BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In re: Joint Petition of Sumter Electric Cooperative, Inc. and The City of Bushnell, a Florida municipality, for approval of a Modification to the Territorial Agreement for Sumter County.

Docket No.

October 29, 2021

JOINT PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF A MODIFICATION TO THE TERRITORIAL AGREEMENT

Sumter Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("SECO") and The City of Bushnell ("City" or "Bushnell") (collectively, the "Joint Petitioners" or "Parties"; "Party" for singular references), pursuant to Section 366.04(2)(d), Fla. Stat., and Rules 25-6.0440 and 28-106.201, F.A.C., jointly petition the Florida Public Service Commission ("Commission") for approval of a Modification to their existing Territorial Agreement for Sumter County, Florida. In support, the Joint Petitioners state:

1. SECO and Bushnell are parties to a currently effective territorial agreement delineating their respective service territories in Sumter County, Florida (the "Current Agreement"), approved by the Commission in Order No. PSC-2020-0258-PAA-EU, issued July 24, 2020, in Docket No. 20200138-EU, and consummated by Order No. PSC-2020-0281-CO-EU, issued August 19, 2020.

2. For purposes of this Joint Petition, the names, mailing addresses and other contact information of the persons authorized to receive notices and communications are:

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3. As of October 5, 2021, the Joint Petitioners entered into an amendment ("First Amendment") to the Current Agreement, attached hereto as Attachment A, in an effort to modify the Parties' respective service areas in Sumter County in three locations. (1) A large industrial customer ("New Customer") is seeking to construct and operate a large facility in the City's current service territory, which would require significant capital investment and construction of new facilities by the City to provide the requisite electric service to the New Customer. (2) In addition, security light service has been requested to another area within the City's current service territory, which service would require a significant and costly extension of facilities by the City. In both the case of the New Customer and the security light service, SECO is able to provide electric service with less new investment and less costly extension of existing facilities than the City. (3) An existing customer of the City is planning to expand its recreational vehicle ("RV") park facilities to an adjacent area within SECO's current service territory (the "RV Park Customer"), which would require significant capital investment and construction of new facilities by SECO to provide

the requisite electric service to the RV Park Customer. For the RV Park Customer, the City is able to provide electric service with less new investment and less costly extension of existing facilities than SECO. For all three locations, the Parties have agreed to exchange certain territorial area parcels to facilitate the less costly expansion of service by the appropriate Party.

4. The Current Agreement expressly provides that the effectiveness of any amendment thereto is contingent upon the subsequent approval of the Commission. The First Amendment to the Current Agreement will become effective and enforceable upon the issuance of an Order by the Commission approving the First Amendment to the Current Agreement in its entirety.

5. Except as modified as shown in Exhibit A, the terms and conditions of the Current Agreement remain unchanged and in full force and effect, and there are no known disputed issues of material fact related to this Petition.

6. The Joint Petitioners believe, and therefore represent to the Commission, that the proposed First Amendment, and the Current Agreement as amended thereby, are in the public interest because they will eliminate the uneconomic duplication of services, will enable the New Customer, the security light service, and the RV Park Customer to be served in the most efficient and cost-effective manner, and will not cause a decrease in reliability of electrical service to existing or future customers of either Party.

7. Because the territorial area parcels addressed in the proposed First Amendment do not currently have electric service, no customer accounts will be transferred between the Parties and no written notice to customers is required.

WHEREFORE, the Joint Petitioners respectfully ask the Commission to approve the proposed First Amendment to the Current Agreement.

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RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 29th day of October, 2021.

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FIRST AMENDMENT TO TERRITORIAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN SUMTER ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC. AND CITY OF BUSHNELL, FLORIDA

THIS FIRST AMENDMENT TO TERRITORIAL AGREEMENT ("First Amendment"), dated as of October 5, 2021, by and between SUMTER ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC., a Florida rural electric cooperative ("SECO") and CITY OF BUSHELL, a Municipal Government organized and existing under the laws of the State of Florida ("Bushnell" or the "City") (collectively, "Parties" or individually a "Party"), and this shall become effective upon the approval of the Florida Public Service Commission ("Commission" or "PSC").

WHEREAS, SECO and Bushnell are parties to an existing Territorial Agreement dated September 24, 2019, (the "Current Agreement"), which was approved by PSC Order No. PSC-2020-0258-PAA-EU, issued July 24, 2020 (the "Order"), and effective August 19, 2020, by Consummating Order No PSC-2020-0281-CO-EU issued August 19, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Parties desire, pursuant to Article V, Section 5.1, to amend the Current Agreement to modify the Territorial Boundary Line to address the service and financial needs of three customers with a corresponding exchange of service Territorial Areas.

NOW THEREFORE, the Parties agree as follows:

1. The final territorial boundary modifications agreed to by the Parties are set forth in Exhibit A, which is incorporated herein by reference.

2. The changes in Exhibit A are driven by a new customer within the Territorial Area of Bushnell ("New Customer") that has sought electric service for a new, large industrial plant whose service demands would require significant capital investment and construction of new facilities by the City to provide the requisite electric service to the New Customer.

3. Upon review of the demand requirements of this customer, the Parties agree that SECO can serve the New Customer with less new investment and less costly extension of facilities than Bushnell.

