## <u>Questions and Answers</u> Request for Offers (RFO) 2501 & 2502

Gilley Creek North Cattle Lease: Parcel No. 21-601-120X Gilley Creek South Cattle Lease: Parcel No. 21-601-121X

## **Questions received:**

- 1. Q: Are Gilley North and Gilley South two separate Leases?
  - a. A: Yes, they are two separate leases, and two separate bid packages must be submitted.
- 2. Q: Is there a connection between the two leases?
  - a. A: No, there is no connection, private land separates the two.
- 3. Q: If cow pens are constructed, can they be taken with you at the end of the lease?
  - a. A: No, any permanent structure constructed must be left per lease agreement.
- 4. Q: Can you disk and plant Bahia grass?
  - a. A: Yes as long as you are following approved Cow-Calf Operation Best Management Practices
- 5. Q: Do both parcels on the North Gilley Tract have water sources?
  - a. A: Yes, as the lease sits, both sides of Oak Knoll have water sources.
- 6. Q: Can horseback riders go anywhere on the cattle lease?
  - a. A: No, horseback riders must stay on the designated equestrian trail.
- 7. Q: If receiving the winning bid, what is the move in date for cattle?
  - a. A: The bid-winning lessee can move cattle in pending the board approval on January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2025 following execution of the agreement and payment.
- 8. Q: Can you increase the animal units assigned to the lease?
  - a. A: Pending District approval, adjustments to the stocking rate can be made depending on site conditions.
- 9. Q: Is it the responsibility of the lessee to control Brazilian pepper trees growing along the cross-fence lines?
  - a. A: No, the District will be responsible for treating the Brazilian pepper trees.
- 10. Q: Can the lessee control coyotes on the lease?
  - a. A: No, only feral hog control is allowed.
- 11. Q: Can you harvest seed on the lease?
  - a. A: Seed harvesting of Bahia grass is permissible.
- 12. Q: Is the lessee responsible for the fencing around the mitigation areas on the South Lease?
  - a. A: No, that is the responsibility of the District.
- 13. Q: Area there currently any cow pens on the Gilley South Lease?
  - a. A: No
- 14. Q: Are donkeys permitted on the lease?
  - a. A: Yes, in small quantities.
- 15. Q: Is burning permitted on the lease?
  - a. A: Yes, burning and disking perimeter firelines is permissible by the lessee with an approved burn plan. Burn plans must be approved by the District before any ignition.
- 16. Q: Can burning be used in place of mowing?

a. A: Yes

- 17. Q: Does the creek on the North Gilley Lease hold water?
  - a. A: Seasonally yes, but it is a drainage creek.
- 18. Q: Can travel trailers be temporarily placed on the lease when mowing or working?

- a. A: Yes, for short periods of time and as long as it is not a permanent structure and is not used as a residence.
- 19. Q: When was the last time the South Gilley lease held cattle?
  - a. A: It is currently still holding a few cattle.
- 20. Q: Is there a pond on the east pasture of the South lease?

- 21. Q: Can the lessee do any removal of the palmettos?
  - a. A: Roller chopping is permissible with approved plan, but no removal.
- 22. Q: Can you harvest hay on the lease without having cattle?
  - a. A: Harvesting hay is permitted, but the lease must have cattle.
- 23. Q: Is there a minimum number of cattle?
  - a. A: No, just a maximum, however, it is expected that cattle will be put on the property.

a. A: No