

House Bill No. 669

An act relating to the Devil's Garden Water Control District, Hendry County; amending chapter 2000-481, Laws of Florida; amending boundaries of the district; providing for the equal assessment of benefits for all lands in the district; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Section 2 of section 3 of chapter 2000-481, Laws of Florida, is amended to read:

Section 2. The territorial boundaries of the District include lands in Hendry County, Florida, described as follows:

Beginning at the intersection of the North boundary line of Section 5, Township 45 South, Range 34 East, according to State Survey, and the West boundary line of the Right-of-Way of L-1 Levee of the Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District; thence Westerly along the boundary line between Townships 44 South and 45 South to the Southeast corner of Section 31, Township 44 South, Range 31 East, thence North along the East boundary line of Sections 31, 30 and 19 in said Township 44 South, Range 31 East to the Northeast corner of said Section 19, Township 44 South, Range 31 East; thence Westerly along the North boundary of said Section 19 to the Northwest corner of Section 19, thence westerly along the North boundary of Section 24, Township 44 South, Range 30 East, to the Northwest corner of said Section 24, thence continuing westerly along the North boundary of Section 23, Township 44 South, Range 30 East to a local Road known as 'Twin Mills', thence Southerly along a line described in Official Record Book 581, pages 430 thru 439 and Official Record Book 581, pages 443 thru 451 to County Road 832, thence Easterly along County Road 832 as described in Official Record Book 581, pages 443 thru 451 to a local Road known as 'Wild Cow Road', thence Southerly along Wild Cow Road, as described in Official Record Book 581, pages 443 thru 451 to the South boundary of Section 25, Township 45 South, Range 30 East, thence Easterly along the South boundary of said Section 25 and along the South boundary of Section 30, Township 45 South, Range 31 East to the South $\frac{1}{4}$ corner of said Section 30, thence Southerly along the North-South $\frac{1}{4}$ Section line of Section 31 to an intersection with the North boundary line of the South 194.00 acres of the East-Half of said Section 31, thence Easterly along said North line to the Easterly line of said Section 31, thence Southerly along said Easterly line to the Southeast corner of said Section 31, thence Easterly along the Township line between Township 45 South and Township 46 South; to the Northwest corner of Section 2, Township 46 South, Range 32 East; thence Southerly along the West boundary of said Section 2 to the Southwest corner thereof; thence Easterly along the South boundary of said Section 2 and 1 to the Southeast corner of Section 1; thence Northerly along the Easterly boundary of said Section 1 to the Northeast corner thereof; thence Easterly along the South boundary of Township 45

South, Range 33 East to the Southeast corner of said Township 45 South, Range 33 East; thence Northerly along the East boundary of said Township 45 South, Range 33 East to the Northeast corner of Section 12, Township 45 South, Range 33 East; thence Easterly along the South boundaries of Section 5 and 6, Township 45 South, Range 34 East, to an intersection of the West boundary of the Right-of-Way of Levee L-I of the Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District; thence Northerly along said Right-of-Way boundary of L-I along the approximate East boundary of Section 5, Township 45 South, Range 34 East, to the Point-of-Beginning of this description.

AND ALSO

TOWNSHIP 46 SOUTH, RANGE 34 EAST:

The West-half, and the West-quarter of the Northeast-quarter, and the West-quarter of the East-half of the West-half of the Northeast-quarter of Section 6, Less Road Right-of-Way. All of Section 7, Less Road Right-of-Way, and all Section 8, and the North-half of Section 17, and the North-half of Section 18, Less Road Right-of-Way.

AND ALSO

TOWNSHIP 45 SOUTH, RANGE 34 EAST:

The South-half of Section 31, Less Road Right-of-way. The South-half of Section 32, Less the East 300 feet.

Containing Approximately 85,365 acres.

Beginning at the intersection of the North boundary line of Section 5, Township 45 South, Range 34 East, according to State Survey, and the West boundary line of the Right-of-Way of L-1 Levee of the Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District; thence westerly along the boundary line between Townships 44 South and 45 South to the Southeast corner of Section 31, Township 44 South, Range 31 East, thence North along the East boundary line of Sections 31, 30 and 19 in said Township 44 South, Range 31 East to the Northeast corner of said Section 19, Township 44 South, Range 31 East; thence westerly along the North boundary of said Section 19 to the Northwest corner of Section 19, thence westerly along the North boundary of Section 24, T. 44 S., R.30 E., to the Northwest corner of said Section 24, thence continuing westerly along the North boundary of Section 23, T 44 S, R 30 E to a local Road known as "Twin Mills", thence southerly along a line described in Official Record 581, pages 430 thru 439 and Official Record 581, pages 443 thru 451 to County Road 832, thence easterly along SR 832 as described in Official Record 581, pages 443 thru 451 to a local Road known as "Wild Cow Road", thence southerly along Wild Cow Road, as described in Official Record 581, pages 443 thru 451 to the South boundary of Section 25, T 45 S, R 30 E, thence easterly along the South boundary of said Section 25 and along the South boundary of Section 30, T 44 S, R 31 E to the South ¼ corner of said Section 30, thence southerly along the North-South ¼ Section line of Section 31 to the South boundary of Section 31, T

~~45 S, R 31 E, thence easterly along the Township line between T 45 S and T 46 S; to the Northwest corner of Section 2, Township 46 South, Range 32 East; thence southerly along the West boundary of said Section 2 to the Southwest corner thereof; thence easterly along the South boundary of said Section 2 & 1 to the Southeast corner of Section 1; thence northerly along the easterly boundary of said Section 1 to the Northeast corner thereof; thence easterly along the South boundary of Township 45 South, Range 33 East to the Southeast corner of said Township 45 South, Range 33 East; thence northerly along the East boundary of said Township 45 South, Range 33 East to the Northeast corner of Section 12, Township 45 South, Range 33 East; thence easterly along the South boundaries of Section 5 and 6, Township 45 South, Range 34 East, to an intersection of the West boundary of the Right-of-Way of Levee L-I of the Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District; thence northerly along said Right-of-Way boundary of L-I along the approximate East boundary of Section 5, Township 45 South, Range 34 East, to the Point of Beginning of this description.~~

AND ALSO

~~TOWNSHIP 46 SOUTH, RANGE 34 EAST:~~

~~The West half, and the West quarter of the Northeast quarter, and the West quarter of the East half of the West half of the Northeast quarter of Section 6, Less Road Right of Way. All of Section 7, Less Road Right of Way, and all Section 8, and the North half of Section 17, and the North half of Section 18, Less Road Right of Way.~~

~~Containing approximately 85,625 acres.~~

Section 2. Section 8 is added to section 3 of chapter 2000-481, Laws of Florida, to read:

Section 8. Benefits assessed.—It is hereby found and determined that all lands within the boundaries of the District receive equal benefits from the water management works, facilities, and improvements as constructed and maintained under existing water control plans of the District and, therefore, all said lands shall be assessed equally for the maintenance and rehabilitation improvements of the District's works, facilities, and improvements.

Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

Approved by the Governor April 22, 2002.

Filed in Office Secretary of State April 22, 2002.