



Cape Coral Recreational Complex

The Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council (TBRPC) has conducted an analysis on the construction and operations of a \$80 million Recreational Complex and Hotel in Cape Coral. Upon completion, the 179 acres would include a 250,000 sq. ft. Aquatic Center, 8,100 sq. ft. Tennis Center, 187,000 sq. ft. of commercial area, a 220,000 sq. ft. Educational Center, and a 300 room Hotel. The Aquatic Center and Conference/Hotel are expected to employ 1,320 persons. TBRPC utilized its REMI Policy Insight model to generate the employment forecasts.

Employment Impacts

The 1,320 direct jobs at the complex are estimated to generate an additional 482 induced and indirect jobs for a total of 1,802 jobs within Lee County. The combined jobs created generate an average of \$56 million in personal income annually.

These combined jobs also contribute nearly \$75 million to the Gross County Product in each year. The Gross County Product is a concept analogous to the national concept of Gross Domestic Product. It is equal to output excluding the intermediate inputs. It represents compensation and profits. Below is a chart depicting the annual changes

Employment Impacts					
	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Average Annual	Total
Complex Employment	1,320	1,320	1,320		1,320
Total County Employment	1,757	1,777	1,802		1,802
Gross County Product (\$ Mil)	\$ 71	\$ 75	\$ 79	\$ 75	\$ 224
Personal Income (\$ Mil)	\$ 45	\$ 56	\$ 67	\$ 56	\$ 169

All Figures in 2009 U.S. Dollars.

Construction Impacts

The \$80 million construction creates 1,080 full-time equivalent jobs for Lee County during the construction. The construction of the project generates approximately \$46 million in additional personal income during construction and contributes approximately \$69 million to the Gross County Product.