

DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES
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DM-09-148

TO: Eber Brown, Interim County Administrator

FROM: Gary W. Maidhof, Development Services Director

DATE: May 7, 2009

SUBJ: DDS Project Status Report – April 2009

Land Development Code Update – The LDC critique has been accepted by the Board. The consultant (Duncan and Associates) has submitted a contract amendment and scope of work proposal for the LDC Appendices Update by Florida Engineering firm Wilson Miller. The contract was approved by the Board on May 8, 2007. A kickoff meeting with staff was held on 6/13/07. Due to the cost of the LDC Appendices update, that portion of the process will need to be phased over two years. Draft sections on administrative procedures, design incentives, drainage, signage, and parking have been circulated for internal staff review. A review session with the consultant on the code was held on April 29, 2009, and a review session about the appendices is scheduled for May 14, 2009. The sign section was reviewed by the PDRB which desires a second workshop (to be scheduled at a later date). A review session with Wilson Miller on the drainage engineering standards is scheduled for May 19, 2009.

Watershed Management Plan – The cooperative agreements with the water management district and the County were first approved on September 26, 2006. Six projects identified for FY 06/07. Crystal River Watershed, Tsala Apopka Outlet Watershed, Cardinal Lane Watershed, Center Ridge Watershed, Inverness Watershed, and the Homosassa River North & South Watershed. Fiscal Year 2007 added five more: Withlacoochee River, Shinn Ditch, Leslie Hefner Canal, Lake Bradley, and Floral City. Fiscal Year 2008 added two more: Homosassa South Fork and Chassahowitzka, for a total of 14 of the 20 watersheds identified. A local working group with DPW and DDS staff has been established. BOCC approved the 2010 cooperative applications at their 11/18 meeting. At the request of District staff, the Red Level watershed project has been deferred for one year. Review sessions with the consultants are scheduled for May 14th (Center Ridge) and May 27th (Lake Tsala Apopka).

Transportation Planning Services (SB360) – representatives of Tindale Oliver & Associates conducted a Board workshop on the 2035 Long Range Transportation Plan at a special meeting on February 5, 2009. The consultants have completed a series of stakeholder interviews and are proceeding with public workshops. Adjustments to the CMS system to reflect a higher threshold minor traffic study have been prepared by staff and were discussed with the Board on April 28th. Minor traffic studies are now reviewed by the Division of Engineering instead of our transportation consultant, DRMP, Inc.

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Impact Fees – At their meeting on January 13, 2009, the BCC authorized staff to advertise for qualified consultants to prepare an update to the impact fee ordinance. Four consultants were interviewed and ranked by the evaluation team. On April 14, 2009, the BOCC requested that the top two firms make presentations directly to them, which will be scheduled at a later date.

Concurrency Management System – Proposed ordinance amendment (OA-09-03) to revisit thresholds for traffic studies and outlines the School Concurrency Procedures. The meetings are scheduled for BCC workshop on April 28, 2009 and public hearing on May 26, 2009.

Springs Protection – Land Development Code Text Amendment (OA-09-05) to provide modifications related to springs and springshed protection. It follows the adoption of the Springs Protection Remedial Amendment to the Comprehensive Plan adopted May 27, 2008. BCC hearing date is May 12, 2009.

Sign Ordinance – Land Development Code Text Amendment (OA-09-06) revises existing sign ordinance. The PDRB has requested an additional workshop with the consultant (Duncan Associates, Inc.) on this section of the LDC.

Developers Diversified a/k/a Crystal River Pavilion – CPA/AA-09-04 – Proposed large scale amendment north of Bealls shopping center on US19, Crystal River. Approximately 250,000 sq.ft of commercial. Applicant requested continuance to 2010.

DA-07-03 – Crystal River Commons/Primerica – Applicant has requested continuance to allow time to meet with FDOT and discuss possible phasing of access road. Revised DA was submitted on May 4, 2009 and is being reviewed by staff.

