



# Pinellas County

## Staff Report

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### **Subject:**

Waiver of 30-day notice and decline of arbitration related to the Eldridge-Wilde Wellfield Pumps and Motors replacement project with Tampa Bay Water.

### **Recommended Action:**

Waive the 30-day notice and decline arbitration of the Environmental Resource Permit (ERP) application for the Eldridge-Wilde Wellfield Pumps and Motors Replacement Project with Tampa Bay Water (TBW).

- Staff has no concerns over the proposed project or ERP application by TBW.
- Proposed project is for the replacement of pumps, motors, some well houses, and improvements to some roads and impervious surface areas around the well houses.
- The ERP permitting process protects the County's interests and allows an arbitration period for impacted stakeholders if requested.

### **Strategic Plan:**

Practice Superior Environmental Stewardship

3.3 Protect and improve the quality of our water, air, and other natural resources

Deliver First Class Services to the Public and Our Customers

5.1 Maximize partner relationships and public outreach

5.2 Be responsible stewards of the public's resources

5.3 Ensure effective and efficient delivery of county services and support

### **Summary:**

Approval of this item will allow TBW to proceed with the Southwest Florida Water Management District's permit application process for replacement of pumps and motors on the County's Eldridge-Wilde property.

### **Background Information:**

Staff has reviewed the ERP application and supporting documentation that was prepared by Black and Veatch on behalf of TBW. The Eldridge-Wilde Pumps and Motors Replacement Project does not appear to impact any of the County's Utilities' interests and staff does not have a concern with TBW moving forward with the project. Based on the letter dated January 7, 2019 from TBW and the language presented in Section 3.13 of the Amended and Restated Interlocal Agreement, staff recommends the Board of County Commissioners waive the thirty (30) day notice, and decline arbitration.

### **Fiscal Impact:**

N/A

**Staff Member Responsible:**

Megan Ross, Director, Utilities

**Partners:**

Tampa Bay Water

**Attachments:**

Letter from TBW dated January 7, 2019  
TBW supporting documentation to letter  
Interlocal Agreement