

PRELIMINARY AGENDA

FLORIDA INLAND NAVIGATION DISTRICT Board of Commissioners Meeting

9:00 a.m., Friday, January 19, 2024

**Hyatt Place St. Augustine-Vilano Beach,
117 Vilano Rd.,
St. Augustine, (St. Johns County), Florida 32084**

Item 1. Call to Order.

Chair Crowley will call the meeting to order.

Item 2. Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Blow will lead the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America.

Item 3. Roll Call.

Secretary Davenport will call the roll.

Item 4. Consent Agenda.

The consent agenda items are presented for approval. Commissioners may remove any items from this agenda that they have questions on or would like the Board to discuss in depth. Any items removed would then be included in the regular agenda in an order assigned by the Chair.

- a) Waterway Cleanup Funding Assistance to the Marine Industries Association of South Florida for the 47th Annual Broward County Waterway Cleanup in Broward County.
- b) Town of Jupiter Small-Scale Derelict Vessel Removal Program Application, Palm Beach County, FL.
- c) Waterway Cleanup Funding Assistance to Volusia County for the 28th Annual St. Johns River Cleanup Project in Volusia County.
- d) City of Ft. Lauderdale Small-Scale Derelict Vessel Removal Program Application, Broward County, FL.

(Please see back up pages 6-32)

RECOMMEND: Approval of the Consent Agenda.

Item 5. Additions or Deletions.

Any additions or deletions to the meeting agenda will be announced.

RECOMMEND: Approval of a Final Agenda.

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Item 6. Public Comments.

The public is invited to provide comments on issues that are NOT on today's agenda. All comments regarding a specific agenda item will be considered following Board discussion of that agenda item. *Please note: Individuals who have comments concerning a specific agenda item should fill out a speaker card and communicate with staff prior to that agenda item.*

Item 7. Board Meeting Minutes.

The minutes of the following meetings are presented for approval.

- Oct – Finance & Budget Com. Mtg. *(Please see back up pages 33-34).*
- Oct – Board Meeting *(Please see back up pages 35-41).*
- Nov – Finance & Budget Com. Mtg. *(Please see back up pages 42-44).*
- Nov – Auditor Selection Com. Mtg. *(Please see back up pages 45-46).*
- Nov – Personnel Com. Mtg. *(Please see back up pages 47-49)*
- Nov – Board Meeting *(Please see back up pages 50-62).*

RECOMMEND: Approval of the minutes as presented.

Item 8. Staff Report on St. Johns County Area Status and Projects.

Staff will present a report on the District's St. Johns County area status and projects.

(Please see backup pages 63-80)

RECOMMEND: *(This item is presented for Board review and discussion only.)*

Item 9. Comments and Project Status from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Staff of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Intracoastal Waterway Project Management is scheduled to present an update on projects and activities.

Further, the USACE is requesting to reprogram \$891,300 of surplus funds from the previous Work Order No. 48-2018-01 to the upcoming AIWW Sawpit project. Should there be any excess funds after completion of the contract, the USACE will reimburse excess funds pursuant to the MOA.

(Please see backup pages 81-96, with work order on pg 86-87)

RECOMMEND: Approval of Work Order #62-2024-01 with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to reprogram remaining Work Order No. 48-2018-01 funding to the upcoming maintenance dredging project of the AIWW Sawpit, Nassau County, FL.

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Item 10. St. Johns County Waterway Master Plan Presentation.

Representatives from St. Johns County Parks and Recreation Department are scheduled to provide a project update highlighting the recent completion of their Waterway Access Master Plan, funded in part by a FIND grant. The purpose of the plan is to promote and maximize the public benefit and enjoyment of the Intracoastal Waterway and connections to other navigable waterways, while identifying and prioritizing the waterway access needs of the County's diverse communities.

The Public Waterway Access Master Plan provides a roadmap for a 3-year strategic and implementation plan prioritizing the areas for improved public waterway access, improved commercial access and strategies to meet the growing needs of the maritime community.

(Please see backup pages 97-100)

RECOMMEND: *(This item is presented for Board review and discussion only.)*

Item 11. Tallahassee Report.

Jon Moyle with Thorn Run Partners, the District's state governmental relations firm, will provide an update on the State legislative activities that could be of interest to the District.

(Please see backup pages 101-106)

RECOMMEND: *(This item is presented for Board review and discussion only.)*

Item 12. Presentation and Recommendations of the Jupiter Inlet Area IWW Sediment Impoundment Basin Feasibility Study — Data Collection, Model Development, and Evaluation of Performance of Basin Alternatives, Palm Beach County, FL.

In October 2017, the Board approved a scope of work from Taylor Engineering to conduct a review and analysis of Intracoastal Waterway dredging efficiencies within the twelve-member counties of the Florida Inland Navigation District. In September 2018, Taylor Engineering presented their report to the Board. It was concluded that most of the dredging and cost associated with maintenance of the Intracoastal Waterway (IWW) primarily occurs around ocean inlets.

The recommendation of the overall study included individual modeling of the highest shoaling areas of the waterway near inlets. As a result, Taylor Engineering and the District have been systematically moving from north to south with analysis of the primary IWW dredging reaches influenced by ocean inlets.

In May 2020, the Board approved a scope and cost estimate to study the IWW in the Jupiter Inlet area. Dr. Mike Kabiling, Senior Engineer at Taylor Engineering, Inc., presented the initial report of the Jupiter Inlet Area IWW Sediment Impoundment Basin Feasibility Study to the Board in March 2021, at which time the Board requested additional modeling be done to look at any potential increase in shoaling margins along the inlet and a longer simulation period to get an indication of long-term changes in shoaling rates in the area.

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Dr. Mike Kabling, Senior Engineer at Taylor Engineering, Inc., will present the results of this follow-up study.

(Please see back up pages 107-120)

RECOMMEND: *(This item is presented for Board review and discussion only.)*

Item 13. Taylor Engineering Hourly Rate Adjustment.

The District's agreement with Taylor Engineering allows the firm's rates for services to be adjusted annually by mutual agreement. The District Engineer has submitted a request to revise the hourly rates that the firm charges for the various personnel that work on District projects. The firm has continued to remain responsive, timely and diligent while serving the District thoroughly.

(Please see backup pages 121-125)

RECOMMEND: Approval of the rate adjustment requested by Taylor Engineering for 2024.

Item 14. Auditor Selection Committee Report.

The District's Auditor Selection Committee met prior to the Board meeting and will provide their recommendations concerning items on the Committee's agenda.

(Please refer to the Auditor Selection Committee Agenda Package)

RECOMMEND: Approval of the recommendations of the District's Auditor Selection Committee.

Item 15. Finance and Budget Committee Report.

The District's Finance and Budget Committee met prior to the Board meeting and will provide their recommendations concerning items on the Committee's agenda.

(Please refer to the Finance and Budget Committee Agenda Package)

RECOMMEND: Approval of the recommendations of the District's Finance and Budget Committee.

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The District's federal governmental relations firm has submitted a status report concerning activity pertaining to the District's federal issues. Mr. Jim Davenport is working to schedule Hill visits for Commissioners March 5-8th in Washington, D.C., with a suggestion of at least a day and a half, March 7th and 8th, for purposes of meetings.

(Please see backup pages 126)

RECOMMEND: *(This item is presented for Board review and discussion only.)*

Item 17. Additional Staff Comments and Additional Agenda Items.

- IWW status south of Port of Miami to Monroe County line
 - Update on the renaming of geographic features and monuments
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Item 18. Additional Commissioner Comments.**Item 19. Adjournment.**

If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the board, agency, or commission with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, he or she will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

PRELIMINARY CONSENT AGENDA

FLORIDA INLAND NAVIGATION DISTRICT Board of Commissioners Meeting

9:00 a.m., Friday, January 19, 2024

**HYATT PLACE ST. AUGUSTINE-VILANO BEACH
117 Vilano Road,
St. Augustine, St Johns County, FL 32084**

Item a. Waterway Cleanup Funding Assistance to the Marine Industries Association of South Florida for the 47th Annual Broward County Waterway Cleanup in Broward County.

The Marine Industries Association of South Florida has submitted a funding request for the 47th Annual Broward County Waterway Cleanup in Broward County on March 2, 2024. The District has previously funded this successful annual cleanup event. The request is for \$10,000. The proposal is consistent with the District's program rules.

(Please see back up pages 8-9)

RECOMMEND: Approval of the request from the Marine Industries Association of South Florida for assistance with the (2024) 47th Annual Broward County Waterway Cleanup in Broward County in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.

Item b. Town of Jupiter Small-Scale Derelict Vessel Removal Program Application, Palm Beach County, FL.

The Town of Jupiter has submitted funding assistance requests for the removal of two (2) derelict vessels located on the District's waterways within Palm Beach County. The total project costs are estimated to be \$32,550.00. Consistent with Rule 66B-2.015, Small-Scale Derelict Vessel Removal Projects, the projects are eligible for up to 75% District funding reimbursement. The Town of Jupiter is requesting \$24,412.00 (75%) District funding reimbursement.

(Please see back up pages 10-24)

RECOMMEND: Approval of the Town of Jupiter's request for up to \$24,412.00 cost-share through the District's Small-Scale Derelict Vessel Removal Projects Program, Palm Beach County, FL.

Item c. Waterway Cleanup Funding Assistance to Volusia County for the 28th Annual St. Johns River Cleanup Project in Volusia County.

Volusia County has submitted a funding request for the 28th Annual St. Johns River Cleanup to be held on April 20, 2024, in Volusia County. The District has previously funded this cleanup, and it was very successful. The request is for \$5,000. The proposal is consistent with the District's program rules.

(Please see back up pages 25-27)

RECOMMEND: Approval of the request from Volusia County for assistance with the (2024) 28th Annual St. Johns River Cleanup Project in Volusia County in an amount not to exceed \$5,000.

Item d. City of Ft. Lauderdale Small-Scale Derelict Vessel Removal Program Application, Broward County, FL.

The City of Ft. Lauderdale has submitted a funding assistance request for the removal of one (1) derelict vessel located on the District's waterways within Broward County. The total project cost is estimated to be \$7,525.00. Consistent with Rule 66B-2.015, Small-Scale Derelict Vessel Removal Projects, the project is eligible for up to 75% District funding reimbursement. The City of Ft. Lauderdale is requesting \$5,644.00 (75%) District funding reimbursement.

(Please see back up pages 28-32)

RECOMMEND: Approval of the City of Ft. Lauderdale's request for up to \$5,644.00 cost-share through the District's Small-Scale Derelict Vessel Removal Projects Program, Broward County, FL.



December 16, 2023

Mr. Chris Kelley
Deputy Director
Florida Inland Navigation District
600 County Hwy 707, Unit C
Jupiter, FL 33469

Dear Mr. Kelley,

We are currently in preparation mode for the Marine Industries Association of South Florida's 47th Annual Broward County Waterway Cleanup, set for Saturday, March 2, 2024. The event continues to be Broward County's largest and longest running environmental event. Our Cleanup in 2023 collected over 18 tons of trash and debris from the County's waterways thanks to the work of more than 1,100 volunteers including over 300 cleaning up via personal watercraft. Volunteers continue to report that the waterways are in better shape than years past, most likely due to the increased number of cleanups taking place during the year and a more eco-conscious community.

Last year, we added new sites in the northern half of the county including Lighthouse Point, and Deerfield Beach, and we are looking to expand in those areas this year. We are also going to work with Water Taxi to offer individual corporate groups or teams the opportunity to go to different sites not accessible by land. We will once again manage all the cleanup sites in Broward County, which if all are able to participate in 2024, currently numbers nearly 40 sites! We once again took the opportunity to use our platform at the Fort Lauderdale International Boat Show to promote this year's cleanup. We had signage post all over the boat show this year to promote this year's event with QR codes linking to our Waterway Cleanup Website. We have already been in contact with the schools in Broward County to make students aware of the community service opportunities, as well as scholarship opportunities to get them more involved.

FIND's partnership remains a key component to this annual event. Attached is the proposed budget for this year's event, specifically outlining where FIND's funding would be applied as well as other organizations that will help us match FIND's contributions. The budget numbers are similar to the finalized budget numbers from last year, as we are optimistic, we will receive the same level of support that we had last year and hope the prices of things have not risen dramatically. We value the years of continued support from the Florida Inland Navigation District and appreciate the consideration of being the \$10,000 level Presenting Sponsor of the 47th Annual Waterway Cleanup.

Regards,

Noah Dermody
Events Coordinator

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47th Annual Waterway Cleanup Budget (Based on Last Year's Expenses) Expenses

- Advertising/Marketing & Educational Awareness **\$16,000**
 (Banners / WWCU Brochures / 2,000 WWCU Posters/Bus Tail Ads, essay contests)
***\$3,500 of FIND's contribution will be allocated to the Advertising/Marketing & Educational Awareness section of the budget.**

- T-Shirts, Boat Flags, Badges (for volunteers) **\$19,000**
***\$5,000 of FIND's contribution will be allocated to the Volunteer Recognition/Identification section of the budget.**

- Supplies **\$5,000**
 (trash bags, first aid kits, waste removal, directional signs, etc.)
***\$1,000 of FIND's contribution will be allocated to the Supplies section of the budget.**

- Press Conference & Sponsor Appreciation **\$10,000**

- Year-long Recognition Expenses **\$2,000**
 Waterway Cleanup website, Facebook page, outreach at library, Promotional Signs at The Fort Lauderdale International Boat Show
***\$500 of FIND's contribution will be allocated to the Year-long Recognition section of the budget.**

- Insurance **\$2,000**

- Total Estimated Expenses **\$54,000****

Income

- Sponsorship/Grant Funding **\$48,800**
 -including Florida Inland Navigation District, Broward County EPD, Coral Springs Improvement District, Safe Harbor LMC, Rolly Marine, RPM Diesel/ Diesel Services of America, Lauderdale Isles Water Management District, City of Fort Lauderdale, City of Oakland Park, JM Family Enterprises, Gold Coast Marine Supplies, Save The Sea Turtles, Advanced Mechanical Enterprises, Harbour Towne Marina, Pier 66, Bahia Mar, Derecktor Dania, Sailorman, GSF Maritime Trades, Seavision, WMG, assorted marine businesses, and Marine Industries Association of South Florida.

- Total Sponsorship Contributions/Grant Funding **\$54,000****

ATTACHMENT A
**FLORIDA INLAND NAVIGATION DISTRICT
 SMALL-SCALE DERELICT VESSEL REMOVAL PROGRAM APPLICATION**

Applicant: Town of Jupiter

Project Title: Derelict Vessel Removal PO# 20233980

Contact Person: Robert Given

Title: Police Sergeant

Address: 196 Military Trail

Jupiter, FL Zip Code: 33458

Telephone: 561-746-6201 Fax: N/A

Email: 0968@jupiter.fl.us

Number of Vessels and waterway locations: 1 vessel, Latitude 26 55.8942N Longitude 80.4.9089W
 (Please include pictures and map locations on a separate worksheet)

Vessel Distance from the Intracoastal Waterway 25 yards east of ICW channel

Total Estimated Costs to removal all vessels: \$7,950.00 ; FIND Funding Requested: \$ \$5,962.00
 % of total cost: 75%. Please complete and attach a cost estimate sheet (Form # 01-06) for each vessel to
 be removed, in addition to a contractor bid sheet)

Amount and Source of Applicants Matching Funds: Police Department Operating Budget - Paid
\$7,950.00 on 9/19/23 for removal and destruction of vessel.

Other (non-FIND) Assistance applied for (name of program and amount) N/A

Have all vessels been identified by the Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission (FFWCC) (or other
 applicable marine law enforcement agency) as derelict? Yes If not, explain: _____

Have all necessary permits and or approvals been approved for the removal of the derelict vessels? Yes

If not, please explain: _____

I hereby certify that the information provided in this application is true and accurate.

SIGNATURE: Sgt Robert Given DATE: 12/1/23



Sea Tow Treasure Coast

7290 S. KANNER HWY. STUART, FL 34997

Ph: 772.225.3144

DATE: 9/127/23

NAME: PAUL GUNDLACH CITY OF JUPITER

CLAIM NUMBER: 37' SAILBOAT SOUTH OF INDIANTOWN
BRIDGE

INVOICE NUMBER: SA-31585

EMAIL: 1148@JUPITER.FL.US

JOB DATE: 9/27/23

Description	Quantity	Unit Price	Cost
REMOVAL AND DESTRUCTION	1	\$ 7,950.00	\$ 7,950.00
FLAT FEE: "CRADEL TO GRAVE"			
			\$ 0.00
			\$ 0.00
		Subtotal	\$ 7,950.00
		Total	\$ 7,950.00

Payment due upon receipt. Any unpaid balance(s) exceeding 30 days of original job/invoice date is subject to an interest rate of 1.5% per month.

All invoices subject to 3% credit card fee if cc is used



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August 21, 2023

Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission
Boating and Waterways

RE: Derelict Vessel Case Number FWC23ON0041166

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) has investigated the vessel described below and determined the vessel is abandoned and derelict as defined in sections 705.103 and 823.11, Florida Statutes. FWC has provided notice to the last known owner/custodian of the vessel and afforded him/her an opportunity for a hearing compliant with fundamental procedural due process. Your Agency is now authorized to remove from the waters of this State, destroy, and dispose of the following vessel on behalf of the FWC or convert the vessel into an artificial reef in compliance with all local, state, and federal laws:

Vessel Make: Unknown
Vessel Model: Sailboat
Vessel Length Required: 37'
Vessel Hull Identification Number: 372-009
Vessel Registration Number: DO584996
Vessel Color: Blue
Vessel Location Latitude/Longitude: 26 55.8942 N, 80 4.9089 W
Vessel Location Description: ICW/ 100 yards South of Indiantown Bridge
Vessel Owner / Responsible Party was cited under 823.11, F.S. **Yes**
Vessel Owner / Responsible Party Direct File Charges Requested **Yes**

Please photograph the removal, destruction, and disposal of the vessel and email the images to the email address provided below after the removal, destruction, and disposal is complete. If you will be unable to take or provide the necessary images, please contact me in advance so an FWC officer can attend and document the vessel removal, destruction and disposal. Please also notify me of the total cost incurred for the removal, destruction, and disposal of this vessel. If an owner or party who is otherwise responsible for leaving the vessel upon the waters of the State in a derelict condition can be identified, FWC will send a demand letter on your behalf seeking to recover your costs.

This letter only authorizes the removal of the vessel listed above from the waters of this State, and the destruction and disposal of the vessel identified above or the reefing of the vessel in compliance with all local, state, and federal laws. Any other use of the vessel is not authorized. This letter does not authorize the removal, destruction, or disposal of any vessels other than the vessel identified above.

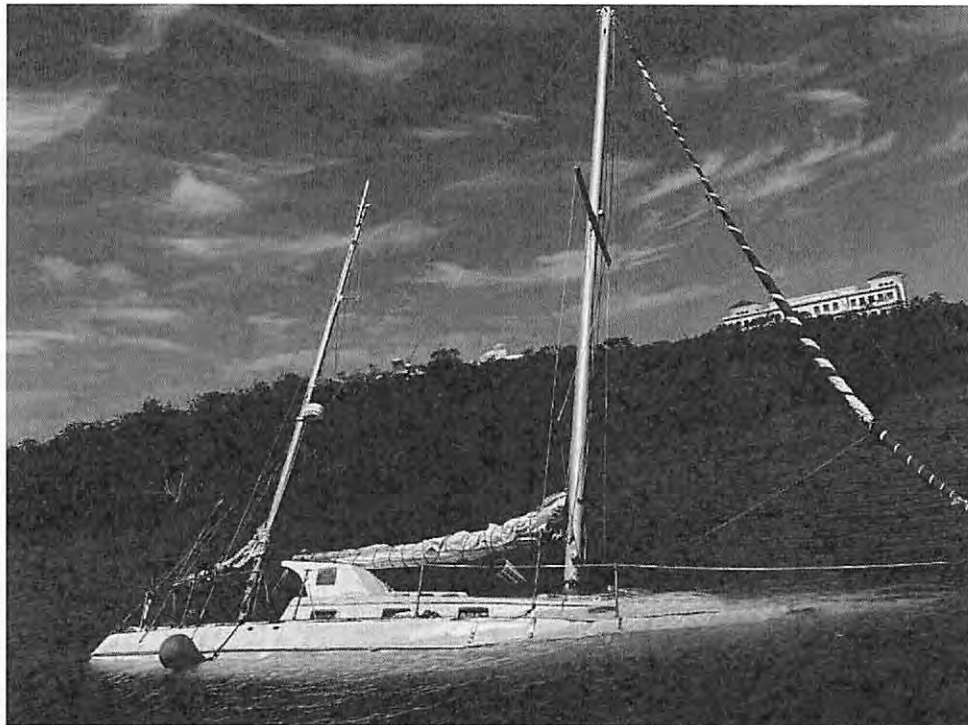
Form FWCDLE 173FO (8/2022)

Once you have informed me the vessel has been removed, destroyed, and disposed of and I have photographic documentation of the removal, destruction, and disposal FWC will request the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles cancel the title and registration for the vessel.

Please contact me if you have any other questions.

Sincerely,

Officer Marcin Trawinski N415
Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.
1300 Marcinski Road.
Jupiter, FL 33477
(561) 246-7156
Marcin.Trawinski@MyFwc.com





Purchase Order

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JUPITER, FLORIDA 33458

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SEA TOW PALM BEACH
7290 S KANNER HWY
STUART, FL 34997

THIS NUMBER MUST APPEAR ON ALL INVOICES, PACKAGES AND SHIPPING PAPERS.

Purchase Order # **20233980**

Delivery must be made within doors of specified destination.

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Jupiter, FL 33458

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09/19/2023	3006				Police Patrol Bureau		
Item#	Description/PartNo			QTY	UOM	Unit Price	Extended Price
	Removal of Derelict Vessels (Blue Moon) The Above Purchase Order Number Must Appear On All Correspondence - Packing Sheets And Bills Of Lading						
1	Removal of derelict vessel (blue moon) GL Account: 00135021 - 534000			1.0		\$7,950.00	\$7,950.00

By: 
Authorized Signature

PO Total **\$7,950.00**



ATTACHMENT C
Small-Scale Derelict Vessel Removal Projects Funding Policy
(Rule 66B-2.015)

Proposals shall be accepted for financial assistance for the removal of derelict vessels within the District's waterways. The applicable provisions of this rule apply to these applications with the following additions or exceptions:

(1) Application Procedure — Applications shall be submitted on a completed FIND Form No. 05-01 (effective date 04-24-06), hereby incorporated by reference and available from the District office. Applications may be submitted to the District and considered by the Board at any time during the year.

(2) The District shall only fund applicants that have identified derelict vessels to be removed and have an outstanding bid for removal for such vessels, subject to eligibility under these program rules.

(3) The program must be sponsored by an eligible government agency or not-for profit organization.

(4) District funding shall be limited to \$75,000 per county, per year, provided on a reimbursement basis only.

(5) The eligible applicant must provide the remaining matching funds for project completion. In no case shall the District's cost-share contribution exceed 75% of the total project costs. In-house project management or administration costs are not eligible costs or matching costs.

(6) The derelict vessel must be located in, the District's waterways, as defined in subsection 66B-2.003(28) "Waterways".

(7) The District shall be recognized when possible in all written, audio or video advertising and promotions as a participating sponsor of the program.

(8) The funding provided by the District shall only be allocated for removal of derelict vessels. The District is providing program reimbursement funds only and shall be held harmless with regards to the activities initiated by the applicant.

(9) The applicant shall be responsible for all maintenance, management, disposal and operating expenses associated with the program.

(10) Funds derived from the sale of any derelict vessels or vessel parts removed through this grant program must be reinvested into the applicant's derelict vessel removal program.

(11) The District Board shall make all final decisions concerning the provision of funding for this program.

ATTACHMENT A
**FLORIDA INLAND NAVIGATION DISTRICT
 SMALL-SCALE DERELICT VESSEL REMOVAL PROGRAM APPLICATION**

Applicant: Town of Jupiter

Project Title: Derelict Vessel Removal FWC Case# FWC23ON0081795

Contact Person: Robert Given

Title: Police Sergeant

Address: 196 Military Trail

Jupiter, FL Zip Code: 33458

Telephone: 561-746-6201 Fax: N/A

Email: 0968@jupiter.fl.us

Number of Vessels and waterway locations: 1 vessel, Latitude 26 55.9830 N, Longitude 80 4.9600 W
 (Please include pictures and map locations on a separate worksheet)

Vessel Distance from the Intracoastal Waterway 50 yards east of ICW channel

Total Estimated Costs to removal all vessels: \$24,600.00; FIND Funding Requested: \$ \$18,450.00
 % of total cost: 75%. Please complete and attach a cost estimate sheet (Form # 01-06) for each vessel to be removed, in addition to a contractor bid sheet)

Amount and Source of Applicants Matching Funds: Police Department Operating Budget

Quote received from SeaTow Palm Beach in the amount of \$24,600.00 for removal/destruction.

Other (non-FIND) Assistance applied for (name of program and amount) N/A

Have all vessels been identified by the Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission (FFWCC) (or other applicable marine law enforcement agency) as derelict? Yes If not, explain: _____

Have all necessary permits and or approvals been approved for the removal of the derelict vessels? Yes

If not, please explain: _____

I hereby certify that the information provided in this application is true and accurate.

SIGNATURE: Sgt. Robert Given DATE: 12/1/23



10/13/2023

Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission

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Town of Jupiter
Jupiter Police Department

RE: Derelict Vessel Case Number FWC23ON0081795

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) has investigated the vessel described below and determined the vessel is abandoned and derelict as defined in sections 705.103 and 823.11, Florida Statutes. FWC has provided notice to the last known owner/custodian of the vessel and afforded him/her an opportunity for a hearing compliant with fundamental procedural due process. Your Agency is now authorized to remove from the waters of this State, destroy, and dispose of the following vessel on behalf of the FWC or convert the vessel into an artificial reef in compliance with all local, state, and federal laws:

Vessel Make: DelRay
Vessel Model: Cabin Motorboat
Vessel Length Required: 53'
Vessel Hull Identification Number: ULL053021889
Vessel Registration Number: DO998714
Vessel Color: Off white
Vessel Location Latitude/Longitude: 26 55.9830 N, 80 4.9600 W
Vessel Location Description: ICW/ SE of Indiantown Bridge
Vessel Owner / Responsible Party was cited under 823.11, F.S. **Yes**
Vessel Owner / Responsible Party Direct File Charges Requested **No**

Please photograph the removal, destruction, and disposal of the vessel and email the images to the email address provided below after the removal, destruction, and disposal is complete. If you will be unable to take or provide the necessary images, please contact me in advance so an FWC officer can attend and document the vessel removal, destruction and disposal. Please also notify me of the total cost incurred for the removal, destruction, and disposal of this vessel. If an owner or party who is otherwise responsible for leaving the vessel upon the waters of the State in a derelict condition can be identified, FWC will send a demand letter on your behalf seeking to recover your costs.

This letter only authorizes the removal of the vessel listed above from the waters of this State, and the destruction and disposal of the vessel identified above or the reefing of the vessel in compliance with all local, state, and federal laws. Any other use of the vessel is not authorized. This letter does not authorize the removal, destruction, or disposal of any vessels other than the vessel identified above.