Capital Improvements Element (CPA-08-05) – Revised due to new statutory requirements; Approved by BCC on 8/19/08 and sent to DCA. DCA has found element to be noncompliant, and staff has revised the element with DCA assistance. Staff had a conference call with DCA on April 9, and sent revised language to DCA for their review. Upon receiving DCA response, this item will be scheduled for BCC approval.

CPA-09-16 (previously CPA/AA-08-24) Katherine's Bay LLC – RV park addition on Halls River Road – Applicant has resubmitted application as CPA only, and is scheduled for the PDRB on 05/07/09 and BCC tentatively on 05/26/09.

DA-08-01 Crystal Pointe Phases II and III – BCC granted approval for staff to consider this application on 2/26/08. An outline of general terms discussed by BCC in January. PDRB hearing was on 04/02/09 and BCC approved on 04/28/09.

Floral City Community Plan - Staff has prepared a "Floral City Community Plan" and a "Floral City Special Overlay District." Florida Community Block Grant Neighborhood Revitalization Grant (\$750,000) received to provide housing repair/restoration in the

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Floral City area. Staff met with representatives of the Floral City Heritage Council, and the revised draft went to HRAB. Community meeting held December 17, 2008, and PDRB meeting held on April 16, 2009 and the BOCC scheduled for May 12, 2009.

Crosland Developer's Agreement – The principal developer has withdrawn. The DA contains a provision that the land owner may assume the D.A. The Board has granted 60 days to the land owner to evaluate and develop a Forbearance Agreement. This is rescheduled for Board review May 12th.

AA-06-09/PDO-06-08 Stillwell for Lecanto Residential Partners, LLC – a planned development overlay for a residential subdivision on 75 acres. As submitted, the project is not meeting concurrency and applicant is working on resubmittal. Upon receipt it will be placed on PDRB agenda.

CPA/AA-09-06 – Sander Son Henigar Enterprises: South side of CR-486 in Hernando area. Proposed for PSO use in association with adjacent medical offices. PDRB recommended denial on February 5, 2009. BCC hearing held February 24, 2009 and the application was denied. The applicant has refilled for Atlas Amendment with a Planned Development Overlay (AA-PDO-09-18) for a parking lot to serve the existing facility. This item is tentatively scheduled for PDRB on May 7, 2009, and the BCC hearing date has not yet been scheduled.

CPA-09-10 – Five Mile Radius. Staff was directed by BCC to remove restriction on increased density within five mile radius of Progress Energy Nuclear Plant. PDRB transmittal hearing was held on April 2, 2009 and BCC voted to transmit to DCA on April 28, 2009.

CPA/AA-09-11 – Seven Rivers Presbyterian. Proposed to change existing church land to appropriate zoning of PSI (Public, Semi-Public, Institutional). PDRB transmittal hearing scheduled for June 4, 2009 and BCC transmittal hearing tentatively scheduled for June 23, 2009.

AA-08-16 & PDO-08-02 – John and Joanna Lawson – Cedar Key Fish House – Both applications brought before the PDRB on 11/13/08 and they chose to continue until the Comprehensive Plan designation questions are resolved.

CPA-09-12 – John and Joanna Lawson – Cedar Key Fish House – Requests to confirm the GFLUM from as CLC. This item is scheduled for PDRB hearing on May 21, 2009 and BCC hearing has not yet been scheduled.

CPA-09-13 – PORT District – This is a Comprehensive Plan text amendment for the establishment of a new Comprehensive Plan Future land Use category to contain residential and commercial components as well as a marina. This item is scheduled for PDRB transmittal hearing on June 4, 2009 and BCC transmittal hearing on June 23, 2009.

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CPA-09-14 – Hollinswood Harbor – This is the map amendment running concurrently with CPA-09-13; changes approximately 545 acres from IND, CON, EXT, and TCU to “Port District.” This item is scheduled for PDRB transmittal hearing on June 4, 2009 and BCC transmittal hearing on June 23, 2009.

