

# SALES TAX PROJECTS

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**Project Number:** 36  
**Project Name:** Killlearn Estates Freshwater Restoration Project  
**Total Project Cost:** \$10,000,000  
**Total Project Cost Notes**  
NA

**Executive Project Summary:**

Killlearn Homeowners Association (KHA) has requested \$10M from the Sales Tax Committee for the City of Tallahassee to restore and protect Lake Killlearn and Lake Hancock. COT has a MS4 permit from State to utilize these lakes, which are privately owned by KHA, for stormwater. The two specific issues that surround these water bodies pertain to the lakes' aesthetics and water quality. KHA is interested in resolving both issues with the requested \$10M.

**Actions Taken by the Committee:**

March 28, 2013: Moved the project to a second round for consideration.  
April 26, 2013: Moved the project to Priority Level 1.  
June 13, 2013: Placed into Project #49 Water Quality/Stormwater Funding for funding consideration.

**Themes**

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|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Regional Mobility/Transportation       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Economic Vitality |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sense of Community          | <input type="checkbox"/> Ecotourism/Parks             |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Environmental/Water Quality | <input type="checkbox"/> Vertical Infrastructure      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Connectivity                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Gateways                     |

**Detail Project Description**

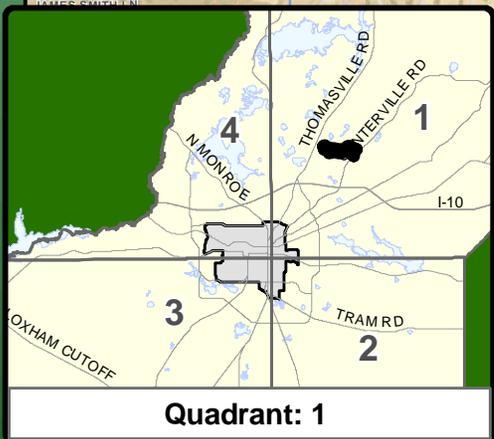
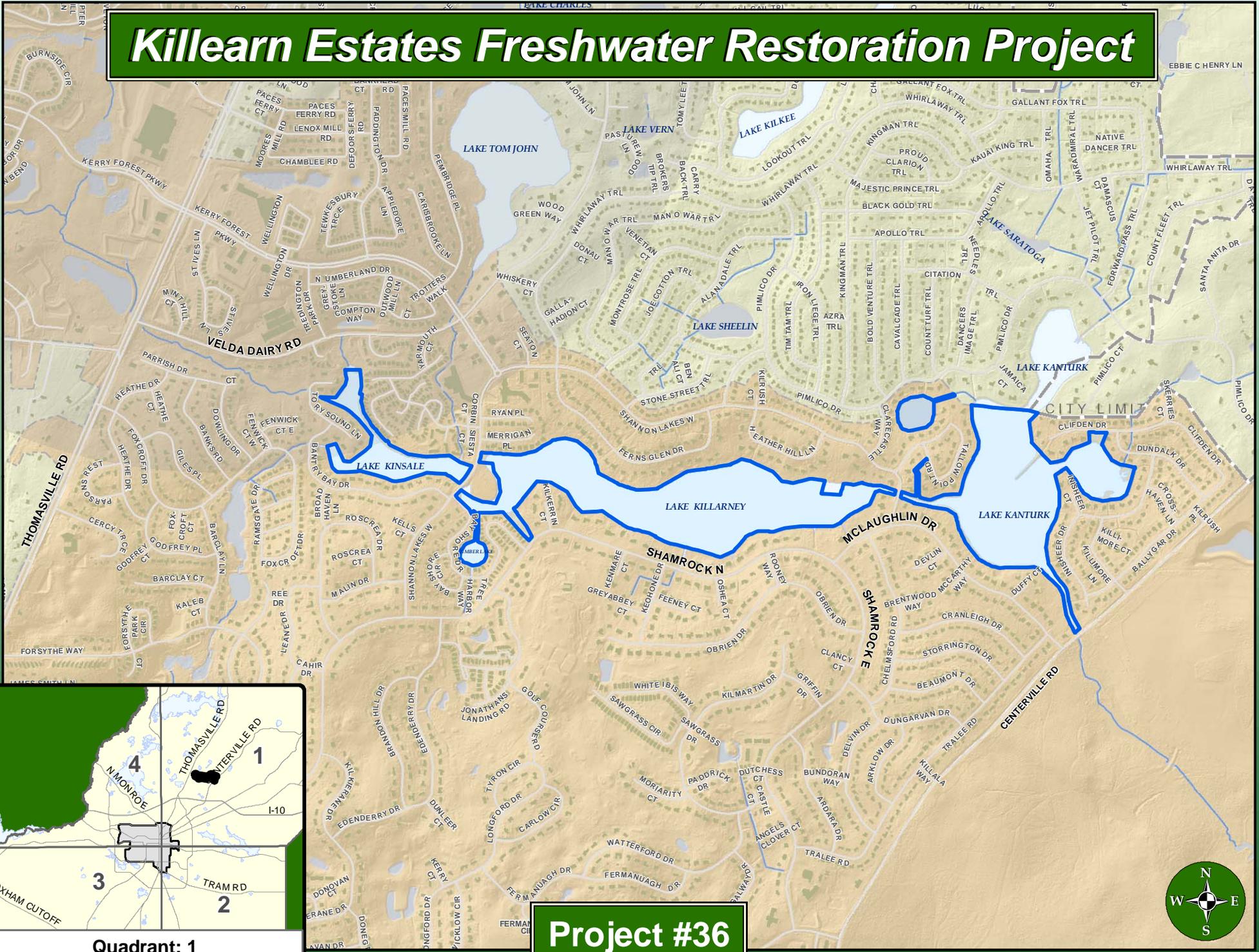
The proposed project would consist of building upstream treatment ponds as necessary to improve the water quality, while also removing sediments and over-excavating these lakes so as to create a permanent pool of water. A draft report from Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) has preliminarily identified these lakes as Impaired Water Bodies (water bodies of high pollutant levels). The City of Tallahassee is currently disputing that classification and working closely with FDEP to properly identify the pollutant levels and determining the appropriate corrective action, if any, needed to ensure the ponds' water quality.

