

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 12TH
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR DESOTO
COUNTY, FLORIDA

NO. 11,077

IN RE:)
JOSHUA WATER CONTROL)
DISTRICT)
_____)

JUDGMENT CREATING AND INCORPORATING
A DRAINAGE DISTRICT

THIS CAUSE coming on to be heard on the Petition filed in this Court on September 19, 1968, by AMERICAN AGRONOMICS CORPORATION, a Florida corporation, to and pursuant to provisions of Chapter 298 of the Florida Statutes, otherwise known as the General Drainage Law, and

It appearing to the Court and the Court finding that this Petition is in due and proper form and it, or the Consent herein has been signed and executed by a majority in acreage of the owners of all the lands embraced by the proposed drainage district described and notice of such application to form drainage district has, as required by Section 298.02 of the Florida Statutes, been duly given and published in regular and proper form for four consecutive weeks in the Arcadian, a newspaper published in DeSoto County, in the State of Florida, as and in the manner required by said Statute requiring all persons interested in the land property described as set forth in said Petition and affected by the formation of said Drainage District and rendered liable to taxation for the purpose of paying the expense of organization and making and maintaining the improvements that may be necessary to affect the reclamation of the lands included in such district to appear at the Office of the Clerk as required by said Notice, and

It further appearing to the Court that no objections have been made by anyone in any manner to the granting of the prayers of said Petition, and

It further appearing to the Court and the Court finding from the evidence submitted that all of said lands embraced in the Petition herein lying in a contiguous body and are wet and

overflowed or subject to overflow and in their present state and condition said lands are unsuited for sanitary or agriculture purposes or other public utility or benefit on account of their wet condition and their liability to overflow and that by a proper system of drainage and reclamation said lands can be made well suited for agriculture, sanitary and other public utility and benefit conducive to the public health; that the purposes of the drainage district is to have the lands described herein reclaimed and protected from the effects of water for sanitary and agricultural purposes and to be rendered conducive to the public health, convenience and welfare, and of public utility or benefit by drainage or otherwise, and

It further appearing to the Court and the Court finding and being of the opinion that the establishment of said Drainage District and the improvements to be made as prayed in said Petition will be for the advantage of the owners of the real property in said Drainage District and will benefit all of the lands in said Drainage District and that the same will be in the interest of the public health, convenience and welfare; and

It further appearing to the Court and the Court finding that all the allegations, statements and representations of said Petition contained are true and that the prayers thereof should be granted, and the Court being fully advised in the premises;

Thereupon, upon consideration thereof, it is

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED as follows:

1. That the prayers of said Petition be and the same are hereby granted and that all of those said pieces, parcels and tracts of land in DeSoto County, Florida, mentioned and described in said Petition as follows:

Sections 1, 12, 13, 24, 25 and 36, Township 37 South, Range 26 East, and Sections 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 28, 29 and 30, Township 37 South, Range 27 East, all of the above described lands lying and being in DeSoto County, Florida.

be and the same are hereby created and established into a drainage district and decreed to be a public corporation of the State of

Florida by, under and pursuant to and authorized by the aforesaid Chapter 298 of the Florida Statutes.

2. That the said drainage district shall be known and be designated as and shall use the corporate name of JOSHUA WATER CONTROL DISTRICT and shall have corporate existence of 99 years next after the date of this Judgment.

3. That the said JOSHUA WATER CONTROL DISTRICT is hereby declared and decreed to be a public corporation of the State of Florida and that it shall be and is hereby granted and vested with all right, powers, duties, privileges, immunities and franchises specified and provided in said Chapter 298 of the Florida Statutes.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers at DeSoto County, Florida, this 27 day of Nov October, 1968.

CIRCUIT JUDGE

I hereby certify that the within instrument was filed for record in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court in and for DeSoto County, Florida, on the 27th day of Nov A. D. 1968 at ... o'clock ... M., and duly recorded in O. R. Book 55 on page 463
Leslie F. Avant, Clerk

By Alphie Fitzmaurice Deputy Clerk