Walker, Reagan

From: Dona Erkenbeck [doba123@aol.com]
Sent: Saturday, December 13, 2008 8:08 AM
To: River of Grass
Subject: Help Restore the River of Grass

Dona Erkenbeck
450 Bayfront Place #4504
Naples, FL 34102-6476

December 13, 2008

River of Grass Campaign
FL

Dear River of Grass Campaign:

Dear SFWMD Governing Board Members:

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Sincerely,

Dona Erkenbeck
2394348871

Walker, Reagan

From: Lois Kelley [lek@kelnaples.com]
Sent: Saturday, December 13, 2008 8:42 AM
To: River of Grass
Subject: Help Restore the River of Grass

Lois Kelley
2800 Gordon Drive
Naples, FL 34102-7854

December 13, 2008

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Sincerely,

Lois Kelley

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From: Sonja Cookson [scooksn@aol.com]
Sent: Saturday, December 13, 2008 8:56 AM
To: River of Grass
Subject: Help Restore the River of Grass

Sonja Cookson
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NAPLES, FL 34109-3668

December 13, 2008

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Sincerely,

Sonja Cookson
239-834-7750

Walker, Reagan

From: billdwhit@aol.com
Sent: Saturday, December 13, 2008 10:14 AM
To: River of Grass
Subject: Florida Renovation

Please vote yes in developing Florida's only viable answer to saving the Everglades AND resolving the devastation of the two major outflows from Lake O via the Gulf and Atlantic waterways. I am an avid boater on the St. Lucie and feel this is a once in a lifetime opportunity to dramatically change Florida's environment for the better.

Bill Whittaker
12783 Mariner Court
Palm City, FL. 34990
772 336-9601

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From: Jennnifer Thomas [savetheplanet2@gmail.com]
Sent: Saturday, December 13, 2008 1:55 PM
To: River of Grass
Subject: Help Restore the River of Grass

Jennnifer Thomas
819 108th Ave N
Naples, FL 34108-1873

December 13, 2008

River of Grass Campaign
FL

Dear River of Grass Campaign:

Dear SFWMD Governing Board Members:

I am writing to express my strong support for the purchase of the US Sugar lands. I am not sure what opposition you are facing right now, but this is a vital acquisition for the future of Southwest Florida. How can we continue to depend on the tourism that makes our state run and enjoy great wealth, if our waters are so degraded, or non-existant. Please approve the acquisition of the US sugar lands and promote our future sustainablility and health of our state.

Sincerely,

Jennnifer Thomas

Walker, Reagan

From: Maureen Armour [mwarmour@naples.net]
Sent: Saturday, December 13, 2008 2:56 PM
To: River of Grass
Subject: Help Restore the River of Grass

Maureen Armour
454 Flamingo Ave.
NAPLES, FL 34108-2111

December 13, 2008

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Sincerely,

Maureen Armour
239-591-0767

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From: Philip Hatzitheodorou [pahatzitheodorou@gmail.com]
Sent: Saturday, December 13, 2008 4:26 PM
To: River of Grass
Subject: Help Restore the River of Grass

Philip Hatzitheodorou
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Naples, FL 34116-6802

December 13, 2008

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Sincerely,

Philip Hatzitheodorou

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From: Michael Seef [mdslogistics@aol.com]
Sent: Saturday, December 13, 2008 6:10 PM
To: River of Grass
Subject: Help Restore the River of Grass

Michael Seef
592 Breachwalk
Naples, FL 34108-7735

December 13, 2008

River of Grass Campaign
FL

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sincerely,
Michael Seef
Naples, FL 34108

Sincerely,

Michael Seef

Walker, Reagan

From: Ted Guy [guywe@gate.net]
Sent: Saturday, December 13, 2008 6:43 PM
To: River of Grass
Subject: FW: U.S. Sugar Purchase

For the record.

W.E. "Ted" Guy, Jr.
Stuart, FL 34997

From: Ted Guy [mailto:guywe@gate.net]
Sent: Saturday, December 13, 2008 6:32 PM
To: Ammon Ken Ammon (kammon@sfwmd.gov); 'Charles Dauray'; Chip Merriam (cmerriam@sfwmd.gov); cwehle@sfwmd.gov; 'Eric Buermann'; 'Harclerode, Kurt'; Jerry Montgomery (jmontgom@sfwmd.gov); 'karl wickstrom'; 'Melissa Meeker'; 'mike collins'; 'Patrick Rooney'; Paul C. Huck Jr. (phuck@sfwmd.gov); 'shannon estenoz'; 'william.snyder@myfloridahouse.gov'
Subject: U.S. Sugar Purchase

For the Governing Board

Dear Mr. Chairman and Governing Board Members:

On Tuesday, December 16th, you have a chance to take a giant step forward towards reviving the "River of Grass", saving the Everglades, and saving our estuaries. If you can negotiate a fairer lease back price than $50.00 per acre, which is ridiculously and unfairly low, I urge you to vote "Yes". We don't want to waste this once in a lifetime opportunity.

