

BEAR GULLY LAKE LAKE MANAGEMENT SERVICES MSBU

Board of County Commissioners Meeting

February 11, 2025

PURPOSE OF PRESENTATION

Formal Adoption of the Bear Gully Lake
Lake Management Services MSBU.

Background

- Bear Gully Lake is a 137-acre waterbody located in the SW quadrant of Seminole County in the Howell Creek watershed consisting of 101 parcels.



Background / History

- Representatives of the waterfront community submitted an application in May 2024 seeking assistance in securing ongoing lake management public services by establishing a Municipal Services Benefit Unit (MSBU).
- Seminole County Lake Management Program through lake evaluation confirmed the need for essential services and public service components aimed at preserving, restoring, and maintaining conditions that enhance the water quality and over-all health of Bear Gully Lake.

Background / History

- Community meeting held September 19, 2024.
- Petition process ended on October 31, 2024.
 - 101 petitions mailed, 74 total responses were received; 69 in favor and 5 opposed to the proposed MSBU.

Current Status

- Phase I Restoration services are not recommended.
- Phase II Maintenance services are recommended and will remain ongoing.
 - The scope of public lake management services funded by non-ad-valorem assessment will include services associated with managing aquatic plant communities as deemed beneficial and/or critical to restoring, developing and maintaining conditions that enhance the over-all health of the waterbody.

Requested Action

Staff requests the Board adopt and authorize the Chairman to execute the Ordinance creating Bear Gully Lake Management Services MSBU.