CPA-09-15 – River Lodge Resort – Proposed large scale project on east side of US-19 north of barge canal. Amends GFLUM from IND, RUR, and CL to RVP and CLC. PDRB transmittal hearing June 4, 2009 and BCC transmittal hearing June 23, 2009.

AA-09-20 – Tamposi/Pine Ridge – Request to change use designation on multiple parcels from school, church or community facility to single-family residential. Application is not sufficient for review at this time.

Platting Activity:

PLT-05-63 Felicia Station (15-18-19) – 537 Lots
PLT-05-39 Sterling Hills (4,9-19-18) – 572 Lots
PLT-05-46 Hunt Club Villas (26&35-18-18) – 193 Lots
PLT-05-28 Cherry Oak Estates (29-20-18) – 95 Lots
PLT-05-19 Twisted Oaks (formerly The Fairways) (1&12-18-18) – 157 Lots
PLT-05-23 Southern Woods at SMW Phase V (21-20-18) – 71 Lots
PLT-06-05 Brentwood Villas VII (22-18-18) – 106 Lots
PLT-06-17 Allen Plantation (28,29,33-18-18) – 809 Lots
PLT-05-62 Crystal Pointe Unit 2 (23-17-17) – 106 Lots
PLT-05-64 Tarawood Phase II – 135 Lots
PLT-06-25 Oak Lakes – 978 Lots
PLT-06-36 Oak Village (Beverly Hills) – 130 Lots
PLT-08-09 Maylen Avenue Property (32-18-18) – 24 Lots

Anticipated Submittals:

Black Diamond/CR486 LLC – Proposed commercial (276,000 sq.ft.) and residential (144 single family, 384 townhouses) on NW corner of CR486 & CR491; traffic study submitted; PDO expected, but not yet submitted. Development Agreement proposed but not yet submitted.

Anchor Ridge – proposed 375,000 sq.ft. retail adjacent to Black Diamond/CR486 LLC project. Staff believes both projects qualify as DRIs. Traffic study denied since traffic counts done at non-peak times; expected PDO, but not yet submitted. The applicant has been in discussions with the County’s transportation attorney. Per Agreement proposed but not yet submitted.

Ozello Trail Development – proposed big-box commercial on west side of US Highway 19. Applicant has met with staff regarding submittal requirements.

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CC Investments I, Inc. – SE corner of CR 486/CR491 – Proposed Development Agreement to address exchange of land between Developer and County as a result of CR486/CR491 intersection improvements; providing for development accommodations with respect to remaining property intended for mixed commercial and professional office use. Draft is underway.

Meadowcrest DRI – Proposed Notice of Proposed Change (NOPC) application to delete approximately 139,400 SF of industrial space to be built, and substitute therein 220 units of multifamily residential. Applicant is in due-diligence stage, but no formal submittal has been made. Staff met with applicant, WRPC, and FDOT on April 22, 2009 to discuss requirements.

Commercial Permits:

Boys and Girls Club of Citrus County – Roosevelt Blvd in Beverly Hills – 5500 sq ft social club – waiting for final inspections to be called - at building final.

River Lodge Resort – N. Suncoast Blvd, just over barge canal – under new ownership – applications received for replacement and upgrade of all facilities on site. 30 Day Temporary CO's issued. Site permit issued. Under construction.

Hitches and Accessories – Homosassa – 2400 sq ft metal building – Permit issued, under construction.

Alexander Dental Laboratory – W. Norvell Bryant Hwy – 5600 sq ft, 3-unit building – Permit issued and under construction.

Homosassa North Retail on 19 – approx. 25,000 sq ft of retail – Site permit ready for pick up, applicant contacted.

Brannen Bank records storage 10,000 sq ft 2 story, Thomas St.- Site & building applications awaiting resubmittal - Extensions granted.

Times Square II shopping center on S. Prospect; 12,000 square feet – Site application awaiting resubmittal – Extension granted.

CVS Terra Vista – Site & building applications issued. Building under construction.

