

**CONSERVATION 20/20 PROGRAM  
SECONDARY REVIEW**

LEHIGH ACRES (GS-10)  
457+/- ACRES  
Parcels w/ S09-T44S-R27E and S10-T44S-R27E)

**NOMINATION 257-2**

CRITERIA		SCORE		COMMENTS
A. SIZE AND LOCATION				
1.	Size of Property			
a.	≥ 500 acres	6		457 acres
b.	400 to < 500 acres	5	5	
c.	300 to <400 acres	4		
d.	200 to <300 acres	3		
e.	100 to <200 acres	2		
f.	50 to <100 acres	1		
g.	< 50 acres	0		
2.	Contiguous to:			
a.	Coastal waters/other sovereignty submerged lands	4	0	
b.	Existing preserve area, c.e., wma or refuge	4	0	
c.	Preserve areas officially proposed for acquisition	2	2	
	Within a mitigation area as depicted on the Master Mitigation			
3.	Plan map	4	4	
B. HABITAT FOR PLANTS AND ANIMALS				
1.	Native Plant Cover			
a.	≥ 75 % of the property has native plant cover	8		
b.	50% to < 75% has native plant cover	4		
c.	25% to <50% has native plant cover	2		
d.	< 25% has native plant cover	0	0	
2.	Significant for wide-ranging species	2	1	
	Panther Habitat, wetlands, ponds, grass lands, etc.			
3.	Rare and Unique Uplands (Maximum 2 points)			
a.	Scrub, hammock, old growth pine	2	0	
b.	Mature, second growth pine flatwoods	1	0	
4.	Diversity			
a.	5 or more FLUCFCS native plant community categories	2		
b.	3 or 4 FLUCFCS native plant community categories	1		
c.	2 or less FLUCFCS native plant community categories	0	0	Cypress, ponds

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C. SIGNIFICANCE FOR WATER RESOURCES					
1. Serves or can serve as flow-way					
	a.	Site contains a primary flow-way, creek, river, wetland corridor; large contributing watershed; possibly identified in the Lee County Surface Water Master Plan, South Lee County Study, or by staff	4	4	This parcel is listed as part of the proposed Section 10 Storage Project (CRE 144) in the 2012 Caloosahatchee River Watershed Protection Plan. The planned project includes modifying the existing mine pit to allow for additional surface water storage and water quality improvement. The parcel is also a critical component of the proposed GS-10 Caloosahatchee Crosslinks project, and is listed in the Lehigh Acres Municipal Services Improvement District's Capital Improvement Program.
	b.	Site contains flow-way, through tributary, medium size watershed, or just a portion of system/one side of conveyance, may not be identified in study	3		
	c.	Same as b., smaller watershed, not as defined, disconnected	2		
	d.	Site conveys runoff, minimal area	1		
	e.	Site provides no conveyance of surface water	0		
	f.	Add 2 points if conveyance is natural (not man-made)	+2		
2. Strategic to Flood Management					
	a.	Well defined flood-way within parcel, possibly identified in FEMA or other study, both sides of conveyance, large upstream area, protection from encroachment critical or known flooding history	4		This parcel is located in the Hickey Creek watershed, and could provide outfall and treatment for the drainage area.
	b.	Same as a., portion of floodway (one side) or within floodplain	3		
	c.	Medium size watershed, need for floodplain protection, possibly serves as an outfall for a road or development	2	2	
	d.	Small watershed, minimal flooding	1		
	e.	No significant flood issues	0	0	
3. Protect a water supply source.					
	a.	Parcel is within area designated high potential productivity of the Water Table, Sandstone or Tamiami Aquifer and also within area of current or proposed wellfield development	2	2	
	b.	Not within above mentioned zones, but advantageous due to proximity to existing water supply facilities or identified as potential water storage area	1		
	c.	No recharge or potential water supply opportunities	0		
4. Offset Damage to or Enhance Water Quality.					
	a.	Presence of wetland, retention, or lake that is currently providing water quality benefits	2	2	This property could provide a significant opportunity to provide additional flows to Greenbriar Swamp, restoring hydroperiods and providing water quality benefits.
	b.	Same as a., but achieved through some alterations to existing site or very limited in contributing watershed	1		
	c.	No existing or potential water quality benefits	0		

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D. LAND MANAGEMENT/RECREATION/PLANNED LAND USE				
<b>1.</b>	<b>Good Access for Public Use and Land Management</b>			
	Parcel can be accessed from a freeway, expressway, arterial street, or major collector	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	
	Parcel can be accessed from a minor collector or local street	<b>2</b>		
	Parcel can be accessed from a privately-maintained road that is dedicated for public use	<b>1</b>		
	Parcel can only be accessed by a private road or does not have physical or legal access	<b>0</b>		Joel Blvd.
<b>2.</b>	<b>Recreation/Eco-Tourism Potential</b>			
	Score depends upon the variety or uniqueness of potential public uses. Examples of appropriate public uses include paddling sports, fishing, hiking, equestrian, mountain biking, photography, nature study, and environmental education about native plants and animals, eco-archaeological resources, land restoration, etc.	<b>0-2</b>	<b>2</b>	
<b>3.</b>	<b>Land Manageability</b>			
	75% or greater of the perimeter of site is surrounded by low impact land uses	<b>3</b>		
	50%-75% of the perimeter of site is surrounded by low impact land uses	<b>2</b>		
	25%-50% of the perimeter of site is surrounded by low impact land uses	<b>1</b>		
	Less than 25% of the perimeter of the site is surrounded by low impact land uses	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	
<b>4.</b>	<b>Development Status (Maximum 4 points)</b>			
	<b>a.</b> The Parcel is Approved for Development or is Exempt from Clearing Regulations	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	
	<b>b.</b> The Parcel is Zoned for Intensive Use	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	RS-1, land is currently zoned for Mixed-Use Planned Development
	<b>c.</b> Future Land Use Map: Intensive Land Use Category	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	FLUM = Urban Community, Wetlands
<b>TOTAL POINTS</b>			<b>27</b>	Maximum Points = 60
Staff Comments:				
<b>RECOMMENDATIONS</b>				
2017-Mar-09	<b>Criteria and Ranking Subcommittee:</b> Forward Nomination 257-2 for acquisition. KA/RAW. Passed unanimously.			
2017-Mar-09	<b>CLASAC:</b> Forward Nomination 257-2 for acquisition. GR/RAW. Passed with 13 in favor and 2 opposed: DS/CB.			