



Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission

Gopher Tortoise Relocation (Conservation) Permit Application

Application Summary

Name:	Florid Power & Light Company / Gulf Power ES	Application Status:	Permit Issued	Permit Number:	GTC-20-00457
Permit Type:	Gopher Tortoise Conservation	Date Submitted:	11/17/2020	Predecessor:	
Application #:	65992	Date/Time Application Printed:	4/29/2021	Successor:	

Filer type : Agent or Consultant

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Have you ever been convicted or found guilty, of any criminal or non-criminal violation, regardless of adjudication, or plea entered, of any wildlife violation (including a violation of Chapters 379, 370, 372, F.S.; Section 828.12, F.S.; Rules of the commission: Similar laws or rules in another jurisdiction)?

Yes No

If yes, please explain, and list the type of violation(s) cited and the county/state where the violation occurred:

Have you ever had a fish or wildlife-related permit suspended or revoked?

Yes No

Explain, if yes:

Certification: I hereby swear and affirm by signature that the information submitted in this application and supporting documents is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that any false statement herein may subject me to criminal penalties. I further state that I will abide by all applicable state, federal, and local laws.

Yes No

Contact Information

Applicant	Agent
Personal Title FirstName MiddleInitial LastName Suffix Business Name Country of Residence Country Mailing Address Address1 Address2 Country City State/Province Zip/Postal Code Contact Information Contact First Name Contact Last Name Primary Phone Number Secondary Phone Number Fax Number E-Communication Confirmed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Personal Title FirstName MiddleInitial LastName Suffix Business Name Country of Residence Country Mailing Address Address1 Address2 Country City State/Province Zip/Postal Code Contact Information Contact First Name Contact Last Name Primary Phone Number Secondary Phone Number Fax Number E-Communication Confirmed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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Donor Location

Project Name:	Clay Rebuild Project - Hicks Griffin Way Realignment
Description:	Construction of an overhead electric transmission line.
Address 1:	
Address 2:	
County:	COLUMBIA
City:	LAKE CITY, 32025
Driving Directions:	From Interstate 10 in Columbia County, go south on U.S. Highway 41 for about 10 miles to SE Racetrack Lane. Go east one mile to SE Country Club Road, then south 0.5 miles to Hicks Griffin Way. Project is located on the north side of Hicks Griffin.

Estimated Start Date

Is the project a Development of Regional Impact (DRI)? Yes No

Was a relocation permit previously issued for this or a prior phase of the project? Yes No

Project Counties

County
COLUMBIA

Project Location

Section	Township	Township Directional	Range	Range Directional
22	4	S	17	E

Project Latitude and Longitude

Latitude Degrees	Latitude Minutes	Latitude Seconds	Longitude Degrees	Longitude Minutes	Longitude Seconds
30	7	11.6	82	36	8.2

Project Parcel Location

Parcel Information
22-4S-17-08704-004

Donor Information

Gopher Tortoise Survey

Total number of acres of project site:	3.09
Total number of acres of gopher tortoise habitat:	2.54
Date of gopher tortoise survey:	9/24/2020
Total number of acres of gopher tortoise habitat surveyed:	2.54
Percentage of gopher tortoise habitat surveyed:	100.00
Number of potential occupied burrows (active and inactive) from survey:	2.00
Estimated total number of potentially occupied burrows:	2.00
Estimated gopher tortoise population (Estimated number of potentially occupied burrows X .50):	1
Requested additional gopher tortoises to be relocated:	1
Total number of gopher tortoises to be relocated:	2

Soil

Soil Code	Soil Name	Feet	Inches	Number of Acres
13	Bonneau Fine Sand, 2 To 5 % Slopes		50	2.39
40	Ocilla Fine Sand, 0 To 5 % Slopes		20	0.70

Vegetative Communities

Vegetative Community Name	Dominant Species	Number of Acres
Coniferous Plantations	slash pine	0.87
Hardwood - Coniferous Mixed	live oak, dog fennel, blackberry	1.43
Roads and Highways	Not applicable	0.55
Utilities	broom grass, beggar tick, ragweed	0.24

Relocation Information

On-site Relocation

Is this recipient site unit on public conservation land and is contiguous to the proposed public project? Yes No

For on-site relocation to short-term protected or unprotected units complete the following section

Unit

How long will gopher tortoises be temporarily enclosed ? months

For on-site relocation to public conservation land that is contiguous to the proposed public project, complete the following section

Unit

For off-site relocation complete the following section

Recipient Site

Recipient Site Name	Unit Name	Current Available Capacity*	Reserved Capacity	Lat/Mileage	Date Reserved	Confirmed	Protected
Chinquapin Farm	Phase 1B	20	2	6	12/08/2020	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes

Total Gopher Tortoises to be Relocated : 2
Total Reserved Capacity : 2

Method of Capture

- Capture gopher tortoises using bucket traps
- Capture gopher tortoises using live traps
- Capture gopher tortoises using hand shovel excavation of gopher tortoise burrows
- Transport, marking and release of gopher tortoises
- Supervise backhoe excavation of gopher tortoise burrows to capture gopher tortoises
- Use a pulling rod to remove and capture gopher tortoises from their burrows
- Authorized to burrow scope

Comments

Comments	Date
Please note that permit GTT-20-01178, Raven-Ft. White Clay Rebuild project, was issued, relocations performed, and after action report submitted. A small portion of this linear project was re-aligned along Hicks Griffin Way and re-surveys documented two additional burrows in the new workspace.	11/13/2020 9:46:58 AM

Attachments

Document Name	Document Type	Document Description	Date
RFW_GT_LULC20201112.pdf	Other	Land Use Map	11/17/2020 6:25:36 AM
RFW_GT_20201112.pdf	Other	Burrow Map	11/13/2020 3:38:53 PM
Hicks Griffin re-route Res - 2 Gts.docx	Recipient site reservation		11/13/2020 3:22:07 PM
RFW_GT_Soils20201112.pdf	Other	Soils Map	11/17/2020 6:25:08 AM
Brewin CC036A (executed easement).pdf	Other	Real Property Interest	11/13/2020 3:40:05 PM
RFW_LocationGT.pdf	Other	Location Map	11/13/2020 3:22:59 PM