Turbine Broach Company – Overdrive Circle in Hernando – 15,000 sq ft jet turbine manufacturing – site and building applications issued and under construction.

Alternative Waste Services – Overdrive Circle in Hernando – 4,500 sq.ft. office /warehouse for recycling & waste removal. Awaiting resubmittal.

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Smitty's Auto – Cardinal in Homosassa – 2,500 sq.ft replacement auto garage – building under construction.

SunTrust Bank – Hwy 19 & 98 – 3995 sq.ft. bank – site application approved. Issued.
Alugubelli Buildings – Hwy 491 & Regina – @ 5015 sq.ft. each – two new & one replacement office building – Permits have been picked up.

Citrus County Chronicle – 11,000 sq.ft production addition & interior remodel to existing building – CO and Compliance issued.

Citrus County Hospital Board – S. Hwy 19 – 21,000 sq.ft. medical plaza – permits issued – under construction.

Vigliotti Butterfly Attraction – Cardinal / Hwy 19 – CO and Compliance issued.

Jallo Car Wash Addition – SE corner of 44/491 – Detached carwash at existing service station – Waiting for resubmittals.

Dollar General Store – Corner of Deltona/Citrus Springs Blvd – 9100 sq.ft. – Site & building approved. Permit has been picked up – building under construction.

Superior Residences Phase-I – 39,000 sq.ft Assisted Living Facility – Site permit issued & building approved. Extensions granted.

Citrus County Utilities—Meadowcrest – Waste water treatment facility expansion – under construction.

Hampton Inn – Hwy 19 across from the Playhouse – 41,000 sq.ft. hotel – Site awaiting resubmittal under review & building application approved, but awaiting site approval.

Seven Rivers Hospital – 11877 sq.ft. 3rd floor remodel of south wing rehabilitation unit – Issued CO and Compliance.

Seven Rivers Hospital – 3500 sq. ft. operating room addition – Issued CO and Compliance.

Seven Rivers Hospital – 3700 sq. ft. interior remodel of Central Sterile Decontamination and Recovery rooms - CO and Compliance issued.

Patel Convenience Store – 4800 sq.ft., replacement building for a convenient store with two additional office units – Project completed, issued CO and Compliance.

US19 – Seven Rivers Professional Center (next to the hospital) – 51,000 sq.ft. Permits issued; under construction. Near completion for Phase I. Some buildings CO'd; some not completed.

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Summerhill @ Meadowcrest – Phase I, Condo buildings 1 & 2. Phase I site permit – CO issued. Phase two postponed.

ChristWay Fellowship Hall – 11295 sq.ft. church – construction completed - Working on meeting compliance.

Cypress Ridge Commercial Center – Cypress Boulevard (SMW) – 4,000 sq.ft dental office building #4 – Building under construction.

Racetrac Service Station #783 – US 19 & 98 area – 5019 sq.ft. station – application awaiting resubmittal.

Love Auto Mall a.k.a. Johnson Select Motors – buildings 3 & 4 routed for CO and Compliance. Applications for buildings 1 & 2 awaiting resubmittal.

Nature Coast EMS – 8600 sq.ft. Administration & Training Facility – CO issued.

Plantation Inn expansion – Phase II, 2-story hotel suites – site application awaiting pickup & building applications awaiting resubmittal – property annexed into the City of Crystal River. Application withdrawn.

The Centers –10,200 sq.ft. adolescent treatment facility expansion–under construction. Building at finals.

Sunflower Springs, Assisted Living Facility (80,940 sq. ft) – CO issued.

Chassa Oaks p.k.a. Samos RV Park - Phase 1 – 3700 sq.ft. clubhouse received certificate of occupancy – site compliance currently deficient; RV lot permits being acquired individually.

Greek Orthodox Church – 7600 sq.ft. under construction and at building finals.

Sheadan Park Plaza – CR 488 – 3-building, 18 unit – applications awaiting resubmittal.

Nature Coast Orthopedics – CR491 & W. Flare Lane – 16,862 sq.ft., 10-Unit retail center – applications awaiting resubmittal.