4. To timely meet the short-term and long-term needs of the New Customer, the Parties have entered into this First Amendment to modify the Territorial Boundary Line (see the detail reflected on Exhibit B, Page 6, which is PDF page 2, and is the larger of the two areas being transferred to SECO from Bushnell) so that the New Customer will be located within the Territorial Area of SECO. Further, to meet the immediate and temporary construction needs of the New Customer, the Parties, contemporaneously with this First Amendment, have also entered into a

temporary service agreement that would allow SECO to serve the New Customer until such time as the Commission may approve this First Amendment.

5. In addition to the foregoing customer-driven request, another Bushnell Territorial Area customer is requesting security light service for an area where there is no current electric service by the City, and which would require a significant and costly extension of facilities by the City to provide such security light service. SECO is able to provide the security light service with less new investment and less costly extension of existing facilities. Upon agreement of the Parties, Bushnell has allowed SECO to provide temporary service to this customer, subject to Commission approval of such temporary service and a Boundary Line change that would place this customer's security light service temporarily within the Territorial Area of SECO. Such Boundary Line change is reflected on Exhibit B, Page 6 (PDF page 2) as the smaller area at the top left of the map.

6. The Parties have also received a further customer-driven boundary modification request to transfer some of the existing SECO Territorial Area that currently has no customers (see the detail reflect on Exhibit B, Page 8, which is PDF page 3) to Bushnell to facilitate an existing-City-electric-customer's intent to expand its recreational vehicle ("RV") park facilities to an adjacent area within SECO's current Territorial Area (the "RV Park Customer"). The RV Park Customer desires the City to provide electric service for this expansion. Electric service to the RV Park Customer for the expansion would require significant capital investment and construction of new facilities by SECO. The City is able to provide electric service to the RV Park Customer for the expansion with less new investment and less costly extension of existing facilities than SECO.

7. The Parties agree, based on sound economic, engineering and other relevant considerations, the boundary line modifications identified herein will meet the respective customers' needs and will eliminate the uneconomic duplication of facilities. The proposed boundary line changes will not cause a decrease in the reliability of electrical service to existing or future customers of either Party.

8. Attached hereto as Exhibit A are an updated Florida Department of Transportation ("FDOT") General Highway map and a complete set of revised SECO and Bushnell Territorial Maps (the changes are shown on PDF pages 7 and 9 of this Exhibit).

9. Upon approval by the Commission, this First Amendment shall be in full force and effect, shall amend the Current Agreement as specified herein, , shall have a duration coterminous with the term of the Current Agreement, and shall remain in effect until and unless either Party provides written notice of termination as provided in the Current Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each Party hereto has executed this First Amendment by their duly authorized representative on the day and year first above written.

[SIGNATURES CONTINUED NEXT PAGE]

SUMTER ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

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By James P. Duncan, Chief Executive Officer

