Pasco County Thousand Oaks/Trinity Oaks Problem Solving Task Force Meeting September 10, 2012

September 10, 2012 - Emergency Operations Center, Pasco County

The following is a summary of the Pasco County Thousand Oaks/Trinity Oaks Problem Solving Task Force (Task Force) meeting held on September 10, 2012. Copies of the agenda and attendees list will accompany these minutes.

Arrival, Sign-In, Greetings, and Introductions

Michele Baker (Pasco County Chief Assistant County Administrator) facilitated the meeting starting with a welcome. Brief introductions were provided by all attendees. Please refer to the attached attendance sheet for a list of the attendees.

Questions and Discussions

A summary of discussions, including questions and responses, are provided in this meeting summary. Specific questions are presented in italics. The contents of this summary do not represent direct quotes and may or may not represent the group's view as a whole.

Recap of Previous Meeting

The meeting summary for the previous meeting, held on August 27, 2012, was distributed to the group via e-mail prior to this meeting for review. There were no comments on the meeting summary.

Action Items Update

The following action items are recurring agenda items with new items added as needed. The following provides a summary for each action item reviewed.

1. Neighborhood Training (Office of Emergency Management)

Tropical Storm Debbie created anxiety which continues to increase with additional flooding. Pasco County can help facilitate public outreach to help citizens affected by flooding.

Bayonet Point Hospital has a list of chaplains who will travel to provide community support. The County would need to communicate where a need has been identified.

Bay Care Health Services provides behavioral and emotional support services. They can provide support during times of need, such when a disaster has occurred, and provide short term counseling to various organizations.



Residents continue to voice concerns to the Home Owner Association (HOA) leadership and fear the next storm will be the one that sends water into their home. Homeowners do see the barricades and recognize that the County is being responsive.

Because flooding and high water levels can still be seen, residents are nervous and apprehensive. There is a sense of continuing threat and some people are afraid to leave for vacations because their homes may flood while they are away. The flooding has created a stressful situation.

The group agreed that providing counseling in a community / group setting would be a good idea. These meetings would provide a coping mechanism and another resource for residents to reach out.

The counselors need to be prepared that citizens are going to expect to hear solutions for the flooding issues. The Owners are still looking for a solution as home values are decreasing. Residents need to see this outreach as a positive outlet to encourage residents to take advantage of the opportunity offered to them.

There are upcoming Board meetings for both Trinity Oaks and Thousand Oaks. Trinity Oaks anticipates a large audience of about 60 to 70 people at the upcoming Trinity College meeting which is currently scheduled for November 3, 2012. This may present a good opportunity to offer the outreach services.

The community leaders will present the outreach opportunity to their respective Boards. The contact person to help coordinate the outreach efforts will be Annette Doying (Pasco County Emergency Management Director – (727) 847-8137).

2. Project Plan for Dredging through Wetlands Update (Stormwater Management)

The County continues to provide pumping; however, it was determined that the wetlands are not interconnected as originally modeled. The separated wetland portions create complications because part of the wetland will be dry while other parts remain wet.

Are the pumps on an automated system to run when needed? No, the pumps are not self starting and require County staff to turn the pumps on when needed.

If pumping water from Maple Pond, the water would need to be pumped approximately one mile and the County cannot pump on or through private property. It is possible that the pipe at Maple Pond is plugged. Sentry Management company is currently working to clean it out.

The Kinsmere pump is working efficiently and the wetland is draining effectively.

The watershed model needs to be updated to include the high areas that are



separating portions of the existing wetlands. Additional survey to identify these high points is ongoing and model updates are in progress at a cost of approximately \$100,000.

Several project evaluations are underway. The goal is to first provide solutions such that homes will not flood and secondly such that roads will not flood during a 100-year flood event.

The bypass project will likely provide protection in excess of a 100-year flood event but this will not cure the wetland drainage issue and pond recovery. The County will still need to get the ponds to work with ditching and/or piping. The complete stormwater management will be a two stage process. There may be need to dig a ditch in the wetland area and this will require permitting.

The bypass will require a Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD) permit and the dredging would also involve an Army Corps of Engineers (ACOE) permit.

A staged approach can provide some immediate relief with additional relief provided by wetland drainage and pond recovery efforts. An understanding of the potential solutions is needed and County can proceed as additional information becomes available.

Development of all of the possible alternatives is necessary prior to the selection of a final project or project (s). The County will need wait for the completed survey and model update before alternatives can be fully vetted. The model update is still anticipated to be completed in mid November and alternatives evaluation completed in mid December.

Once a specific project(s) is selected and the anticipated cost has been determined, the County will need to investigate funding options. The project design can run in parallel with identifying a construction funding source and will need to coincide with the County's budget cycle.

