

Stop the Sand Mind Group really would like to **thank everyone** who showed up, and spoke yesterday at the quasi-judicial hearing Friday about the Sand Mine application!

**We are very thankful to all** those who have shown support for this group in any way, supporting us through social media, handing out flyers, stopping at local businesses, educating people in any way on this topic, researching information, media outreach, putting out posters, writing letters to the land development office and to the Citrus County board. We appreciate all your help!

We would like to share what we understand as to what happened at Friday's meeting. In summary a special master or magistrate in Citrus County serves as a quasi-judicial officer who hears evidence based on facts and law, and ensures compliance with relevant regulations. He does his review and then makes a recommendation to the County board.

**On Friday 6/27 the special master Christopher Waugh made the recommendation to deny the sand mine application moving forward.**

However, The Citrus County Board can still move forward with this application. **At this time as far as we know this application will be heard before the Citrus County Board on August 12, 2025.**

The matter will go twice before Citrus County Commissioners. The first is to transmit the matter to state agencies on August 12th, and the second is for the commissioners to make the final decision.

We will continue to fight against this change in the land use code. Please continue to share our website and check there for updates. We will be regrouping and deciding what our next steps will be and please put August 12th on your calendar. We will be in touch soon for what you can do to help more as we continue.

**Let's keep up the great team work!**

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**Thank you, Stop the Sand Mine Group**

Link to article: **Special master rules against sand mine application; The matter will go twice before Citrus County Commissioners** Mike Arnold  
Chronicle 6/30/25

[https://www.chronicleonline.com/news/local/special-master-rules-against-sand-mine-application-the-matter-will-go-twice-before-citrus-county/article\\_44eafacc-f238-5c04-b2a3dc6acaa3c2d1.html?utm\\_medium=social&utm\\_source=email&utm\\_campaign=user-share](https://www.chronicleonline.com/news/local/special-master-rules-against-sand-mine-application-the-matter-will-go-twice-before-citrus-county/article_44eafacc-f238-5c04-b2a3dc6acaa3c2d1.html?utm_medium=social&utm_source=email&utm_campaign=user-share)

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