

RESOLUTION 03-03-05

A RESOLUTION OF THE KEY LARGO WASTEWATER TREATMENT DISTRICT, SUPPORTING A STRATEGIC APPROACH TO ALLOCATION OF FUNDS FOR WASTEWATER TREATMENT PROJECTS

WHEREAS, the long term effects of human waste seriously jeopardize the fragile health of the coral reef and supporting ecosystems of the Florida Keys; and

WHEREAS, the governments of the United States, the State of Florida, and Monroe County ("County") have recognized the need to initiate and fund projects for the design, construction, and operation of wastewater treatment facilities within Monroe County; and

WHEREAS, the County Comprehensive Plan requires that certain wastewater treatment levels be achieved in unincorporated areas of the County by 2010, levels which can best be achieved by the installation of central wastewater treatment systems; and

WHEREAS, the County Sanitary Wastewater Master Plan (the "Master Plan") identified and acknowledged the benefits to the County, its residents, visitors and environs from the installation of wastewater treatment facilities and identified areas and projects which should be given priority attention, referred to as "Hot Spots;" and

WHEREAS, the funding sources and grants from local, state and federal sources to advance the provision of wastewater treatment facilities are limited in amount and availability; and

WHEREAS, the Key Largo Wastewater Treatment District (District) is a special district established under state law for the purpose of performing such acts as shall be necessary for the sound planning, acquisition, development, operation, and maintenance of a wastewater management system within the district boundaries, which incorporate most of the island of Key Largo; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the District desire to establish a policy regarding the allocation of grants and other funds for wastewater projects, and to encourage adoption of a similar policy by other elected bodies within the County; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE KEY LARGO WASTEWATER TREATMENT DISTRICT THAT:

1. The District hereby expresses its support for the adoption and implementation of the Master Plan for the allocation of limited funding among the various wastewater projects in the County.
2. More specifically, and without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the District urges that funding be directed first to those areas of the County in which the Master Plan has indicated the presence of the most significant Hot Spots, i.e., the Hot Spots with the numerically lowest rating.

3. Among the areas with the most significant Hot Spots, priority should be given to those areas with identified projects with ongoing or completed designs that can be accomplished with available funds, including grant funds and local matching funds.
4. The District urges the elected officials of the County, and the various municipalities with wastewater planning responsibilities to adopt the principles of this resolution as guidance for the future allocation of funds.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 16th day of March, 2005.

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The foregoing RESOLUTION NO. 03-03 05 was offered by Commissioner

BAUMAN, who moved its approval. The motion was seconded by

Commissioner Tobin, and being put to a vote the result was as follows:

	AYE	NAY
Commissioner Gary Bauman	<u>X</u>	—
Commissioner Claude Bullock	<u>X</u>	—
Commissioner Glenn Patton	<u>X</u>	—
Commissioner Andrew Tobin	<u>X</u>	—
Chairman Charles Brooks	—	<u>X</u>

The Chairman thereupon declared Resolution No. 03-03-05 duly passed and adopted the 16th day of March 2005.

KEY LARGO WASTEWATER TREATMENT DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD

By Charles Brooks
Charles Brooks, Chairman

Attest:

By Carol Simpkins
Carol Simpkins, Board Clerk

Approved as to form and content:

By Thomas Middleton
District Counsel