

**SEMINOLE COUNTY GOVERNMENT
AGENDA MEMORANDUM**

SUBJECT: Lake Mills Aquatic Weed Control MSBU

DEPARTMENT: Fiscal Services **DIVISION:** MSBU Program

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Agenda Date <u>11/15/05</u> Regular <input type="checkbox"/> Consent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Work Session <input type="checkbox"/> Briefing <input type="checkbox"/>
Public Hearing – 1:30 <input type="checkbox"/> Public Hearing – 7:00 <input type="checkbox"/>

MOTION/RECOMMENDATION:

Approval and authorization for the Chairman to provide authorization for the MSBU Program to schedule and advertise a public hearing for the purpose of giving consideration to adopting an ordinance to create "Lake Mills Aquatic Weed Control MSBU". A public hearing date/time of January 24 at 1:30 pm, to be advertised on December 27, 2005 and January 3, 2006 is requested.

BACKGROUND:

Property owners have expressed their desire to enter into an MSBU for aquatic weed control improvements for Lake Mills. The Petition for Improvement distributed on July 29, 2005, demonstrated a 65% support rate relative to the seventy-six lake front properties subject to benefit from the improvements. Per applicant request, the deadline for responding to the Petition for Improvement was extended on several occasions from the original date of August 30, 2005. Filing extensions were posted on the MSBU Program website. As per prior BCC approval, the aquatic weed control improvements for Lake Mills were initiated through funding received from the Lake Mills Boat Ramp Association and Dave Axel. The proposed area is in Commission District 1.

A list of the waterfront properties that serve to benefit from these improvements, if the MSBU is established by the BCC, will be included with the 2006 Uniform Method filing documentation so that the initial assessments (if imposed) can be included on the 2006 tax bills [November 2006]. The Uniform Method public hearing is scheduled for December 13, 2005. The uniform method declares the County's intent to use the "uniform method" for the levy, collection, and enforcement of non-ad valorem assessments. Briefly stated, the provisions set forth through uniform method include imposing such assessment as per the formal guidelines for non-ad valorem assessments, and using the property tax bill as the format through which these assessments would be collected.

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