

**Cone Ranch Environmental Advisory Panel  
Recap of Meeting on June 29, 2009 at 9:00 – 11:00 AM  
County Center**

**Environmental Advisory Panel Members**

Heidi McCree, Chair  
Rosanne Clementi, Vice Chair  
Hugh Gramling  
Vivienne Handy

Pamela Jo Hatley  
Dr. Felix T. Haynes  
Denise Layne

**Technical Resource Group**

Mark Adams  
Jack Berlin  
Will Bissett  
Steven Blaschka  
Hank Ennis\*  
Susan Fernandez  
Pete Fowler  
Lucia Garsys \*  
Paula Harvey \*

Ed Helvenston, Sr.  
Mike Kelly  
Renee Lee \*  
Mike Merrill  
Richard Miller \*  
Jim Roberts  
John Sheahen  
Tim Simon  
Bob Stetler

Edith Stewart  
Eric Sutton  
Paul Vanderploog  
Andrew Zodrow

\* Not in attendance  
\*\* Late Arrival

The Organizational Session of the Cone Ranch Environmental Advisory Panel was held on Monday, June 29<sup>th</sup>.

Heidi McCree was elected Chairman and Roseanne Clementi as Vice Chairman.

Commissioner Ken Hagan welcomed the panel members and thanked them for serving on the panel.

Presentations were received on the Sunshine Law and the Cone Ranch Bonds. Ken Jones of the Florida Conservation and Environmental Group (FCEG) made brief remarks about his proposal. Paul Vanderploog also addressed the panel regarding factors affecting the use and disposal of Cone Ranch.

The Panel agreed to a schedule of future meetings including July 20, July 27, August 10, and August 24. They asked that the next meeting agenda include information on the environmental history of the property, the hydrology and encumbrances on the property. As a final item, the process for disposal of county property will be outlined. Items discussed were: legal aspect of conservation easement/example; nature conservancy; restoration/management plan; land management plan and monitoring; not for profit, ELAPP, FCEG proposal; comp plan and zoning map; consequences of a mitigation bank; why was the gopher site selected; financial (legal process to sell); conservation programs; tax break (2009) for conservation use – presentation on implications.

Several constituents spoke during the public comment portion of the meeting.  
The meeting was adjourned at 11:10 AM.