

**OKEECHOBEE COUNTY, FLORIDA
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
FOR THE ACQUISITION AND REDEVELOPMENT OF
OKEE-TANTIE CAMPGROUND AND MARINA
RFP #2017-01**

Notice is hereby given that Okeechobee County, Florida, is seeking proposals for the acquisition and redevelopment (the "Project") of an approximately 99 acre site physically located at 10430 W. Hwy 78, Okeechobee, FL (the "Site").

The Site was formerly Okee-Tantie Campground and Marina. The purpose of this RFP is to solicit for the re-development of Okee-Tantie through a sale or combination purchase and/or long-term lease agreements for all or parts of the 99 acre site. The County is seeking Proposals that offer the greatest opportunity for the highest and best use of Okee-Tantie at the highest benefit to the County, as more specifically defined within the proposal. The Project poses a unique opportunity for a public-private partnership to establish a catalyst for economic development and tourism growth in the greater Okeechobee and south Florida markets.

Complete copies of the Request for Proposal and related documents may be obtained from the Okeechobee County website at www.co.okeechobee.fl.us/cdocuments in the County Documents section. Related inquiries may be directed to the County Administrator, 304 NW 2nd Street, Room 123, Okeechobee, FL 34972, by telephone at 863-763-6441 ext. 1 or by email at rchartier@co.okeechobee.fl.us. Full requirements for a submittal are detailed in the Request for Proposal on the County website.

Interested parties shall submit one signed original, nine (9) copies and one (1) electronic copy in PDF format (in the form of a flash drive or CD-ROM) to Okeechobee County at 304 NW 2nd Street, Room 123, Historic Courthouse, Okeechobee, Florida 34972, marked **ATTENTION COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE – SEALED BID "OKEE TANTIE CAMPGROUND AND MARINA RFP"**. All Request for Proposals must be received by the County before 3:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time on March 1, 2017, at which time all Requests for Proposals will be opened and recorded. A site tour is anticipated to be scheduled January 25, 2017 at 1:30 p.m. All Request for Proposals will become a public record of the County upon opening and are subject to public disclosure consistent with Chapter 119 of the Florida Statute.

Okeechobee County accepts no responsibility for any expense related to preparation or delivery of Requests for Proposals, reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, to waive technical errors and informalities not inconsistent with Florida Statutes, and to accept the proposals, which, in its sole judgment, best serves the public interest.

Okeechobee County is an Equal Employment Opportunity Employer.

Sharon Robertson, Clerk
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Okeechobee County, Florida

Terry W. Burroughs, Chairman
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Okeechobee County, Florida

January 4, 2017