Form FWCDLE 173FO (8/2022)

Once you have informed me the vessel has been removed, destroyed, and disposed of and I have photographic documentation of the removal, destruction, and disposal FWC will request the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles cancel the title and registration for the vessel.

Please contact me if you have any other questions.

Sincerely,

Officer Marcin Trawinski N415.
Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.
1300 Marcinski Road.
Jupiter, FL 33477
(561) 246-7156
Marcin.trawinski@myfwc.com



Re: Derelict Removal Quote

Ryan Helmig | Sea Tow Treasure Coast/Palm Beach <rhelmig@seatow.com>

Wed 10/11/2023 4:03 PM

To: Paul Gundlach <1148@jupiter.fl.us>; Colby Schindel | Sea Tow Treasure Coast/Palm Beach <cschindel@seatow.com>
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Hi Paul -

We can do 24,600.00 in that one to the grave -

That's wreck removal, tow, environmental, storage, disposal

Thanks again

Captain Ryan Helmig

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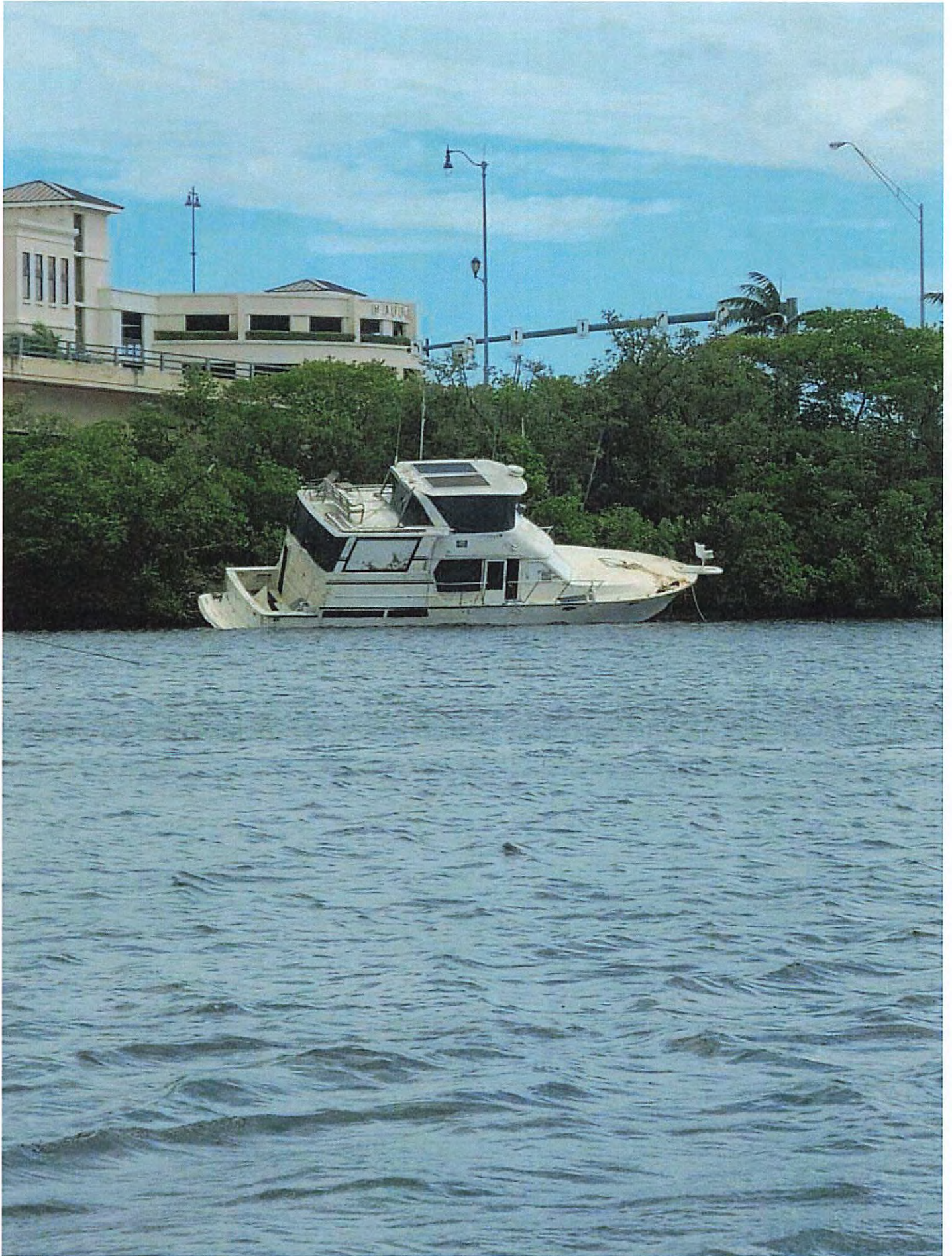
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Subject: Derelict Removal Quote

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Hello,

There is a derelict vessel in the Town of Jupiter that is getting ready to complete the FWC Derelict Vessel Process. The Jupiter Police Department is currently waiting for the Authorization for Removal Letter and is requesting a quote for the removal and destruction of the below vessel. The quote would be valid for 60 days from getting the Removal Letter and the vessel would be removed within the 60 days. The vessel is located just south of the Indiantown Rd Bridge, in approximately 3-5 feet of water. Should you have any questions you can contact me at this email or call me at 561-358-2854.



Vessel Name	OKEE DRIFTER	USCG Doc. No.	998714
Vessel Service	Recreational	IMO Number	
Trade Indicator	Recreational	Call Sign	
Hull Material	FRP (Fiberglass)	Hull Number	ULL053021889
Ship Builder		Year Built	1988
		Length (ft.)	52.5
Hailing Port	OKEECHOBEE	Hull Depth (ft.)	4
		Hull Breadth (ft.)	15.5

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January 2, 2024

Mr. Mark Crosley
Executive Director
Florida Inland Navigation District
1314 Marcinski Road
Jupiter, FL 33477

Dear Mr. Crosley,

Attached for the Governing Board's consideration is a request for Waterway Cleanup Assistance funding for the 28th Annual St. Johns River Cleanup to be held on April 20, 2024.

The St. Johns River Cleanup site locations for 2024 are:

- Nine Mile Point Park, at the West end of Nine Mile Point Road, Pierson
- Shell Harbor, 1800 Shell Harbor Road, Pierson
- DeLeon Springs State Park, 601 Burst Park Road, DeLeon Springs
- Ed Stone Park, 2990 W. State Road 44, DeLand
- Lake Beresford Park, 2100 Fatio Road, Deland
- French Avenue boat launch / Starks Landing, Orange City
- Lake Monroe Park, 975 S. U.S. 17-92, DeBary
- Lemon Bluff boat ramp, 907 Lemon Bluff Rd., Osteen

The Governing Board has generously supported the work of Volusia County historically, and this request would continue that valued tradition. Environmental Management is honored to sponsor this funding request and would administer the grant monies according to program guidelines. Please see the attached documents and let me know if any other information is needed. I can be reached directly at (386)736-5927 ex 12074 or smcculloch@volusia.org.

Sincerely,

Sondra McCulloch

Sondra McCulloch
SJR Cleanup Coordinator

Volusia.org/cleanup

EXHIBIT A

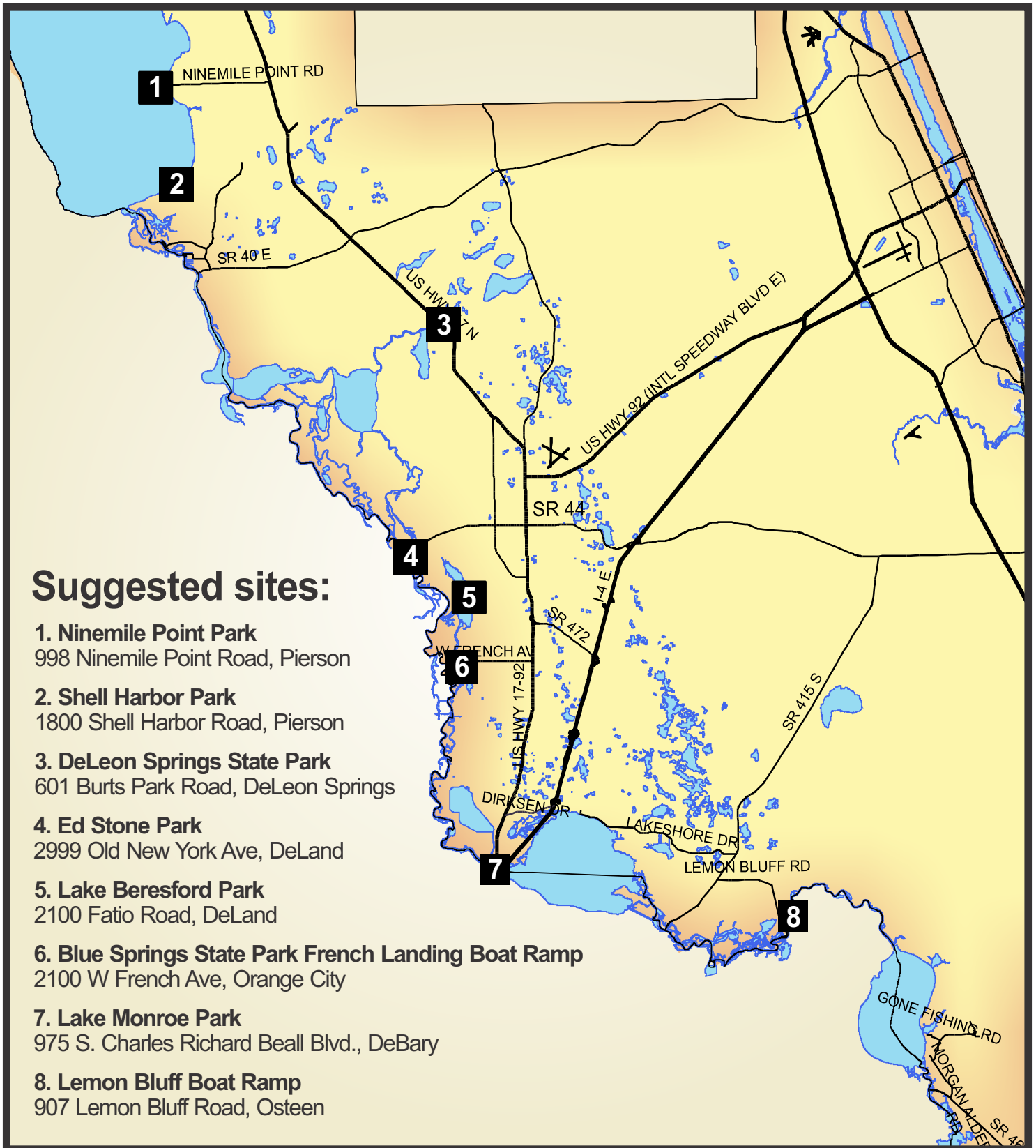
Florida Inland Navigation District
Waterway Clean-up Assistance Program

Project Cost Estimate

Project Title: 28th Annual St. Johns River Clean-up, April 20, 2024

Applicant: Volusia County Environmental Management

<u>Expenditures:</u>	<u>Estimated</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>FIND</u>
Staff Mileage	\$250.00	\$250.00	0.00
Staff Time	\$500.00	\$500.00	0.00
Posters	\$45.00	\$0.00	\$45.00
Office Supplies	\$300.00	\$300.00	0.00
Clean Up Supplies	\$155.00	\$0.00	\$155.00
Promotional Items	\$4,800.00	\$0.00	\$4,800.00
Total Expenses	\$6,050.00	\$1,050.00	\$5000.00



ATTACHMENT A
**FLORIDA INLAND NAVIGATION DISTRICT
 SMALL-SCALE DERELICT VESSEL REMOVAL PROGRAM APPLICATION**

Applicant: City of Fort Lauderdale

Project Title: Derelict Vessel It is What It Is

Contact Person: Greg Chavarria

Title: City Manager

Address: 450 South West 7th Ave.

Fort Lauderdale, Florida Zip Code: 33312

Telephone: 954-828-5343 Fax: _____

Email: jluscomb@fortlauderdale.gov

Number of Vessels and waterway locations: 1 Vessel / 26.07.04 / 80.08.55
 (Please include pictures and map locations on a separate worksheet)

Vessel Distance from the Intracoastal Waterway On the New River 2 miles from ICW

Total Estimated Costs to removal all vessels: \$ 7,525; FIND Funding Requested: \$ 5,644
 % of total cost: _____. Please complete and attach a cost estimate sheet (Form # 01-06) for each vessel to be removed, in addition to a contractor bid sheet)

Amount and Source of Applicants Matching Funds: 1881, City of Fort Lauderdale Grant Match Find

Other (non-FIND) Assistance applied for (name of program and amount) 0

Have all vessels been identified by the Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission (FFWCC) (or other applicable marine law enforcement agency) as derelict? Yes If not, explain: _____
City of Fort Lauderdale Marine Police Unit

Have all necessary permits and or approvals been approved for the removal of the derelict vessels? N/A

If not, please explain: _____

I hereby certify that the information provided in this application is true and accurate.

SIGNATURE:  DATE: 11/28/2023

ATTACHMENT C
Small-Scale Derelict Vessel Removal Projects Funding Policy
(Rule 66B-2.015)

Proposals shall be accepted for financial assistance for the removal of derelict vessels within the District's waterways. The applicable provisions of this rule apply to these applications with the following additions or exceptions:

(1) Application Procedure — Applications shall be submitted on a completed FIND Form No. 05-01 (effective date 04-24-06), hereby incorporated by reference and available from the District office. Applications may be submitted to the District and considered by the Board at any time during the year.

(2) The District shall only fund applicants that have identified derelict vessels to be removed and have an outstanding bid for removal for such vessels, subject to eligibility under these program rules.

(3) The program must be sponsored by an eligible government agency or not-for profit organization.

(4) District funding shall be limited to \$75,000 per county, per year, provided on a reimbursement basis only.

(5) The eligible applicant must provide the remaining matching funds for project completion. In no case shall the District's cost-share contribution exceed 75% of the total project costs. In-house project management or administration costs are not eligible costs or matching costs.

(6) The derelict vessel must be located in, the District's waterways, as defined in subsection 66B-2.003(28) "Waterways".

(7) The District shall be recognized when possible in all written, audio or video advertising and promotions as a participating sponsor of the program.

(8) The funding provided by the District shall only be allocated for removal of derelict vessels. The District is providing program reimbursement funds only and shall be held harmless with regards to the activities initiated by the applicant.

(9) The applicant shall be responsible for all maintenance, management, disposal and operating expenses associated with the program.

(10) Funds derived from the sale of any derelict vessels or vessel parts removed through this grant program must be reinvested into the applicant's derelict vessel removal program.

(11) The District Board shall make all final decisions concerning the provision of funding for this program.

ATTACHMENT B

**FLORIDA INLAND NAVIGATION DISTRICT
SMALL-SCALE DERELICT VESSEL REMOVAL PROGRAM APPLICATION**

PROJECT COST ESTIMATE

(See Rule Sections 66B-2.005, 2.008 & 2.015 for eligibility and funding ratios)

APPLICANT: City of Ft. Lauderdale

PROJECT: Derelict Vessel Removal

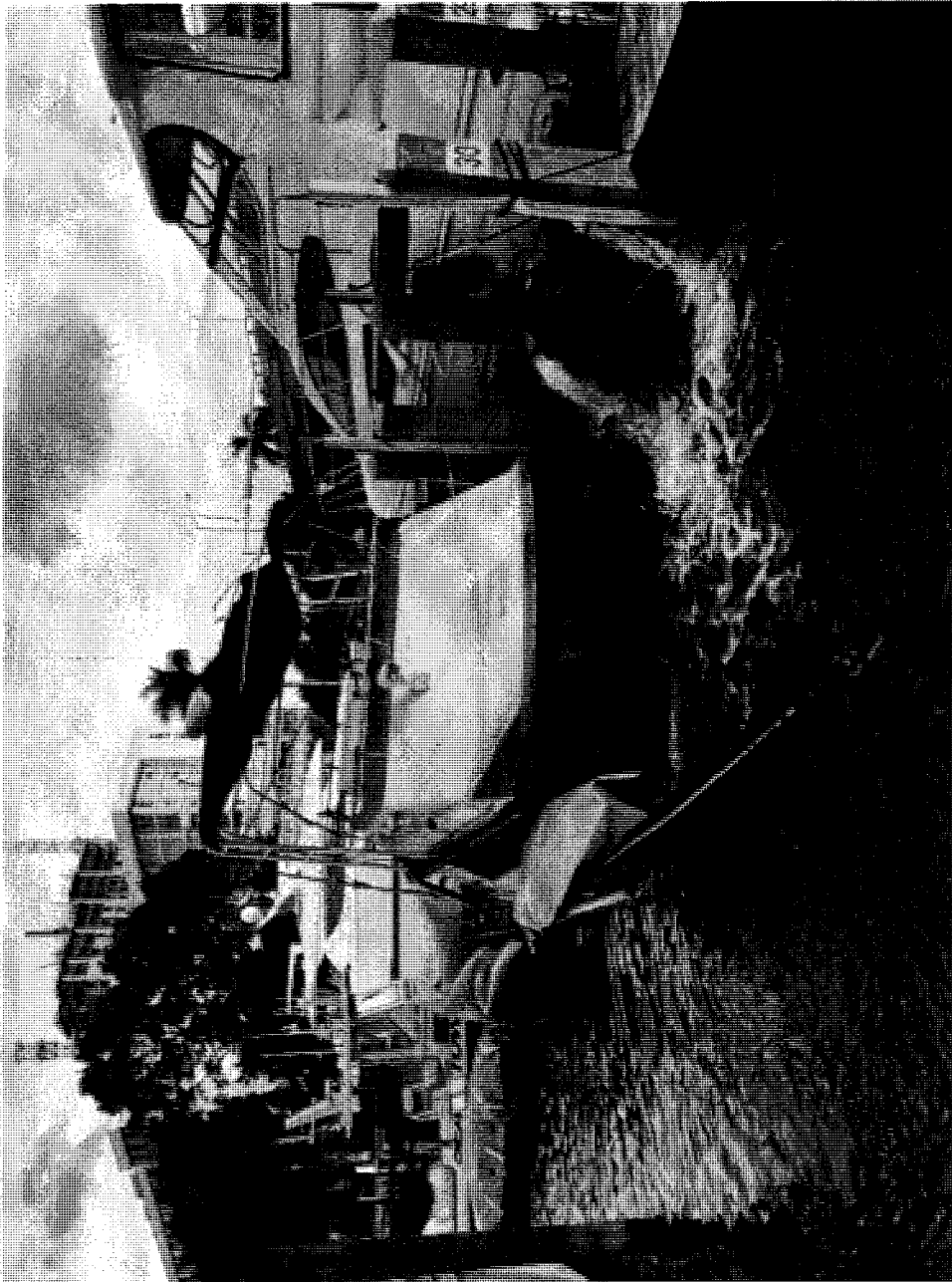
VESSEL LOCATION AND IDENTIFICATION: Motor boat - On the New River 2 miles from ICW

Project Elements <i>(Please list the project cost elements and provide a general cost break out for each one.)</i>	Quantity Estimated Cost (Number or cost per vessel)	Applicant's Cost	FIND Cost
Salvage and Remove Derelict Vessel "It Is What it Is"	7525	1881	5644

**** TOTALS =**

\$	7525	\$	1881	\$	5644
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**MINUTES OF THE
FLORIDA INLAND NAVIGATION DISTRICT
Finance and Budget Committee Meeting
8:45 a.m., Friday, October 13, 2023
DoubleTree Hotel Jacksonville Riverfront
1201 Riverplace Boulevard
Jacksonville (Duval County), FL 32207-9009**

ITEM 1. Call to Order.

Acting Committee Chair Blow called the meeting to order at 8:46 am.

ITEM 2. Roll Call.

Assistant Executive Director Janet Zimmerman called the roll and Commissioners Gernert, Davenport, Boehning, and Blow were in attendance. Commissioner Sansom was absent. Ms. Zimmerman stated that a quorum was present. Also in attendance was Executive Director Mark Crosley.

ITEM 3. Additions or Deletions.

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda. Commissioner Davenport motioned to approve the agenda as presented. Commissioner Gernert seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 4. Public Comments.

There were no public comments.

ITEM 5. Financial Statements for August 2023.

Mr. Crosley presented the Budget Summary and Project Status Expenditure Reports for August 2023. He noted that the Seacoast Collections on page 3 shows a balance of \$17.5M and will increase in November and December when tax collections accumulate. Finance Director Glenn Scambler will be shopping around for the best investment rates.

Commissioner Davenport motioned to approve the Financials as presented. Commissioner Boehning seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 6. August 2023 Budget Summary and Project Status Expenditure Reports.

Mr. Crosley noted that DMMA O-23 is finished; work on DMMA-617 is ramping up; and DMMA BV-4B is under construction and going well. The Department of Environmental Protection sent the District a Letter of Compliance for DMMA BV-4B. DMMA BV-11 is finished, FIND is hoping to have DMMA BV-24 out to bid early next year.

ITEM 7. Delegation of Authority Report.

Mr. Crosley noted that erosion prevention work was done at DMMA O-23 for neighbors as well as other site maintenance. He also noted that Cavache, Inc.'s contractors are taking a look at the gopher tortoise issue at DMMA SJ-1.

ITEM 8. Additional Agenda Items or Staff Comments.

There were no additional items or staff comments.

ITEM 9. Additional Commissioners' Comments.

There were no additional Commissioners' comments.

ITEM 10. Adjournment.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:58 am.

Carl Blow, Acting Committee Chair

Attest: Buddy Davenport, Secretary

(SEAL)

**MINUTES OF THE
FLORIDA INLAND NAVIGATION DISTRICT
Board of Commissioners Meeting
9:00 a.m., Friday, October 13, 2023
DoubleTree Hotel Jacksonville Riverfront
1201 Riverplace Boulevard
Jacksonville (Duval County), FL 32207-9009**

ITEM 1. Call to Order.

Chair Crowley called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

ITEM 2. Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Mark Crosley led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

ITEM 3. Roll Call.

Secretary Davenport called the roll and Chair Crowley, Vice Chair Gernert, and Commissioners Blow, Isiminger, Stapleford, and Williams were present. Commissioners Cuozzo, Sansom, and O'Steen were absent. Commissioner Davenport stated that a quorum was present. Also in attendance were Executive Director Mark Crosley, Assistant Executive Director Janet Zimmerman, Deputy Director Chris Kelley, Operations Director Ian Eyeington, Attorney Peter Breton, Mr. Jim Marino of Taylor Engineering, Mr. Eduardo Marin of USACE, Ms. Courtney Cortez and Ms. Valerie Seidel of The Balmoral Group, and Mr. Patrick Lawson of Taylor Engineering.

ITEM 4. Consent Agenda.

Chair Crowley noted that Miami-Dade applied for a \$10k award for a waterway cleanup grant, and the District is awarding the County \$5k.

Commissioner Isiminger motioned to approve the consent agenda. Commissioner Blow seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 5. Additions or Deletions.

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda. Commissioner Isiminger motioned to approve the final agenda. Commissioner Davenport seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 6. Public Comments.

There were no public comments.

ITEM 7. Board Meeting Minutes.

Chair Crowley asked if there were any comments or questions regarding the July 21, 2023, Finance and Budget Committee Minutes, and Board Meeting Minutes.

Commissioner Blow noted that on page 8, the sentence, “This current bridge is approaching 100 years old and is the only remaining single-track segment on the entire FECR Miami to Jacksonville freight rail corridor...” should be adjusted to say, “Miami to Orlando.”

Commissioner Blow motioned to approve the minutes as amended. Commissioner Gernert seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 8. Staff Report on Duval County Area Status and Projects.

Mr. Crosley reviewed the staff report on Duval County beginning on page 21 of the agenda.

Chair Crowley asked what site mentioned was having issues? Mr. Crosley noted that DMMA DU-8 had troubles with locals trespassing on site.

Mr. Crosley noted that DMMA DU-2 has one road in and out, north of the City of Jacksonville. Citizens had contacted council members about trucks on the road and a local ordinance was implemented banning trucks larger than two axles. If DMMA DU-2 is offloaded, the District will need to use a barge or single axle trucks.

The Board discussed Commissioner vacancies and the best ways to get the positions filled.

Commissioner Blow suggested keeping a law enforcement trailer on site at DMMA DU-8.

Mr. Jim Marino noted that an alternative route for the Board to consider at DMMA DU-8 is to speak to the City and ask to change the route to the free space west of San Pablo Road.

Mr. Ian Eyeington noted that a route change west would be more useful to the District if possible.

ITEM 9. Comments and Project Status from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Mr. Eduardo Marin, the IWW Project Manager with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), stated that DMMA O-23 contract is closing out.

At Palm Valley South, the project is physically complete, and the contract is closed.

At IWW Volusia, USACE is updating the FDEP permit modification application that includes the stockpile and north nearshore placement options, and is hoping to have easements from the County by March of 2024.

AIWW Sawpit is moving forward. Mr. Marin noted that USACE will try to expedite this for easements and permits.

At IWW Matanzas, Southwind LLC was awarded the contract at \$5.9M and is scheduled to start dredging this week. USACE will submit a permit modification to include the south shoal.

For IWW Crossroads and the vicinity of Jupiter Inlet, there is critical shoaling at OWW Crossroads. USACE is able to utilize the Murden next month after the holidays, mobilizing November 27. Mr. Marin noted that USACE is thinking of shifting this project to FY 25 after addressing the critical shoaling to plan accordingly for the shoal at Crossroads, and to get NEPA and permit modifications for the section of the project that has not yet been dredged.

Mr. Crosley noted that the District benefits from better mobilization/demobilization unit costs when partnering with Jupiter Inlet District. He also noted that there is a work order from Taylor Engineering for this area in the agenda, and that it is a great tool for buying time between major projects.

The Commissioners discussed USACE vessels and dredging options, as well as project history.

Mr. Marin stated that for the OWW project, the Draft Project Partnership Agreement is pending some items required for package submission per regulations.

Mr. Marin reviewed the work order for the AIWW Nassau Reach 1, requesting funding to begin surveys and permit work. Commissioner Blow motioned to approve Work Order 58-2023-02. Commissioner Stapleford seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 10. District-Wide Economic Analysis Update.

Ms. Courtney Cortez and Ms. Valerie Seidel of The Balmoral Group (Balmoral) provided an update to the District's economic analysis and summaries. In September 2022, the Board approved a contract with Balmoral to update the District's economic summaries

for each county. The project is complete, and Balmoral presented the updated figures for Board review and comment.

Commissioner Davenport questioned why the number for boater spending in Volusia County wasn't higher?

The Board discussed the St. Johns River and whether it should be included in the numbers. Commissioner Blow suggested marking an X in the Yachts, Boat Building, Servicing, etc. column for St. Johns County on slide 13 in the agenda.

The Board discussed port activity in relation to the IWW economic activity in different counties and what should be included in the report.

Ms. Cortez noted that the only portion of port activity that uses the ICW is included in the report, according to USACE.

The Commissioners also made the following suggestions:

Slide 13: Change the title to "Average Annual Capital Investments (Dredging and Grants)."

Slide 22: Mr. Crosley suggested clarifying with a note that this reflects spending tax revenues.

Slide 26: Add a 1-pager to explain the Annualized column and take off main page.

