

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MARTIN COUNTY, FLORIDA

RESOLUTION NO. 18-8.15

A RESOLUTION OF THE MARTIN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SUPPORTING COLLABORATION WITH THE FLORIDA REGIONAL COUNCILS ASSOCIATION, FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES, FLORIDA LEAGUE OF CITIES, FLORIDA SMALL COUNTY COALITION, FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES, ALL FLORIDA COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES, AND OTHER PARTNERS TO INCREASE AWARENESS OF BIOSOLIDS MANAGEMENT ISSUES IN FLORIDA, PRIORITIZE THE REDUCTION AND EVENTUAL ELIMINATION OF THE LAND APPLICATION OF HUMAN WASTEWATER BIOSOLIDS, IMMEDIATELY IDENTIFY ALL NON-RESIDENTIAL LAND APPLICATION LOCATIONS OF ALL CLASSIFICATIONS OF BIOSOLIDS, TRACK QUARTERLY VOLUMES APPLIED AT EACH NON-RESIDENTIAL LAND APPLICATION, MONITOR OFFSITE NUTRIENT RUNOFF FROM THE IDENTIFIED BIOSOLID LAND APPLICATION LOCATIONS, AND ESTABLISH A PILOT PROJECTS PROGRAM FOR FUNDING NEW STATE OF THE ART WASTEWATER TECHNOLOGIES TO IMPROVE RECOVERY AND AFFORD MORE EFFICIENT USE OF HUMAN WASTEWATER BIOSOLIDS

WHEREAS, on August 14, 2018, the Martin County Board of County Commissioners (Martin County) unanimously voted to support the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council's Resolution No. 18-03 regarding biosolids management issues in Florida; and

WHEREAS, Martin County recognizes it is time to work together as a region and state to increase awareness of current and future biosolids management issues, examine potential water quality impacts from our current practices, and explore new wastewater treatment technologies to improve biosolids resource recovery and management options; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution will use the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's definition of biosolids, which is as follows: "nutrient-rich organic materials resulting from the treatment of domestic sewage in a treatment facility...that can be recycled and applied as fertilizer..."; and

WHEREAS, Martin County wishes to collaborate with Florida Regional Councils Association, Florida Association of Counties, Florida League of Cities, Florida Small County Coalition, Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, all Florida counties and municipalities and other partners to accomplish these objectives and rethink 21st Century human waste and biosolid management practices in Florida.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MARTIN COUNTY, FLORIDA, THAT:

1. The State of Florida and its local governments prioritize the reduction and eventual elimination of the land application of biosolids.
2. The State of Florida immediately establish standard protocols and fund the identification, quarterly tracking and monitoring of non-residential biosolid application.
3. The State of Florida establish a Pilot Projects Program for funding local utilities to implement new state of the art wastewater treatment technologies to improve recovery and afford more efficient use of biosolids resources.

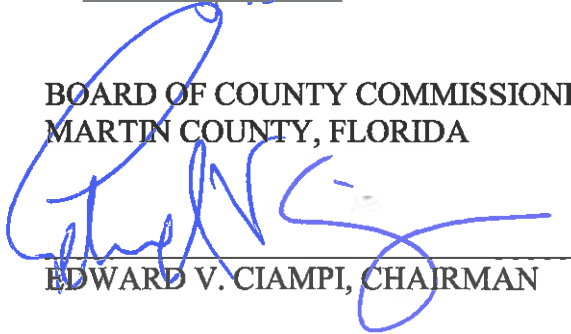
DULY PASSED AND ADOPTED this 23 DAY OF August, 2018.

ATTEST:



CAROLYN TIMMANN, CLERK OF THE
CIRCUIT COURT AND COMPTROLLER

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MARTIN COUNTY, FLORIDA



EDWARD V. CIAMPI, CHAIRMAN

APPROVED AS TO FORM & LEGAL
SUFFICIENCY:



SARAH WOODS, COUNTY ATTORNEY