Riverside Resort – Building under construction.

Lake Rousseau Mini-Storage – CR488 west of 495 – Phase I CO & Compliance approved. Phase II has been postponed.

Lossing Plaza – SR491 south of CR486 – 7078 sq ft, 5-unit retail plaza - site approved and permit picked up. Building applications awaiting resubmittal.

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Damato Commercial Center – 8-unit retail plaza located west of SR44/486 intersection; Site & building applications awaiting pickup. Extensions granted.

Cypress Crossing LLC – SR44 west of CR486 – 6 building medical – Building applications A, B, C & F awaiting resubmittal. Building F CO'd/Building D under construction.

Black Diamond Tannery – Crigger off CR491 – 18,400 sq.ft. alligator-hide tanning facility – Certificate of Occupancy issued; business is in full operation. Certificate of Compliance issued.

Joseph Capital Management – Audubon Park, Beverly Hills – 11,700 sq.ft. office building – building application approved / site application awaiting resubmittal.

New Commercial Submittals

Super Wal-Mart Site permit – Cardinal/19 – under review.

Racetrac #833 – 19 and 490 (Old Texaco) – Awaiting resubmittal.

Citrus County Utilities – Sugarmill Woods Water Treatment Plant Expansion – under review.

Wilson Medical Center – 3627 sq. ft. Medical – Resubmittal under review.

Building Division Activities

Building Division is receiving increased calls relating to unlicensed and/or unpermitted construction activity and are shifting resources to address this issue.

Animal Services

The Ordinance hearing was scheduled for BOCC review on March 24th. It has been changed to an additional public forum to be held sometime in May (TBA). No date has been set.

Dr. Julie Rosenberger, DVM, has begun service as the Staff Veterinarian. She has begun preparations for the health and care of the animals in our care. We are currently remodeling a room in the main kennels for the surgery suite so that spays and neuters can be performed onsite.

The crematory building process has begun. The location has been designated and we are awaiting approval and acceptance of the electrical contractor bid.

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The Volunteer Training Program training manuals have been sent out for printing. The classes for the volunteers will follow upon the return.

Animal Services in conjunction with the Citrus County Humane Society will be having a free rabies/county tag day on Saturday, June 13th; watch the Chronicle for more information regarding the location and time.

Animal services will be offering rabies vaccinations and micro-chipping to the general public by June 1st. This will be by appointment only on Thursdays between 5-7:00 p.m. Additional days/times will be forthcoming.

Animal Services Statistical Information for March

Licenses sold 164
Adoptions 73
Returned to owners 49
Transferred to Rescue Groups 18
Enforcement Citations 41
New Cases Logged 337
Dispatches Requiring ASO Response 446

Code Enforcement Activities

During the month of April, a total of 15 watering violations were observed. There were 29 warnings issued in April. To date, the Code Enforcement Section has issued approximately 693 Citations for first offense violations of the watering restriction and 23 citations for second offense violations of the watering restrictions. The total amount received from the citations is \$68,410.00. Since February 12, 2008, the total number of illegal watering contacts that have been made by the Code Enforcement Section is 1,809 individual cases.

At the Board of County Commissioner's Meeting on April 14th, 2009, the Commissioners approved to require Code Enforcement Officers to initiate a "warning-first" policy. On April 17th, 2009, the Utilities Division opted for a reduction in force for both water enforcement officers.

At the Board of County Commissioner's Meeting of April 28th, 2009, the Commissioners clarified the policy to allow for all property owners to receive a warning thereby, providing a clean slate for all previous violations. Furthermore, each year on April 14th, each property owner will have a clean slate to receive a warning on their property for first time water restriction violations of each subsequent year. The Standard Operating Procedure manual has been updated to reflect the policy changes approved by the Board of County Commissioners. Code Enforcement Officers have been instructed on the policy changes.

