

# **Board of County Commissioners**

## **Agenda Request**

Date of Meeting: March 17, 2009

Date Submitted: March 4, 2009

To: Honorable Chairman and Members of the Board

From: Benjamin H. Pingree, County Administrator  
Cleve Fleming, Public Works Project Director

Subject: Request Board Approval of an Memorandum of Understanding Between  
Wakulla County and Leon County for the Use of the Leon County Transfer  
Station

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### **Statement of Issue:**

This agenda item requests Board approval of an Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Wakulla County and Leon County to for the use of the Leon County Transfer Station (Attachment #1).

### **Background:**

Wakulla County Solid Waste has been transferring Class I waste from the Lower Bridge Landfill to the Springhill Landfill in Campbellton, Florida, a 224 mile round trip. On average, Wakulla County Solid Waste runs the Class I waste generated in the County to the Springhill Landfill 2.5 trips per day, 5 days a week for disposal. In addition, Wakulla County Solid Waste has been transferring the Class III waste, (Construction and Demolition Debris) to Star Environmental in Live Oak Florida which is a 200 mile round trip at a minimum of 4 times per week.

A partnership with Leon County has evolved which allows Wakulla County Solid Waste to dispose all of its waste in Leon County. At the January 6, 2009 Board Meeting, the Board approved a Joint Agreement for Class III waste disposal with Marpan Recycling, the City of Tallahassee and Leon County. During the Marpan negotiations a secondary agreement was developed with Leon County Solid Waste to allow Wakulla County to utilize the transfer station which is located on Gum Road.

### **Analysis:**

As shown in the following table, the savings to the County over the course of each month is substantial. Over the course of a year the County is looking at the probability of saving in excess of \$176,820. Staff is requesting approval of the MOU between Wakulla County and Leon County to utilize the Leon County Solid Waster Transfer Station for disposal of Class I Waste (House hold and Commercial Waste).

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	<b>Springhill Landfill (MONTHLY)</b>	<b>Leon County (MONTHLY)</b>	<b>Savings with Leon Co. (MONTHLY)</b>
Average trips per month	51	51	0
Round trip miles per trip	224	52	172
Miles per month	11,424	2,652	8,772
Average tipping fees per month	\$33,150	\$26,250	\$6,900
Average fuel costs	\$5,588	\$1,102	\$4,486
Preventative maint. (based on mileage)	\$300	\$75	\$225
Truck depreciation (based on mileage)	\$3,370	\$782	\$2,588
Average tire cost per month	\$703	\$167	\$536
<b>TOTAL COST</b>	<b>43,111</b>	<b>28,376</b>	<b>\$14,735</b>
Based on hauling the average of 750 tons per month in 51 trips			

**Options:**

1. Approve the MOU between Wakulla County and Leon County for the Use of the Leon County Transfer Station.
2. Do not approve the MOU between Wakulla County and Leon County for the Use of the Leon County Transfer Station.
3. Board direction.

**Recommendation:**

Option #1

**Attachments:**

1. MOU Between Wakulla County and Leon County

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