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**CITY, COUNTY AND OCALA 489, LLC OFFICIALS TO FORMALIZE  
COMMERCE PARK AGREEMENT**

Media Advisory – Photo opportunities available

- WHO:** Marion County Board of County Commissioners, Ocala City Council and representatives of Ocala 489, LLC.
- WHAT:** Signing ceremony to formalize agreement that will begin the development of the Ocala/Marion County Commerce Park (Magna Project).
- WHEN:** Wednesday, Aug. 31, 2011 ▪ 4 p.m.
- WHERE:** Ocala/Marion County Chamber of Commerce ▪ 310 SE Third St., Ocala
- WHY:** Bringing jobs to area residents is priority number one for local officials as they take steps to strengthen the community's ability to revitalize the local economy. City of Ocala and Marion County officials have partnered with Ocala 489, LLC to begin the process of developing a new industrial center near the U.S. Highway 27 and Interstate 75 interchange.

This signing ceremony marks the beginning of a multi-year industrial development project that will create a future job center capable of supporting in excess of 3,000 jobs. While located adjacent to I-75, the new intermodal center is also being designed to provide railroad access with the ability to provide rail freight transfer capacity to further enhance the area's growing industrial and manufacturing presence. The ceremonial signing of the Ocala/Marion County Commerce Park agreement formalizes the beginning of a \$40 million capital investment commitment by the city, county and Ocala 489, LLC for public and private infrastructure needed to attract future employers.

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