

### **Statement of Issue**

On September 5, 2006, the County adopted its Impact Fee Ordinance (05-06-44). The ordinance has been amended several times since the September 2006 adoption date. The Board has suspended impact fees regularly beginning in 2009. The Impact Fees moratorium is in place through August 2025. Staff is seeking the Board's direction regarding an extension of the impact fee moratorium.

The Board approved the agreement between Highlands County and Alfred Benesch & Company for the completion of the Highland's County Comprehensive Alternative Revenue (CAR) Study.

Highlands County's comprehensive funding study includes an evaluation of impact fees, Municipal Service Taxing Unit (MSTU), Municipal Service Benefit Unit (MSBU) and other alternative revenues.

In addition to the development of impact fees, the study is to evaluate whether implementation of other funding programs would be beneficial. Additionally, a rate analysis will also be completed for stormwater facilities.

The study's timeline is as follows:

<b>Task Description</b>	<b>Date</b>
1. Receipt of Notice to Proceed	December 2, 2024
2. Submittal of Data Needs Memo	January 2, 2025
3. Kick-off Meeting (Virtual)	January 13, 2025
4. Receipt of All Requested Data	February 14, 2025
5. Technical Study	February - October, 2025
6. Submittal of Draft Technical Report	September 19, 2025
7. Draft Report Review Meeting (Virtual)	Week of September 22, 2025
8. Commission Workshop	October, 2025
9. Submittal of Final Report	2 Weeks After Receipt of All Comments
10. Public Hearing	October/November, 2025

We have completed task 1 – 4, and are currently in the process of completing task 5.