Slide 39: The value of including the New River should also be included in the map because boaters cannot get to the New River without going through the ICW.

Slide 40: Add the Miami River to the map.

ITEM 11. District Geographic Information System Update.

Taylor Engineering's Director of Geospatial Science, Mr. Patrick Lawson, (GISP, CFM) provided an update pertaining to the District's Geographic Information System (GIS) system. Taylor Engineering has provided Geographic Information Systems (GIS) services to the District since 2016. Initial GIS tasks for the District included updating archived GIS data to a modern geodatabase format, bathymetric data collection and surface creation, and map book creation for all District managed properties and DMMAs. More recent GIS services include mobile field map applications to assist District staff and contractors with site and well locations; web map development to host the District's GIS data, either publicly or to a limited audience; and routine requests from District staff for GIS data updates, maps, software installation, and other GIS data assistance.

Mr. Crosley asked if the online web map is better set up for user interface over Google data maps? Mr. Lawson replied it was a major advantage over Google maps.

The Commissioners discussed making the data available for public use, as well as cybersecurity and the protection of data.

Commissioner Isiminger motioned for Taylor Engineering to come to the next Board meeting with a proposal to do an online web map under their continuing services contract and provide hosting costs and security provisions as well. Commissioner Blow seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 12. Interlocal Agreement for Participation in the Nassau County Property Appraiser/Tax Collector Tangible Personal Property Verification Program, Nassau County, FL.

The Nassau County Property Appraiser's office is working on an initiative to perform a verification process on the County's tangible personal property tax roll to ensure compliance. The Appraiser's office is utilizing a third-party contractor to utilize a mass process to cover and analyze the entire tax roll. If the District chooses to participate in this audit, a three-party Interlocal Agreement would need to be executed between the Florida Inland Navigation District, the Nassau County Tax Collector, and the Nassau County Property Appraiser.

Commissioner Blow motioned to approve the agreement with Nassau County. Commissioner Isiminger seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 13. Scope of Professional Services and Cost Proposal for the Design, Engineering, Permitting and Construction Administration for Intracoastal Waterway Emergency Dredging in the vicinity of Crossroads, Martin County, FL.

Taylor Engineering has prepared a scope of work and fee quote for the design, engineering, permitting and construction administration of emergency dredging at the area referred to as Crossroads, the convergence of the St. Lucie Inlet, the Intracoastal Waterway (IWW), and the Okeechobee Waterway (OWW) in Martin County.

A separate and optional quote is included for similar services on the IWW near Jupiter Inlet. Should these services not be necessary, or the projects could not be

successfully combined for timing and cost savings, this portion of the scope would not be implemented.

Commissioner Blow motioned to approve the work order. Commissioner Davenport seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 14. Finance and Budget Committee Report.

Commissioner Blow motioned to approve the Finance and Budget Committee Report to the full Board. Commissioner Davenport seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 15. Washington D.C. Report.

Mr. Crosley reviewed the Washington D.C. report on page 100 of the agenda.

Ms. Zimmerman noted that the proposed dates for the Washington, D.C. visit are at the end of January or beginning of February, based on Mr. Jim Davenport's availability as well as Congressional officials.

ITEM 16. Additional Staff Comments and Additional Agenda Items.

There were no additional staff comments.

Mr. Crosley noted that the AIWA conference is November 16-17, followed by the November Board meeting in Palm Beach County. The outreach will be at the Jupiter Lighthouse.

The Board discussed how it is determined where to stay for meetings, quality of hotels, etc. Mr. Crosley noted that staff receives input from the local Commissioner, and considers hotel rates, as well as public perception. Ms. Zimmerman noted that staff considers the state and federal per diem rates as well.

ITEM 17. Additional Commissioners' Comments.

Commissioner Williams stated it was an interesting meeting.

Commissioner Boehning noted it was an excellent meeting with good info.

Commissioner Blow stated it was a great meeting and outreach. He asked staff how the office remodel is going. Mr. Crosley replied that three contractors have come to take a look, but it's been difficult to secure them to do the work.

Commissioner Stapleford thanked staff for an informative meeting and thanked Taylor Engineering for their valuable help and input.

Commissioner Isiminger welcomed the Board to Palm Beach County for the next meeting and noted that the Outreach will be at the Jupiter Lighthouse on the inlet.

Commissioner Davenport thanked staff for an informative meeting.

Chair Crowley asked if staff would send a list of committees out and have Commissioners fill in their top two or three committee choices.

ITEM 18. Adjournment.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:33 p.m.

Spencer Crowley, Chair

Attest: Buddy Davenport, Secretary

(SEAL)

**MINUTES OF THE
FLORIDA INLAND NAVIGATION DISTRICT**

Finance and Budget Committee Meeting

8:45 a.m., Friday, November 17, 2023

**Wyndham Grand Jupiter at Harbourside Place
122 Soundings Avenue
Jupiter (Palm Beach County), FL 33477-5088**

ITEM 1. Call to Order.

Commissioner Davenport called the meeting to order at 9:25 a.m.

ITEM 2. Roll Call.

Assistant Executive Director Janet Zimmerman called the roll, and Commissioners Gernert, Davenport, Blow, and Sansom were present. Commissioner Boehning was absent. Also in attendance were Executive Director Mark Crosley, Financial Director Mr. Glenn Scambler, and Attorney Peter Breton. Ms. Zimmerman stated a quorum was present.

ITEM 3. Additions or Deletions.

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda. Commissioner Blow motioned to approve the agenda as presented. Commissioner Gernert seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 4. Public Comments.

There were no public comments.

ITEM 5. Financial Statements for September 2023.

Mr. Crosley presented the District's September financial statements beginning on page 3 of the agenda. He noted that September 30 is the end of the District's fiscal year. The District has several investments and Mr. Scambler has done an excellent job with interest rates and stacking the accounts. He also noted that accounts payable reflects grant funds to be paid out.

Mr. Crosley noted that the interest income FY to date is \$3.5M, and covers all admin costs.

Commissioner Gernert motioned to approve the financial statements as presented. Commissioner Blow seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 6. September 2023 Budget Summary and Project Status Expenditure Reports.

Mr. Crosley presented the Budget Summary and Project Status Expenditure Reports on page 15. He noted that there is a large carryover associated with the grants program. Operations and Capital are allocated to specific line items. He also noted that the District is still dealing with a lawsuit for DMMA BV-11, which he reviewed for the Board.

Mr. Breton stated that the District has also filed a counter claim against the plaintiffs and filed a motion for summary judgement for a hearing.

Mr. Crosley noted that Mr. Jack Kirschenbaum is representing the District.

ITEM 7. FY 2022-2023 Budget Amendment No. 1.

Staff has prepared Budget Amendment No. 1 to the FY 2022-2023 budget. This is the initial budget amendment to the District's current FY budget and is being made to reflect the actual unanticipated overage expenditures in operations (primarily derived from modifications at DMMA SJ-14, additional Waterway Plans, and re-booking of Waterways Assistance Program Projects: #BR-DB-21-15, City of Deerfield Beach Pioneer Park, and #Sl-18-65, Walton Scrub Observation Tower, Phase I), all funded by reallocation from the general DMMA Development (Capital) budget.

Commissioner Blow motioned to recommend the budget amendment to the full Board. Commissioner Gernert seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 8. Delegation of Authority Report.

Mr. Crosley noted that Mr. Ian Eyeington continues to do an excellent job keeping up the DMMA sites.

ITEM 9. Additional Agenda Items or Staff Comments.

There were no additional items or staff comments.

ITEM 10. Additional Commissioner Comments.

There were no additional Commissioner comments.

ITEM 11. Adjournment.

Commissioner Davenport adjourned the meeting at 9:40 a.m.

Stephen Boehning, Committee Chair

Attest Buddy Davenport, Secretary
(SEAL)

**MINUTES OF THE
FLORIDA INLAND NAVIGATION DISTRICT**

Auditor Selection Committee Meeting

8:30 a.m., Friday, November 17, 2023

Wyndham Grand Jupiter at Harbourside Place,
122 Soundings Ave.,
Jupiter, Palm Beach County, Florida 33477

ITEM 1. Call to Order.

Acting Committee Chair Blow called the meeting to order at 9:13 a.m.

ITEM 2. Roll Call.

Assistant Executive Director Janet Zimmerman called the roll and Commissioners Sansom, Blow and Isiminger were present. Commissioner Boehning was absent. Ms. Zimmerman stated that a quorum was present. Also in attendance were Executive Director Mark Crosley and Attorney Peter Breton.

ITEM 3. Selection of a Committee Chair.

Commissioner Isiminger nominated Commissioner Blow as Chair of the committee. Commissioner Sansom seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 4. Additions or Deletions.

There were no additions or deletions. Commissioner Isiminger motioned to approve the agenda as presented. Commissioner Sansom seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 5. Public Comments.

There were no public comments.

**ITEM 6. Request for Proposals Package for the Selection of an Auditor for the
FY 2022-2023 Financial Audit.**

The Committee's auditor selection procedures are subject to Section 218.391 Florida Statutes, which provides that the primary purpose of the audit committee is to assist the Board of Commissioners in selecting a certified public accounting firm that is both duly licensed under chapter 473 Florida Statutes and qualified to conduct audits in accordance with government auditing standards as adopted by the Florida Board of Accountancy. Staff

have prepared the Request for Proposals (RFP) package for the Committee's review that establishes factors to use for the evaluation of proposals by certified firms. The RFP will be advertised, and Committee members will use the evaluation criteria in the package to evaluate and rank each RFP received.

Commissioner Isiminger asked if pricing could be considered as part of the selection criteria? Mr. Breton replied that price could be considered as part of the criteria, but it cannot be the sole or primary basis for the decision and only counts for 20 points out of the total.

Commissioner Isiminger referenced the non-mandatory guidance and asked if the District had access to a financial expert. Commissioner Blow noted that he seeks the advice of Mr. Scambler and also suggested seeking the advice of former Commissioner Don Donaldson. Ms. Zimmerman noted that the RFP in the packet was put together by Mr. Scambler using his connections in professional affiliations. Commissioner Isiminger suggested sending the RFP to Mr. Donaldson and FGOA to review.

Commissioner Isiminger motioned to accept the RFP package to select a new auditor for FY 2022-2023. Commissioner Sansom seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 7. Additional Agenda Items or Staff Comments.

There were no additional items or staff comments.

ITEM 8. Additional Commissioners' Comments.

There were no additional Commissioner comments.

ITEM 9. Adjournment.

Chair Blow adjourned the meeting at 9:24 a.m.

Carl Blow, Committee Chair

Attest Buddy Davenport, Secretary
(SEAL)

**MINUTES OF THE
FLORIDA INLAND NAVIGATION DISTRICT's
Personnel Committee Meeting
8:15 a.m., Friday, November 17, 2023**

**Wyndham Grand Jupiter at Harbourside Place,
122 Soundings Ave.,
Jupiter, Palm Beach County, Florida 33477**

ITEM 1. Call to Order.

Commissioner Gernert called the meeting to order at 8:15 a.m.

ITEM 2. Roll Call.

Assistant Executive Director Janet Zimmerman called roll and Commissioners Gernert, Williams, Stapleford, and Davenport were present. Commissioner Boehning was absent. Ms. Zimmerman stated a quorum was present. Also present were Executive Director Mark Crosley and Attorney Peter Breton.

ITEM 3. Selection of a Committee Chair.

Commissioner Stapleford motioned to recommend Commissioner Gernert as Chair of the Personnel Committee. Commissioner Davenport seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 4. Additions or Deletions.

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda. Commissioner Davenport motioned to approve the agenda as presented. Commissioner Stapleford seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 5. Public Comments.

There were no public comments.

ITEM 6. Personnel Salary Adjustments for FY 2023-2024.

Ms. Zimmerman reviewed the recommendations in the agenda starting on page 3 of the agenda. She noted that new hires are not eligible for an increase in salary and that three positions are eligible.

Commissioner Davenport suggested looking at each position individually.

Mr. Crosley noted that FIND consists of a small staff with little opportunity for advancement. He noted that funds held for projects are earning interest, which pays staff

salaries and covers almost all operations costs and that the percentage overall of salary increases is small.

Commissioner Blow suggested a 3% COLA and 4% performance merit increase.

Commissioner Stapleford suggested a 3.2% COLA for this year based on Federal/State rates.

Commissioner Davenport motioned to recommend a 3.2% COLA increase and up to 3.8% merit increase based on performance. Commissioner Stapleford seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 7. Employment Agreement between FIND Board of Commissioners and Janet Zimmerman for employment as Executive Director.

On November 18, 2022, the FIND Board of Commissioners accepted the notice of retirement and transition plan from Executive Director Mark Crosley with Janet Zimmerman being appointed to assume the position of Executive Director effective upon Mr. Crosley's retirement February 2024. Presented to the Committee for their consideration is an Employment Agreement with Assistant Executive Director Janet Zimmerman for employment as Executive Director effective January 1, 2024.

Ms. Zimmerman noted this is the first time FIND would have an agreement such as this, and that the agreement was drafted by staff and has been reviewed by Chair Crowley and Attorney Peter Breton.

Ms. Zimmerman reviewed the agreement beginning on page 10 of the agenda.

Mr. Breton noted that the most important sections are 9 and 10. Section 9 details termination without cause, which allows the Board by vote to terminate compensation and provides severance as authorized by Florida statutes for 20 weeks. Section 10 outlines reasons the Board may terminate for cause without any severance package attached.

Commissioner Davenport was against the Employment Agreement.

Mr. Crosley noted that the significance of the agreement is that it spells out expectations both for the Executive Director and the Board and urged the Board to keep discussing it.

Commissioner Gernert noted he was not in favor of a 5-year agreement but would consider a 3-year agreement.

Commissioner Davenport suggested deferring the item for a year.

Commissioner Gernert suggested taking the item to another future Personnel meeting and bringing it back to the full Board.

Commissioner Davenport motioned to table the item for future discussion. Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. The motioned passed 3-1. Commissioner Stapleford was not in favor.

ITEM 8. Additional Agenda Items or Staff Comments.

Mr. Crosley requested consideration from the Board for a salary increase. Commissioner Gernert asked if salary adjustments have an effect on his pension? Mr. Crosley stated there is no impact on retirement and gave a brief overview of the DROP Program.

Commissioner Gernert suggested tabling this for a Personnel meeting in December, where the Committee will discuss a salary increase for Mr. Crosley and Ms. Zimmerman's Employment Agreement.

Commissioner Stapleford motioned to accept the proposal for Ms. Zimmerman's salary at \$198k as written in the Employment Agreement contract. Commissioner Davenport seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Davenport motioned to make the effective date for the salary adjustment to begin January 1, 2024. Commissioner Stapleford seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 9. Additional Commissioner Comments.

Commissioner Davenport suggested a \$25k bonus for Mr. Crosley.

Mr. Breton noted that Florida law is very strict about employee bonuses. He stated that the Board can increase Mr. Crosley's salary for the remaining period of employment, but it cannot be in the form of a bonus.

ITEM 10. Adjournment.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:12 a.m.

Frank Gernert, Committee Chair

Attest: Buddy Davenport, Secretary

(SEAL)

**MINUTES OF THE
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Board of Commissioners Meeting

9:00 a.m., Friday, November 17, 2023

**Wyndham Grand Jupiter at Harbourside Place,
122 Soundings Ave.,
Jupiter, (Palm Beach County), Florida 33477**

ITEM 1. Call to Order.

Chair Crowley called the meeting to order at 9:51 a.m.

ITEM 2. Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Isiminger led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

ITEM 3. Roll Call.

Secretary Davenport called the roll and Chair Crowley and Commissioners Gernert, Blow, Isiminger, Sansom, and Williams were present. Commissioners Boehning, Cuzzo, and O'Steen were absent. Commissioner Davenport stated a quorum was present. Also in attendance were Executive Director Mark Crosley, Assistant Executive Director Janet Zimmerman, Deputy Director Chris Kelley, Operations Director Ian Eyeington, Attorney Peter Breton, Mr. Eduardo Marin of the USACE, and Mr. Jim Marino of Taylor Engineering.

ITEM 4. Consent Agenda.

Commissioner Blow motioned to approve the consent agenda as presented. Commissioner Davenport seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 5. Additions or Deletions.

Ms. Zimmerman noted that Mr. Eduardo Marin of USACE will discuss a work order request under Item 9.

She also noted that two items have been added: Item 19a; Interlocal Agreement with the City of Fort Lauderdale to Conduct a Bathymetric Survey of the New River, Fort Lauderdale, Broward County, FL; and 19b; Reconsideration of City of Miami Morningside

Park 2023 Waterways Assistance Program Project Agreement, Miami, Miami Dade County, FL.

Commissioner Gernert motioned to approve the agenda as revised. Commissioner Blow seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 6. Public Comments.

Commissioner Stapleford spoke on behalf of Congressman Waltz and recognized Mr. Jim Marino for his time and efforts for the District. He also presented a Certificate of Congressional Recognition on behalf of Congressman Waltz to Mr. Marino for his invaluable service to the community.

There were no other public comments.

ITEM 7. Board Meeting Minutes.

Chair Crowley asked if there were any comments or questions regarding the minutes for the September 7, 2023, 1st Public Tax and Budget Hearing; the September 8, 2023, Finance and Budget Meeting and Board Meeting; and the September 20, 2023, Final Public Tax and Budget Hearing.

Commissioner Davenport motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Commissioner Blow seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 8. Staff Report on Palm Beach County Area Status and Projects.

Mr. Crosley presented the staff report beginning on page 35 of the agenda.

Ms. Zimmerman gave a review of legislative efforts in regard to Jupiter Narrows and the establishment and challenge of vessel speed zones. She noted that concerned citizens in sections of the waterfront came to FWC to implement a slow speed zone in the waterway. MIAPB challenged the slow speed zone and a judge ruled in their favor. FWC recently held public meetings to create clarifying language to give FWC a path forward if they are going to implement speed zones for safety reasons.

Chair Crowley stated it is important for the District to be laser focused on tracking these issues.

Mr. Breton noted that this could be appropriate for Mr. Jon Moyle to get involved with and represent the District's interest with the FWC.

ITEM 9. Comments and Project Status from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Mr. Eduardo Marin, the IWW Project Manager with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), stated that the DMMA O-23 contract is closing.

He noted that the IWW Volusia plans and specs are ongoing and on track.

AIWW Sawpit received the FDEP permit last month and everything is on track to award without issues.

Mr. Marin presented and requested approval of AIWW Sawpit Work Order No. 61-2023-05. Commissioner Davenport motioned to approve the work order. Commissioner Gernert seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Marin noted for IWW Matanzas, Southwind is almost complete with base cuts 59 and 61, and is moving to the southern cuts. He noted that USACE received a citizen complaint, alleging that USACE was pumping clay material on the beach, which was proven false after an investigation. He also noted a French journalist will be visiting Summer Haven for an article about USACE projects and beach placement.

At IWW Crossroads, a preconstruction meeting was held with DEP and the crew members for the Murden to address shoaling at Crossroads. The Murden is still in the yard and will be mobilizing December 6-13. Dredging may commence around December 15 and continue through the end of month. He noted that USACE is going to remove material in cuts M5, but to address cuts M1-M4 USACE must get NEPA review.

At AIWW Nassau County, funds are in house, and the work order has to get signed to start planning dredging for Reach 1 in Nassau County.

Mr. Crosley noted that USACE approved a channel relocation in Fernandina that allows some additional room for the marina and moves the channel westward.

Mr. Marin noted that the Draft Project Partnership Agreement is complete pending a few items required for package submission per regulations, and he is hoping to have for the Board by the end of the month.

For the contributed funds agreement, there is a discussion on language in the model agreement. USACE South Atlantic Division's (SAD) comments are addressed and a resubmission to SAD is being prepared.

Mr. Marin noted that the Regional General Permit is on track to permit on 30 December.

ITEM 10. Palm Beach County Projects and Partnership Presentation.

Mr. Michael Stahl and Mr. Matt Mitchell from Palm Beach County Department of Environmental Resource Management (ERM) provided a project & partnership update highlighting some of their recent successes in beneficial reuse of dredge material and habitat creation/restoration. The District has effectively partnered with the County on numerous projects thru the Waterway Assistance Program (WAP), Interlocal Agreements, the reuse of dredge material from the Palm Beach IWW Deepening, and the off-loading of Peanut Island, to name a few. Both the County and the District have enjoyed great success from this longstanding partnership to the benefit of our mutual constituents and the health of the waterways.

Mr. Mitchell gave an overview of projects for the Board. He noted that the County has received \$18.3M in FIND funding over the last 30 years, completed 45 projects, and 204 acres of habitat was created with that funding.

Mr. Crosley noted that the County has been a long-term successful partner. He noted that every project shown had the removal of previous spoil or the addition of material.

Commissioner Blow suggested putting the presentation on the District website and labeling the County as an example of a successful partnership.

Commissioner Isiminger noted that ERM has done a lot of good. They went all in on environmental enhancement, got out of the DEP regulatory process, and have been able to make a big difference.

ITEM 11. Washington D.C. Report.

Mr. Jim Davenport of Thorn Run Partners reviewed the Washington D.C. report.

He noted that Congress passed two continuing resolutions for different sets of appropriations bills. The Energy and Water Bill on the Senate side includes over \$4M for the ICW.

On a larger scale, the main problem for the appropriation process is that the Senate drafted their appropriation bill in bipartisan fashion adhering to FY24 spending levels set during the debt ceiling negotiations. The Senate passed the first minibuss. The House proposed steeper cuts in bills that won't pass in the Senate.

Mr. Davenport suggested that the District start thinking about what to request for FY25 to submit in early March, and to look at where FIND will dredge in 2025 and target District requests to those members.

Ms. Zimmerman noted that the dates proposed for the Washington, D.C., visit are the last week of January, February 6-8, March 5-8, and March 19-21.

ITEM 12. Scope of Professional Services and Cost Proposal for: A) Additional Engineering and Review Work Associated With Pipeline Relocation at Dredged Material Management Area SJ-14, St. Johns County, FL., and B) Coordination with Neighboring Interests and Drainage Concerns at Dredged Material Management Area BV-11, Brevard County, FL.

Taylor Engineering has prepared a scope of work and fee quote for additional work review and coordination work at Dredged Material Management Area (DMMA) SJ-14 pertaining to the requested pipeline relocation and reconstruction by neighboring PARC Group. Funds will be utilized as needed and are scheduled to not exceed \$25,000.00.

In addition, Taylor Engineering has been called as an expert witness and the engineer of record for improvements associated with DMMA BV-11. The District is answering a lawsuit brought by the neighboring property owner concerning potential drainage and easement issues at the site. The additional work for Taylor engineering is estimated to not exceed \$18,000.00.

Commissioner Blow motioned to approve the scope and cost proposal for Items A and B. Commissioner Davenport seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 13. Pipeline Easement and Structure Modification Request for Dredged Material Management Area (DMMA) SJ-14, St. Johns County, FL.

This item is a continuation of the item first brought to the Board at the September 2023 meeting. PARC Group (PG), the owner of the adjacent land surrounding the eastern half of the pipeline easement at DMMA SJ-14, is constructing the next phase of residential development, referenced as Marsh Harbor South (MHS). To minimize conflict, PG has requested to realign and replace approximately 700' of the easternmost portion of the District's pipeline easement and associated infrastructure.

In September, the Board reviewed a preliminary proposal and provided PG and District Staff input and directive on this matter. Since that meeting, PG, District, USACE, and Taylor Engineering staff have been working diligently to address the identified concerns. Numerous changes have been implemented to ensure that the District's long-term interests and operational capabilities at DMMA SJ-14 are protected. PG has remained

cooperative throughout the process and additional coordination will be needed to resolve specific technical details and ensure a quality product at the time of construction.

Mr. Ian Eyeington gave an update on progress and concerns. He noted that PARC Group is moving forward with the next phase of development near the pipeline project. They have updated the easement amendment language and included signs telling neighbors about FIND onsite. He also stated that a disclosure agreement will be included in all home purchase documents.

Commissioner Blow thanked the PARC Group for cooperating with FIND and that tremendous progress has been made. He noted that the typical 24/7 dredging schedule is not described in the agreement and asked if it should be included or if the District would be willing to modify the typical actions as it comes up.

Mr. Crosley noted that once approved, staff will keep tweaking the agreement.

Chair Crowley suggested including in the agreement that dredging is typically done 24/7.

Commissioner Isiminger noted that it is important when something is tabled to go back and address the concerns. He asked if all of the concerns listed on page 25 of the previous Board meeting had been addressed. Mr. Crosley noted that they had. Chair Crowley noted it was helpful to go through that list and see the progress made.

Mr. Crosley acknowledged all of the hard work done on this. He asked what legal assurance FIND has that the disclosure agreement becomes part of the deed. Mr. Breton noted that the disclosure agreement is for the benefit of FIND, so FIND has the right to enforce it. The document will be recorded on the title against all lots called out in exhibits and to that, run with the land, and is enforceable by FIND. He noted that the two documents will be executed and recorded simultaneously.

Commissioner Isiminger motioned to approve the easement amendment. Commissioner Sansom seconded the motion. All were in favor of the motion, and it passed unanimously.

ITEM 14. Scope of Professional Services for the Development of the District Geographic Information System (GIS) Online WebMaps.

In response to a request from the Board to make relevant portions of FIND's GIS data readily available to the public, Taylor Engineering has prepared a Scope of Services

and fee quote to create the District WebMap, and public facing WebMap and Data Portal which will both be accessible to the public and all interested parties. The WebMap and Data Portal will provide visual access and downloadable files of District properties, easements, and channel data. Taylor Engineering will complete the work described in Tasks 1, 2 and 3 for a lump sum fee of \$18,648.00.

Commissioner Blow motioned to approve the scope of services. Commissioner Stapleford seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 15. Scope of Work for Professional Services to Update Waterway Channel Shoaling Calculations Based on U.S. Army Corps of Engineers 2022 District-wide Bathymetric Survey.

In 2022, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) conducted a complete bathymetric survey of the Intracoastal Waterway (IWW). From this data, existing shoals, shoaling rates, and dredged material quantities can be determined which will allow staff to best plan for predicted dredging projects and coordinate the construction of those Dredged Material Management Areas (DMMA's) necessary to receive project materials.

Taylor Engineering has prepared a Scope of Services and fee quote to develop updated shoaling calculations based on the most recent USACE comprehensive bathymetric survey of the Waterway. Staff will use these results to prepare the next 5-year plan, prioritizing DMMA design and construction to best match future maintenance dredging projects. Taylor Engineering will complete the work described in Tasks 1 and 2 for a lump sum fee of \$48,672.00.

Ms. Zimmerman explained the different modeling techniques between Items 14 and 15.

Mr. Jim Marino explained the difference between this survey and the USACE dredging survey. He noted that the USACE is a singular survey, and the technique used in this item will look at historic surveys and maps the historic shoaling rate over a period of time, which provides a better forecast and plan for the District's budget.

Commissioner Davenport motioned to approve the scope of work. Commissioner Blow seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 16. Assistance Program Rule Revision.

Each year, upon completion of the assistance program application cycle, staff reviews the program, notes Commissioners comments and proposes changes to the assistance program rules which would improve the process for the District and the applicants. Based on comments at our July 2023 meeting, staff has prepared draft rule language. It is the staff's intention to make the approved changes to both the Waterways Assistance Program (WAP) and Cooperative Assistance Program (CAP) rules as applicable.

