

V. GOALS, OBJECTIVES, AND POLICIES

GOAL #15 – Provide reliable electric service to existing and future customers at the lowest practical cost.

Energy Conservation

Objective 15.1 The analysis has shown that present units may need to be upgraded and transmission lines may need to be extended and/or constructed to meet present and future demand. To meet these needs and to insure that costs are not excessive, the County shall support energy conservation efforts of Duke Energy Florida and support sustainable development concepts that provide for energy efficiency.

Policy 15.1.1 Energy auditing services for residents and businesses within the County, as a means to ensure appropriate energy savings measures, shall be encouraged.

Governmental Coordination

Objective 15.2 This Utility Element shall at all times be consistent with the current Ten-Year Site Plan submitted by Duke Energy Florida to the Florida Public Service Commission.

Policy 15.2.1 The Citrus County Comprehensive Plan shall be monitored, evaluated, and amended in accordance with Section 163.3184, F.S.

Performance Standards

Objective 15.3 Provide performance standards in the Land Development Code for landscaping and buffering around electric utility substations.

Policy 15.3.1 All new electric utility substations located outside of the site of an electrical power plant shall be landscaped.

Policy 15.3.2 Spatial separation or buffering shall be required for all substations or other similar utility facilities.

GOAL #16 – Reserved