## **APPENDIX E**

### **Public Notices and Comments**

#### **NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY**

#### DRAFT PROGRAMMATIC ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Site Selection, Construction, and Operation East Central Florida National Cemetery Scottsmoor, Brevard County, Florida

A Draft Programmatic Environmental Assessment (PEA) has been prepared by the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) for a Proposed Action to select and acquire a site to establish a new VA National Cemetery, including the necessary infrastructure, on at least 200 contiguous acres in the Cape Canaveral/Brevard County, Florida area.

The Draft PEA has been prepared in accordance with the regulations for implementing the procedural provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), (Public Law 91-190, 42 USC 4321-4347 January 1, 1970), amendments, and VA's Implementing Regulations (38 CFR Part 26). VA intends to issue a "Finding of No Significant Impact" (FONSI) following a thirty day comment period in accordance with the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations for Implementing NEPA, Section 1508.13, providing there are no substantive comments which warrant further evaluation.

The Draft PEA is available for public review and comment through June 30, 2012. The document is available electronically at <a href="http://www.cem.va.gov/cem/EA.asp">http://www.cem.va.gov/cem/EA.asp</a> or in paper at the following Brevard County Public Library branches:

Mims/Scottsmoor Public Library, 3615 Lionel Road, Mims, Florida Titusville Public Library, 2121 South Hopkins Avenue, Titusville, Florida

Written comments may be mailed to: Michael E. Griffin, Vertical Integration, Inc., 3000 Bayport Drive Suite 150, Tampa, Florida, 33607, or sent via email to jeffrey.leikin@va.gov.

# NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

#### U.S. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION OF THE EAST CENTRAL FLORIDA NATIONAL CEMETERY U.S. HIGHWAY 1, SCOTTSMOOR, BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) announces the preparation and availability of a summary document titled "Finding of No Significant Impact" (FONSI) and a "Programmatic Environmental Assessment" (EA) for the proposed acquisition of an approximately 318-acre site southeast of Scottsmoor in Brevard County, Florida for the future construction and operation of the proposed National Cemetery. The EA was prepared in accordance with the regulations set forth by the Council on Environmental Quality NEPA (40 Code of Federal Regulations [CFR] Parts 1500-1508), and Title 38, Part 26.4(a), Environmental Effects of VA Actions, the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). The EA is incorporated by reference into the FONSI.

The FONSI and EA are available for public review electronically at http://www.cem.va.gov/cem/EA.asp or in paper at the following Brevard County Public Library branches:

Mims/Scottsmoor Public Library, 3615 Lionel Road, Mims, Florida Titusville Public Library, 2121 South Hopkins Avenue, Titusville, Florida

For further information and/or a copy of the FONSI or final EA, please contact:

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