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On April 23, 2009, a segment was filmed on the Code Enforcement Section for Jim Hunter's program to educate the public on the duties of Code Enforcement. It was a successful opportunity to inform the citizens of the county on the responsibilities of this office and more segments will be scheduled for the future.

On April 24, 2009, the Code Enforcement Section performed a countywide sign sweep. The Code Enforcement Officers retrieved 443 signs on the one-day sweep. We will periodically schedule these to encourage the public to remove signs from the rights of way in Citrus County.

Code Enforcement Monthly Report: April - 2009

1. Case Sources

Customer Service Requests filed	311
Building Division complaints	1
Commission Damato complaints	3
CCSO complaints.....	2
Citizen complaints	136
Code Enforcement Section generated complaints	93
Community Development	6
Development Services Administration complaint.....	2
Engineering complaint	1
Environmental Health Department complaint	1
Internet complaints.....	7
Road Maintenance Division complaints.....	1
Title Company requests	58
Total Customer Service Requests	311

2. Investigation Summary

Abandoned appliance complaint	1
After-the fact Development Order complaints	29
Business in a residence complaints	6
Change of use complaints.....	2
Clear visibility triangle complaint	1
Driveway apron complaints	1

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Fencing issues complaint	4
Illegal dumpsite complaints	23
Illegal occupancy of R.V. complaints.....	8
Junk, debris & abandoned property complaints	41
Living in an accessory structure	1
Livestock/Animal complaints	1
More than one residence on a single parcel complaint	1
Noise complaint.....	1
Obstruction of public right-of-way complaints.....	5
Property research requests	58
Sign permit complaint.....	1
Site checks.....	6
Storage on vacant parcel complaint	2
Swimming pool complaints.....	2
Travel trailer stored on vacant parcel complaints	1
Unlicensed vehicle complaints	20
Unsafe structure complaints.....	22
Water/irrigation investigations	74
Total cases investigated.....	312

3. Active cases

Current case load.....	229
NOV/NOH issued	99
Unlawful signs removed from ROW	698

4. Resolved Cases..... 212

5. Code Enforcement Hearing Activities

Cases heard and considered by the Special Master	15
Cases guilty.....	12
Cases continued.....	1
Cases not guilty.....	1

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 Nuisance Structure Appeal..... 1

6. Water Restrictions

Water restriction investigations 74
 Water citations issued in April (first citation) 13
 Water citations issued in April (second citation) 2
 Warnings 29
 Mitigated investigations 13
 Cases pending 5
 Unfounded water complaints 12
 Total first offense citations..... 693
 Total second offense citations 23
 Total citations issued 716
 Water citation fines collected to date.....\$68,410.00

Release of Liens

Case #	Violator	Amount of Release	Amount
Paid			
04-514	US Bank ATTN: Ocwen	\$8,200.00	\$5400.00
0810-254	Patrick Danner	\$2,585.46	\$0.00
0807-302	Carol Ammons & Karen Mattox	\$3,466.22	\$468.20
		\$9,567.74 (2nd Lien)	
0807-338	Roberto Diaz	\$122.97	\$129.31 *
0805-140	Richard Allen	\$69.72	\$74.62 *
0806-101	Neil Sutherland	\$1,376.57	\$1,475.73*
		\$25,388.68	\$7,547.86

* includes interest

Housing Services Division Activities:

10 replacement homes and 2 home repairs projects in the Floral City area under the 2007 Small Cities Community Development Block Grant have been put out to contract. Some demolition permits have been already obtained.

All necessary notices were posted and hearings completed to apply for Citrus County's allocation of the Neighborhood Stabilization Program: \$1,478,164 for Acquiring and Rehabilitating Abandoned and Foreclosed Housing and a supplemental allocation of \$693,256 for the same purposes but with the intent that this allocation be used for Rental Housing to serve very low income households. The application and the NSP

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Housing Assistance Plan were approved by the BOCC and submitted to Department of Community Affairs (DCA). DCA provided a Verbal notice of award and written notice should be received shortly with any corrective action required. Initial site visit and document review will be in May. Director and Asst. Director to attend rulemaking in Tallahassee on May 11. Implementation workshop scheduled for June 11. Discussions with potential partners continue.