The Board discussed raising the amount of funding for spoil islands in Rule 66B-2.014 to \$20k per project not to exceed \$60k.

Chair Crowley also suggested that in Rule 66B-2.004, including language to make it clearer that once funding is provided to local governments for projects, the applicant cannot unilaterally go and pursue vessel exclusions or restriction zones without conferring with the District. He suggested that Mr. Breton work with staff on specific language to be included in the rulemaking.

Commissioner Gernert motioned to approve the rules as amended. Commissioner Davenport seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 17. Personnel Committee Report.

Commissioner Gernert presented the Personnel Committee Report to the full Board and recommended a 3.2% COLA increase and a 3.8% merit increase to qualified candidates: Executive Director, Finance Director, and Office Manager.

He noted that Ms. Zimmerman's employment contract was tabled for further discussion and not approved, and the current Executive Director compensation for the remainder of employment was also tabled.

He also noted that the starting Executive Director salary for Ms. Zimmerman of \$198k was approved for recommendation by the Board.

Commissioner Gernert motioned to approve the recommendations by the Personnel Committee. Commissioner Davenport seconded the motion. Commissioner Isiminger declared a conflict of interest and will abstain from voting. All were in favor of the motion, with Commissioner Isiminger abstaining, and the motion passed.

ITEM 18. Finance and Budget Committee Report.

Commissioner Davenport reviewed the Finance and Budget Committee report to the full Board.

Commissioner Davenport motioned to approve the September 2023 financial statements to the full Board. Commissioner Gernert seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Davenport motioned to approve Resolution No. 2023-04, budget amendment Number 1 to the FY 2022-2023 budget. Commissioner Blow seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 19a. Interlocal Agreement with the City of Fort Lauderdale to Conduct a Bathymetric Survey of the New River, Fort Lauderdale, Broward County, FL.

The City of Fort Lauderdale is requesting Funding Assistance of \$6,998.00 from the Florida Inland Navigation District through an Interlocal Agreement to assist in the conducting of a Bathymetric Survey of the New River in Fort Lauderdale Florida. The New River is a natural, navigable tributary of the Intracoastal Waterway (IWW) and a major transportation route for commercial and recreational vessels. The purpose of the bathymetric survey is to define and map the navigable channel in the New River, identify potential areas in need of dredging, and guide future development policy decisions required to maintain its navigability.

The limits of the survey will mirror the 2011 survey and extend from the IWW channel westerly up the New River to Bradford Marine off State Road 84. The approximate length of route is 6.5 miles. This proposal is consistent with the District's program rules and Florida Statute 163.01, otherwise known as the Florida Interlocal Cooperation Act of 1969.

Commissioner Gernert motioned to approve the interlocal agreement. Commissioner Davenport seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 19b. Reconsideration of City of Miami Morningside Park 2023 Waterways Assistance Program Project Agreement, Miami, Miami Dade County, FL.

At the Final Tax hearing in September 2023, the Florida Inland Navigation District (FIND) Board of Commissioners approved the listing of the 2023 Waterway Assistance Program (WAP) grant awards which included a grant to the City of Miami in the amount

of \$4,352,670 for the construction of the bulkhead and baywalk, and improvements to the boat ramp and trailer parking area at Morningside Park (the "Morningside Grant").

This is the 6th grant awarded to the City of Miami for this project. Despite FIND's longstanding partnership with the City on public access projects in this area, and without any consultation or communication to FIND, the City has taken preliminary steps which could significantly restrict boating, fishing and public access to this area of Biscayne Bay. Specifically, at the Thursday, November 16, 2023, the City of Miami Board of Commissioners meeting, the District 2 City Commissioner sponsored a Resolution with File ID: #14954 (the "Resolution"), which would direct the City Administrator to submit applications to establish a boating restricted area around an alleged Brown Pelican nesting rookery on a City owned Spoil Island (the "Spoil Island"). No evidence of a nesting rookery on the Spoil Island has been provided to FIND by the City, nor does any such evidence exist in the City's published legislative back-up. Brown Pelicans are not a State or Federally listed species.

From additional information uncovered in association with this Resolution, it appears as if this application would be the first step in a multi-stage request to create a Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) Critical Wildlife Area (CWA) directly off the shoreline of Morningside Park to include nearby recreational spoil islands on both sides of the Intracoastal Waterway (IWW). This action would have potential negative impacts on boating and public access in the area of Morningside Park.

The City's actions in this regard would be inconsistent with the intent of FIND grant programs and the recently completed Miami-Dade County Waterfront Recreational Access Plan, funded by FIND. The City's actions would restrict the public's ability to boat, recreate and fish in this area of Biscayne Bay, thereby undermining significant drivers of economic output in Miami-Dade County as confirmed by two recently completed economic studies (2023 Economic Analysis of the District Waterways: Miami-Dade County, Florida; prepared for the Florida Inland Navigation District by The Balmoral Group, Seidel, V., Cortez, C., Barker, A., Winter Park, FL, and Biscayne Bay Economic Study Update Final Report; prepared for the South Florida Water Management District and Miami-Dade County, Florida by Hazen and Sawyer, Johns, G., September 15, 2023).

Staff are requesting that the Board authorize the Executive Director to delay the final execution of the Morningside Park 2023 Waterways Assistance Program Project Agreement, (i) due to the significance of the potential change in project conditions which would result from City creation of a boating restricted area, adjacent to Morningside Park, and (ii) until such time as Staff can confirm that public access to the area will not be restricted. Staff would also like to transmit a record of the Board's position on this matter to the City of Miami and FWC, regardless of the City's action this week on the Resolution, so that FIND's position on any such application is clear. Finally, Staff would like authorization to prepare an item for the Board's reconsideration of the Morningside Grant, to be placed on FIND's next meeting agenda, in the event that the City approves the Resolution.

Commissioner Gernert motioned to approve Item 19b. Commissioner Davenport seconded the motion.

Commissioner Isiminger asked if there would be an impact to Morningside Park? Chair Crowley noted that it could impact use of the park, launching small boats, and fishing would be prohibited in this area. He noted that restrictions on public access should be the last resort. Chair Crowley stated that he has not yet seen an FWC report documenting this as a sensitive nesting rookery.

All were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 19. Additional Staff Comments and Additional Agenda Items.

Mr. Crosley thanked the Board for their support over the years and appreciates staff and the Board for their feedback. He noted that staff transitioned to new positions with this agenda.

He also noted that Duval County has an official vacancy as Commissioner O'Steen has moved and is no longer eligible to be a Commissioner. He noted that he is working on getting a letter of resignation.

Ms. Zimmerman stated that the Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway Association conference was held in Wilmington, N.C. this past week and invited the Board to attend next year's conference in Charleston, S.C.

Mr. Chris Kelley thanked the Board, and stated he had a great time at the Sawfish Island check presentation and mangrove planting event.

Mr. Scambler noted that most of the tax collections will be coming in next month and that this FY surpassed \$1M in interest.

Mr. Eyeington noted he was happy with the outreach and wished the Board and staff a happy Thanksgiving.

ITEM 20. Additional Commissioner Comments.

Commissioner Isiminger thanked Mr. Kelley and staff for pulling the Outreach together and thanked Bureau of Land Management staff for cleaning up before the outreach.

Commissioner Davenport noted it was a great outreach location and setting and thanked Commissioner Isiminger for his hospitality.

Commissioner Blow noted it was a fantastic outreach in a beautiful spot. He noted that the next meeting will be in St. Augustine and is working on a location in Villano Beach. Ms. Zimmerman noted that the hotel is the Hyatt, which opened in October.

Commissioner Blow asked the Commissioners their thoughts on an alternating Friday/Saturday Board meeting schedule. Commissioner Gernert noted that he would be at a disadvantage and would miss more Saturday meetings and the Board agreed to Friday meetings.

Commissioner Stapleford thanked staff and Commissioner Isiminger, and noted that he enjoyed the Personnel Committee meeting. He stated that he will bring permit issues and delays to the attention of Congressman Waltz.

Commissioner Gernert noted that it was an amazing outreach and property, and that he appreciated the work of the BLM.

Commissioner Sansom noted that Chair Crowley did a great job and that he was sorry to miss the outreach, and he is looking forward to St. Augustine.

Chair Crowley stated it was great to be here and a great location. He noted the setting of the outreach was amazing. He also stated that he appreciates the support for the item in Miami, and thanked staff for putting it together.

ITEM 21. Adjournment.

Chair Crowley adjourned the meeting at 11:57 a.m.

Spencer Crowley, Chair

Attest
(SEAL)

Buddy Davenport, Secretary



ST. JOHNS COUNTY PROJECT STATUS UPDATE

JANUARY 2024

Dredged Material Management Plan

Phase I of the Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP) for the Intracoastal Waterway in St. Johns County (SJC) was completed in 1989. Phase II of the DMMP was completed in 1992 and updated in 2017 and 2022. All major land acquisition was completed in 1995. *(Please see the attached maps).*

The 50-year dredging projection for the 44.69 miles of Intracoastal Waterway in the County is approximately 4.7 million cu/yds, and the storage projection is 10 million cu/yds. This is approximately 1 million cu/yds greater than previously estimated in 1989. There are five (5) dredging reaches in this county. Reach I in the Palm Valley area constitutes approximately 21% of the total estimated dredging volume in SJC. Apart from the IWW in the vicinity of the St. Augustine Inlet area, Reaches II, III and IV have never been dredged and are naturally deep areas of the waterway with minimal shoaling. Frequent dredging around the inlet continually results in significant quantities of beach-compatible material primarily placed on Anastasia State Park beaches just south of the inlet entrance.

Note that maintenance dredging in Dredging Reach V in the vicinity of the Matanzas Inlet is 66% of the County's total projected dredging volume. With a frequency of about every 2.7 years, this reach has the highest shoaling frequency of all of the District's waterways.

Dredged Material Management Area Development:

To date, two of the four upland Dredged Material Management Areas in the County have been fully constructed (DMMA SJ-14 & SJ-1). The other two, DMMA SJ-20A and DMMA SJ-29, have had Phase I development (cleared & fenced) completed. Periodically, (mostly recently in 2020), these sites require additional maintenance clearing of vegetation, mostly along the fence lines. DMMA SJ-14 was utilized for the 2022-2023 USACE maintenance dredging projects for Palm Valley North and South. The weir and pipeline were evaluated in 2021 for service availability and were reconstructed in 2022-2023 under separate contracts. *(Please note that DMMA DU-9, although physically located in the northern portion of St. Johns County, is included in the DMMP updates for Duval County for continuity).*

Phase II development (plans & specifications) were investigated for DMMA SJ-20-A. However, salinity concerns and low dredging volumes have predicated a revised strategy for this site. Initial inquiries in 2016 leading to the potential relocation of this site were unsuccessful. The site will remain in inventory for dry material handling, storage, and staging. The DMMP also identifies two frequently utilized beach disposal areas in this county. Material from the St. Augustine Inlet is routinely placed on the beach of Anastasia State Park with opportunities to also place material to the north of the Inlet, while beach-compatible material dredged from the IWW near Matanzas Inlet is placed on DMMA SJ-MB, located south of the Inlet.

Material was removed by St. Johns County from DMMA SJ-1 in 2011 to repair the sand dunes at Summer Haven Beach. At that time, the District removed material that had been wind-swept out of the site by Tropical Storm Fay. This work was coordinated with the County's contractor and 80% of the District's cost was reimbursed by FEMA. The County also removed additional material from the site in 2014 and 2015 and has continued to express an interest in accessing this material. The Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) requested beach-compatible material from DMMA SJ-1 both pre and post-Hurricane Matthew in early October of 2017. The initial FDEP contractor significantly damaged the existing south berm and was dismissed. Approximately 30,000 cu/yds of



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material was removed for area beaches during this project and the subsequent contractor repaired the previous berm damage. In 2019, DMMA SJ-1 was discovered to be inundated with numerous gopher tortoises. The Board has approved several actions to relocate the tortoises, remediate the existing burrows and construct an exclusion fence. The project is ongoing as of this writing. The District is in the process of completing the SJ-1 Shoreline Improvement Project which will stabilize the eroding shoreline along the IWW.

Waterway Dredging

The dredging of the northern portion of Reach I, Palm Valley, was completed in early 2010, with 255,000 cu/yds of material being placed in DMMA DU-9. That project completed the maintenance of 15 miles of channel in the Palm Valley Cut. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) returned in 2022-2023 to complete 2 dredging projects for Palm Valley: Reach I North (640,000 cu/yds) and South (250,000 cu/yds).

A project in Reach III, in the vicinity of St. Augustine Inlet, was completed in 2011, with the material being placed on the beach at Anastasia State Park. This area was dredged again in 2017, and following severe damage by Hurricane Matthew, the USACE, FIND and St. Johns County worked together to modify the existing dredging contract. The approved placement area (previously Anastasia State Park south of the inlet) was modified to allow placement of the dredged material (approximately 123,000 cu/yds) on the severely eroded beaches north of the inlet (Vilano Beach). Another 170,000 cu/yds of beach-compatible material was removed from the IWW and placed on the state park's beach in 2019.

In 2011, approximately 238,000 cu/yds of material was maintenance dredged from Dredging Reach V near Matanzas Inlet. This material was placed on the southern portion of Summer Haven Beach. Maintenance dredging also took place in 2017, with approximately 432,000 cu/yds of material placed on the County's beaches. This area was dredged again in 2019/2020 by the USACE, with an estimated 350,000 cu/yds of material placed on Summer Haven beach. Following Hurricanes Ian and Nicole in 2022, several breeches have developed in Summer Haven Beach. These breeches have impacted shoaling in the vicinity of the IWW. In 2019, FIND expanded the Flagler dredging effort to include approximately 266,722 cu/yds of shoaled material in St. Johns Reach V. The material was successfully placed at DMMA FL-3. The USACE currently has a contractor dredging 2 sections of Reach V for a total of 400,000+ cu/yds being placed on Summer Haven Beach to fill the breaches.

Waterways Economic Study

The St. Johns County Waterways Economic Study was completed in 2005 and updated in 2017 and 2022. The latest update calculates that the waterway in SJC produces over \$960 million in annual economic benefits, with \$81 million in annual property values. Waterway-related tourism produces roughly \$769 million in annual revenues. There are approximately 9,900 waterway-related jobs in SJC and an estimated 16,071 registered boats.



ST. JOHNS COUNTY PROJECT STATUS UPDATE

JANUARY 2024

Waterways Assistance Program

Since 1986, the District has provided over \$11.8 million in Waterways Assistance Program funding to 92 projects in the county having a total constructed value of \$48.2 million. The County, the City of St. Augustine, and the St. Augustine Port, Waterway and Beach District have all participated in the program. *(Please see attached location map and listing).*

Some funded projects of note include: the St. Augustine Municipal Marina; the St. Augustine Lighthouse; public boat ramps at Riverdale, Frank Butler, Shore Drive and Vilano Beach; and public channel dredging in Salt Run, Frank Butler, St. Augustine South boat ramps, and the Genovar Land Acquisition..

Cooperative Assistance Program

The District's Cooperative Assistance Program has provided funding assistance for the following projects with elements in St. Johns County: the Guana Tolomato Matanzas National Estuarine Research Reserve Environmental Education Center; Florida Clean Marina Program; Florida Clean Vessel Act Program; Anastasia State Park Environmental Education Signage; Florida Marine Patrol Officer Funding; and the St. Johns River Boating Safety Search and Rescue Program. The District's funding assistance for the St. Johns County portion of these projects was approximately \$790,000.00.

Interlocal Agreement Program

The District's Interlocal Agreement Program has provided funding assistance for the following projects with elements in St. Johns County, the Florida Clean Marina Program and the Florida Clean Vessel Act Program. The District's funding assistance for the St. Johns County portion of these projects was approximately \$25,000.00.

Waterway Clean Up Program

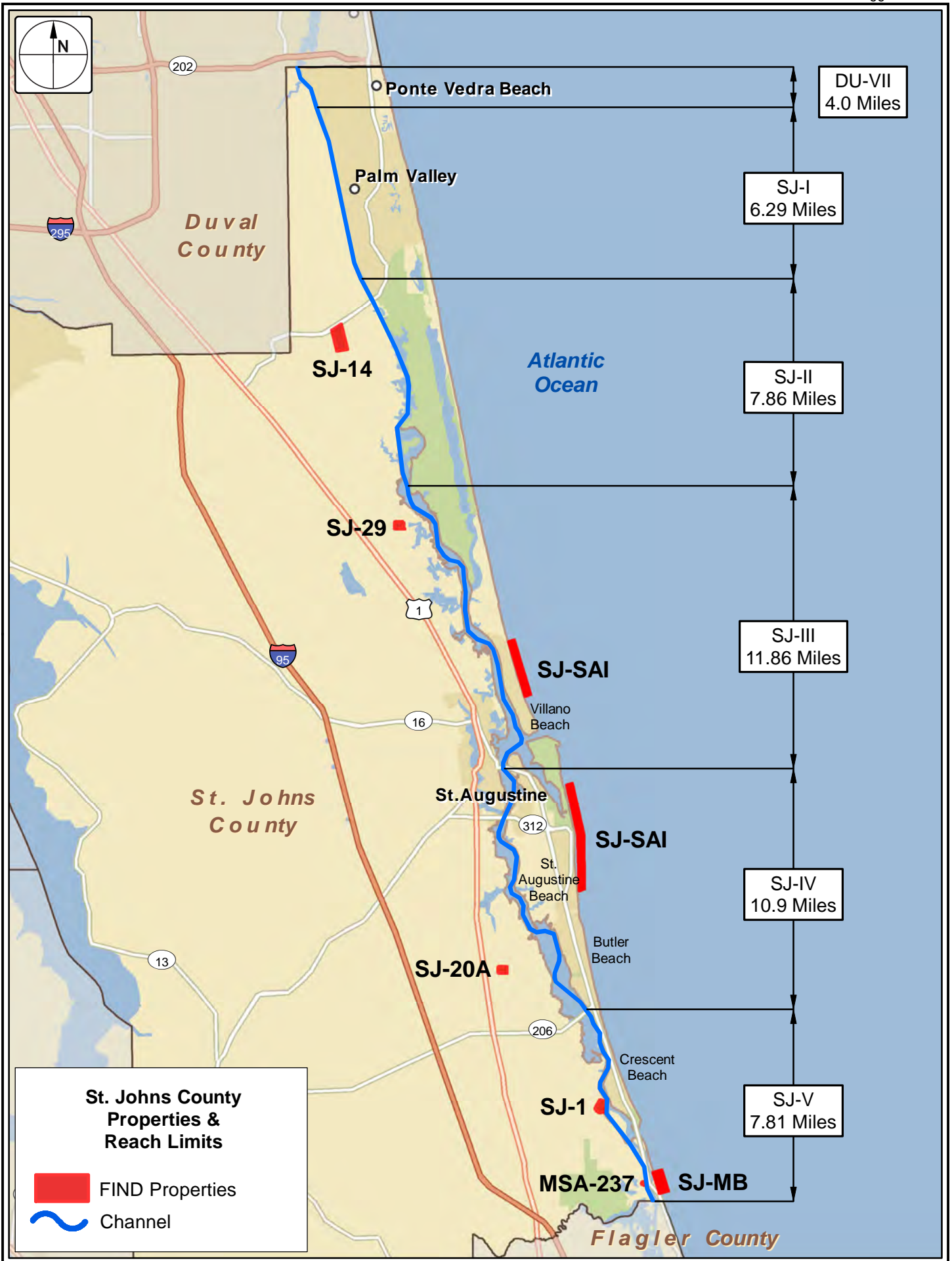
For several years, the District partnered with St. Johns County Solid Waste Department on waterway clean-ups. In 2012, the Lighthouse Archaeological Maritime Program (LAMP), Inc., a group associated with the St. Augustine Lighthouse & Museum, participated in this program. The Matanzas Riverkeeper's Litter Gitter is currently participating in the waterway cleanup program within St. Johns County.

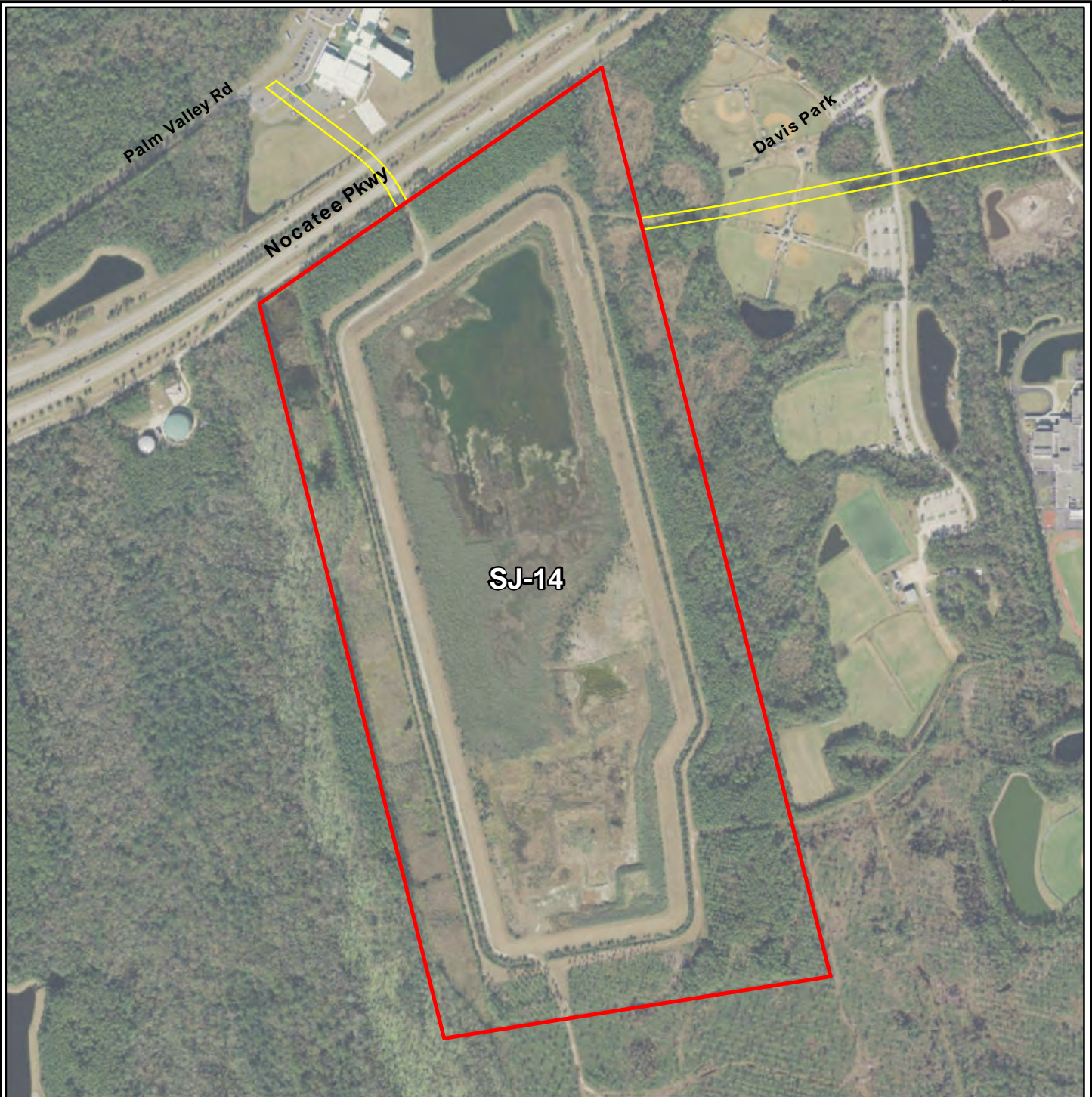
Small-Scale Derelict Vessel Removal Program

Twenty-three derelict vessels (FIND grants totaling \$107,874) have been removed in St. Johns County through this program.

Small-Scale Spoil Island Enhancement and Restoration Program

To date, no spoil island projects have been funded in St. Johns County.





