPTANCE OF SYSTEMWIDE LANDSCAPING ASSESSMENT REPORT**

Ms. Christina Hite, Founding Partner at Dix-Hite presented the Systemwide Landscaping Assessment Report. Ms. Hite advised a study was done to evaluate the condition of the landscaping with the Central Florida Expressway Authority Right of Way. This study reviewed ways to improve the maintenance, safety, and aesthetics. Which included doing an evaluation on landscape needs, prioritizing investments, and enhancing safety within budget constraints.

Discussion ensued.

Ms. Maikisch and Mr. Pressimone thanked Ms. Hite and the Committee for their feedback and suggestions.

**A motion was made by Mr. Durr and seconded by Mr. Lee to accept Systemwide Landscaping Assessment Report as presented.**

**The motion carried unanimously with five (5) committee members in attendance voting AYE by voice vote. One (1) committee member, Ms. Jackson voting AYE by phone. Mr. Mindick and Mr. Barfield were not present.**

**E. OTHER BUSINESS**

Ms. Maikisch thanked the committee for their service.

Chairman Jackson announced the new Chairman will be Richard Durr from Seminole County.

Chairman Jackson would like to see a future in-depth presentation on the different types and functionality of wildlife crossings. She said she will leave schedule for that presentation up to the incoming Chairman, Mr. Durr.

Chairman Jackson announced that the next Environmental Stewardship Committee meeting is scheduled for May 23, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.

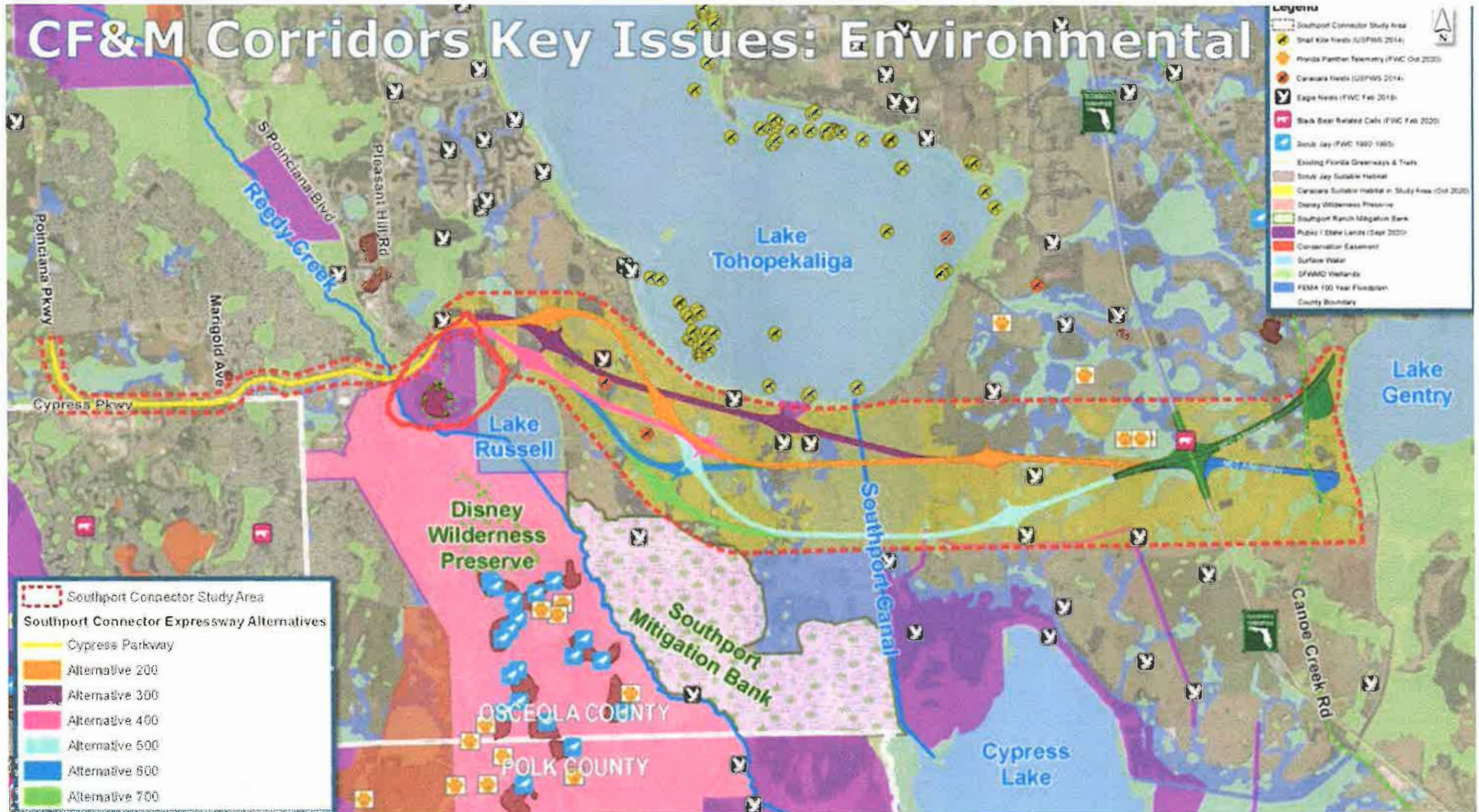
**F. ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman Jackson adjourned the meeting at 11:28 a.m.