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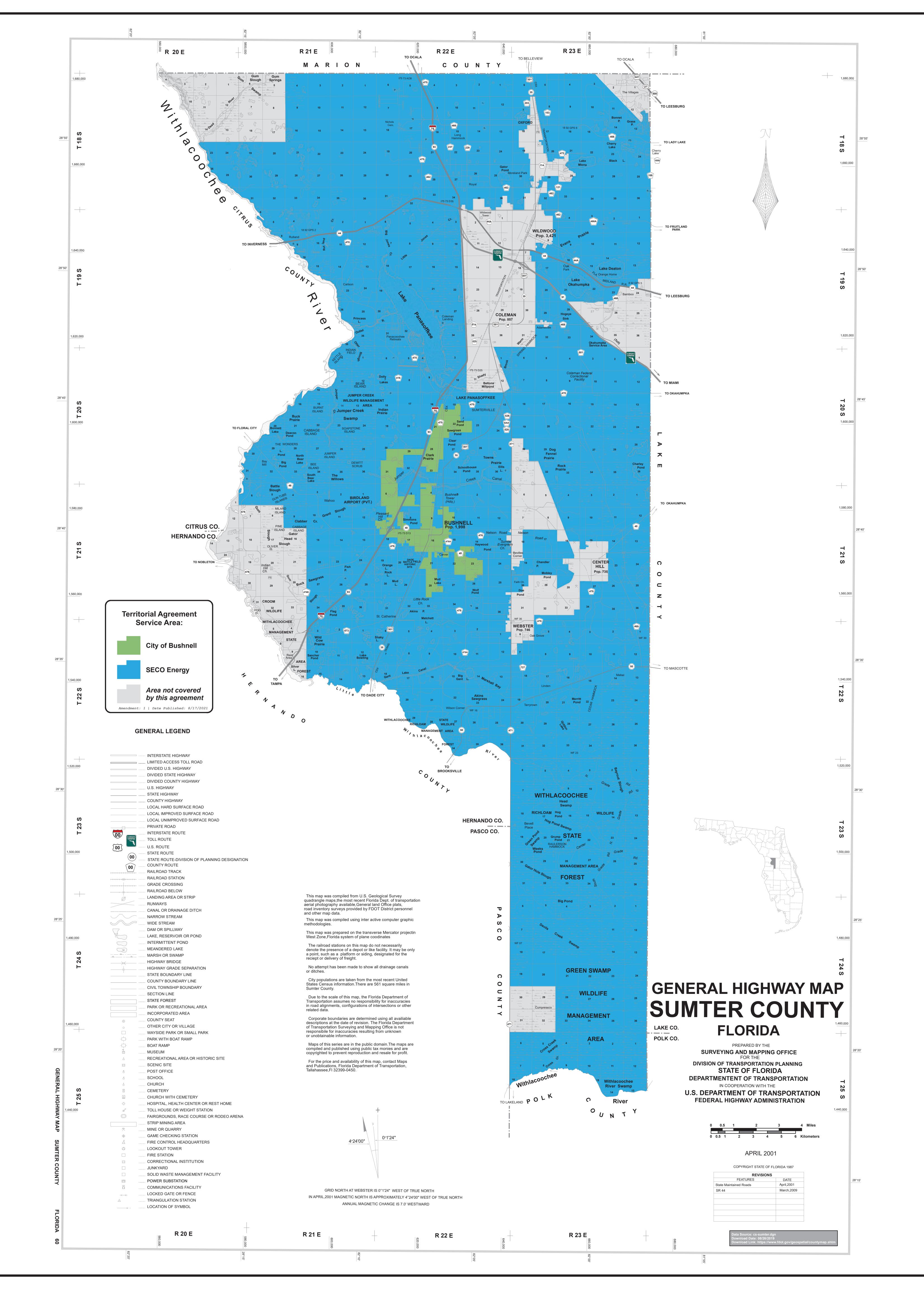
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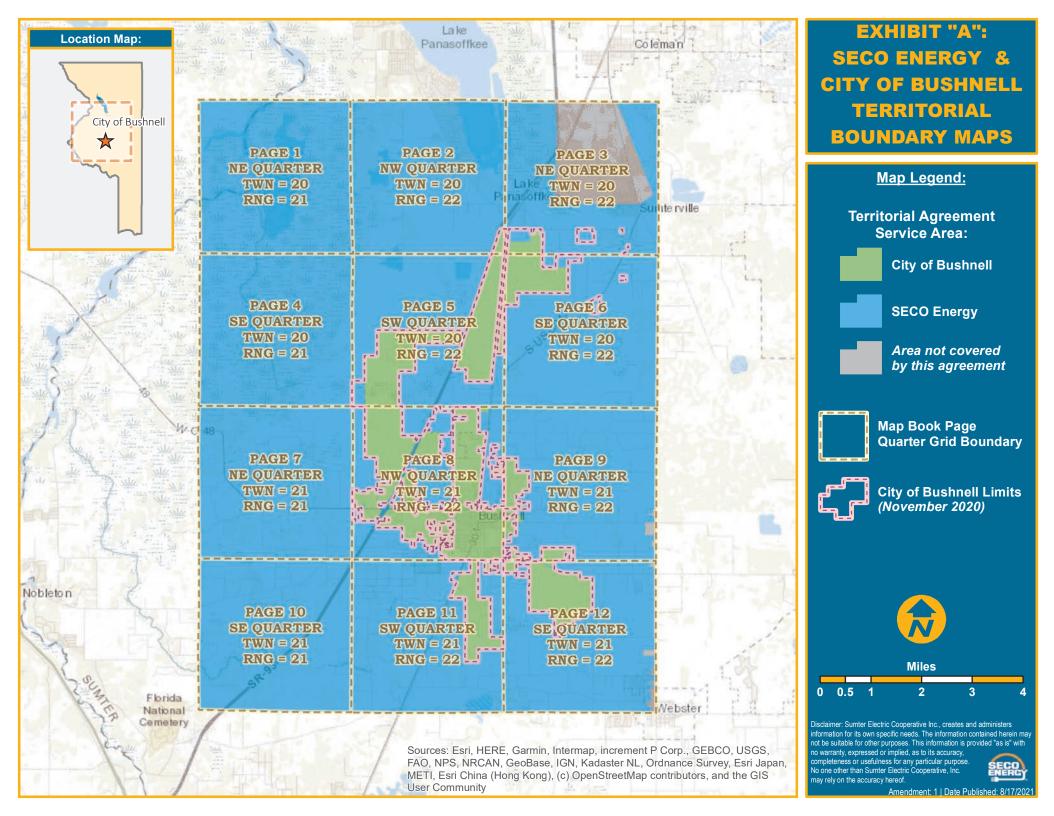
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