



**Indian River Soil and Water  
CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
Indian River County Florida**

**SUPERVISOR AGENDA**

**MONDAY, May 8, 2023 – 1:30 P.M.**

**Indian River County Administration Complex  
1800 27<sup>th</sup> Street, Building B  
Room B1-501  
Vero Beach, Florida  
[www.indianriverswcd.org](http://www.indianriverswcd.org)**

**Our Mission**

The Indian River Soil and Water Conservation District's (IRSWCD) mission is to provide resources, planning, assessment, assisting citizens to apply conservation and preservation technology, and to educate the citizens in these technologies.

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**District Supervisors**

**Robert C. Adair, Jr., Chairman: District 1**

**Linda Caggiano, District Staff Assistant II**

**Dr. David L. Cox, Secretary/Treasurer: District 2**

**Charles Kennon Hendrix, Member: District 3**

**Vacant: IRSWCD District 4**

**William Marine, Member: District 5**

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**1. CALL TO ORDER:**

**2. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA / EMERGENCY ITEMS:**

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

A. Board Meeting of April 10, 2023.

**4. FINANCIAL REPORT:**

A. April 2023 Treasurer's Report.

**5. REPORTS:**

A. **Jennifer Abbey, USDA-NRCS**

B. **Adel Pena, FDACS**

C. **Andrea Lazzari, IRC Extension Director; UF|IFAS IRC Extension Agent II**

D. **Linda Caggiano, IRSWCD**

**6. DEPARTMENTAL MATTERS:****A. Financial Audit for Year Ending 2022: Update****B. Indian River SWCD - Need to find Supervisor for District 4 (*Discussion*):****7. OLD BUSINESS:****A. Indian River Lagoon Council STEM Advisory Committee Update.**

- i. IRL Council STEM Advisory Committee Agenda for Tuesday, May 9, 2023.

**B. Informational Video: Aquifer Performance Test.** More Reason for a geohydrologic survey - Updated Hydrological Study of the County**8. IRSWCD 2023 Goals to prioritize Urban Agriculture as presented to the Board of Supervisors.**

- ❖ How to bring Urban Agricultural into participation with BMP's, especially water conservation.
- ❖ SJRWMD Water Conservation month of April.
- ❖ IRSWCD to consider holding a Water Conservation forum with ALL stake-holders present :
  - Topics:
    - Water Conservation in the County, Water withdrawals from the Upper Floridan Aquifer system and Consumptive Use Permits (CUPs) for Indian River County.
    - Water use in the County, water irrigation, future of water supply, are they going to keep pumping, what is the current situation is, problems with over withdrawal from Counties North of Indian River County, as well as our County how to avoid adverse impact. Why it may be a good idea to have a hydrology study; content for forum. Date to be determined. Chairman, Robert C. Adair, Jr. to put the content and speakers together. Dr. David L. Cox would oversee the funding working together with Andrea Lazzari, IRC Extension Director; UF|IFAS IRC Extension Agent II . Agency collective: Jennifer Abbey, USDA-NRCS, Adel Pena, FDACS, SJRWMD, and Indian River County Utilities to make the forum more focused.
- ❖ Pursue grants and funding to promote the conservation (and reduce the use) of irrigation water for urban areas.
- ❖ Pursue grants and funding to mitigate contaminants entering Indian River Lagoon.
- ❖ Pursue grants and funding to seek ways to increase carbon sequestration on county lands.
- ❖ Pursue grants and funding that accomplish our mission to provide resources, planning, assessment, assisting citizens to apply conservation and preservation technology, and to educate the citizens in these technologies.
  - Update from Dr. David L. Cox, Chairman of the "Outside Funding Procurement Committee".

**9. NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. SB 734: Saltwater Intrusion Funding:** Consider action on support for Board of County Commissioners to pursue funding from DEP for Saltwater Intrusion Vulnerability Assessments. Currently, the bill awaits action in the Senate Committee on Appropriations before a possible late floor vote. Senator Erin Grall (R) sits on that committee.

**10. ADJOURNMENT:**

*Next Board of Supervisors Meeting scheduled for  
June 12, 2023 - 1:30 PM  
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