Site	SJ-14
Common Name	Nocatee
County/City	St. Johns/Unincorporated
Geographic Proximity	Palm Valley to Deep Creek
Acquisition Dates	2/27/1995, 10/8/2009
Status	Constructed
Year Constructed	2004
Reach/Cuts	SJ-I & II / SJ-4 to SJ-15
Site Acres	202.6
Basin Acres	103.02
Design Capacity (cy)	1,953,289

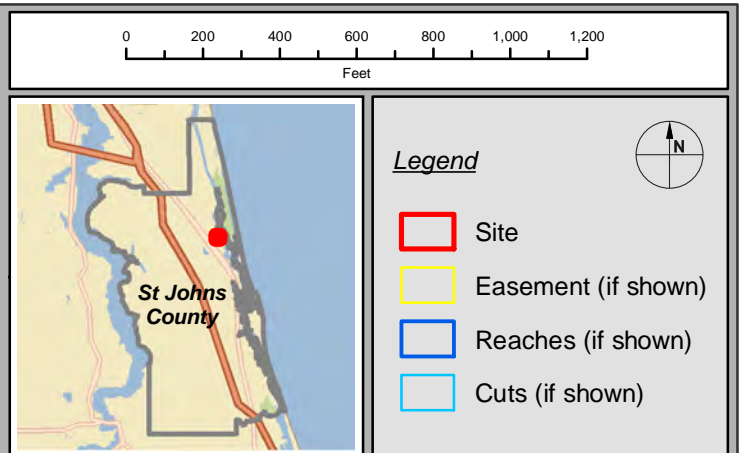
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- Site
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- Reaches (if shown)
- Cuts (if shown)

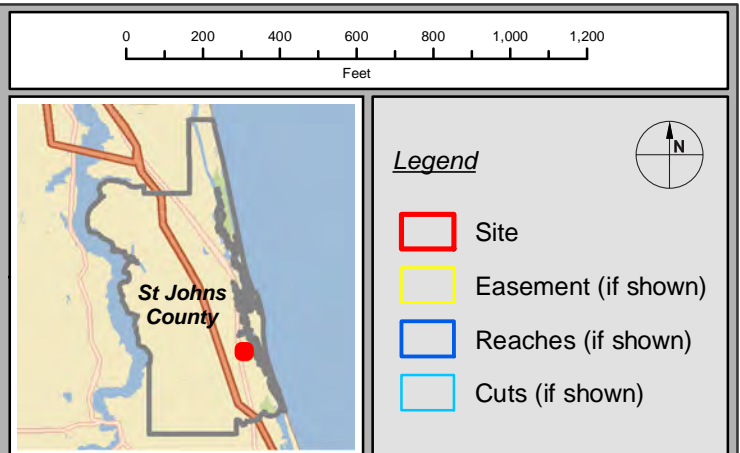


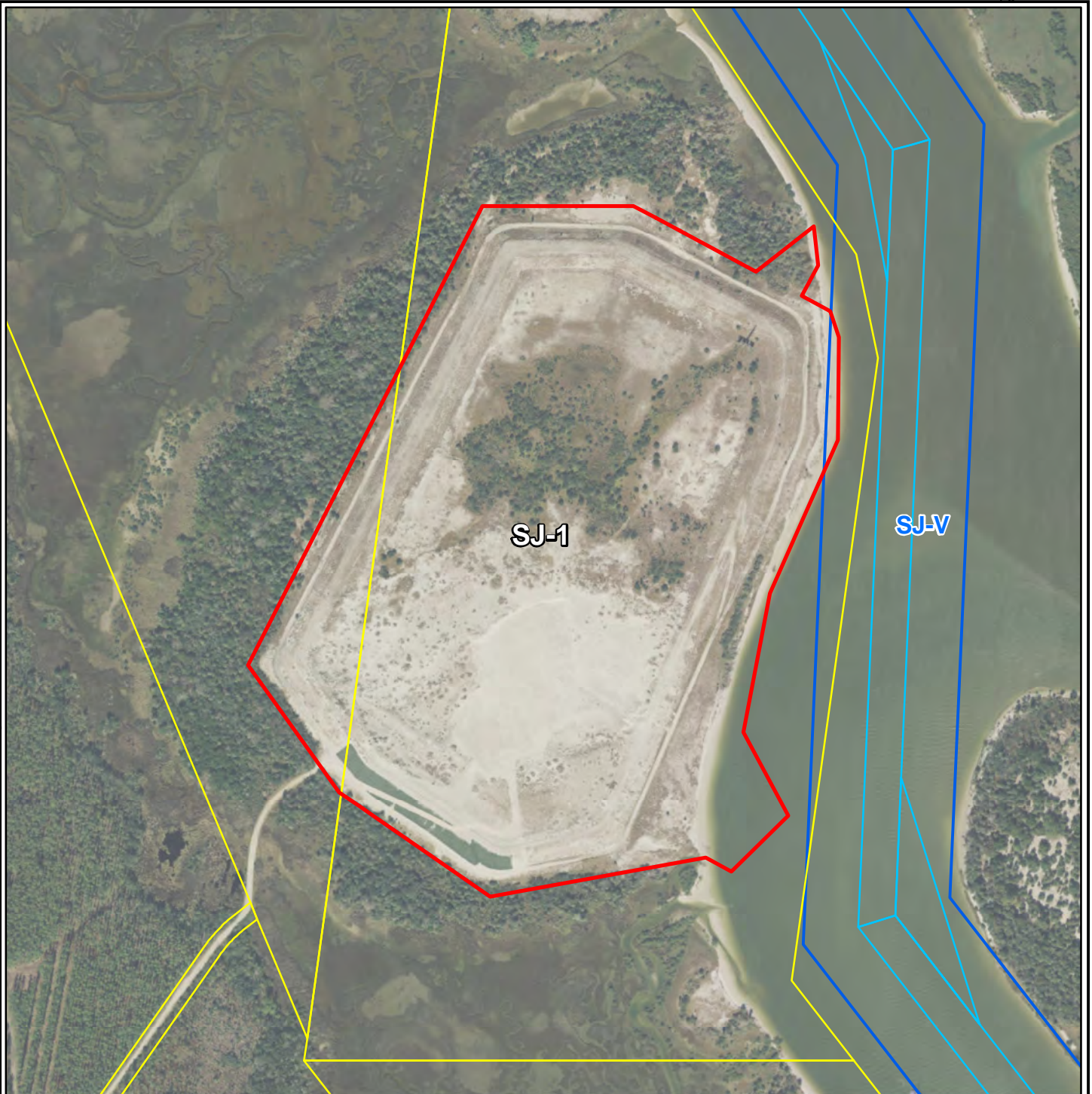
Site	SJ-29
Common Name	Palencia
County/City	St. Johns/Unincorporated
Geographic Proximity	Deep Creek to Bridge of Lions (Guana River)
Acquisition Dates	6/1/1992
Status	Not constructed; partially cleared
Year Constructed	NA
Reach/Cuts	SJ-III / SJ-16 to SJ-32
Site Acres	48.9
Basin Acres	14.75
Design Capacity (cy)	146,751



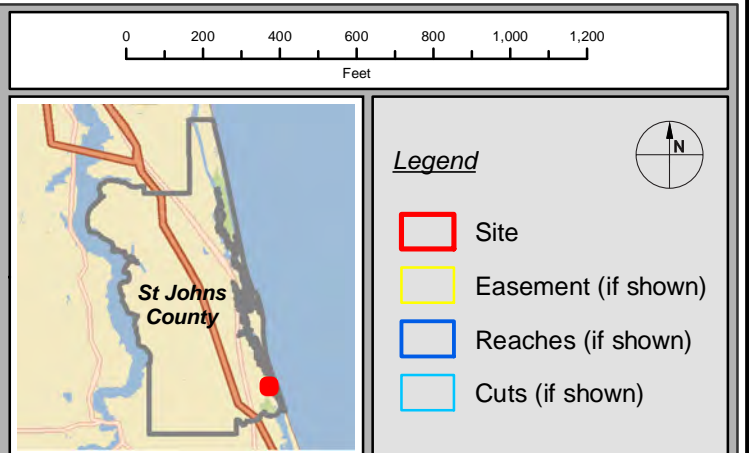


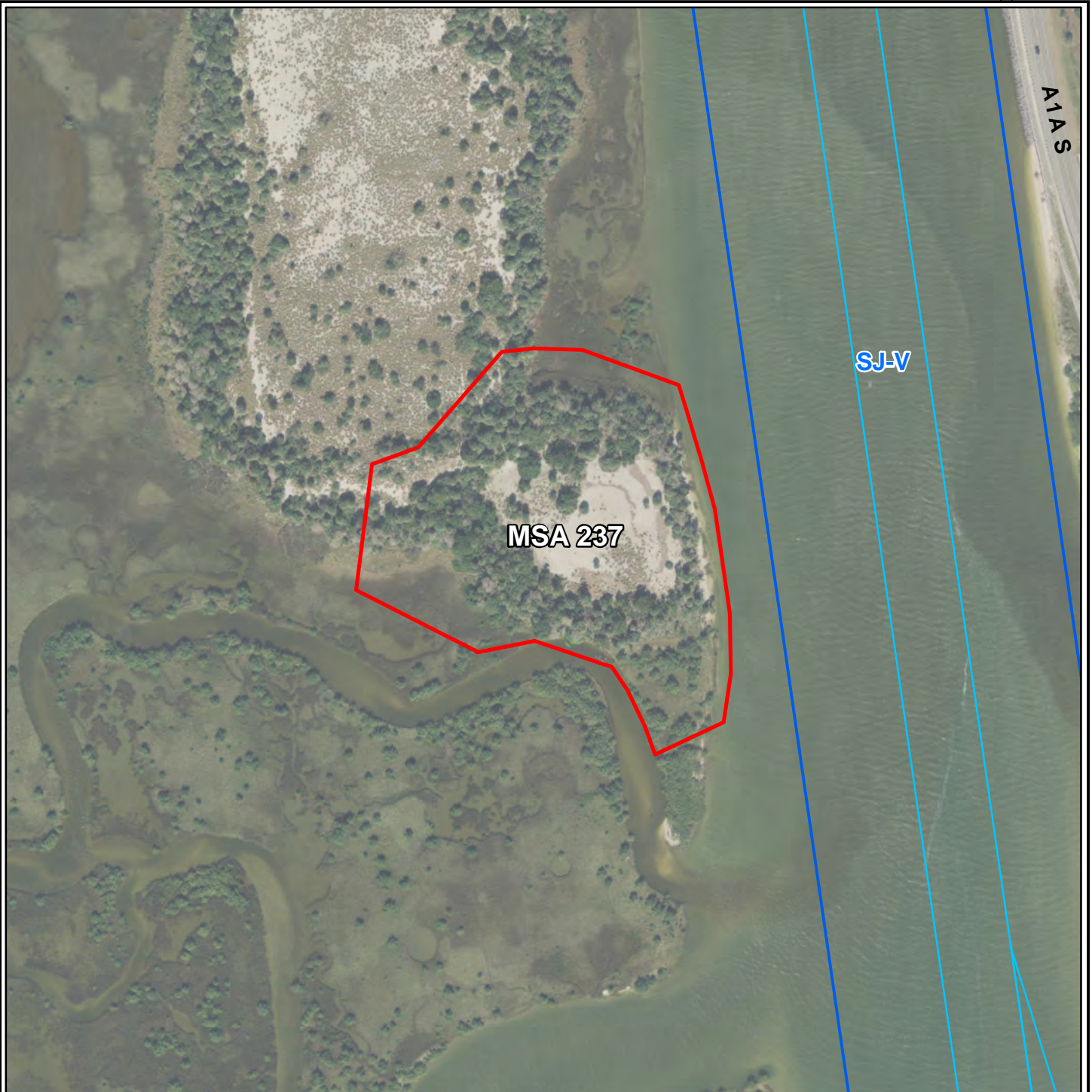
Site	SJ-20A
Common Name	St Augustine Shores
County/City	St. Johns/Unincorporated
Geographic Proximity	Bridge of Lions to S.R. 206
Acquisition Dates	9/3/1992, 8/18/1995
Status	Property Acquired
Year Constructed	N/A
Reach/Cuts	SJ-IV / SJ-33 to SJ-49
Site Acres	44.8
Basin Acres	7.65
Design Capacity (cy)	55,743





Site	SJ-1
Common Name	Matanzas Site
County/City	St. Johns/Unincorporated
Geographic Proximity	S.R. 206 to Marineland
Acquisition Dates	9/23/1942, 2/28/1994
Status	Constructed
Year Constructed	2000
Reach/Cuts	SJ-V / SJ-51 to F-1
Site Acres	74
Basin Acres	60
Design Capacity (cy)	646,500





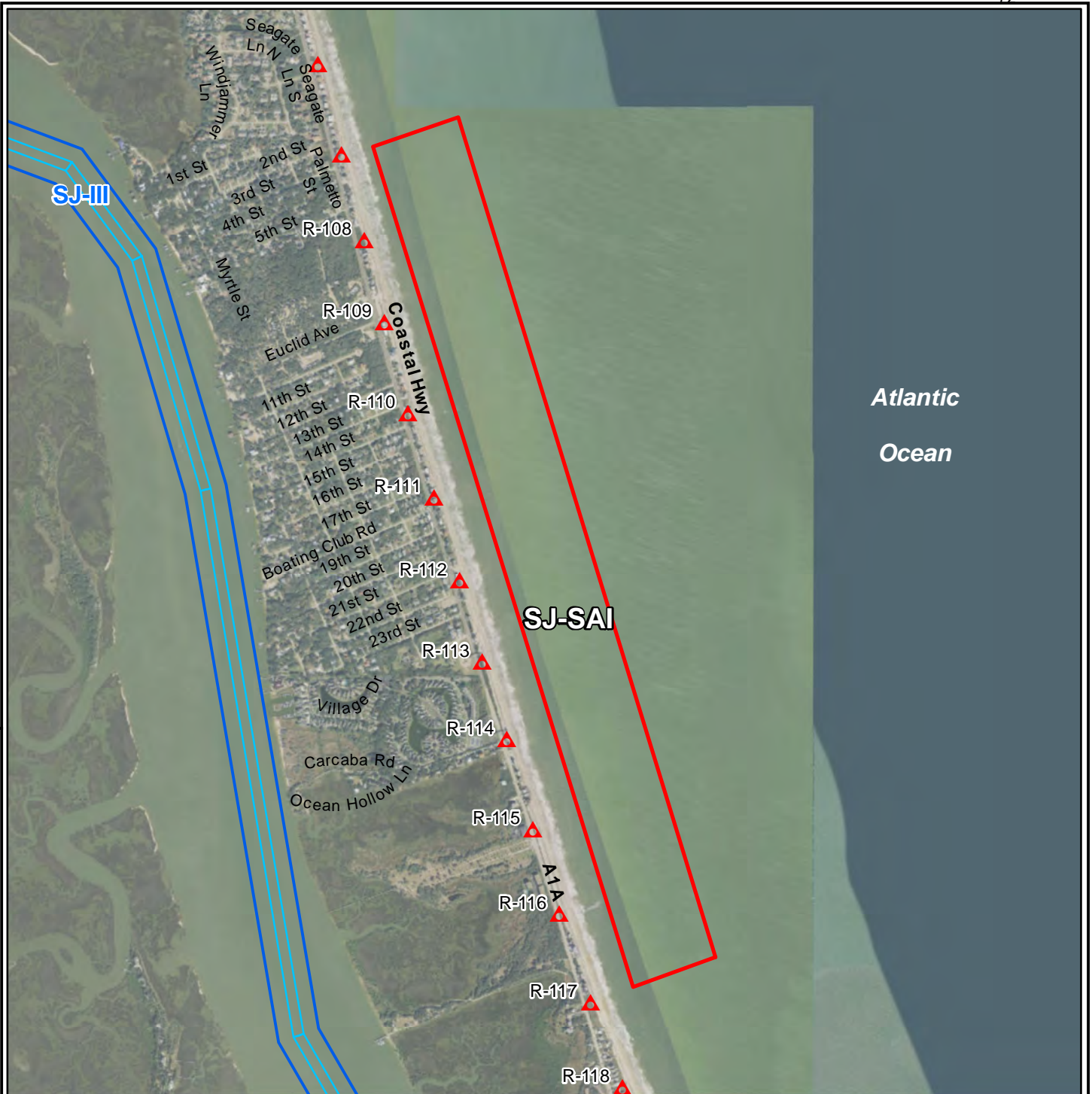
Site	MSA 237
Common Name	Summer Haven
County/City	St. Johns/Marineland
Geographic Proximity	West of Summerhaven River
Acquisition Dates	11/4/2008
Status	Not constructed; no plans
Year Constructed	N/A
Reach/Cuts	SJ-V / SJ-51 to F-1
Site Acres	6.7
Basin Acres	N/A
Design Capacity (cy)	0

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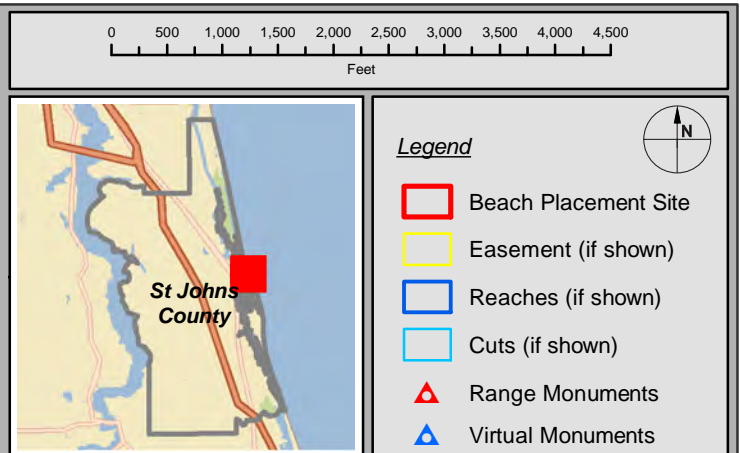
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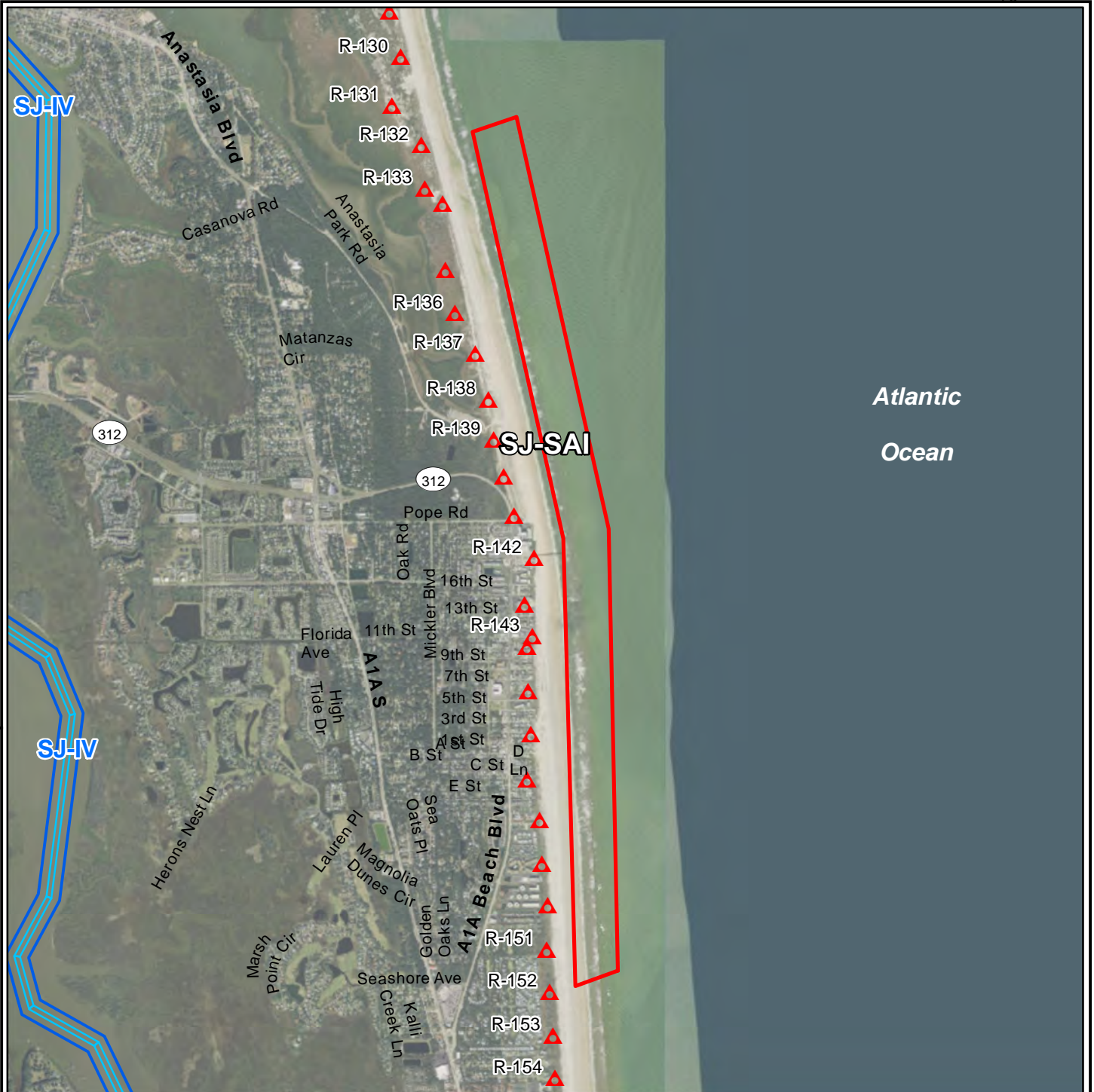
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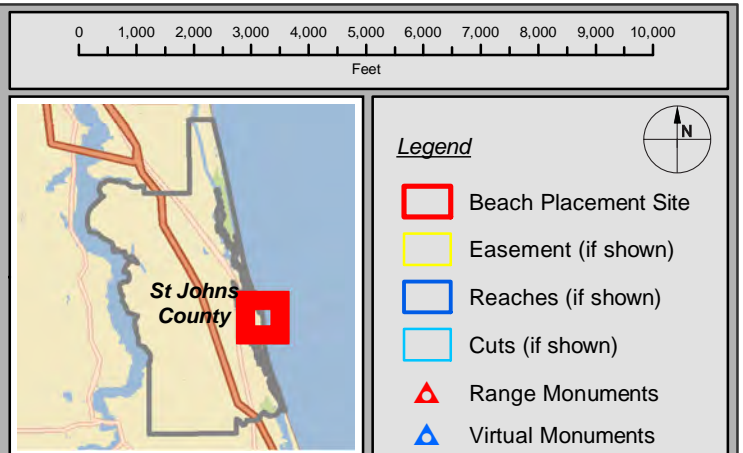


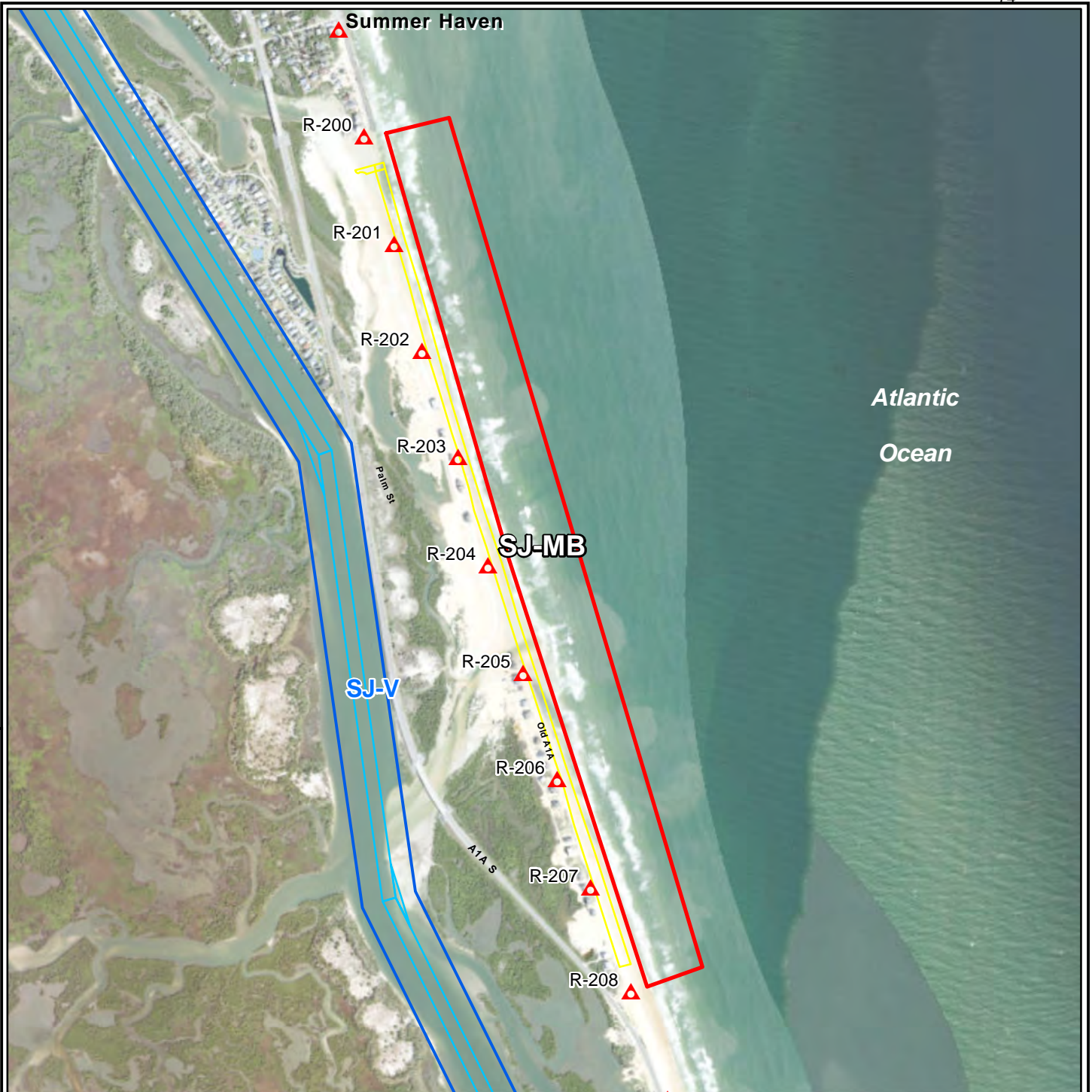
Site	SJ-SAI
Common Name	St. Augustine Inlet North
County/City	St. Johns/Unincorporated
Geographic Proximity	Vilano/North Beach
Acquisition Dates	N/A
Status	N/A
Year Constructed	N/A
Reach/Cuts	V-IV
Site Acres	
R Monument Range	R-107 to R-117
Design Capacity (cy)	N/A



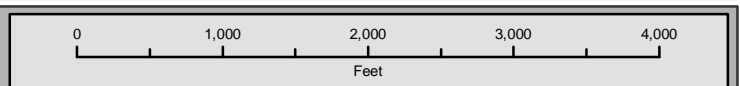


Site	SJ-SAI
Common Name	St. Augustine Inlet South
County/City	St. Johns/St. Augustine Beach
Geographic Proximity	Anastasia Island
Acquisition Dates	N/A
Status	N/A
Year Constructed	N/A
Reach/Cuts	V-IV
Site Acres	
R Monument Range	R-132 to R-152
Design Capacity (cy)	N/A





Site	SJ-MB
Common Name	Matanzas Inlet
County/City	St. Johns/Unincorporated
Geographic Proximity	Summer Haven Beach
Acquisition Dates	N/A
Status	N/A
Year Constructed	N/A
Reach/Cuts	V-IV
Site Acres	
R Monument Range	R-200 to R-208
Design Capacity (cy)	N/A



Legend

- Beach Placement Site
- Easement (if shown)
- Reaches (if shown)
- Cuts (if shown)
- ▲ Range Monuments
- ▲ Virtual Monuments





ECONOMIC BENEFITS⁷⁵ OF THE DISTRICT WATERWAYS

St. Johns County, 2022

TOTAL ANNUAL ECONOMIC IMPACT **\$960M**

TOURISM SPENDING **\$769 Million**

generated
annually from
287,000
visitors



BOATER SPENDING **\$104 Million**

local boater spending
from Registered Vessels

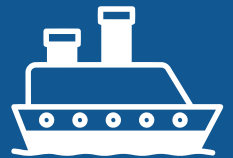


ANNUAL PROPERTY VALUE **\$81 Million**

portion of property
market values
attributed to
ICW proximity



The Intracoastal Waterway portion of St. Johns County comprises 47 miles, entering at mile 750 and ending at mile marker 797 south of Matanzas Inlet. Boaters have access to the Atlantic Ocean at the St. Augustine Inlet and Matanzas Inlet in St. Johns County.



St. Johns County's Waterways currently support 9,900 jobs countywide



FIND INVESTMENT in the ICW of **\$2.8 Million** annually protects annual economic impact of **\$955 Million**



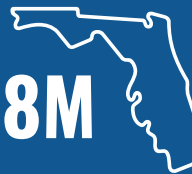
ANNUAL TAX BENEFITS

\$82M



FEDERAL TAX REVENUE

\$68M



STATE AND LOCAL TAX REVENUES



Registered vessels utilizing the ICW **11,740**



Pleasure boating	5,763
Fishing	3,415
Sailing & other activities	854
Watersports	1,708



Economic Benefits of the District Waterways, 2022



The Florida Inland Navigation District (District) is the state sponsor for Federal navigation projects along the Intracoastal Waterway (IWW) in St. Johns County. Over \$6.1 million has been invested in the past 10 years for navigation and other access projects. These investments and the Waterways itself generate significant economic impact throughout St. Johns County and wider region.

Economic modeling techniques were used to estimate the value created by District Waterways. To find the share of property value that is attributable solely to the proximity to the IWW, hedonic price modeling was used. Hedonic modeling shows that proximity to the Intracoastal Waterway adds value to homes within 1500m of District Waterways in St. Johns County. In total, the proximity to District Waterways makes up about \$1.4 Billion, or 2%, of the \$65 Billion in property values across St. Johns County. The IWW and its connecting navigable tributaries and canals makes up about \$81 million in annualized economic property impacts in St. Johns County.