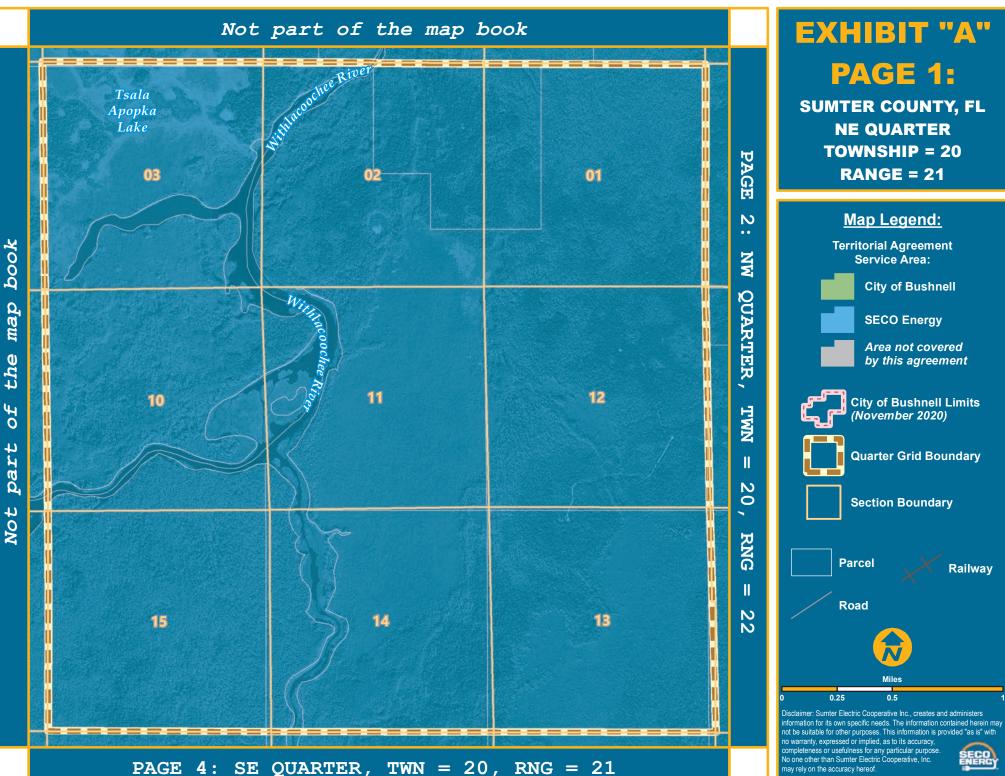
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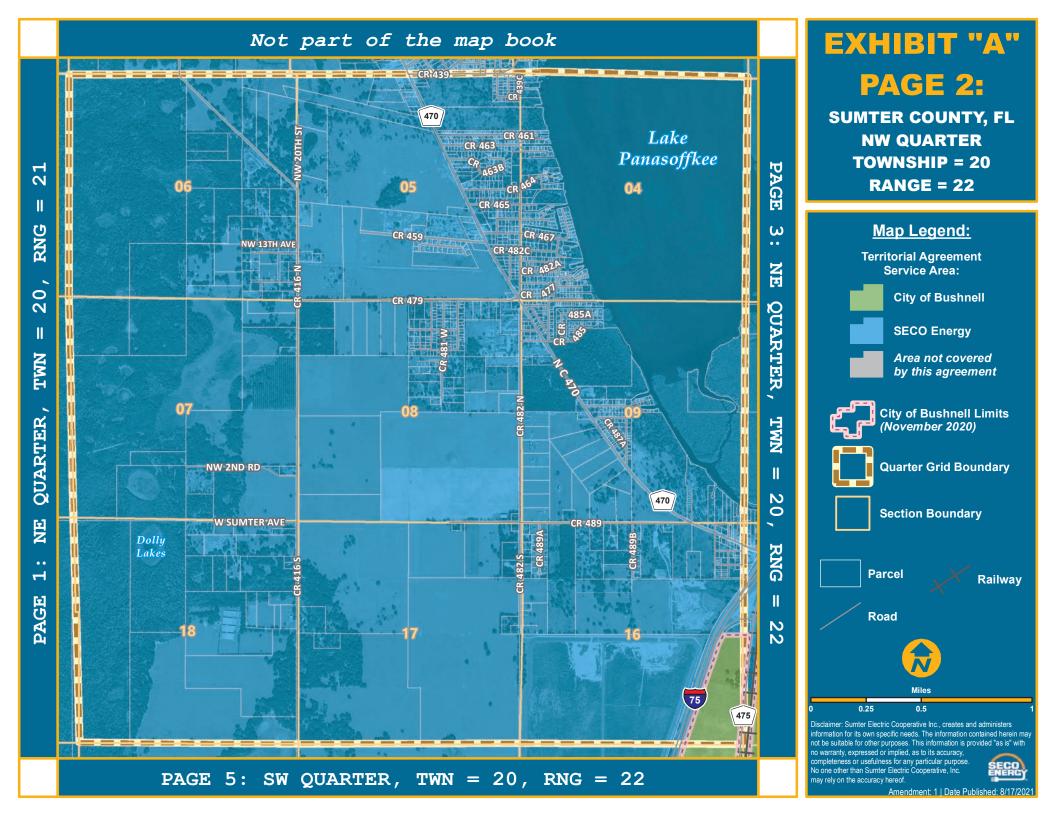
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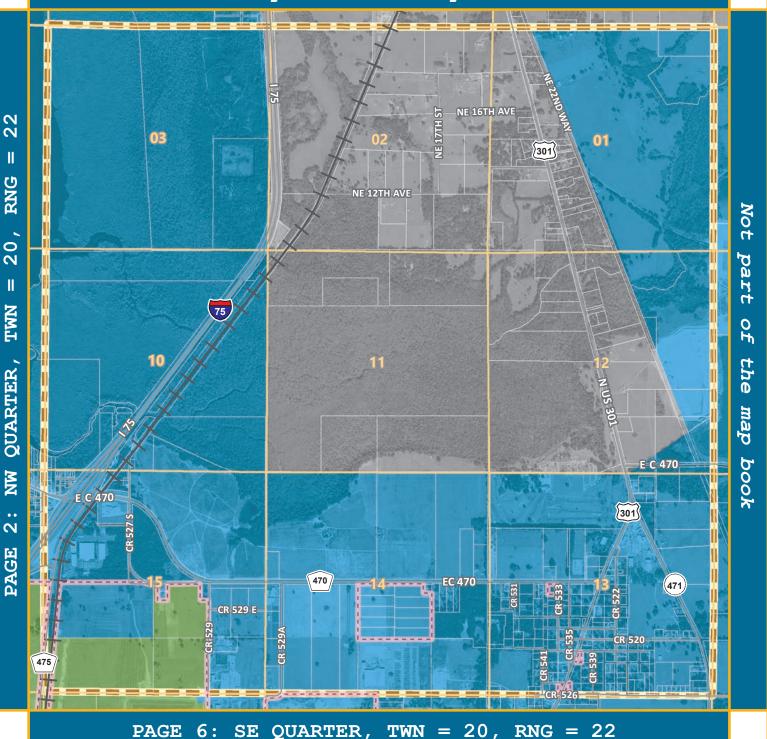