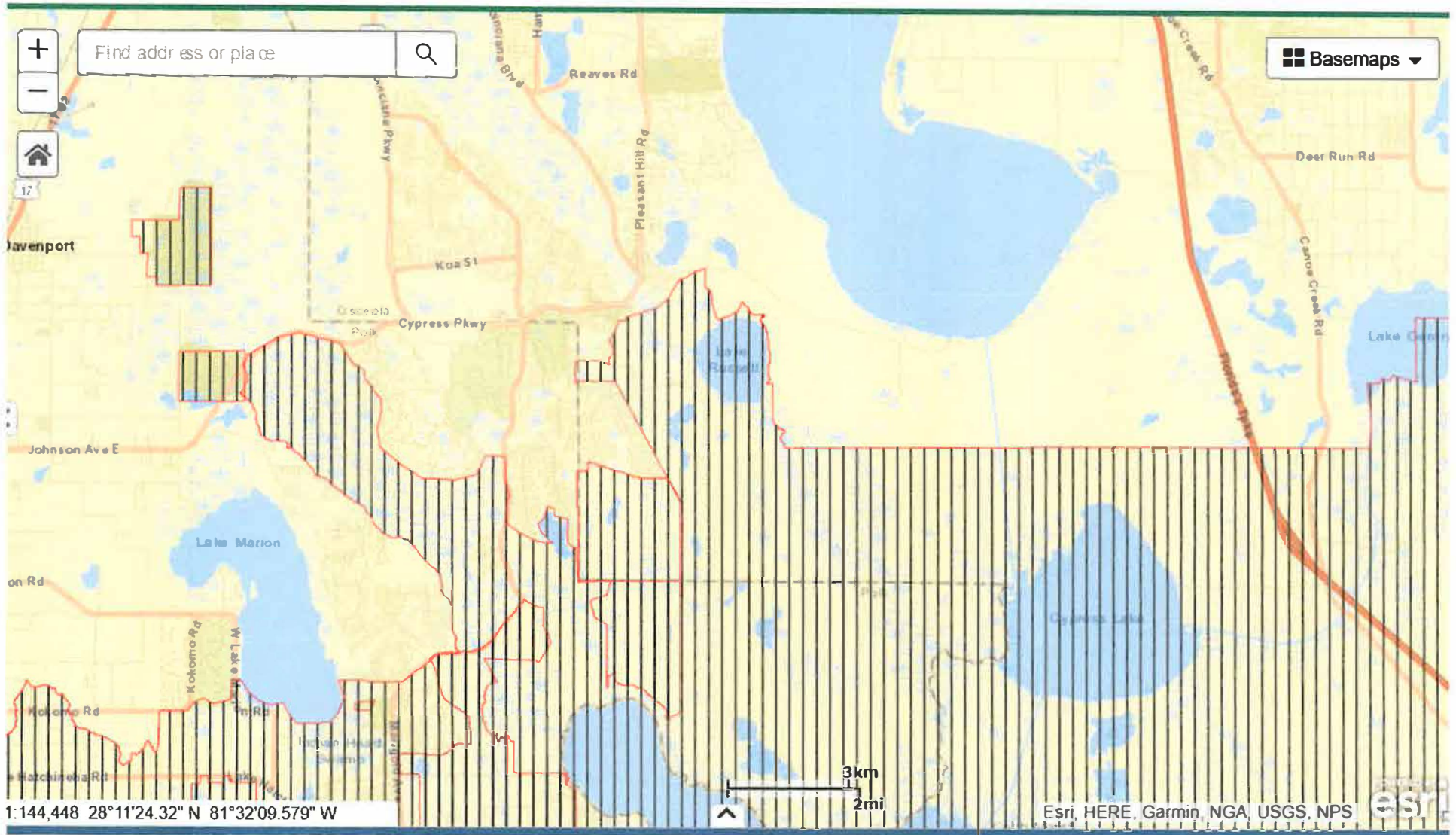
Minutes approved on \_\_\_\_\_ May 30, 2024.

