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January 8, 2010

The Honorable Karen W. Seel
Chair, Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners
600 Cleveland Street, Suite 750
Clearwater, Florida 33755

Dear Honorable Seel:

The Department of Community Affairs (Department) has completed its review of the proposed comprehensive plan amendment for Pinellas County (DCA Number 10-1AR) which was received on December 10, 2009. Based on the review of the proposed amendment, as set forth under Section 163.32465, Florida Statutes, (F.S.), the Department has no comments on the amendment.

Pursuant to Section 163.32465(4)(b), F.S., the County should remain aware of the fact that other state review agencies have the authority to provide comments directly to the County in regards to the proposed amendment. These comments may include technical guidance on issues within the agency's jurisdiction and should clearly identify issues that, if left unresolved, may result in a Department challenge to the proposed plan amendment. Review agencies are encouraged to focus potential challenges on issues of regional or statewide importance and are required to transmit their comments to the affected local government. The submitted comments should be received by the local government no later than thirty days from the date on which the agency received the amendment for review.

If you have any questions relating to the Department's review of the proposed amendment, please call Valerie Jenkins, Senior Planner, at (850) 922-1803.

Sincerely,

Mike McDaniel
Chief, Office of Comprehensive Planning

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cc: Mr. Brian K. Smith, Director of Planning, Pinellas County
Mr. Manny Pumariega, Executive Director, Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council

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