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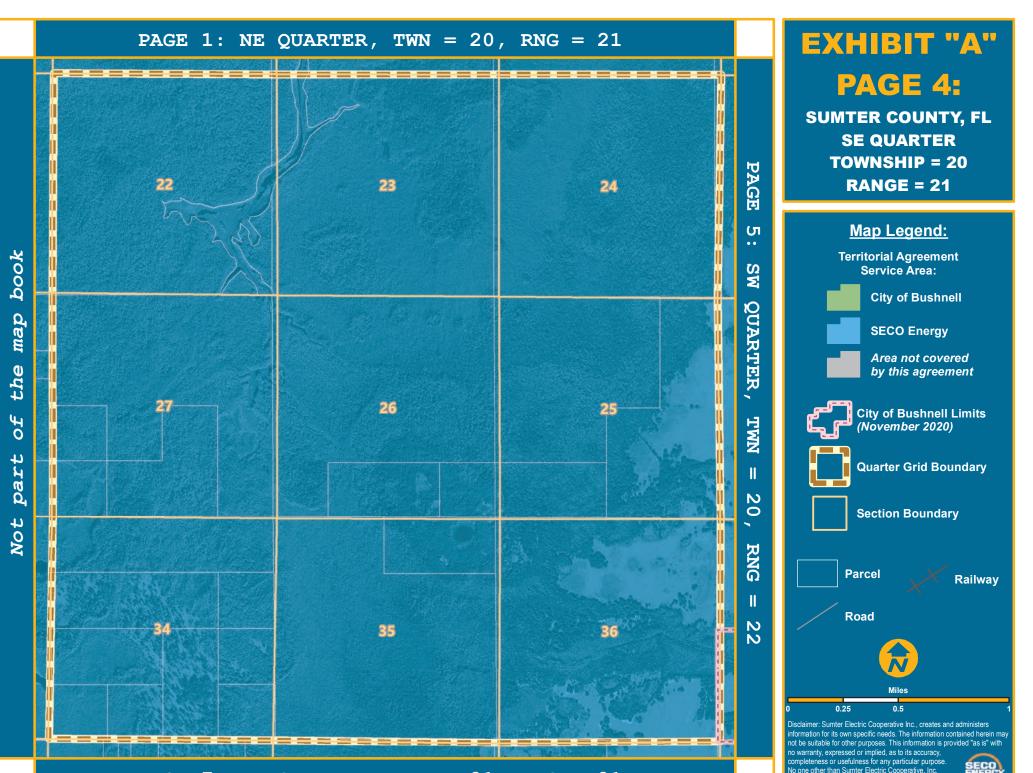
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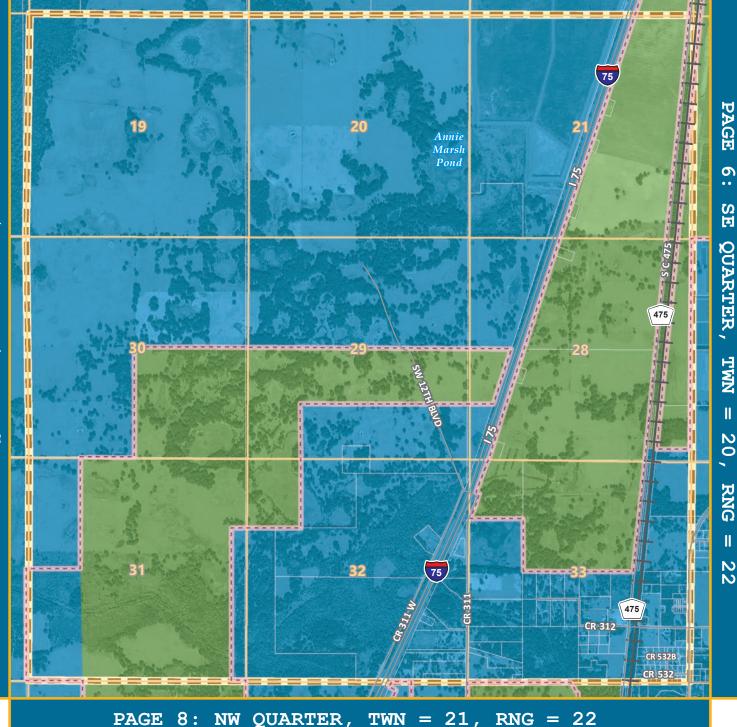