Portion of Property Value Attributable to IWW Proximity

Property Type	Premium % of Sales Price	Total Waterway Amenity Value
Waterfront	37%	\$609M
Canal/river access to Waterways	12%	\$98M
Non-waterfront to 500m	8% - 11%	\$390M
500m - 1500m from Waterway	1% - 8%	\$258M
Total		\$1.36B

PROJECTNUM	PROJECTNAME	PROJECTS_SPONSER	GRANTAMOUNT	TOTALCOST
SJ-01-17	I.C.W. Nature Greenway/ Boardwalk Replacement	St. Johns County	\$57,105.00	\$207,837.00
SJ-01-18	Vilano I.C.W. Fishing Pier Improvements	St. Johns County	\$107,900.00	\$225,809.00
SJ-02-20	Riverdale Boat Ramp Improvements	St. Johns County	\$175,000.00	\$350,000.00
SJ-03-22	Rattlesnake Island - Phase I (Expired)	St. Johns County	\$50,000.00	\$100,000.00
SJ-03-23	St. Johns River Park - Phase I	St. Johns County	\$32,500.00	\$65,000.00
SJ-03-24	Vaill Point Park - Phase I	St. Johns County	\$30,000.00	\$60,000.00
SJ-04-26	Moultrie Creek Bluff Stabilization & Beach Access	St. Johns County	\$100,000.00	\$600,000.00
SJ-05-28	Frank Butler Park West - Phase I	St. Johns County	\$35,000.00	\$70,000.00
SJ-05-29	Shore Drive Boat Ramp - Phase I	St. Johns County	\$30,000.00	\$60,000.00
SJ-07-31	Alpine Groves Fishing Pier - Phase I	St. Johns County	\$25,000.00	\$50,000.00
SJ-07-32	Frank Butler Park West Construction - Phase I I	St. Johns County	\$239,750.00	\$520,500.00
SJ-07-33	Shore Drive Boat Ramp Improvements	St. Johns County	\$105,000.00	\$210,000.00
SJ-08-34	Alpine Groves Fishing Pier - Phase I I Construction	St. Johns County	\$150,000.00	\$300,000.00
SJ-08-35	Fort Mose Boardwalk Canoe/ Kayak Platform - Phase I	St. Johns County	\$40,000.00	\$80,000.00
SJ-08-36	Green Road Boat Ramp	St. Johns County	\$60,000.00	\$120,000.00
SJ-08-37	Usina Boat Ramp Improvements	St. Johns County	\$80,000.00	\$160,000.00
SJ-09-39	Usina Boat Ramp Fishing Pier Replacement	St. Johns County	\$80,000.00	\$160,000.00
SJ-09-40	Vilano Beach Fishing Pier Floating Dock - Phase I	St. Johns County	\$25,000.00	\$50,000.00
SJ-10-43	Fort Mose Boardwalk & Canoe/ Kayak Platform - Phas	St. Johns County	\$54,800.00	\$109,600.00
SJ-10-44	River House Fishing Pier	St. Johns County	\$75,000.00	\$150,000.00
SJ-11-47	Vilano Beach Fishing Pier Floating Dock Addition-ph I I	St. Johns County	\$160,000.00	\$320,000.00
SJ-12-51	Vilano Beach Boat Ramp Dredging	St. Johns County	\$40,000.00	\$80,000.00
SJ-14-58	Vilano Beach Fishing Pier Remediation	St. Johns County	\$300,000.00	\$721,954.00
SJ-16-190	Frank Butler Park West Boat Ramp Dredging	St. Johns County	\$60,000.00	\$120,000.00
SJ-17-198	Palm Valley Boat Ramp, PH I (2017-2022)	St. Johns County	\$40,000.00	\$80,000.00
SJ-17-199	Public Safety Docking Facility	St. Johns County Fire Rescue	\$164,564.00	\$503,398.00
SJ-18-203	St. Johns County Sheriff's Maritime LE Vessel	St. Johns County Sheriff's Office	\$53,216.73	\$425,733.83
SJ-19-205	Palm Valley East Redesign, PH I	St. Johns County	\$25,000.00	\$50,000.00
SJ-19-206	Riverdale Boat Ramp Park Land Acquisition	St. Johns County	\$28,750.00	\$115,000.00
SJ-19-207	Vilano Landing Redesign	St. Johns County	\$250,000.00	\$500,000.00
SJ-20-208	Vilano Dredge	St. Johns County	\$180,000.00	\$360,000.00
SJ-21-211	Doug Crane Boat Ramp Improvements	St. Johns County	\$150,000.00	\$300,000.00
SJ-21-212	Palm Valley East Boat Ramp Phase II	St. Johns County	\$31,000.00	\$62,000.00
SJ-21-213	Palm Valley West Boat Ramp Phase II	St. Johns County	\$450,000.00	\$900,000.00

SJ-22-216	Riverdale Boat Ramp Parking Phase I	St. Johns County	\$50,000.00	\$100,000.00
SJ-23-217	Genovar Land Acquisition	St. Johns County	\$1,055,500.00	\$17,000,000.00
SJ-87-1	Old Shands Bridge Redevelopment	St. Johns County	\$20,000.00	\$49,000.00
SJ-87-2	Old Shands Bridge Parking Lot	St. Johns County	\$23,175.00	\$46,350.00
SJ-87-3	Vilano Boat Basin	St. Johns County	\$8,000.00	\$16,000.00
SJ-88-4	Vilano Boat Basin Study	St. Johns County	\$11,128.00	\$38,256.00
SJ-89-5	Channel Dredging (Butler Park & St. Augustine South)	St. Johns County Board of Commissioner	\$60,000.00	\$153,000.00
SJ-89-6	Vilano Boat Basin Dredging	St. Johns County	\$10,000.00	\$24,300.00
SJ-92-9	Vilano Boat Basin/Ramp Repairs	St. Johns County	\$37,500.00	\$75,000.00
SJ-97-12	Butler Park Channel Dredging, Parking & Road Imp.	St. Johns County	\$51,753.00	\$103,505.00
SJ-SA-02-19	South Avendia Menendez Seawall - Phase I (Expired)	City Of St. Augustine	\$62,500.00	\$125,000.00
SJ-SA-03-21	San Sebastian River Walk - Phase I (Cancelled)	City Of St. Augustine	\$12,500.00	\$25,000.00
SJ-SA-04-25	St. Augustine Municipal Marina - Phase I (Expired)	City Of St. Augustine	\$12,500.00	\$25,000.00
SJ-SA-05-27	S. Avenida Menendez Seawall - Phase I I (Withdrawn)	City Of St. Augustine	\$240,000.00	\$2,100,000.00
SJ-SA-07-30	Lighthouse Park Boat Ramp - Floating Dock Improvem	City Of St. Augustine	\$71,550.00	\$143,100.00
SJ-SA-09-38	Initial Dredging Of The Salt Run Channel	City Of St. Augustine	\$434,705.00	\$600,000.00
SJ-SA-10-41	Salt Run Navigation Channel Dredging	City Of St. Augustine	\$320,059.00	\$426,745.00
SJ-SA-10-42	Barge Terminal Channel Restoration Dredging - Phase	St. Augustine - St. Johns Airport Auth	\$40,000.00	\$80,000.00
SJ-SA-11-45	Dredging Of Municipal Marina Basin	City Of St. Augustine	\$200,000.00	\$400,000.00
SJ-SA-11-46	Barge Terminal Navigation Channel Restoration - Ph I	St. Augustine/ S.J.C. Airport Auth.	\$98,430.00	\$200,000.00
SJ-SA-12-48	Dredging Of Salt Run	City Of St. Augustine	\$210,000.00	\$280,000.00
SJ-SA-12-49	Dredging Of San Sebastian River Channel - Part 1	City Of St. Augustine	\$100,000.00	\$200,000.00
SJ-SA-13-52	Dredging Of Salt Run Channel - Phase 4	City Of St. Augustine	\$210,000.00	\$280,000.00
SJ-SA-13-53	Dredging Of San Sebastian River Channel - PH 4 - Part	City Of St. Augustine	\$130,917.00	\$261,834.00
SJ-SA-14-56	Dredging of Salt Run	City of St. Augustine	\$170,066.00	\$226,800.00
SJ-SA-14-57	Lighthouse Park Boat Ramp Repairs	City of St. Augustine	\$25,000.00	\$50,000.00
SJ-SA-15-60	Salt Run Navigation Channel Dredging Part 6	City of St. Augustine	\$150,000.00	\$200,000.00
SJ-SA-15-61	Riberia Pointe Kayak Launch-PH I (WITHDRAWN)2015	City of St. Augustine	\$10,000.00	\$20,000.00
SJ-SA-15-62	San Sebastian River Channel Dredging - Part 3	City of St. Augustine	\$150,000.00	\$300,000.00
SJ-SA-16-192	Shoal Markers for Menendez Mooring Field	City of St. Augustine	\$10,000.00	\$20,000.00
SJ-SA-16-193	St. Augustine Seawall	City of St. Augustine	\$200,000.00	\$400,000.00
SJ-SA-16-194	Salt Run Dredging, Part 7	City of St. Augustine	\$150,000.00	\$200,000.00
SJ-SA-17-195	Riberia Pointe Kayak Launch PH II (WITHDRAWN)	City of St. Augustine	\$90,000.00	\$180,000.00
SJ-SA-17-196	St Augustine LE Patrol Boat	City of St. Augustine	\$60,000.00	\$120,000.00
SJ-SA-17-197	Salt Run Channel Dredging, PH 8	City of St. Augustine	\$150,000.00	\$200,000.00

SJ-SA-17-200E	St. Augustine Municipal Marina Repairs	City of St. Augustine	\$625,000.00	\$2,500,000.00
SJ-SA-17-201E	St. Augustine Pier Repairs	City of St. Augustine	\$99,177.50	\$396,710.00
SJ-SA-18-202	Salt Run Channel Dredging, PH 9	City of St. Augustine	\$150,000.00	\$20,000.00
SJ-SA-19-204	Salt Run Dredging, PH 10	City of St. Augustine	\$150,000.00	\$200,000.00
SJ-SA-20-209	Salt Run Navigation Channel Maintenance Dredging	City of St. Augustine	\$150,000.00	\$200,000.00
SJ-SA-21-210	Salt Run Navigational Channel Maintenance Dredging	City of St. Augustine	\$150,000.00	\$200,000.00
SJ-SA-22-214	Avenida Menendez Seawall Continuation Project	City of St. Augustine	\$550,000.00	\$1,500,000.00
SJ-SA-22-215	Salt Run Navigation Channel Dredging 2022	City of St. Augustine	\$150,000.00	\$200,000.00
SJ-SA-22-217E	St Augustine Breakwater Repairs	City of St Augustine	\$500,000.00	\$2,000,000.00
SJ-SA-90-7	Municipal Marina Project	City of St. Augustine	\$95,000.00	\$2,514,283.00
SJ-SA-91-8	Municipal Marina Project - Phase I I	City of St. Augustine	\$110,000.00	\$2,497,300.00
SJ-SA-93-10	Repair Of The St. Augustine Lighthouse	City Of St. Augustine	\$174,300.00	\$415,000.00
SJ-SA-95-11	Public Event/ Activities Pier	City Of St. Augustine	\$20,000.00	\$45,000.00
SJ-SA-99-15	St. Augustine Lighthouse Refurbishment & Protection	City Of St. Augustine	\$47,150.00	\$94,300.00
SJ-SA-99-16	St. Augustine Municipal Marina - Disaster Repairs	City Of St. Augustine	\$75,000.00	\$450,000.00
SJ-SAP-12-50	Barge Terminal Nav. Channel Restoration Dredging - P	St. Augustine- S.J.C Airport Authority	\$91,870.00	\$183,740.00
SJ-SAP-13-54	Barge Nav. Channel Maint Dredging - Phase IV(Expired	St. Augustine- S.J.C Airport Authority	\$100,000.00	\$200,000.00
SJ-SAP-13-55	Barge Navigation Channel Ramp Repair Phase I (Expire	St. Augustine- S.J.C Airport Authority	\$25,000.00	\$50,000.00
SJ-SAP-15-59	Barge/Seaplane Ramp - Phase II	St. Augustine- S.J.C Airport Authority	\$185,000.00	\$370,000.00
SJ-SAP-16-191	Summer Haven River Restoration	St. Augustine Port,Waterway&Beach Dist	\$50,000.00	\$600,000.00
SJ-SAP-98-13	Salt Run Shoal Removal & Beach Nourishment	St. Augustine Port, Wtwy. & Beach Dist	\$180,000.00	\$622,250.00
SJ-SAP-99-14	Salt Run Shoal Removal & Beach Nourishment	St. Augustine Port, Wtwy. & Beach Dist	\$50,000.00	\$145,200.00

Totals

\$11,847,366.23

\$48,259,504.83





**IWW STATUS
UPDATE
FIND Board of
Commissioners Meeting
January 19, 2024**



1. WORK ACTIVITY: DMMA O-23 (Martin County)

CONTRACT AMOUNT: \$4,174,500.00

DESCRIPTION OF WORK: Development of Plans and Specifications and Construction of DMMA O-23. DMMA will utilize the same weir system as O-7 and will have a 240k cy capacity. 100% of the funds for construction will be contributed funds from FIND.

SCHEDULE:

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|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| • Complete draft P&S | 9 Apr 2020A |
| • NEPA/ERP complete | 20 Apr 2021A |
| • BCOE Certification complete | 20 Apr 2021A |
| • Re Advertised | 20 Jul 2021 A |
| • Open Bids | 19 Aug 2021A |
| • Award | 17 Sept 2021A |
| • Construction Complete | 17 DEC 2022 30 Aug 2023A |

FIND WORK ORDER: FIND work order for construction was approved at the Sept 2020 FIND Board meeting.

NAME OF CONTRACTOR: Contract was awarded on 17 Sept 2021 to Dickerson Florida, Inc out of Fort Pierce, FL in the amount of \$4,173,500.00.

STATUS: Project is physically complete as of 31 Aug 2023. Project is now fiscally closed. As-built drawings were sent to FDEP on 12 Dec 2023 which changes the DMMA status to operational. DMMA O-23 officially transferred back to FIND on 13 Dec 2023 with final payment made on 14 Dec 2023.

ACTION: Information Only. No action by the Board is required.



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3. WORK ACTIVITY: IWW Volusia (Volusia County)

CONTRACT AMOUNT: TBD

DESCRIPTION OF WORK: Maintenance dredging of the IWW Volusia Reach. Anticipate 300k-400k cy of material to be dredged out of the federal channel. Dredge material will be placed in the nearshore disposal area located south of the Ponce Inlet. This effort will be consolidated with Ponce Inlet O&M dredging as was done in the 2017/2018 event.

SCHEDULE (DRAFT):

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| • P&S Kick off | 27 Apr 22A |
| • BCOE Certification | 30 Apr 24 |
| • Advertise | 30 May 24 |
| • Award | 27 Aug 24 |
| • NTP | 17 Sep 24 |

FIND WORK ORDER: Board approved work order 58-2023-02.

STATUS: P&S is ongoing. Stockpile design for dredge disposal is complete. Team is updating the FDEP permit modification application that includes the stockpile and north nearshore options.

ACTION: Informational, no action is required by the Board.



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4. WORK ACTIVITY: AIWW Sawpit Reach (Nassau County)

CONTRACT AMOUNT: TBD

DESCRIPTION OF WORK: USACE received \$5M in infrastructure funding for the AIWW Sawpit. Project will include maintenance dredging of the AIWW Sawpit Reach in Nassau County. We anticipate 400k-600k cy of material within the federal channel. 95% of the material will be placed on the beach at the State Park, with the remaining 5% being placed upland in DU-2.

SCHEDULE (DRAFT):

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| • Kick off P&S | 26 Apr 22A |
| • BCOE Certification | 30 Jun 23 31 Jan 24 |
| • Advertise | 18 Jul 23 29 Feb 24 |
| • Bid Opening | 29 Mar 24 |
| • Award | 25 Sep 23 16 May 24 |

FIND WORK ORDER: Work Order 61-2023-05 AIWW Sawpit approved. Corps requesting additional funding in separate work order.

NAME OF CONTRACTOR: TBD

STATUS: P&S kicked off on 26 Apr 22. Real Estate Use Agreement between FIND, USACE and the State Park for placement is complete. Received FDEP permit on 18 Oct 23. On track for 29 February 24 advertisement.

ACTION: Request FIND Board approval of work order 62-2024-01 to redirect \$891,300 of surplus funds from the previous Work Order 48-2018-01 AIWW Sawpit project.



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FLORIDA INLAND NAVIGATION DISTRICT INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY WORK ORDER No. 62-2024-01



In accordance with the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the Department of the Army and the Florida Inland Navigation District (FIND) for acceptance of contributed funds for the Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway (AIWW), entered into on September 3, 1997, as amended on October 22, 2001, by amendment number 1, work order number 62-2024-01 is described per the following requirements:

1. Project Name: Maintenance Dredging, AIWW 12-foot project, Vicinity of Sawpit Creek.

2. Detailed Scope of Work: The United States Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) will be performing operation and maintenance (O&M) dredging along the AIWW in the vicinity of Sawpit Creek. Dredging material will be placed on Amelia Island State Park Beach and Dredge Material Management Area DU-2.

3. Tentative Schedule:

FIND Board Approves Work Order 62-2024-01
Advertise
Award

18 January 2024
29 February 2024
16 May 2024

4. Funding arrangements providing for funding of obligation: Contributed funds must be received in accordance with the MOA, as amended, prior to awarding the contract modification.

5. The amount of funds required and available to accomplish the scope of work: The Corps is requesting to redirect \$891,300 of surplus funds from the previous Work Order No. 48-2018-01 to the AIWW Sawpit project. Should there be any excess funds after completion of the contract, the Government will reimburse excess funds pursuant to the MOA.

6. Identification of individual project managers: The Contributor's project manager is Mark Crosley, 561-627-3386. The Government's project manager is Eduardo Marin, 904-635-0665.

7. Types and frequency of reports: Monthly construction progress reports will be provided. Copies of all pay estimates will be provided as they are finalized. The government Corps will also provide quarterly accountings in accordance with the MOA.

8. Identification of which party is responsible for contract administration, records maintenance, and contract audits: Corps North Florida Resident Office.

9. Procedures for amending or modifying the work order: This work order can be amended or modified in writing with mutual consent of both parties.

10. Such other particulars as are necessary to describe clearly the obligations of the parties with respect to the requested goods and services for this work order: None

THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

FLORIDA INLAND NAVIGATION
DISTRICT

BY:_____

BY:_____

James L. Booth
Colonel, U.S. Army
District Engineer

Thomas Spencer Crowley, III
Chair, Florida Inland Navigation District

DATE:_____

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5. WORK ACTIVITY: IWW Matanzas

CONTRACT AMOUNT: \$5,902,465.85

DESCRIPTION OF WORK: USACE expected to receive \$4M in FY 23 President's Budget. Project will include maintenance dredging of the IWW Matanzas in St. Johns County. It's anticipated that 300k-400k cy of material is within the federal channel. Placement of material will occur on the beach just south of Matanzas Inlet.

SCHEDULE (DRAFT):

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| • Kick off P&S | 12 Jan 23A |
| • BCOE Certification | 5 Jun 23 16 Jun 23A |
| • Advertise | 29 Jun 23A |
| • Award | 28 Aug 23A |

FIND WORK ORDER: A Work Order was been submitted for board approval but was never executed.

NAME OF CONTRACTOR: Contract was awarded to Southwind LLC at the amount of \$5,902,465.85.

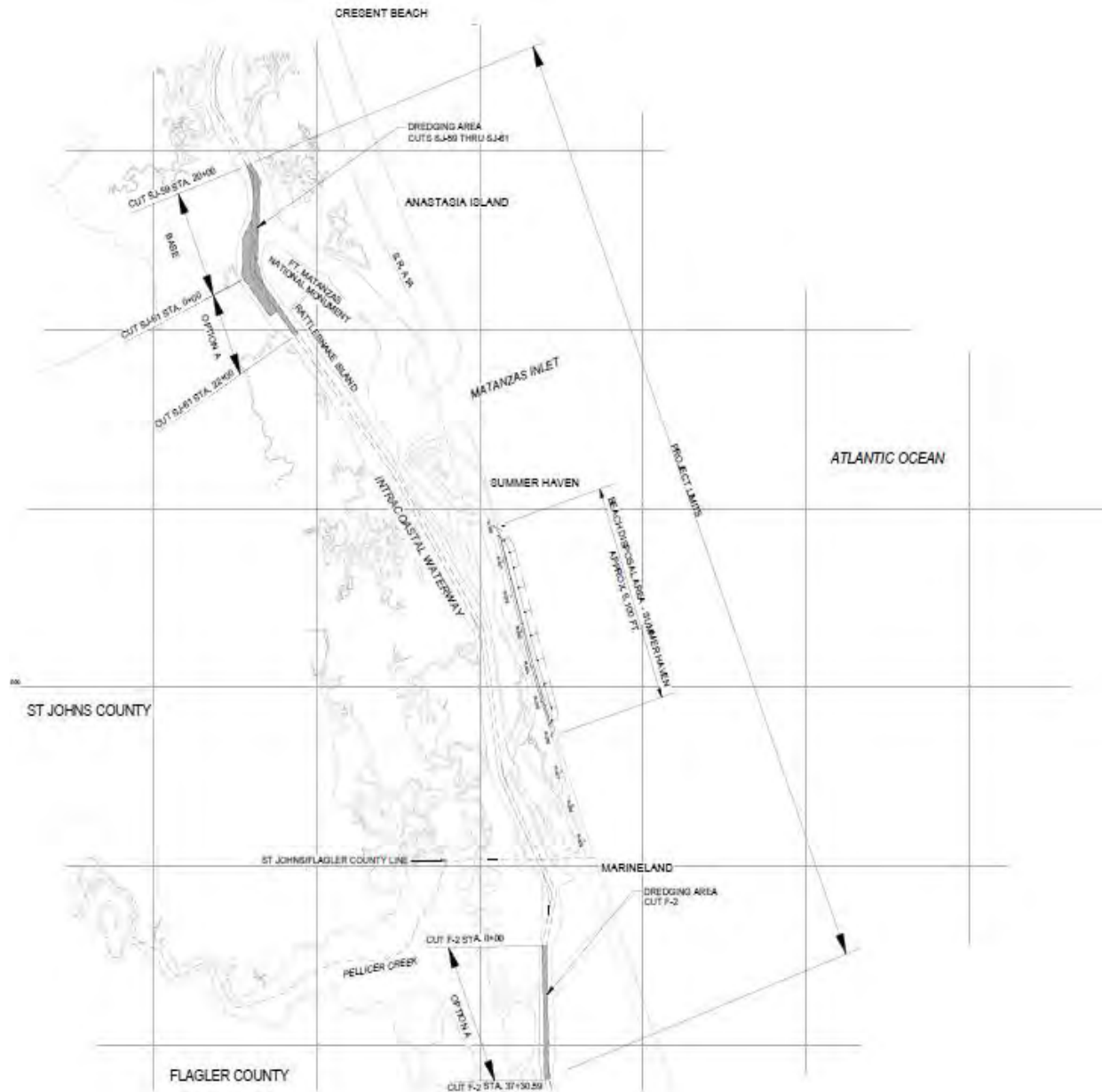
STATUS: Contractor started to dredge on 20 Oct 2023. Southwind had mechanical issues and was down between 14-27 November. Received the FDEP permit modification on 13 Dec 2023 to dredge an additional 170k CY of shoal material. Received the RFP from the contractor 29 Dec 2023 and anticipate awarding the modification by 12 Jan 2024.

ACTION: Information only. No action required by the board.



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5. WORK ACTIVITY: IWW Crossroads Martin County & IWW near the vicinity of Jupiter Inlet Palm Beach County.

CONTRACT AMOUNT: TBD

DESCRIPTION OF WORK: USACE expected to receive \$4M in FY 24 President's Budget. Project will include maintenance dredging of both IWW Crossroads in Martin County and near Jupiter Inlet in Palm Beach County. It's anticipated that 150k cy of material is within the federal channel. Placement of material for Crossroads is in the St. Lucie Inlet Impoundment Basin and for Jupiter Inlet is on the beach south of the Inlet.

SCHEDULE (DRAFT):

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| • Kick off P&S | 01 Nov 23 |
| • BCOE Certification | 02 Jun 25 |
| • Advertise | 30 Jun 25 |
| • Award | 26 Sep 25 |

FIND WORK ORDER: TBD

NAME OF CONTRACTOR: TBD

STATUS: P&S kicked off in November of 2023. Recent surveys indicate shoaling in cuts M-1 through M-7. The active DEP permit only covers M-4 through M-7. Scope now included collecting additional geotechnical borings and permit modification to dredge cuts M-1 through M-7.

USACE emergency dredging event planned to relieve 25k cy of shoaling blocking the channel in OWW Cut-1 and IWW Cut M-5 in Martin County. USACE Shallow Draft Dredge MURDEN is scheduled to arrive the first week of January 2024.

ACTION: Information only. No Action is required from the Board.



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6. WORK ACTIVITY: AIWW Reach I Nassau County.

CONTRACT AMOUNT: TBD

DESCRIPTION OF WORK: FIND provided funding for USACE to start planning and designing for a maintenance dredging contract of Reach I of AIWW. Work also includes the necessary data collection to start the environmental consultation with state and federal agencies. It's anticipated that 360k CY of material is within the federal channel.

SCHEDULE (DRAFT):

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| • Kick off P&S | 22 Jan 24 |
| • BCOE Certification | TBD |
| • Advertise | TBD |
| • Award | TBD |

FIND WORK ORDER: Work Order 60-2023-04 approved October 2023.

NAME OF CONTRACTOR: TBD

STATUS: P&S is scheduled to start on 22 Jan 23. Team to investigate additional disposal areas in addition to DMMA NA-1 as the volume of shoal material is expected to exceed the design capacity of NA-1. In addition to working on obtaining an FDEP permit, the team will also need to perform an environmental assessment for NEPA compliance.



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6. MISCELLANEOUS:

A. Establish FIND as the local sponsor for Martin and Palm Beach Counties along the OWW.

USACE OC has met with SFWMD OC regarding the path forward to make FIND the local sponsor for Martin and Palm Beach Counties along the OWW.

Background: In 2005 Florida legislature amended Section 374.984, Florida Statutes to assign responsibility and authority to FIND for the portion of the OWW located in Martin and Palm Beach Counties (link to the full statute:)

http://www.leg.state.fl.us/statutes/index.cfm?App_mode=Display_Statute&Search_String=&URL=0300-0399/0374/Sections/0374.984.html.

Section 374.984 falls under Part II of Chapter 374, where Part II is “Florida Inland Navigation District Law”. Paragraph 6.h. of Section 374.984 states, “(h) The district is designated the local interest sponsor for the sole purpose of maintaining navigability of that portion of the Okeechobee Waterway located in Martin and Palm Beach Counties.”

Next step:

1. SFWMD will submit a letter to SAJ recognizing the Florida law that designates FIND as responsible for maintaining navigability of that portion of the OWW and requesting the termination of its responsibilities as non-federal sponsor (NFS) of the portion, with a copy furnished to FIND. - **DONE**

2. In parallel with SFWMD’s letter, FIND will submit a letter to SAJ requesting to be the NFS for the portion of the OWW within Martin and Palm Beach Counties, with a copy furnished to the SFWMD. - **DONE**

3. SAJ will draft an agreement for FIND to assume O&M responsibilities for the portion of the OWW within Martin and Palm Beach Counties. - **Draft Project Partnership Agreement is pending some items required for package submission per regulations.**

-SAJ can prioritize executing a Contributed Funds Agreement (CFA) while drafting the Project Partnership Agreement (PPA). FIND as requested to prioritize the CFA. -**Submitted back to SAD.**

4. After execution of the PPA, SAJ will send a letter to SFWMD acknowledging the termination of its role as a NFS for the specified portion of the OWW and clarifying the SFWMD’s continued role as NFS for the remaining portion of the OWW, with a copy furnished to FIND.

