

RESOLUTION NO. 2024/2025-13

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE
FELLSMERE WATER CONTROL DISTRICT APPROVING A
PROPOSED PRELIMINARY BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025/2026
AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors (“Board”) of the Fellsmere Water Control District (“District”) is required by Chapter 298, *Florida Statutes*, to approve a Proposed Budget for each fiscal year; and,

WHEREAS, a Proposed Preliminary Budget including the Maximum Assessments for Fiscal Year 2025/2026 has been prepared and considered by the Board.

WHEREAS, a Public Hearing was conducted on May 22, 2025 at 5:30pm at 22 South Orange Street, Fellsmere, Florida 32948, for the purpose of receiving public comments on the Proposed Fiscal Year 2025/2026 Budget and Assessments.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF THE FELSLMERE WATER CONTROL DISTRICT THAT:**

Section 1. The Proposed Preliminary Budget including the Maximum Assessments for Fiscal Year 2025/2026 attached hereto as Exhibit “A” is approved and adopted, and the assessments set forth therein shall be levied.

Section 2. The Secretary of the District is authorized to execute any and all necessary transmittals, certifications or other acknowledgements or writings, as necessary, to comply with the intent of this Resolution.

PASSED, ADOPTED and EFFECTIVE this 22nd day of May, 2025.

ATTEST:

**FELLSMERE WATER
CONTROL DISTRICT**

By: Marc D. Mather
Secretary/Assistant Secretary

By: Meg J. Neban
President/Vice-President

REVENUES	FISCAL YEAR 2024/2025 AMENDED BUDGET	FISCAL YEAR 2025/2026 DRAFT BUDGET	NOTES
Tax Revenue	713,055	898,716	Includes State Park
5015 Revenue Other	12,500	14,000	Permits, Interest, & miscellaneous revenue
Direct Bill	56,139	66,321	
2001 Tax Collector Fee (adjustment to income)	14,261	(16,957)	Two Percent Of Total Assessment Roll
2002 Discounts Early Pay (adjustment to income)	28,522	(33,914)	Four Percent Of Total Assessment Roll
Reserves for Contingency	-	100,000	from cash on hand
TOTAL REVENUES	783,493	1,028,166	
ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENDITURES (all Units)			
5002 Website Management	2,200	1,380	Firewall/UTS (website - 27/28 next payment)
5003 Miscellaneous	2,500	1,000	Adjust to actual averages
5013 Legal and Professional	16,000	30,000	Increased trend, land easements, State Park, etc.
5014 Insurance - Admin	18,000	17,500	
5015 Engineering	20,000	24,000	WCP & Nonresimbursables
5016 Audit Fees	12,200	12,400	Per Contract
5017 Management Fees	2,000	-	Transition complete
5018 Bank Service Charge	250	720	Money Market Fee
5019 Conversion Consultant	-	-	Analysis of District Organization
5037 Transportation	2,500	3,600	Adjust to actual averages
5053 Property Appraiser Fees	1,800	1,800	
5054 Assessment Roll	500	-	Prior SDS charge
5074 Property Taxes	950	965	Solid Waste Fee/ Property Taxes
5076 Licenses/Permits	675	175	FDEP
5077 Memberships	2,000	2,000	FASD fee
5078 Legal Advertising	1,500	1,200	LO, Annual Mtg., Other mtgs.
5079 Postage	750	2,400	Adjust to actual averages + Annula LO letter
5082 Maintenance Buildings & Grounds	4,800	5,700	LA, Pest, Security, A/C + Deferred maint. at Office/Shop
5083 Utilities	4,200	3,400	Adjust to actual averages
5086 Telephone	4,200	2,300	Adjust to actual averages
5090 Office Supplies	2,000	1,000	
5091 Payroll Processing Fee	1,400	624	Reduce for actual contract
5111 Labor	100,000	104,000	
5121 Payroll Taxes	7,500	7,977	
5122 State Retirement	37,520	39,021	
5123 Workers Comp	2,000	2,100	
5124 Group Med/Life Insurance	38,600	28,632	Employee and Spouse
TOTAL ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENDITURES	286,045	293,894	

	FISCAL YEAR 2024/2025 BUDGET	FISCAL YEAR 2025/2026 DRAFT BUDGET	NOTES
MAINTENANCE EXPENDITURES			
Contract Services			
4002 Canal Aerial Spraying	0	60,000	One spray per year + South Unit
4003 Contract/Mechanical	70,150	93,000	Machine Lease - Expires 1/31/2027
4004 Sublateral Spraying	0	180,000	Two sprays per year + South Unit
4005 Water Testing	2,200	2,500	
4006 Sublateral Mowing	35,000	100,000	3 passes per mow - 2 mowing cycles
4007 Canal Mowing	0	40,000	4 passes per mow (Park, U and Main) - 2 mowing cycles
4040 Sublateral Tree Maintenance	35,000	35,000	Tree removal
4041 Canal Tree Maintenance	0	25,000	Maintenance path bush-hog
Contract Services Subtotal	128,350	535,500	
Ditch Maintenance - Unit East (less Direct)			
4131 Equipment R & M	2,000	5,000	Adjust to actual averages
4132 Supplies/Services	2,500	2,500	
4133 Gas & Oil - Maint.	4,500	4,700	2 fuel drops at \$2350 per drop
4136 Insurance - Maint.	0	560	Fuel Tank Insurance
4137 Transportation - Maint.	3,700	1,800	Operator Rembursement
Ditch Maintenance Subtotal	12,700	14,560	
Maintenance Personnel - Unit East (less Direct)			
4111 Labor/Equipment Operations	58,560	56,160	Hire at \$23/hour
4121 Payroll Taxes - Maint.	5,000	4,795	
4122 State Retirement - Maint.	20,000	9,339	
4123 Workers Comp - Maint.	2,000	1,918	
4124 Group Med/Life Insurance - Maint.	19,800	12,000	Assumes new employee at 42 years of age + no family
Ditch Maintenance-Personnel Subtotal	105,360	84,213	
Canal Maintenance-Special Projects			
4040 Main Canal Project - Prince Land	75,603	0	
4040 Park Lateral Project - Clear Zone	197,231	0	
4040 Lateral U Project - Blue Goose	72,239	0	
Canal Maintenance-Special Projects Subtotal	345,073	0	
TOTAL MAINTENANCE EXPENDITURES	591,483	634,273	
Reserves for Contingency		100,000	from cash on hand
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	877,528	1,028,166	
EXCESS/ (SHORTFALL)	-94,035	0	