3. Environmental Review of Wetlands Update (Stormwater Management)

Thousand Oaks has potential property for mitigation. The County is also looking at additional property, which is owned by Pasco County, for a potential mitigation site. Preliminary findings indicate that Thousand Oaks wetlands quality are approximately 1:2 - one acre of impact on the west side equals 2 acres of mitigation on the east side. Trinity Oaks wetlands quality is approximately 7-8:1.

4. Project Plan for a Bypass System Update (Engineering Service)

Potential bypass projects include an alternative based on the option presented by Vince Aiello at the last meeting. There is a potential to correct issues at Chelsea Place at the same time as the bypass construction depending on which option is selected.

Funding options will need to be explored when a project is selected. The County is currently seeking additional funding of approximately \$300,000 for stormwater



modeling related to this project. This funding request is on the agenda for the next Board Meeting. Additional requests will also be made at following Board Meetings as needed.

It should be noted that the Neil Shaffer stormwater model, which is what the control structures were based on, is not related to Trinity Oaks or Thousand Oaks models. The houses in Trinity Oaks and Thousand Oaks were built to 100-year storm specifications per Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) flood elevations.

The group agreed that the most productive focus at this time is to move forward to find a solution to the flooding problems.

Pasco County is pursuing cooperative (50/50) funding through SWFWMD with \$875,000 coming from the County and \$875,000 coming from SWFWMD to help pay for design and permitting fees. Once a project is selected and a budget is set, the County will then submit for cooperative funding for the construction of the project. The meeting for out of cycle funding will be held on **September 25, 2012 at 4:00 pm** at the SWFWMD office (7601 Highway 301 North, Tampa, 33637). Residents can attend to voice support and concern.

5. Permit Review and Report Findings (SWFWMD)

The permits are still under review by SWFWMD with no significant findings to date. There were approximately 80 permits issued. SWFWMD will send the review findings once completed with an unknown completion date at this time.

6. Complete Maintenance on Private Systems in Thousand Oaks (Sentry Management)

Sentry Management has bids out to three contractors and is awaiting responses.

7. Drainage Basin of Special Concern (BOSC) (Engineering Services)

In the past, a 25- year storm and 24-hr event were used for design, which equates to approximately 9.25 inches of rainfall, but these were exceeded with the past storms.

If a BOSC is adopted, stricter criteria can be provided. It increases the volume of required storage for new developments. Although SWFWMD will review for compliance with BOSC, permit approvals are based on SWFWMD criteria.

The County is looking at designating Trinity Oaks and Thousand Oaks area as a BOSC. The County is also looking at adding amendment language to allow for review of master drainage plans that were previously approved but based on conditions that are known to have changed.

Reduced ground water pumping may be contributing to the high ground water tables.

Residents are alarmed when they see the new construction and want to make certain that the new construction does not lead to new flooding. They want to know what will prevent this from happening again in seven to eight more years.



Better planning and tools are now available and new rules will require compliance with stricter regulations.

Meeting Logistics

To allow time for completion of the updated survey and model, the group decided to move the next Task Force meeting to October 8, 2012 from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm at this same location (Pasco County Emergency Operations Center).





THOUSAND OAKS/TRINITY OAKS PROBLEM SOLVING TASK FORCE MEETING September 10, 2012 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Emergency Operations Center 8744 Government Drive, New Port Richey

<u>Agenda</u>

4:00 - 4:10	Arrival, Sign-In, Greeting and Introductions				
4:10 - 4:20	Recap of Purpose and Previous Meeting				
4:20 - 4:50	Action Items Update – Part 1				
	Neighborhood Training (Office of Emergency Management)				
	Bay Care and HCA Hospital Behavioral Health Support Services				
	Project Plan for Dredge through the Wetlands Update (Stormwater Management)				
	Environmental Review of Wetlands Update (Stormwater Management)				
4:50 - 5:05	Break				
5:05 - 5:35	Action Items Update –Part 2				
	Project Plan for a Bypass System Update (Engineering Service)				
	Permit Review and Report Findings (SWFWMD)				
	Complete Maintenance on Private Systems in Thousand Oaks (Sentry Management)				
	Drainage Basin of Special Concern (Engineering Services)				
5:35 – 5:55	Additional Stormwater Updates & New Issues				
	Application for Out of Cycle SWFWMD Cooperative Funding (Stormwater Management)				
5:55 - 6:00	Conclusions, Adjournment				
	Next Meeting - September 24, 2012 in EOC				



Pasco County, FL Stormwater Management Program Thousand Oaks / Trinity Oaks Task Force Meeting Attendance Sheet for September 10, 2012 @ 4:00pm - 6:00pm

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