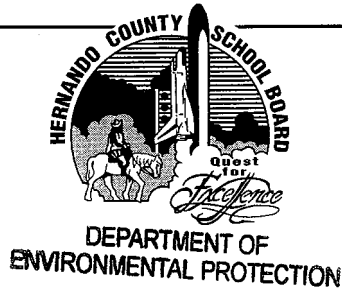


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Mr. Michael P. Halpin
Department of Environmental Protection
Major Stoneman Douglas Building
3900 Commonwealth Boulevard
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Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000

Dear Mr. Halpin:

I have a concern in reference to the three (3) mile stretch along Sunshine Grove Road in Brooksville. This is the area between Brookridge and Brooksville Substations and the ROW for Progress Energy.

This area has a student and staff population of over 4600 at Central High, Pine Grove Elementary and West Hernando Middle Schools. Our concerns are the new transmission lines, the new sidewalk and road expansion that are planned for Sunshine Grove Road. Please have someone contact me to review this concern as we have numerous buses and cars daily that transport our kids and staff through this area. I can be reached at 352-797-7071. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Kenneth B. Hill
Director of Maintenance
Hernando County School Board

cc: Dr. Alexander, Superintendent of Schools

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