

**Electronic Articles of Incorporation  
For**

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PROTECT RURAL, INC.

The undersigned incorporator, for the purpose of forming a Florida not-for-profit corporation, hereby adopts the following Articles of Incorporation:

**Article I**

The name of the corporation is:

PROTECT RURAL, INC.

**Article II**

The principal place of business address:

24913 BLUE SINK ROAD  
HOWEY IN THE HILLS, FL. 34737

The mailing address of the corporation is:

P.O. BOX 302  
HOWEY IN THE HILLS, FL. 34737

**Article III**

The specific purpose for which this corporation is organized is:

TO PRESERVE AND SAFEGUARD RURAL LANDS, PRIMARILY SITUATED  
IN LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA.

**Article IV**

The manner in which directors are elected or appointed is:

AS PROVIDED FOR IN THE BYLAWS.

**Article V**

The name and Florida street address of the registered agent is:

RUSSELL A KERR  
1025 W. INDIANTOWN ROAD  
SUITE 102  
JUPITER, FL. 33458

I certify that I am familiar with and accept the responsibilities of  
registered agent.

Registered Agent Signature: RUSSELL A. KERR

## Article VI

The name and address of the incorporator is:

BRITTANY LERCH  
25926 BLOOMFIELD AVENUE

YALAHUA, FL 34797

Electronic Signature of Incorporator: BRITTANY LERCH

I am the incorporator submitting these Articles of Incorporation and affirm that the facts stated herein are true. I am aware that false information submitted in a document to the Department of State constitutes a third degree felony as provided for in s.817.155, F.S. I understand the requirement to file an annual report between January 1st and May 1st in the calendar year following formation of this corporation and every year thereafter to maintain "active" status.

## Article VII

The initial officer(s) and/or director(s) of the corporation is/are:

Title: D  
JOHN BLODGETT  
9350 NUMBER TWO ROAD  
HOWEY IN THE HILLS, FL. 34737

Title: D  
BRITTANY LERCH  
25926 BLOOMFIELD AVENUE  
YALAHUA, FL. 34797

Title: D  
CJ FORWARD  
25248 BLUE SINK ROAD  
HOWEY IN THE HILLS, FL. 34737

Title: D  
DEBORAH SHELLEY  
9710 E. DEWEY ROBBINS ROAD  
HOWEY IN THE HILLS, FL. 34737

Title: D  
TERRI BLESSING  
24913 BLUE SINK ROAD  
HOWEY IN THE HILLS, FL. 34737