The City staff does not support this request because the ponds are privately owned and the objectionable fluctuation in the pool levels within these ponds is hydrologic in nature. Therefore, any aesthetic improvements are the responsibility of the private owner. In addition, regarding the ponds' water quality, the City is currently working with FDEP to determine the appropriate levels of pollution within the ponds and to identify any corrective action needed.

**Cost By Themes**

|              |                                  |
|--------------|----------------------------------|
|              | Regional Mobility/Transportation |
|              | Sense of Community               |
| \$10,000,000 | Environmental/Water Quality      |
|              | Connectivity                     |
|              | Economic Vitality                |
|              | Ecotourism/Parks                 |
|              | Vertical Infrastructure          |
|              | Gateways                         |

# Killarney Estates Freshwater Restoration Project



Quadrant: 1

Project #36



Previous Project Information for:

# **Project #36**

## **Killearn Estates Freshwater Restoration Project**

Note: Based on direction from the Committee at the March 28, 2013 Sales Tax Committee meeting, below is a list of previous project(s) that were merged or modified to create a holistic project for the Committee's consideration.

Project Name: Killearn Estates Stormwater Pond Management (*Previously Project #28*)

# Proposed Sales Tax Projects by the Community

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**Project Themes:**

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|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Regional Mobility/Transportation | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Economic Vitality |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sense of Community               | <input type="checkbox"/> Ecotourism/Parks             |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Water Quality         | <input type="checkbox"/> Vertical Infrastructure      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Connectivity                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Gateways                     |

**Project Description:**

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**Project Map:**

