

ENGLEWOOD AREA FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT

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March 4, 2014

Marianne Taylor, Fire Chief
Charlotte County Fire Rescue
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Chief Taylor;

As you are aware the Englewood Area Fire Control District currently has a working Interlocal Agreement for fire protection for the Barrier Islands. This agreement was originally established in 2011 and extends until December 31, 2016.

The Englewood Area Fire Control District is hereby notifying Charlotte County Fire Rescue of our intentions to opt out of the Interlocal Agreement for providing fire protection to the Barrier Islands.

In the Interlocal Agreement in Section 4 item 2 the Englewood Area Fire Control District must advise in writing before April 1, of a given year during the MOU if we no longer wish to provide the service.

Please consider this letter an official request to no longer provide our service to the Barrier Island. The MOU also states that once service has been canceled we must provide protection until December 31 of that given year. The Englewood Area Fire Control District would like to stop providing protection as off April 1, 2014 and would like to discuss this possibility with you.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at any time.

Sincerely,


Scott Lane, Fire Chief



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March 10, 2014

Fire Chief Scott Lane
Englewood Area Fire Control District
Administrative Center
516 Paul Morris Drive
Englewood, FL 34223

Dear Chief Lane:

Charlotte County is in receipt of your letter, dated March 4, 2014, on behalf of the Englewood Area Fire Control District, notifying Charlotte County of the District's intent to terminate the Agreement between the District and the County for the District to provide fire and rescue services for the properties located within the County's Barrier Island Fire Services MSBU. In addition, you have stated that the District would like to stop providing Fire and Rescue Services for the Barrier Islands as of April 1, 2014.

As you correctly state in your letter, Section IV General Provisions, subparagraph 2 of the Agreement provides in part that: "Either party may terminate this Agreement without cause upon providing to the other party written notice of termination by April 1st of any year with termination to occur at the end of the calendar year (December 31st)". At this time, Charlotte County does not agree to the District's request to terminate the Agreement on April 1, 2014, and expects the District to honor the terms of the Agreement and continue providing the fire and rescue services for the properties located within the County's Barrier Island Fire Services MSBU in accordance with the terms of the Agreement to December 31, 2014.

Having said that, if the County is in a position to assume fire/rescue services to the Island earlier than December 31, 2014, you will be notified in writing.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. Taylor".

Marianne Taylor
Interim Chief/Public Safety Director

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