

**Charlotte Harbor Flatwoods Initiative**  
**March 21, 2018 Meeting Notes by Kim Fikoski**

**Introductions-**

- Kim Fikoski new SFWMD Project Manager for Initiative (Steve Sentes former position)
- Jeremy McBryan new SFWMD Everglades and Local Project Coordination Section Administrator (Rod Braun's former position)

**Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission Updates-** Mike Kemmerer, FWC –

- Installing groundwater monitoring wells at Yucca Pens

**Bond Farm Updates-**Stephanie Long & Jeffrey Vollat, ADA Engineering

- 30% design complete – see attached PPP

**Project Updates-** Roger Copp, Water Science Associates

- State appropriated \$1,115,000 for City of Cape Coral Reservoir Pipeline Project to engineer, design and permit 3.5-mile pipeline from SW Aggregates Mine reservoir to Gator Slough. Estimates 18 months for this effort
- CHNEP to meet with City of Cape Coral to discuss Yucca Pens data collection

**Yucca Pens Analysis-** Kim Fikoski SFWMD/Kevin Erwin, Kevin Erwin Consulting Ecologist

- Volunteers/Kevin working on mapping 1953 historical and 2017 existing conditions
- Need volunteer(s) to collect information on study area – hydrology, ecology, studies, reports, existing permits (WUP, ERP, ACOE)
- Steve Sentes submitted \$15M Restore grant proposal in 2017 for several Yucca Pens studies. Per FDEP, break down into smaller projects for funding. SFWMD to pursue process and partners should contact Kim if you have a specific project Scope, timeline and budget.

**SWFWMD Updates-** Lizanne Garcia, SWFWMD

- Charlotte Harbor SWIM Plan in process of being updated

**CHNEP Updates-** Jennifer Hecker, CHNEP

- SWIM Plan update presentation at CHNEP- TAC April 19 by Lizanne

**South Florida Water Management District Updates-** Kim Fikoski, SFWMD

- Check on status of available CFP monies for FY19

**Other Issues/Projects/Comments**

- Much discussion about water from future Bond Farm construction and how to fund studies to determine the hydrological needs of the Yucca Pens and its tidal creeks.