

# **Dispersed Water Management Update: Water Farming Pilot Projects Payment for Environmental Services**



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# Dispersed Water Management Status

- Initiated negotiations (per direction at July Governing Board):
  - \$1.6M for Water Farming
  - \$2.0M for NEPES-2
- Determined that proposals can be left open for 1 year
- Increased emergency storage efforts

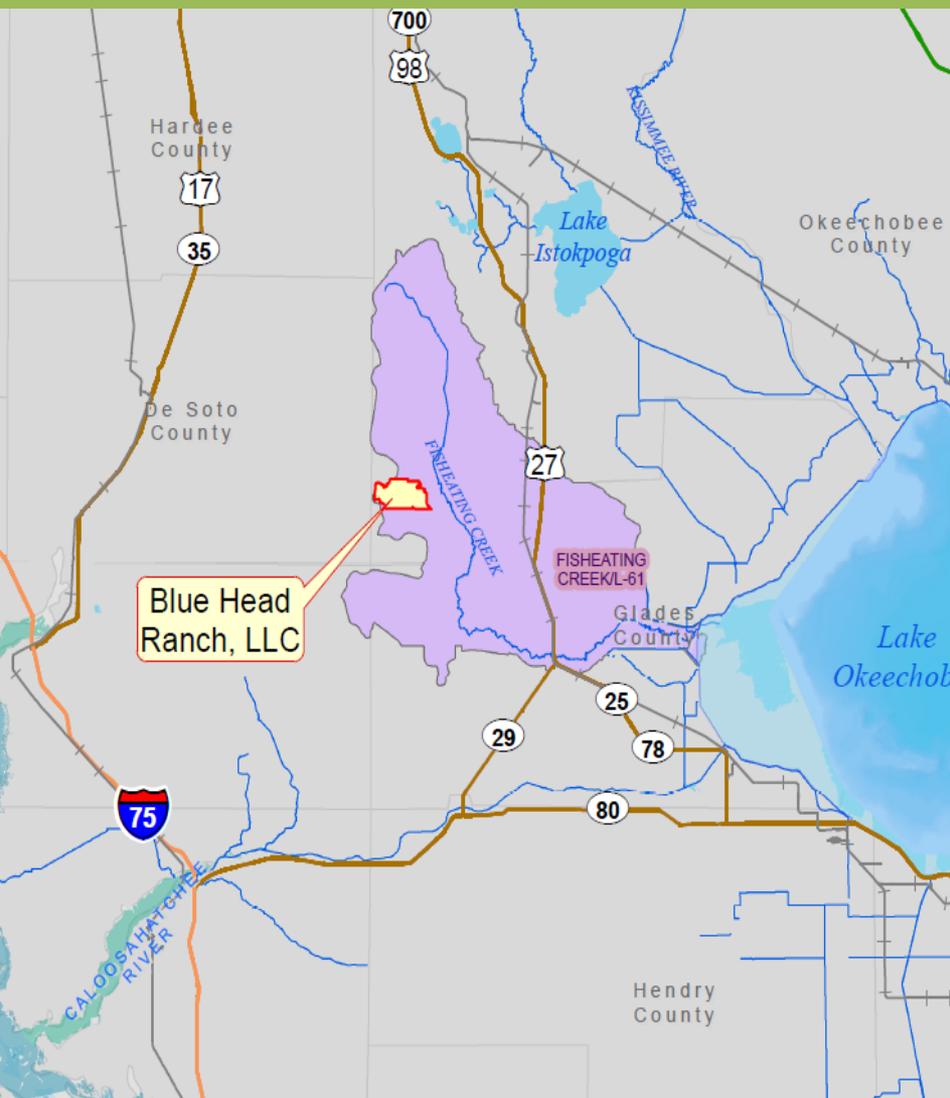
# Solicitation No. 6000000518

## Northern Everglades Payment for Environmental Services

Vendor Name	Rank	Retention (ac-ft)	\$/ac-ft
Blue Head Ranch, LLC	1	3,462	131
Mudge Ranch	2	396	130
Babcock Property Holdings, LLC	3	1,214	152
Bull Hammock Ranch, LTD	4	228	135
Rafter T Realty, Inc.	5	1,298	132
Adams – Russakis Ranches	6	508	155
Archbold Expeditions (Buck Island Ranch)	7	620	137
Alico, Inc.	8	103,650	195
Lazy JP, Inc.	9	465	120
Clemons Okeechobee, LLC (Oak Creek)	10	1,750	152

# Contract Negotiation Status:

## NEPES-2



- 19 respondents
- Initiated negotiations with top ranking respondent
  - Blue Head Ranch, LLC in Highlands County
  - First meeting conducted
  - Additional meeting scheduled

# Solicitation No. 6000000576

## Water Farming Pilot Projects

### Payment for Environmental Services

Vendor Name	Rank	Retention (ac-ft)	\$/ac-ft
Caulkins Citrus Company, LTD	1	6,780	76
Bull Hammock Ranch, LTD	2	240	166
Evans Properties, Inc. (E-1 & E-1a)	2	1,752 & 465	317 & 343
Evans Properties, Inc. (E-2)	4	3,831	232
Adams Ranch, Inc.	5	270	359



# Contract Negotiation Status: Caulkins Citrus Company, Ltd.

Construction	\$ 301,976
Operations and Maintenance	\$ 431,800
Participation Payments	\$ 529,860
<b>Total (3 year contract term)</b>	<b>\$ 1,263,636</b>

- Leaves \$333,364 dollars remaining out of the \$1.6M to go towards other projects

# Water Farming Pilot Projects:

## Next Steps

- Request Governing Board approval of Caulkins Citrus Company, Ltd. contract
- Awaiting 319 Grant decision (anticipated in September)
- Then will begin negotiations with Bull Hammock and Evans Properties
  - Tie for second place
  - Contracts contingent on funding available to execute both contracts together

# Discussion

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# **Water Farming Pilot Project Payment for Environmental Services: Resolution # 2013-0816**

**A Resolution of the Governing Board of the South Florida Water Management District to authorize entering into a three year contract with Caulkins Citrus Company, LTD for a Dispersed Water Management Program Water Farming Pilot Project for the purpose of providing water retention services and pilot project implementation information on fallow citrus lands in the St. Lucie River Watershed in an amount not to exceed \$1,263,636, subject to Governing Board approval of the FY14–FY16 budgets; providing an effective date. (Contract no. 4600002925)**