W.E. "Ted" Guy, Jr.
643 SW Fuge Road
Stuart, FL 34997

Walker, Reagan

From: Chuck Locke [chucklocke@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Saturday, December 13, 2008 8:57 PM
To: River of Grass; Estenoz, Shannon; Collins, Mike; Dauray, Charles; Huck Jr., Paul; Meeker, Melissa; Montgomery, Jerry; Rooney, Patrick
Subject: Fw: December 15 and 16 SFWMD Governing Board Meeting
Importance: High

Dear Mr. Chairman and Governing Board Members:)

On Tuesday, you are scheduled to vote to acquire a vast amount of acreage in the Everglades Agricultural Area. This acquisition has the potential to significantly improve our chances of restoring the Everglades.

We recognize that the proposal before you does have room for improvement. Were each of us given the opportunity to make changes, we would surely find ways to make the transaction more favorable in our view. However, the time for action is upon us, and the question you face is whether to buy land in an area that is critical for Everglades restoration.

If the purchase of this land is not approved, there is no assurance we will ever again have this opportunity.

We respectfully ask you to support the purchase of this acreage without additional delay.

Sincerely

Chuck Locke

779 SW 31 Street
Palm City, FL 34990;

Eric Buermann
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From: Ted Guy [mailto:guywe@gate.net]
Sent: Friday, December 12, 2008 11:30 AM
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Subject: FW: December 15 and 16 SFWMD Governing Board Meeting

FYI--very important meeting

W.E. "Ted" Guy, Jr.
Stuart, FL 34997

From: Reppen, Deena [mailto:dreppen@sfwmd.gov]
Sent: Friday, December 12, 2008 10:47 AM
To: Reppen, Deena
Subject: December 15 and 16 SFWMD Governing Board Meeting

DATE: December 12, 2008

TO: Interested Parties

FROM: Deena Reppen, Deputy Executive Director of Government and Public Affairs, South

Florida Water Management District

RE: December 15 and 16 Governing Board Meeting

Next week, the South Florida Water Management District's Governing Board will continue its review of the sale and purchase agreement, lease agreement and due diligence results regarding the acquisition of lands from the U.S. Sugar Corporation.

Presentations and discussion concerning the proposed *River of Grass* acquisition are scheduled to begin at approximately 1 p.m., Monday, December 15 following the District's regular business agenda, and continue into Tuesday, December 16.

The meetings will be held in the B-1 Auditorium at the District's offices in West Palm Beach and Web cast at www.sfwmd.gov.

Public comment periods are scheduled for both days. Since the time available during the meeting's formal public comment period is limited, and to ensure that your full comments on the proposed acquisition are included in the record, the District is encouraging you to submit your comments in writing to the District at riverofgrass@sfwmd.gov. The Board will receive a copy of all comments submitted.

To facilitate the meeting's proceedings and ensure there is time available for all points of view to be heard by the Governing Board, speakers will have the opportunity to provide verbal comment once on either Monday or Tuesday. The District is encouraging interest groups, where appropriate, to consolidate its comments and designate a representative to speak on behalf of the group. A list of the persons whom the designated speaker is representing may be provided to the District Clerk at the meeting.

Written comments are also invited from those who are unable to attend the meeting.

For more information or to review the documents offered by the U.S. Sugar Corporation and to be considered by the District's Governing Board, visit www.sfwmd.gov/riverofgrass.

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Walker, Reagan

From: Reppen, Deena
Sent: Saturday, December 13, 2008 10:07 PM
To: River of Grass
Subject: Fw: US Sugar SF Water MD DEAL
Importance: High

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

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From: Donna Storter Long
To: Buermann, Eric; Dauray, Charles; Montgomery, Jerry; Estenoz, Shannon; Collins, Mike; Huck Jr., Paul; Meeker, Melissa; Rooney, Patrick
Cc: Charlie.Crist@myflorida.com ; Jeff.Kottkamp@myflorida.com ; Michael.Sole@dep.state.fl.us ; Kelly.Layman@dep.state.fl.us ; commissioner@doacs.state.fl.us ; alex.sink@myfloridacfo.com ; pruitt.ken.web@flsenate.gov ; blanton.faye@flsenate.gov ; rubio.marco@myfloridahouse.com ; Tzaicel_Hernandez@martinez.senate.gov ; denise.grimsley@myfloridahouse.gov ; bullard.larcenia.web@flsenate.gov ; Sen. Dave Aronberg ; info@tomrooney.com ; Wehle, Carol; Strowd, Tommy; Sen. J.D. Alexander
Sent: Sat Dec 13 21:12:24 2008
Subject: US Sugar SF Water MD DEAL

Dear Chairman Ebuermann and Governing Board Members,

An old cliché could not be more apropos re the Sugar-Water deal:

WHEN IN DOUBT, DON'T.

You have heard multiple arguments and appeals on both sides of this issue so I won't waste I time here with redundancy.

However, if the deal merits your endorsement, it still will after all the options and aspects have been completely explored. But to date, they have NOT, especially in light of the potential savings with the Lawrence Group offer and the potential lawsuit with Florida Crystals.

It seems Crist has placed us all in an unfair quandary, and without our replacement for Wade's seat on your Board.

Please, I urge you to defer or deny the current US Sugar proposal as outlined by Tommy Strowd and Carol Wehle et al at the Clewiston meeting December 10.

Sincerely,

Donna Storter Long
Glades County Commissioner District 2

"When we pay an ounce of principle
for a pound of acceptance,

we get badly cheated."

Donna Storter Long (R)
Glades County Commissioner
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