

November 12 , 2007

Office of Governor Charlie Crist
State of Florida
PL-05, The Capitol
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0001

Re: Prevent FDOH Implementation of Proposed Rule 64E-6.0162 (Specific Standards for the Wekiva Study Area) Until Already Funded Research is Completed

Dear Governor Crist:

The Sawmill Homeowners Association is an organization representing 415 homes within the Wekiva Study Area. We wholeheartedly support Orange County Commissioner Frederick C. Brummer's 22 October 2007 letter sent to you pleading for your intervention to halt the Florida Department of Health's unwise and premature filing of proposed rule 64E-6.0162 concerning specific new standards for onsite systems in the WSA. If this rule is prematurely filed without the necessary and already funded studies completed thousands of homeowners and businesses will be forced to make costly changes for potentially zero gain in protecting the Wekiva River and its Contributing Springs. The cost to the homeowners would be devastating most of our residents.

The Florida Department of Health's two advisory entities have strongly recommended to FDOH to not move forward on this proposed rule at this time. Additionally, at the 16 October 2007 Wekiva River Basin Commission meeting the Chairman of that Commission, Senator Lee Constantine, strongly advised FDOH to not move forward at this time with the implementation of this rule. It has been our hope that FDOH would heed the advice of all the above but unfortunately that has not occurred.

This is why your personal intervention is required. Please do not allow your Department of Health to move forward on this proposed rule until the already funded studies have been completed and proper analysis of those studies has taken place.

Sincerely,

Sawmill Homeowners Association Board