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Meeting Agenda

October 7, 2021 at 3:30 p.m.

Big Cypress Swamp Advisory Committee Meeting to discuss Trend Exploration Oil and Gas Application

This is a meeting of the Big Cypress Swamp Advisory Committee (BCSAC) convened by the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP). The BCSAC was established to ensure compliance with all requirements for obtaining a permit to drill a well to explore for hydrocarbons in the Big Cypress Swamp area pursuant to Chapter 377, Florida Statutes (F.S.) and Chapters 62C-25 through 62C-30, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.). The committee is meeting to evaluate and provide recommendations on a pending permit application submitted by Trend Exploration LLC (Trend) for a project to drill and explore for hydrocarbons at a location near Immokalee, Florida within the Big Cypress watershed. The BCSAC shall administer its charge pursuant to the laws of the state, and the rules and orders of the Department which apply generally to oil and gas. If site-specific conditions require, the committee may recommend that additional procedures, safeguards, or conditions which are necessary to protect the integrity of the Big Cypress area be required as a condition to the issuance of a permit to drill and produce.

BCSAC meetings are open to the public. DEP is hosting this meeting via webinar. Interested persons can register for the webinar at the following link:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2268324791681273356>

Registrants will receive a confirmation email containing information about how to join the webinar.

1. Call to Order, Purpose, and Announcement of Meeting
 - **Purpose of Meeting:** The BCSAC is meeting to evaluate and provide recommendations on the pending permit application submitted by Trend Exploration LLC for a project to drill an exploratory well near Immokalee, Florida within the Big Cypress watershed. The meeting and review are conducted pursuant to Section 377.42, Florida Statutes.
 - **Date Notice of Meeting was published in the Florida Administrative Register:** September 23, 2021
2. Welcome and Introductions - BCSAC members
3. Overview of the BCSAC, Purpose, and Goals
4. Description of the Trend project and applicable regulations
5. Public Input* (members of the public will be given the opportunity to speak)

6. BCSAC Member reviews and discussion
7. Closing Remarks
8. Adjourn at 6:30 p.m. or earlier upon completion of the Committee's business.

*** In addition to the public input at the meeting, written comments and relevant materials to be directed to the BCSAC will also be accepted through October 7, 2021 through the conclusion of the meeting. To ensure BCSAC members are able to review the documents prior to the meeting, please send them as early as possible, on or before the conclusion of the scheduled meeting on October 7, 2021 via email to BCSAC@FloridaDEP.gov or via U.S. mail to:**

Big Cypress Swamp Advisory Committee
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Additional Information

- Applicable Rules Weblink: <https://floridadep.gov/water/water/content/water-resource-management-rules#Oil>
- BCSAC website: <http://FloridaDEP.gov/BCSAC>