5. The next item needed is a contributed funds agreement for the OWW. The contributed funds agreement unfortunately will not be of the magnitude of the IWW/AIWW one in that the new model only allows for a smaller duration and funding limit. For example, effort should be made for the maximum agreement duration, likely a 7-10 year contributed funds agreement with specific



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areas outlined (as compared to the existing IWW/AIWW agreement that is a 50-year agreement with no maximum contribution or specific reaches listed).

Executive Summary

St. Johns County Waterway Access Master Plan

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This Waterway Access Master Plan was prepared for the St. Johns County Parks and Recreation Department to provide a strategic five-year roadmap for the County. The plan helps identify the water access needs of the community and evaluate potential investments that maximize the public benefit and safe enjoyment of the Intracoastal Waterway, St. Johns River, and other significant navigable waterways.

To ensure the plan is actionable and aligned with existing efforts such as the County Comprehensive Plan and major growth trends in the County, potential funding sources and a framework of guiding principles are developed in conjunction with this plan and presented in this report. The guiding principles were also used to screen potential sites during site assessments, and details of funding sources were provided as a resource to supplement costs associated with proposed improvements.

Guiding Principles Used to Formulate this Plan:



Improve Safe Public Access for All



Enhance Recreational Opportunities



Support Economic Development and Working Waterfronts



Promote Resilience & Environmental Sustainability



Maximize Benefits and Align with Funding

The Planning Process

The planning process included geospatial data analysis, evaluations of existing county infrastructure, environmental site assessments, resilience assessments to consider sea-level rise and tidal flooding conditions, field observations and stakeholder engagement. Using the framework of the guiding principles, sites were assessed and screened to identify the existing needs and current condition of County-owned water access facilities. Structural engineering and environmental assessments were conducted in tandem with a professional diver (at select / limited locations) to assess underwater facility structures where necessary. Findings from the site assessments were supplemented through stakeholder engagement efforts, including a public Community Survey, which was shared through County-owned social media channels and an e-newsletter, and targeted stakeholder interviews.



Stakeholders included representatives of federal and state agencies, economic development organizations, local community and industrial businesses, county and municipal law enforcement, fire rescue, and non-governmental community organizations.

Assessments and Recommendations

An existing conditions assessment was conducted to establish a baseline and identify immediate, short-term, and longer-term maintenance needs and opportunities for existing sites and the waterways. Immediate, short-term, and long-term needs, such as maintenance requirements for facilities, were identified through geospatial data analysis, engineering and environmental assessments, and stakeholder engagement. Potential improvement opportunities for each site were categorized as follows:

- **Water Areas** – Improvements to the waterway, navigation, speed zones, channels.
- **Access Points** – Improvements such as new floating docks, piers, kayak launches, and boat ramps or improvements to existing access points.
- **Shoreside Facilities or Improvements** – Improvements include those actions on land to enhance sites and access, such as new beach destinations, parking, restrooms, or shoreline restoration.

The St. Johns River and the Intracoastal Waterway and associated tributaries were evaluated for navigation, mobility, and congestion.

An economic analysis was conducted that included population growth and economic development trends. Social vulnerability data and communities and residents with the greatest distance to existing public sites were reviewed in consideration of locating new access sites. A qualitative economic analysis was also conducted to consider the positive impacts of improvements to existing sites and the additional of new sites. From the review, six new potential water access sites were identified for either potential parcel

acquisition or easement acquisition, and all existing access sites received improvement and maintenance recommendations. Detailed maintenance and improvement recommendations for each site are provided in the site descriptions.

Results and Path Forward

Primary Themes

Primary themes emerged from these efforts, including the need for additional access points in the county's north, south-central and western areas. Considering these needs, six new access sites were located to correlate with these areas. All new access and existing access sites are displayed on the *Existing and Proposed Waterway Access Sites* map on page 12.

Stakeholder and community engagement revealed the desire to expand ramps and waterway access points for a greater variety of vessels, including emergency rescue vessel storage points, marine construction vessels, fishing tournaments, and access for non-motorized vessels (such as kayaks). Additional shoreside facilities like parking and restrooms were requested by multiple survey respondents and stakeholders.

Nearly, all stakeholder interviews mentioned the increase in the number of new and uneducated boaters. Stakeholders all expressed interest in developing additional boater education and raising awareness related to safe boating principles to reduce the time spent loading and unloading on ramps and increase safety on the waterways.

Marine contractors also request a more formal and expeditious county permit process for ramp use by commercial entities.

As much as feasibly possible, through the application of supplemental grants and other funding sources, the Parks and Recreation Department will continue advancing recommended improvements to existing sites, acquire and develop proposed sites, and maintain existing facilities, based on the findings of this report and future community support.



Existing and Proposed Waterway Access Sites

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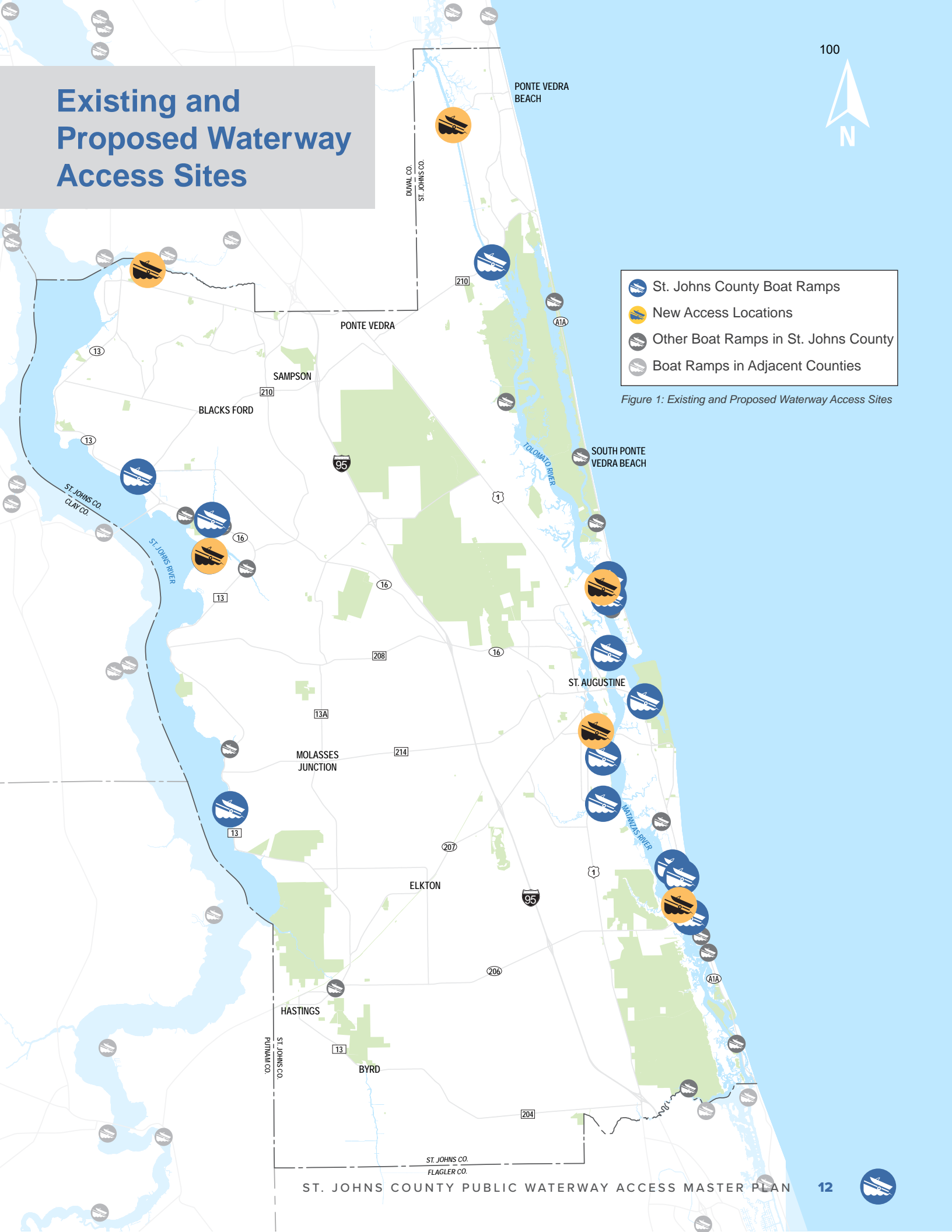
-  St. Johns County Boat Ramps
-  New Access Locations
-  Other Boat Ramps in St. Johns County
-  Boat Ramps in Adjacent Counties


Figure 1: Existing and Proposed Waterway Access Sites





MEMORANDUM

TO: Mark Crosley, Executive Director
Janet Zimmerman, Assistant Executive Director

FROM: Jon C. Moyle, Jr. 

DATE: January 3, 2024

RE: Report on Florida Legislative Activity and Bills of Interest

INTRODUCTION AND GENERAL OVERVIEW

The sixty-day 2024 Legislative session begins on Tuesday, January 9, 2024, and is scheduled to end on Friday, March 8, 2024. In even numbered years, which are also when elections are held, the sixty-day regular legislative session begins in early January and ends in early March. In odd numbered years, the regular legislative session begins in early March and concludes in early May. Legislative committees met regularly during the fall in preparation for the upcoming annual legislative session. During these before session committee meetings, state agencies typically provide status reports on the implementation of laws passed during the prior regular legislative session, legislative committee staff often previews issues likely to be addressed in the upcoming legislative session, and committees consider and act on a handful of bills.

There are a number of major issues that will likely be considered this legislative session. The Senate President, Kathleen Passidomo (R-Naples) has signaled a strong interest in health care legislation that would improve access to health care, with a focus on ensuring that there enough medical doctors in the state to serve Floridians. The Senate is also exploring ways in

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which appropriate alternatives to emergency rooms for non-emergency care. The Senate President is also interested in cutting regulatory red tape at the states' public schools, with a focus on reducing non-essential paperwork reporting requirements.

The Florida House of Representatives, led by House Speaker Representative Paul Renner, (R. Palm Coast), is examining whether to increase the number of hours that sixteen- and seventeen-year-old Floridians may work during the week. The House is also interested in a number of energy issues, which may include promoting the use of renewable natural gas, and possibly green hydrogen projects. The House may also seek to place tighter limits, such as age limits, on access to certain social media sites.

Governor DeSantis spent a lot of time during the holidays campaigning in Iowa, which will have the first Republican presidential primary on January 15. He announced his proposed 2024-25 budget of approximately \$115 billion dollars, which the Legislature has started to review through its committee process. The Governor also announced a just over \$1 billion dollar tax break proposal, like what has been promoted and enacted in past years, which would provide a number of sales tax holidays. These sales tax holidays provide for a time limited sales tax exemption on certain items, such as school supplies or hurricane preparation supplies. These sales tax holidays are popular, and widely supported by many, including the retail sector.

Bills will continue to be filed until noon on the first day of the 2024 Legislative session, which is the deadline for legislative members to file bills for the upcoming session. To date, more than 1,000 bills have been filed by members of the Legislature. Only a small percentage of these bills will pass both the House and Senate and be sent to the Governor for consideration by the scheduled end of session.

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The first day of the 2024 legislative session features the Governor providing a report on the state of the state, and both House Speaker and Senate President addressing their respective bodies. These speeches often feature priority ideas that the respective presiding officer wishes to see enacted. The priorities identified above will likely be included in the opening day remarks, and it is quite possible that other issues and ideas will be raised during the public addresses of the Governor, Senate President, and House Speaker.

The remainder of this report sets forth a review of specific bills and related issues that may be of interest to you and the Florida Inland Navigation District Board of Directors.

ISSUES AND BILLS OF INTEREST

SB 32: Mangrove Replanting and Restoration: Requiring the Department of Environmental Protection to adopt rules for mangrove replanting and restoration; providing requirements for the rules; requiring the department, in consultation with the Division of Insurance Agent and Agency Services, to conduct a statewide feasibility study regarding the use of mangroves and other nature-based solutions in order to improve a local government's community rating for flood insurance purposes, etc. This bill contains language that FIND sought to clarify that FDEP will protect and maintain access to the navigation of the Florida Intracoastal Waterway. ("FDEP shall maintain access to and navigation of the marked channel and the right-of-way of the Florida Intracoastal Waterway as defined in s. 327.02.")

HB 165/SB 338: Safe Waterways Act: Transfers duties related to bacteriological sampling of beach waters & public bathing places from DOH to DEP; provides requirements for such transfer; revises provisions related to bacteriological sampling of beach waters & public bathing

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places, including rule adoption & enforcement; issuance of health advisories; closure of beach waters & public bathing places; notification & signage requirements; & public statewide interagency database.

SB 192/HB 437: Anchoring of Vessels in Anchoring Limitation Areas: Revising the sections of Biscayne Bay within which a person may not anchor a vessel during a specified timeframe, etc.

SB 784: Installation of Waterway Markers: Revising the application requirements for marking certain waters of this state; requiring that all waterway markers be affixed to certain structures or buoys beginning on a specified date; requiring state and local governmental entities to conform to such requirements by a specified date, etc.

SB 822: Vessel Safety: Revising the penalties for persons operating a vessel involved in an accident or injury who leave the scene of the accident or injury under certain circumstances; providing a mandatory minimum sentence for a person who willfully commits such a violation resulting in the death of another while boating under the influence; defining the term “serious bodily injury”; revising the definition of the term “vessel homicide” to include the killing of an unborn child by causing injury to the mother by operation of a vessel in a reckless manner under certain circumstances, etc.

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HB 961/SB 1172: Operating Vehicles and Vessels Under the Influence: Revises conditions under which person commits offense of DUI or BUI; provides affirmative defense; revises penalties for offenses of DUI & BUI manslaughter; revises condition that must be met before person arrested for DUI or BUI may be released from custody; authorizes law enforcement witness to give certain testimony; revises conditions that constitute conviction; requires clerk of court to notify FDLE when such conditions have been met; requires FDLE to maintain records thereof; creates rebuttable presumptions; provides additional grounds for issuance of search warrant; revises conditions under which 1 year of probation may be ordered for misdemeanor offenses.

SB 1058/HB 7013: Special Districts: Prohibiting the creation of new safe neighborhood improvement districts after a date certain; providing term limits for elected members of governing bodies of independent special districts; requiring continuation of independent special districts that levy ad valorem taxes; providing additional criteria for declaring a special district inactive; requiring special districts to establish performance measures to assess performance, etc.

HB 1141: Referendums to Increase Millage: Prohibits any increase in millage rate from going into effect until it has been approved by specified vote.

SB 1202: Referendums to Increase Millage: Prohibiting any increase in a taxing authority's millage rate from going into effect until it has been approved by a specified, etc.

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CONCLUSION

I know that we have discussed anchoring limitation bills and possible impacts on recreational navigational access and overnighting. The notion of seeking mooring fields to mitigate anchoring limitation areas is something that is likely to be discussed further as anchoring limitation legislation is considered during the legislative session.

If you have questions, concerns, or need additional information about any of the bills identified in this report, please let me know. I will continue to work closely with you both on key issues and actively monitor the activity of the 2024 general legislative session.



Jupiter Inlet Area IWW Long-Term Sediment Impoundment Basin Feasibility Study

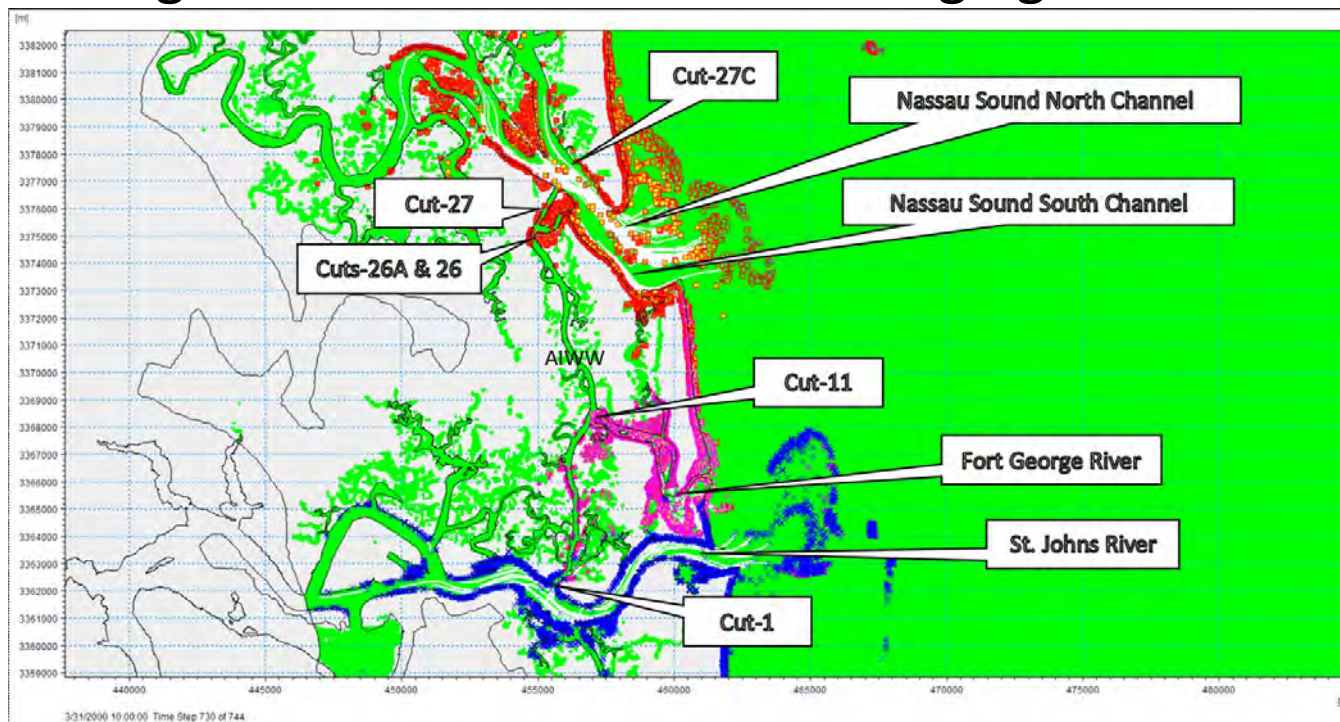
Long-Term Evaluation of IWW Shoaling
Reduction Alternatives



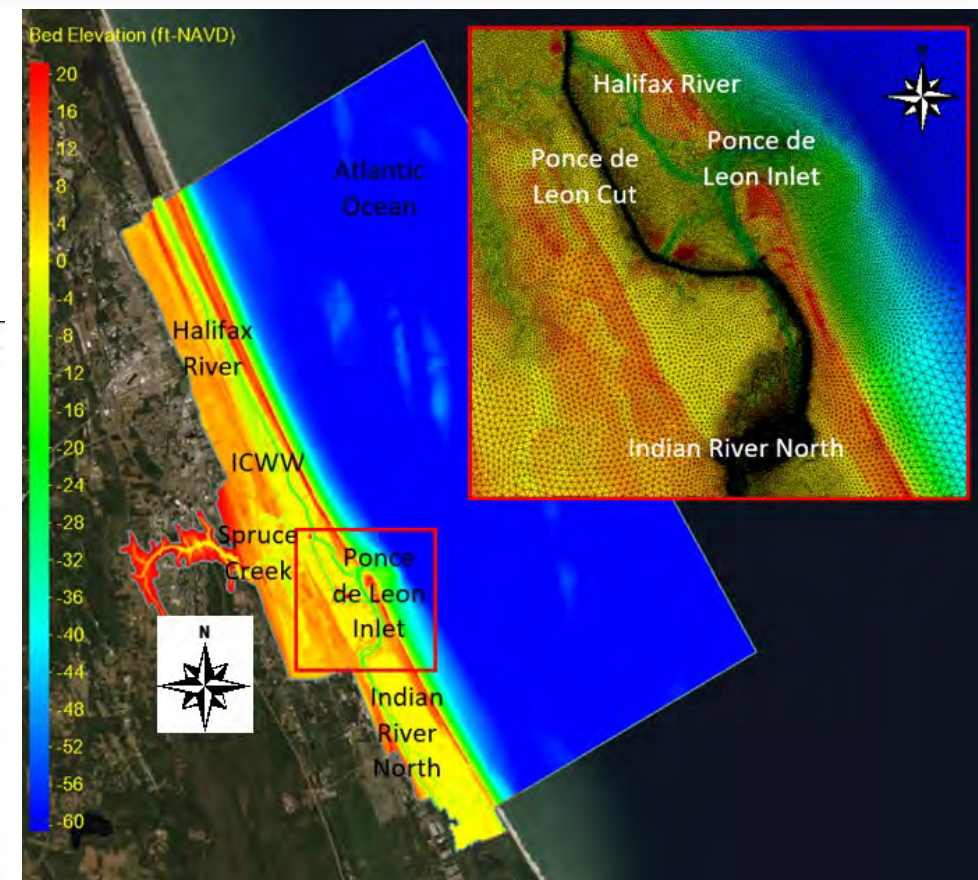
Presented by: Michael B. Kabiling, Ph.D., P.E., CFM
January 19, 2024

Background of FIND Dredging Efficiency Studies

- 2019 – FIND started the dredging efficiency studies
- Alternatives to reduce IWW shoaling and lengthen IWW maintenance dredging intervals



(a) Nassau Sound



(b) Ponce de Leon Inlet

Jupiter Inlet Hydraulics & Sedimentation

Year	History of Total Dredge Volume (cy)
2014	90,000
2017	114,810
2020	95,000
2023	64,951

Average Dredging Interval = 3 years

Shoaling Problem

- 48% IWW dredge volume at Cuts-P1 to P10
- Cuts-P3 and P4 account for 65% of the Cuts-P1 to P10 volume

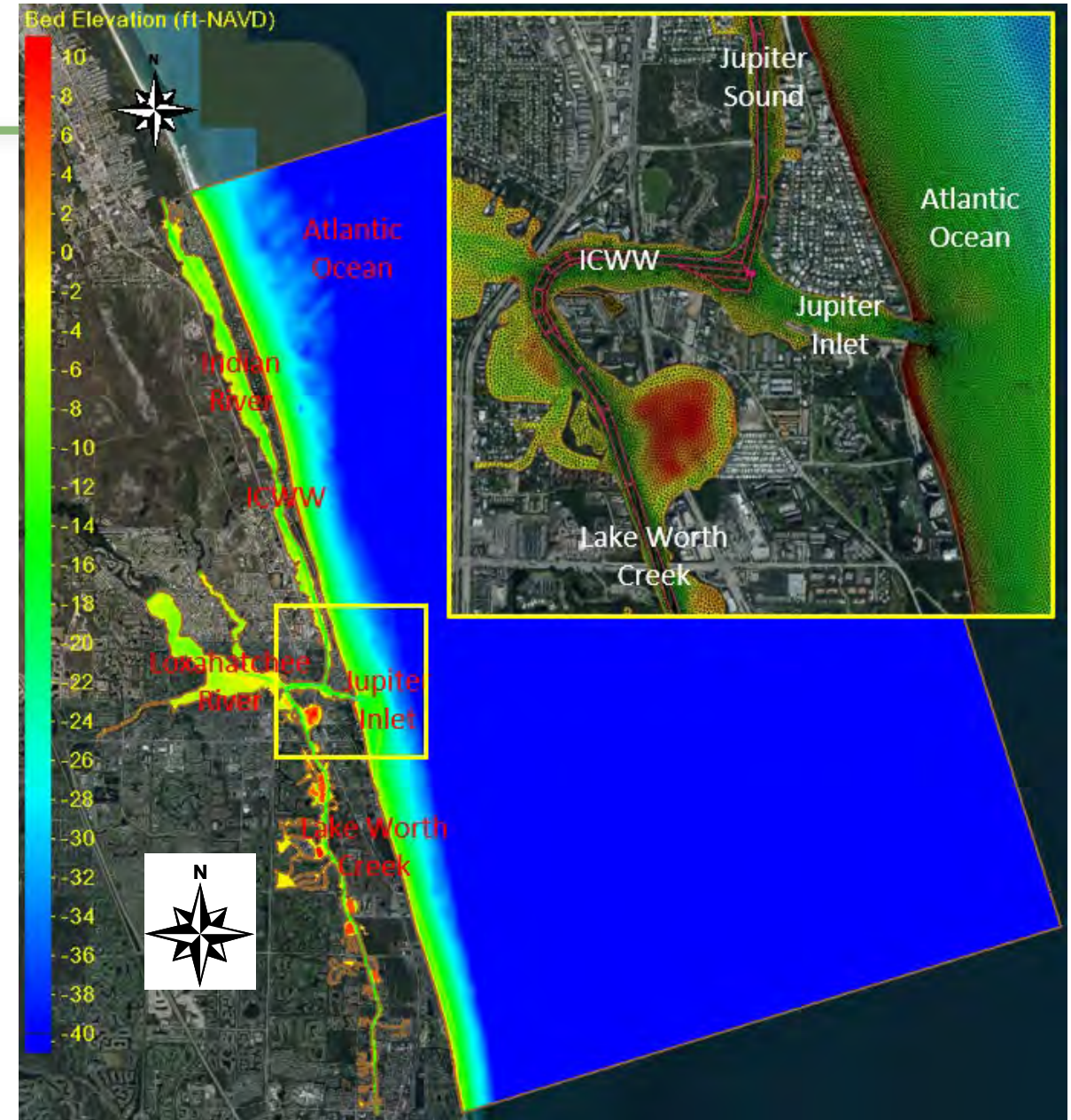


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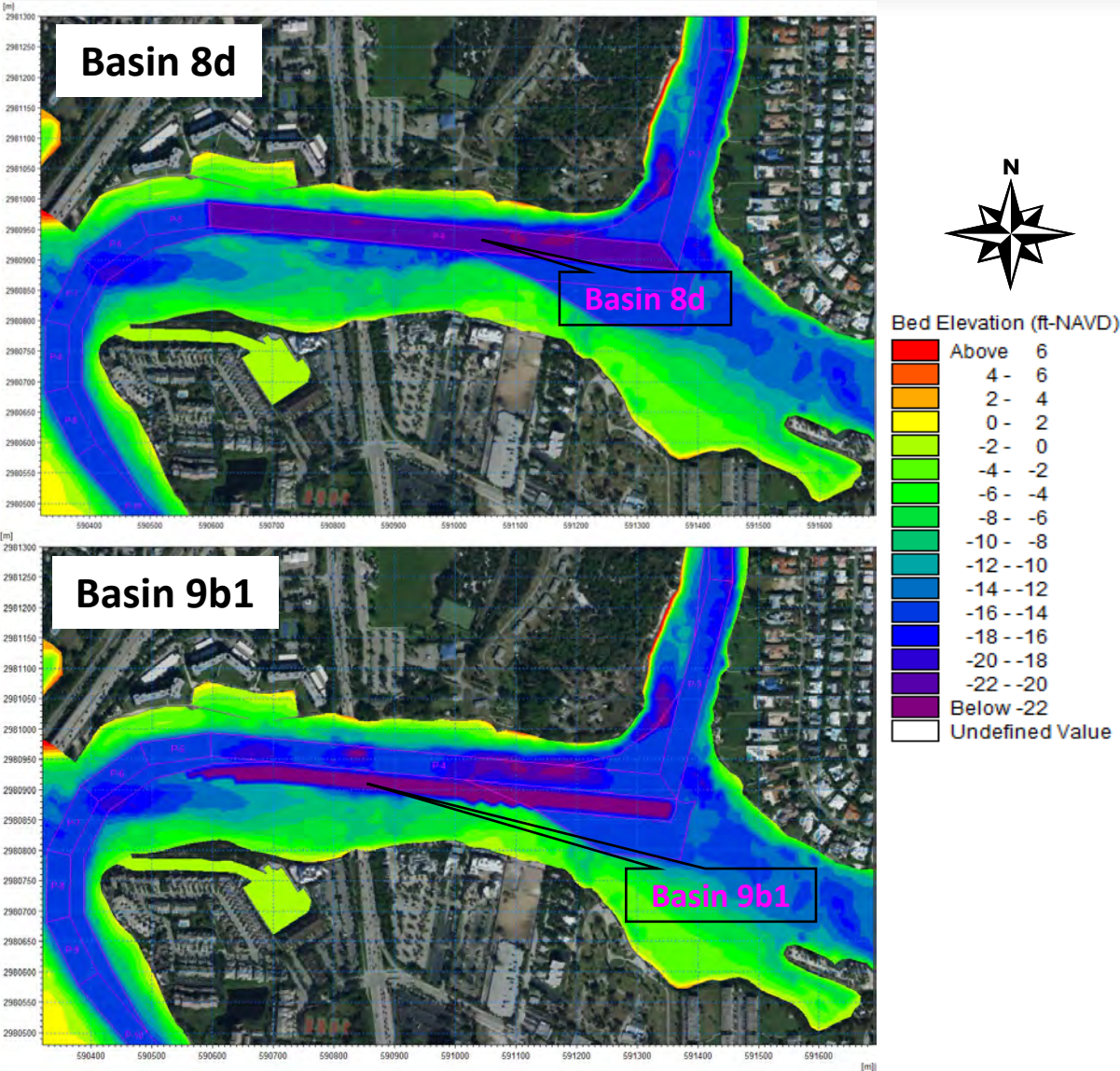
- Particle Tracking (PT)
 - determine sediment sources and transport pathways
 - velocity field (from HD)
 - sediment properties
- Littoral Process Model (LP)
 - determine average gross transport year and month
 - WIS 63456 hindcasted waves
 - NOAA predicted tides
- Wave Model (SW)
 - estimate nearshore wave field for longshore transport estimation
 - WIS 63456 hindcasted waves
 - NOAA predicted tides
- Sediment Transport Model (ST)
 - estimate longshore and inshore sediment transport
 - sediment properties
 - velocity field
- Morphology Model (M)
 - estimate shoaling rate

Jupiter Inlet Model Domain and Bed Elevations

- Jupiter Inlet to approximately 10.0 miles (mi) east (offshore bound), 8.8 mi north (ocean north bound), and 7.1 mi south (ocean south bound).
- Jupiter Inlet – 0.5 mi.
- IWW – more than 16 mi.
- Loxahatchee River – 1.9 mi.
- Loxahatchee River NW Fork – 1.8 mi.
- Loxahatchee River N Fork – 2.1 mi.
- Loxahatchee River SW Fork – 0.7 mi.
- C-18 Canal – 1.4 mi.
- Lake Worth Creek – 7.5 mi.
- In Area of Interest – small elements provided more detailed information.

