Responses to the Top 5 Work Plan Priorities

- 1. Reasonable environmental impact balance with new development in Volusia County
- 2. Comprehensive growth management planning with increased environmental standards and better quality of life considerations
- 3. Public awareness and transparency of environmental standards related to commercial and housing growth
- 4. Stormwater and flood management
- 5. Aguifer and watershed protection
- 1. Creation of standards to adapt to sea level rise and promote resiliency
- 2. Creation of Low Impact Development standards
- 3. Updates and revisions to the Indian River Lagoon Overlay standards
- 4. Updates and revisions to the Wetland Protection standards
- 5. Updates and revisions to the Tree Preservation standards
- 6. Creation of Habitat Protection standards

And I consider updates to development standards within and impacting floodplains to belong within priority 1, 2, 3 and 4 above.

There should be a healthy balance between environmental regulations and economic wellbeing of the residents and businesses in Volusia County.

- 1. Have a review of the current minimum standards imposed on the cities by the county.
- 2. Review the various Federal and State environmental laws, regulations and rules that are imposed on areas within the cities, what agencies administer them and how they compare with county minimum standards.
- 3. What potential minimum standards are pre-empted by state laws such as Right to Farm Act and other agricultural rules that require the use of Best Management Practices?
- 4. How could minimum standards be tailored to different cities based on size, character, environmental concerns and differing priorities?
- 5. Could the environmental concerns be addressed by negotiating standards with the cities on a case by case basis that would be tailored to their particular needs and priorities through interlocal or joint planning agreements (JPAs)?

- 1. Updates and revisions to the Tree Preservation standards
- 2. Creation of Low Impact Development standards (many of the ideas presented in the past were used and then excluded due to enforcement challenges)
- 3. Updates and revisions to the Wetland Protection standards
- 4. Creation of Habitat Protection standards (I think this is really the goal of wetland protection? Would it maybe be more straightforward to follow state wetland rules and just identify wildlife habitat standards?)
- 5. Updates and revisions to the Indian River Lagoon Overlay standards (I need education on the recommendations)
- 6. Creation of standards to adapt to sea level rise and promote resilience
- 1. Habitat Protection
- 2. Stormwater Management (LID)
- 3. Sea Level Rise/Resiliency
- 4. Wetlands
- 5. Trees