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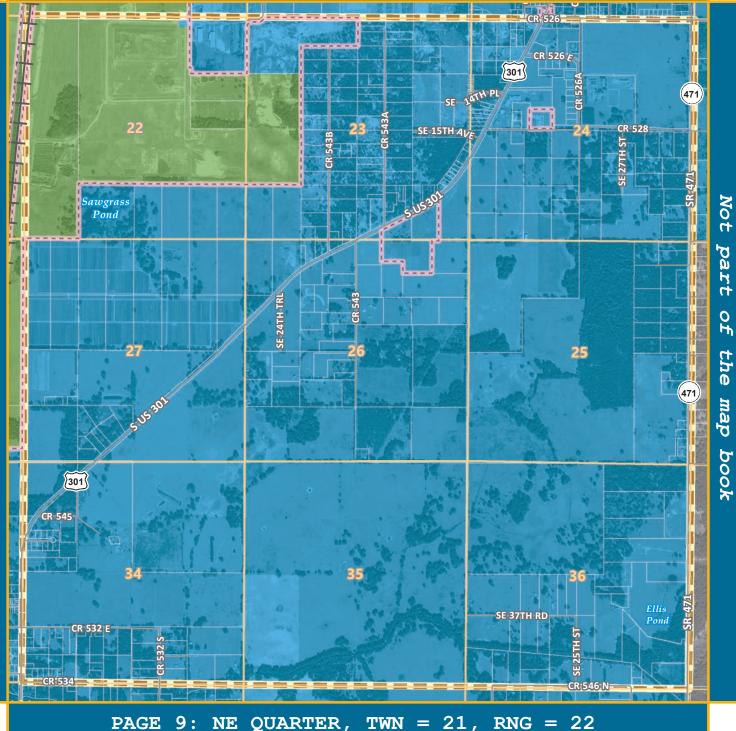
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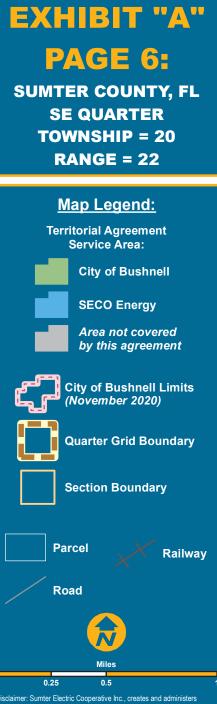
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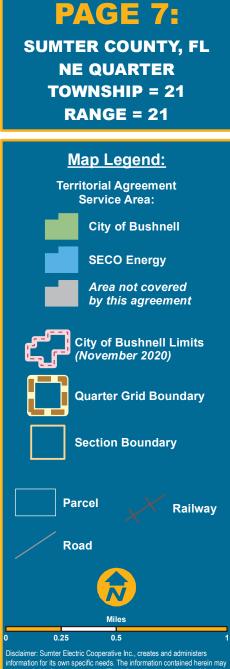