Meridian Community Services was recommended as the consultant by the review committee for Program Administration and Project Delivery Services. Met with representatives of Progress Energy and Asst. Director attended Green Symposium sponsored by Florida Housing Coalition to discuss and make decisions on "Energy Star" and "Green" requirements for NSP homes.

Discussed potential for partnering with Mid-Florida Community Services on Home Repairs projects utilizing ARRA/Weatherization. Funding has been increased to assist with up to \$6,500 to weatherize a home and sufficient funding will be received to weatherize over 130 homes in Citrus County.

In working with Nature Coast Ministries to establish an organized Angel Food Ministries distribution for both the east and west side of Citrus County orders exceeded 1000 boxes of reduced cost food in April with the involvement of at least five churches. Angel Food was delivered directly to Citrus County in April due to volume.

Shelter Plus Care (SPC) Agreements and County documentation finalized. In process of establishing SPC Committee & the Centers finalizing their documentation per HUD's guidance.

Other Activities of Note:

2010 Census – Registration complete. Isolated workstation (per federal requirements) established; local update of census addresses (LUCA) has been completed and transmitted to the Census. Their follow-up questions have been answered. Census has also requested revision of census tracts to reflect recently annexed areas for cities, and staff has been working on this.

Staff has been attending Regional Transportation meetings to facilitate regional coordination on transportation project. These include TBARTA meetings, Chairs Coordinating Council meetings, and FDOT District 7 regional meetings.

FDOT Regional Transportation Model – April 2, 2009 staff met with FDOT.

Appeal A08-02 Nature's Resort – The hearing officer heard oral arguments on this appeal on February 11, 2009. The ruling was just received.

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TBARTA Land Use Working Group was on November 7, 2008; Discussed 2035 Population & Job Growth Forecasts, Master Plan Phase Three Networks and Transit Oriented Land Use Scenarios

TBARTA Board Meeting was on November 14, 2008; Phase Three Master plan discussed; Bob Clifford (FDOT-D7) was selected as Executive Director at the October Board meeting

CCC and TBARTA Plan Coordination meeting was held on November 19, 2008; Requested by MPO staff directors to coordinate the CCC regional LRTP and TBARTA Master Plans.

TBARTA Board Retreat was held on February 27, 2009; A motion was passed to support the development of a Citrus County/Hernando County transit system.

TBARTA Board Meeting was on March 27, 2009; Two preliminary master plan visions were approved; Mid-Term Vision and Long Term Vision; Bob Clifford (FDOT-D7), Executive Director described the master plan and funding options.

The first meeting of the Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) Formation Committee was held on February 20th. The Committee has completed their work and a presentation to the EDC is pending.

The Florida Springs Task Force has been re-established. I am continuing to serve as the local Government representative and attended a meeting on October 30th. The January 29th meeting was cancelled due to the State's new travel limitation policy. The pending Springs legislation at the State level was not passed this session.

On January 23rd I was a guest speaker at the North Central Rural Planner's Network meeting in Trenton, Florida. The topic was "Preparing for Future Growth." About 40 people representing 20+ jurisdictions were in attendance.

Gopher Tortoise Workshop – Staff continues to participate in FFWCC hosted workshops to assist in development of procedures and rule making to protect this species now classified under the threatened status.

USFWS Comprehensive Conservation Plan (Crystal River National Wildlife Refuge) – Staff participated in a government agency scoping meeting in January and will be participating and assisting the service in creating a 15-year conservation plan for the refuge; a community scoping meeting was held in February.

On March 10, 2009 the Board approved creation of a Stakeholder's Advisory Group. Letters and e-mails are being sent to organizations that may have an interest in participating.

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At their April 1st meeting the Historic Resources Advisory Board recommended approval of a demolition/replacement home. The home is un-repairable due to settling/insect damage. The proposed replacement is compatible with the area.

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