

CLASS OF ACTION DETERMINATION
EXAMPLE CASE STUDY # 3

The following information is known or documented in the Programming Screen Summary Report:

- Comments received from U.S. Coast Guard indicate that a permit will be required for the crossing over the Blackwater River. They have requested to be a cooperating agency.
- The proposed improvements will cause a change in land use from a primarily rural setting to include some commercial development occurring along the highway.
- The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) was provided with the form indicating 5 acres of a strawberry field could be required for additional right-of-way. NRCS returned the form indicating minimal impacts related to this parcel.
- A Coastal Zone Consistency statement was received from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection.
- The Great Green River is listed on the Southeastern Rivers Inventory for Wild and Scenic Rivers. However, the proposed improvements are 3 miles downstream of the segment endpoint and will have no involvement.
- There will be minor encroachment in a floodplain.
- 2 acres of hardwood wetlands will be minimally impacted requiring a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) permit. USACE has requested being a cooperating agency.
- 12 receptors will be affected by noise increasing their background by a maximum of 2 dBA.
- A preliminary survey was completed with no archaeological sites found and no impacts to the adjacent DeSoto Historic District resulting in a State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) letter of no effect dated 02/12/15.
- It is anticipated that 20 families will need to be relocated. However, suitable replacement housing has been found and should create a positive effect for some of the families, since they will no longer be located in the area where heavy, abnormal rainfalls have destroyed or impacted their household belongings.
- The U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service in a letter dated 4/1/15 indicated there will be no effect on any federally endangered or threatened species as a result of this project.