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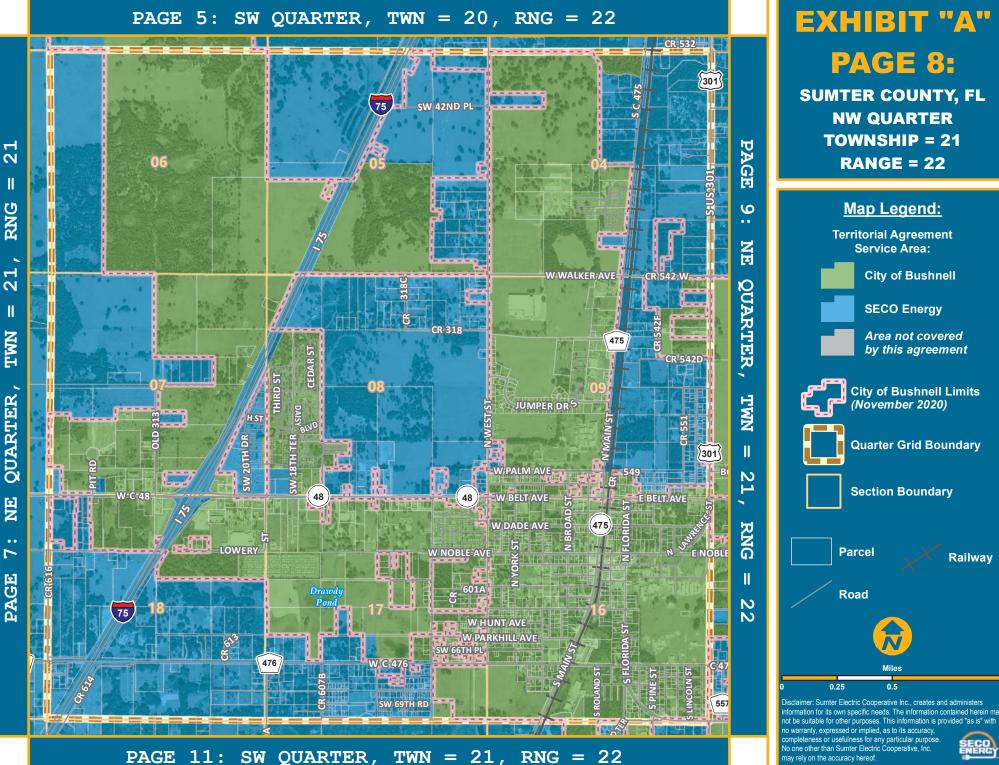
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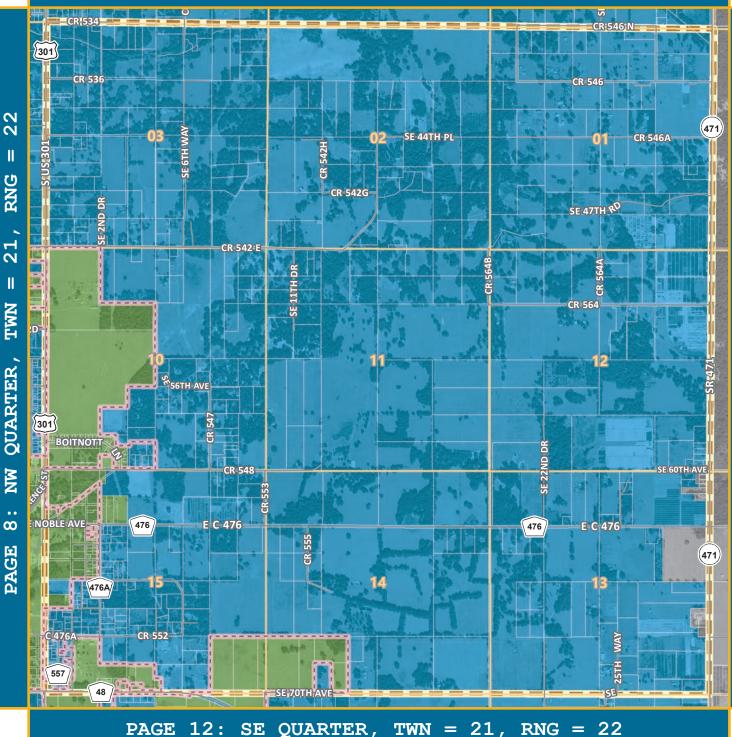
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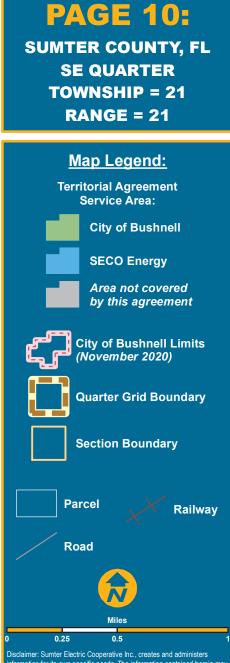


