NEW DEVELOPMENT IN ALL REFIREMENT COMMUNITIES

An Analysis of Urban Development Expansion in

Florida's Retirement Communities, 2001 - 2011

(195 communities in total)

Sq. Miles Developed Open space development Low intensity development Medium intensity development High intensity development Approx. golf courses built

32.5 sq. miles 8.3 sq. miles 10.4 sq. miles 12.7 sq. miles 1.1 sq. mile 28 golf courses

NEW DEVELOPMENT IN THE VILLAGES

Sq. Miles Developed Open space development Low intensity development Medium intensity development High intensity development Approx. golf courses built

12.6 sq. miles 2.3 sq. miles 4.0 sq. miles 5.8 sq. miles 0.5 sq. miles 16 golf courses

¹According to 55Places.com

* Retirement community is defined as a community with a population restricted to age 55 and over. ** Development intensity is positively related to the percentage of impervious surface present in a given area. Open space development pertains to developed green space such as parks and golf courses.

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Undeveloped Land

Waterbody

Open Space

Low Intensity

High Intensity

Mile

0.5 1

Medium Intensity