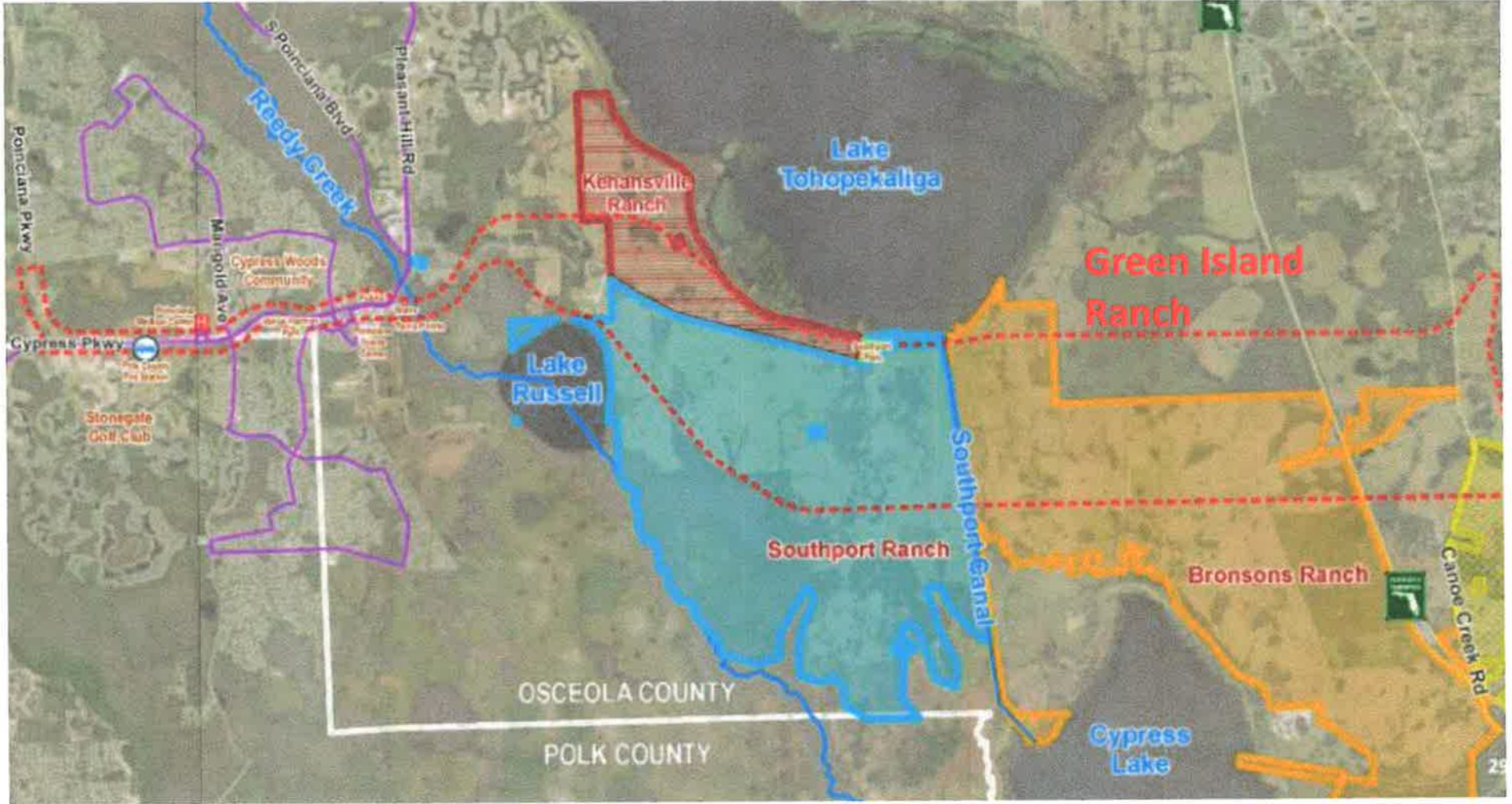
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# Exhibit "A"



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