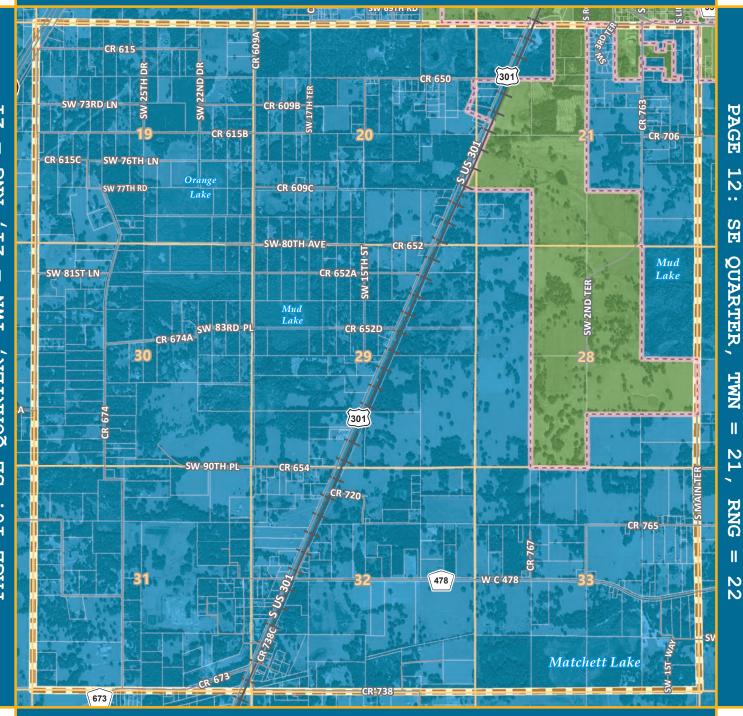
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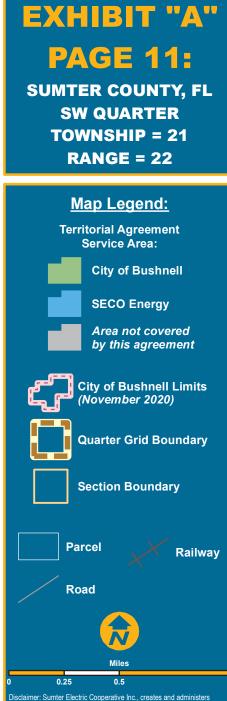
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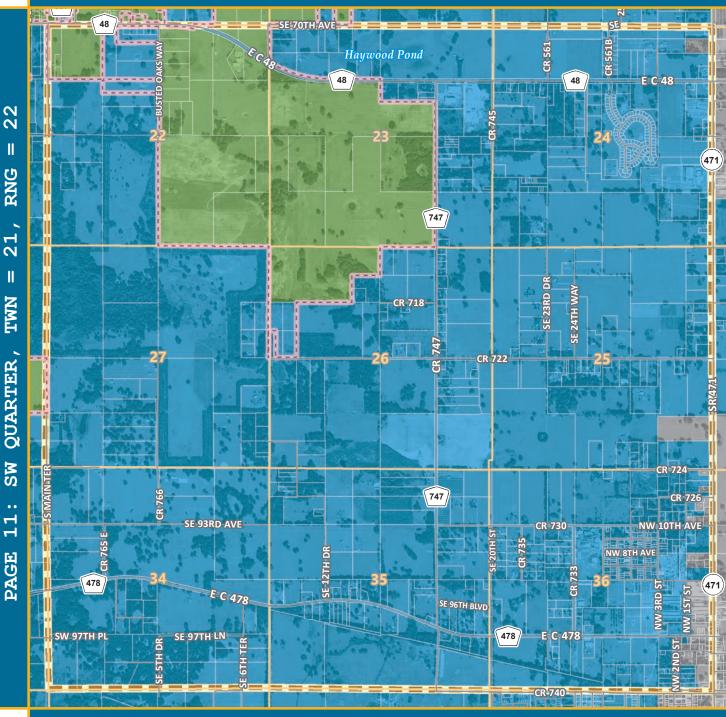
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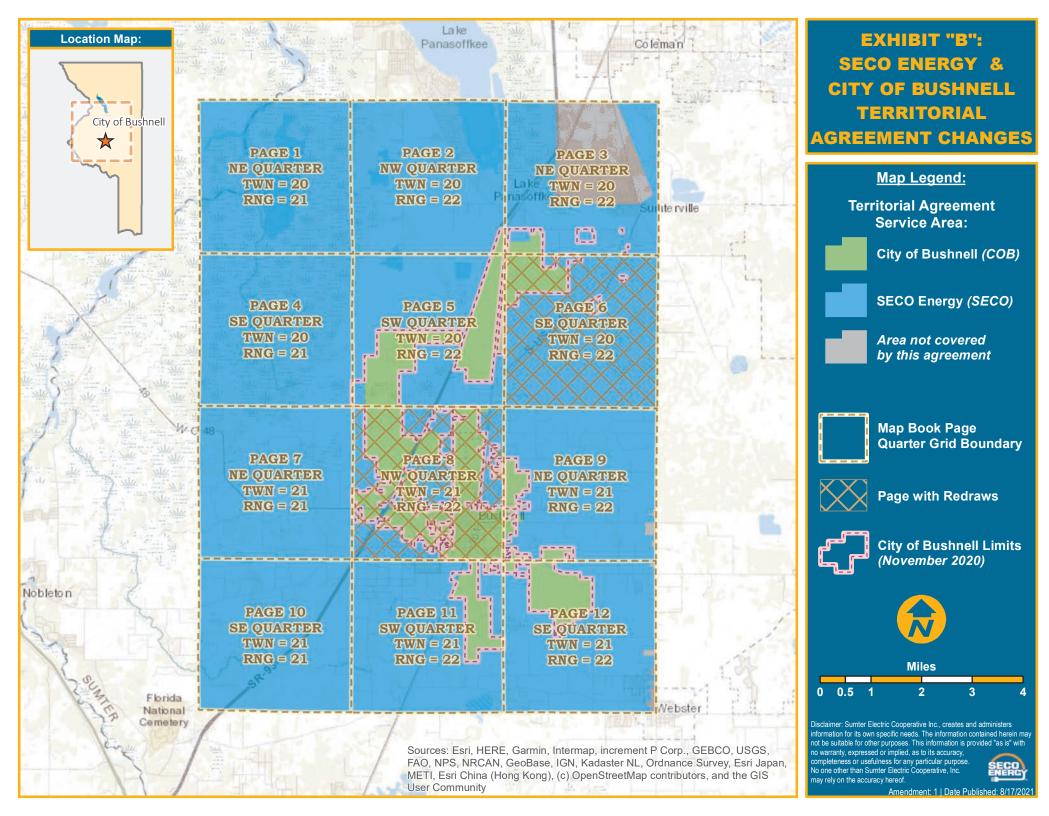
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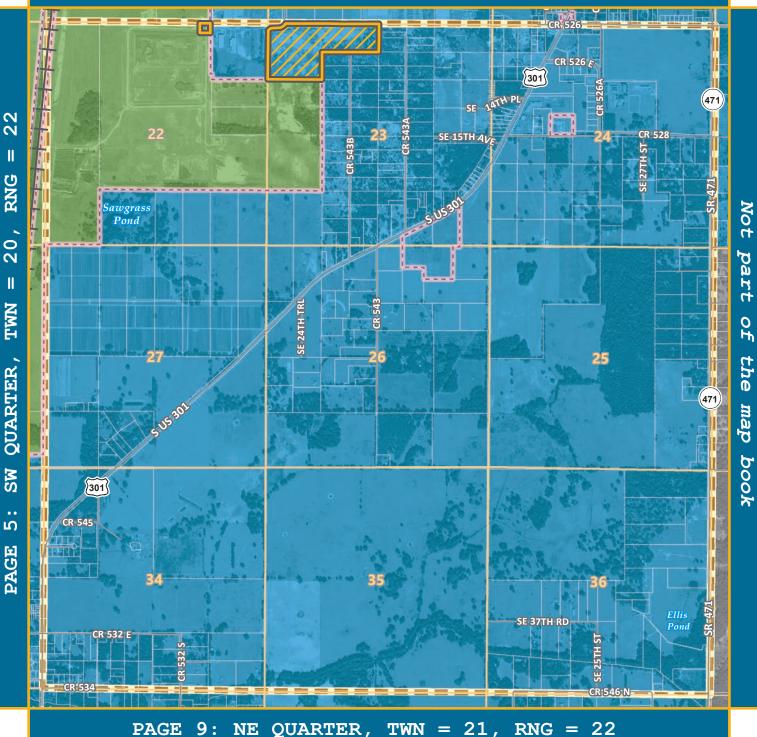


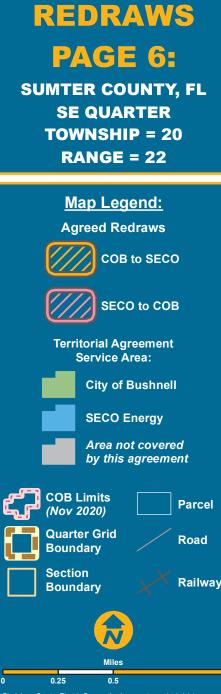




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