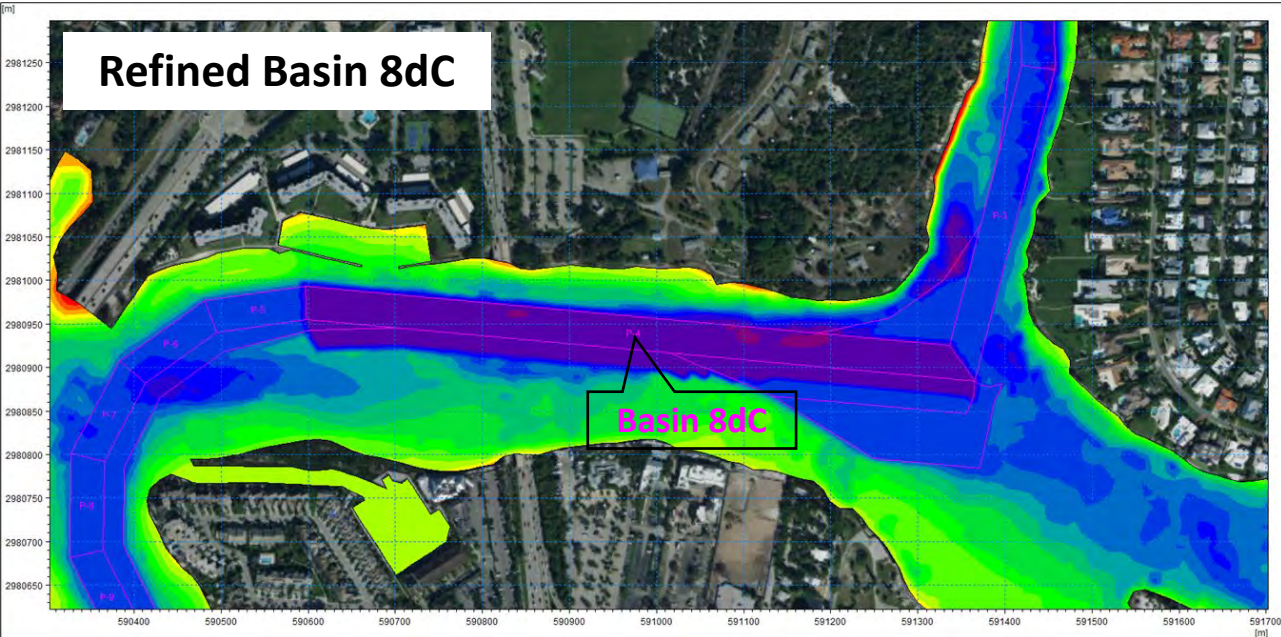


Short-Term Top Two Alternatives and Refinement

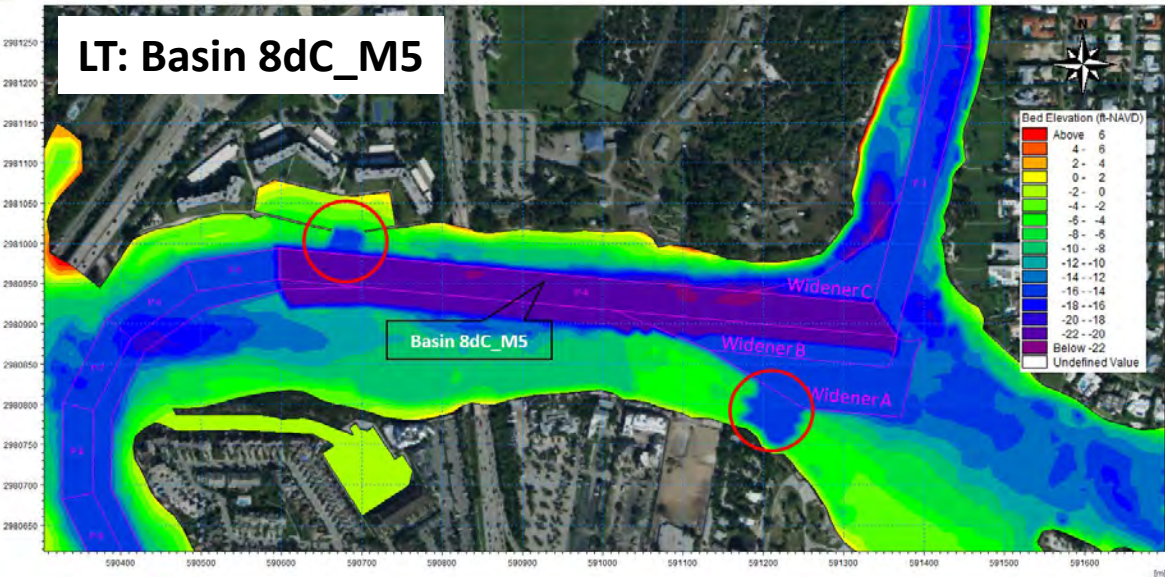
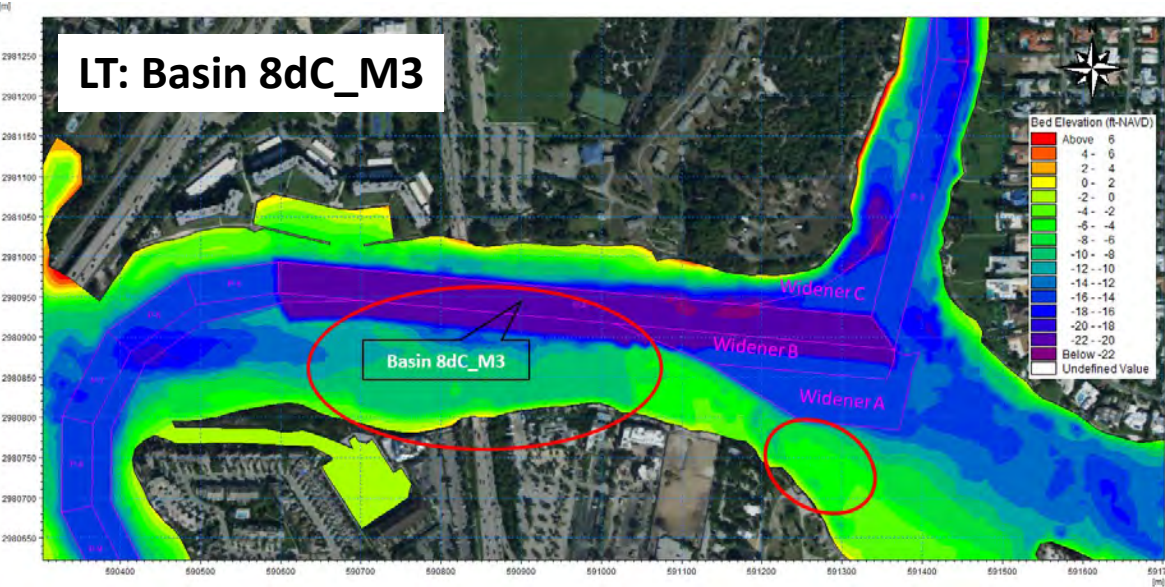


Alternatives	Short-Term Analysis New Basin Properties				
	Approx. Length, L (ft)	Approx. Width, W (ft)	Minimum Bed Elevation (ft-NAVD) / (ft-MLLW)	Approx. Area (acres)	Approx. Dredging Volume (cy)
Alt. 8d	2,480	120	-20.1 / -18.0	9.6	48,571
Alt. 9b1	2,650	40 – 130	-22.1 / -20.0	7.5	82,416
Alt. 8dC*	2,530	185	-20.1 / -18.0	13.2	86,618

Note: * After short-term analysis basin refinement

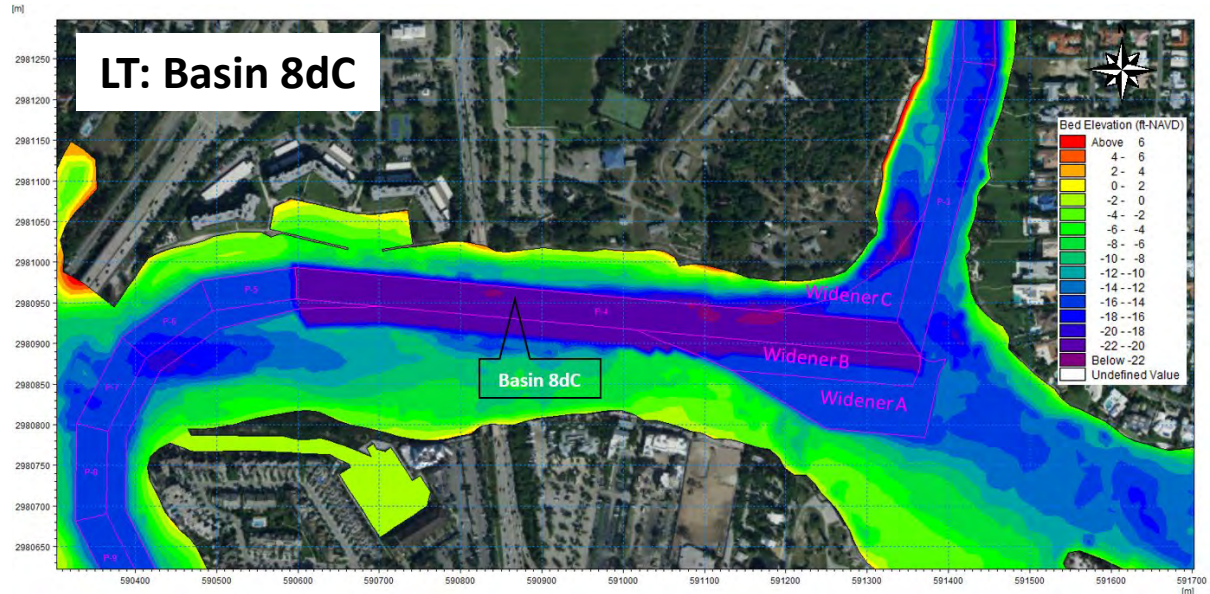


Long-Term Alternatives and Refinements



Alternatives	Long-Term Analysis New Basin Properties				
	Approx. Length, L (ft)	Approx. Width, W (ft)	Minimum Bed Elevation (ft-NAVD) / (ft-MLLW)	Approx. Area (acres)	Approx. Dredging Volume (cy)
8dC	2,530	185	-20.1 / -18.0	13.2	86,618
8dC_M3*	2,530	185	-20.1 / -18.0	22.1	113,691
8dC_M5*	2,530	185	-20.1 / -18.0	24.2	129,611

*Note: *Alt. 8dC_M3 and 8dC_M5 include marina pre-dredging.*



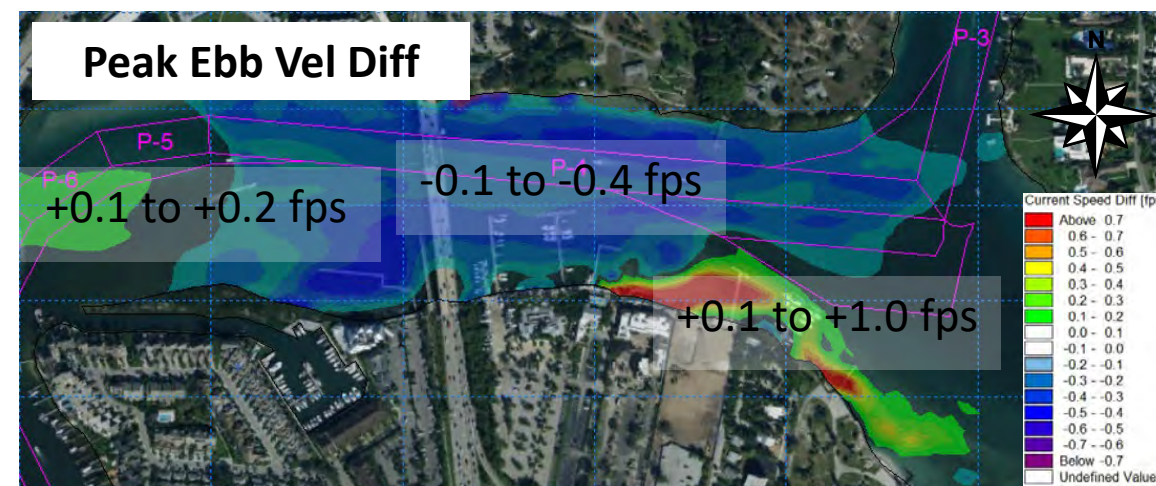
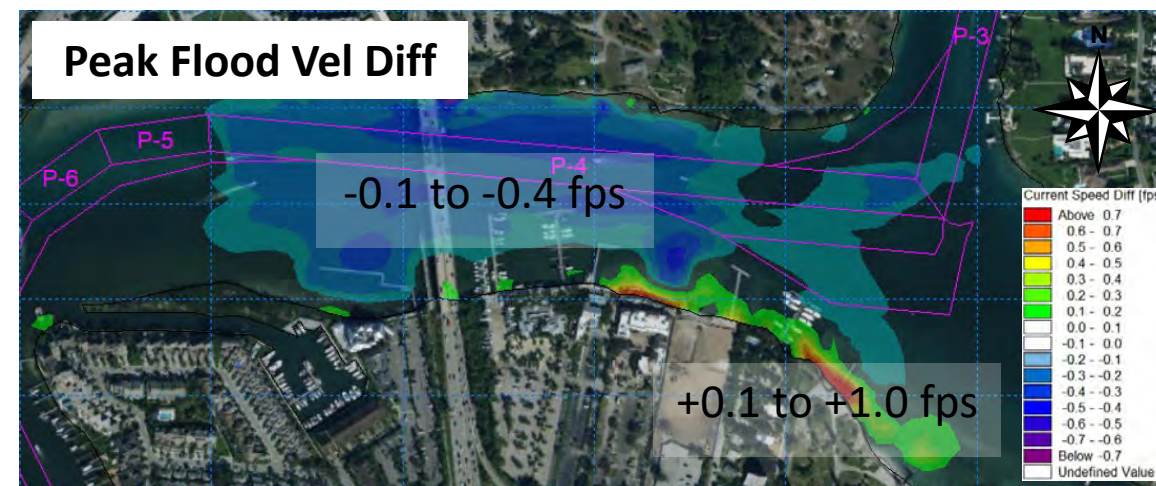
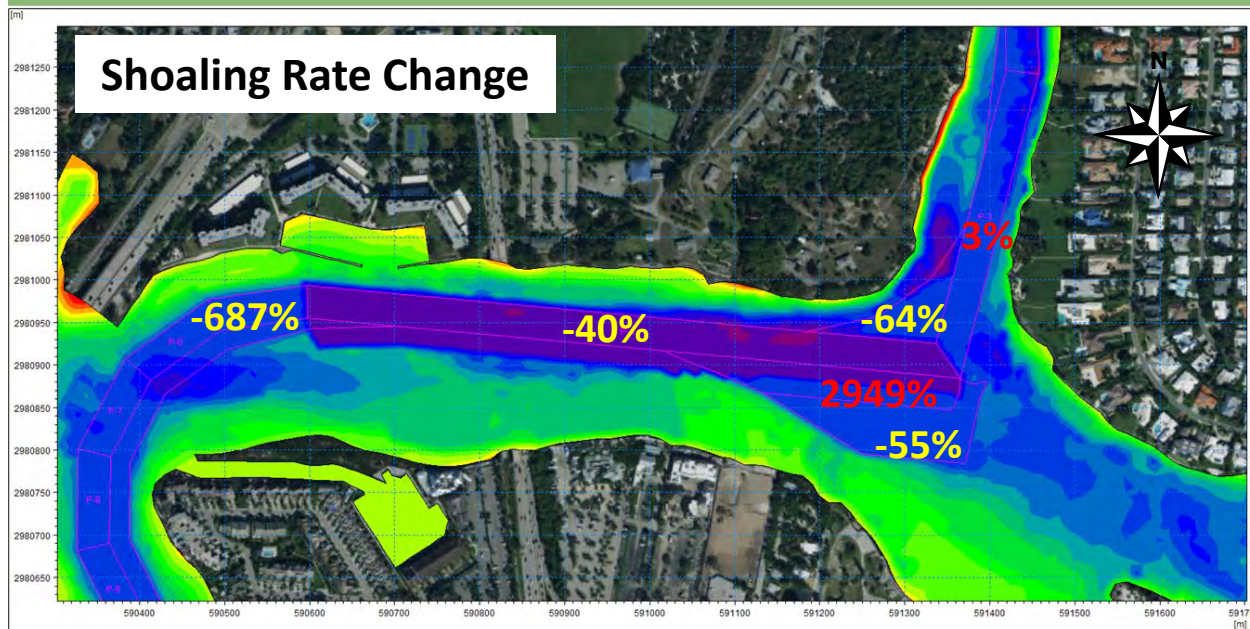
Ranking of Long-Term Alternatives

Alternatives	Basis for Ranking			Overall Ranking
	Performance	Cost Savings	Hydraulic & Marina Sedimentation Impact	
Alt. 8dC_M3	2	2	2.5	1
Alt. 8dC_M5	1	3.5	2.5	2
Alt. 8dC	3	1	4	3
Alt. 8d	4	3.5	1	4

Basis for Ranking:

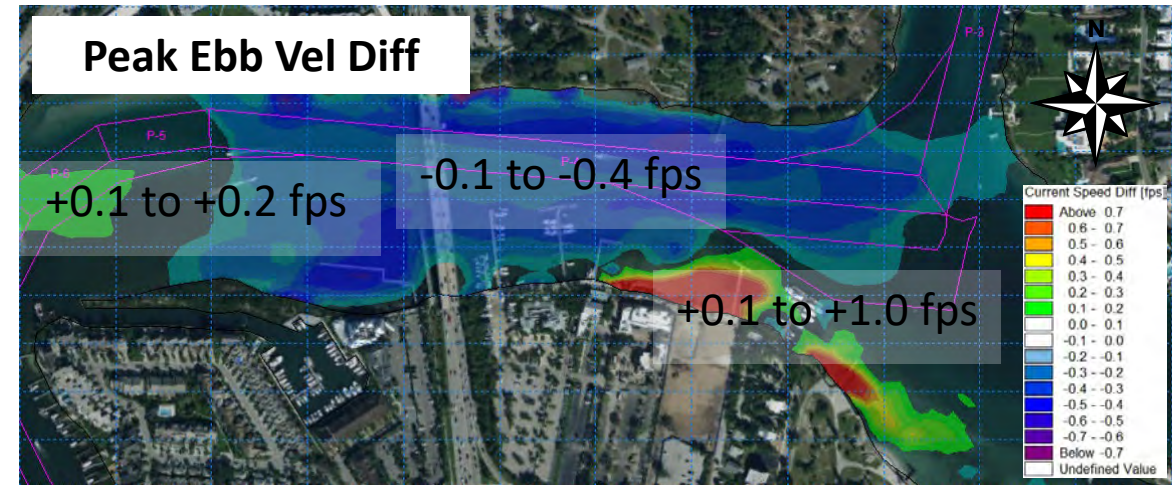
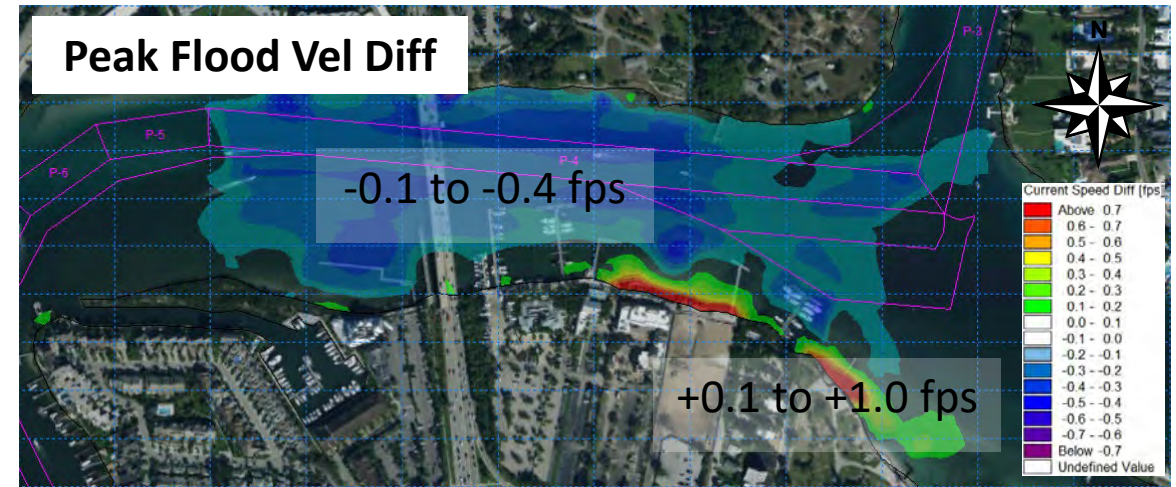
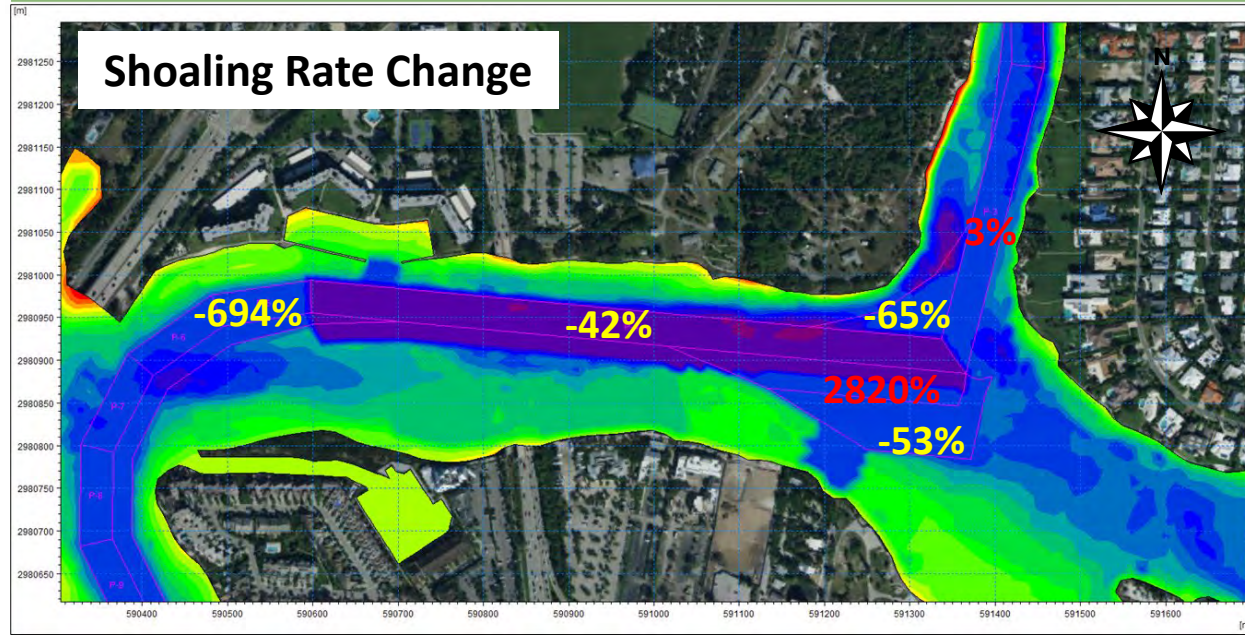
- **Performance** – reduction in IWW Cut-P4 shoaling
- **Cost Savings** – amount of savings relative to Baseline (no new basins)
- **Hydraulic & Marina Sedimentation Impact** – changes in flow velocity and sedimentation in marina areas

RANK 1: Alternative 8dC_M3 (190,891 cy per Dredge Event)



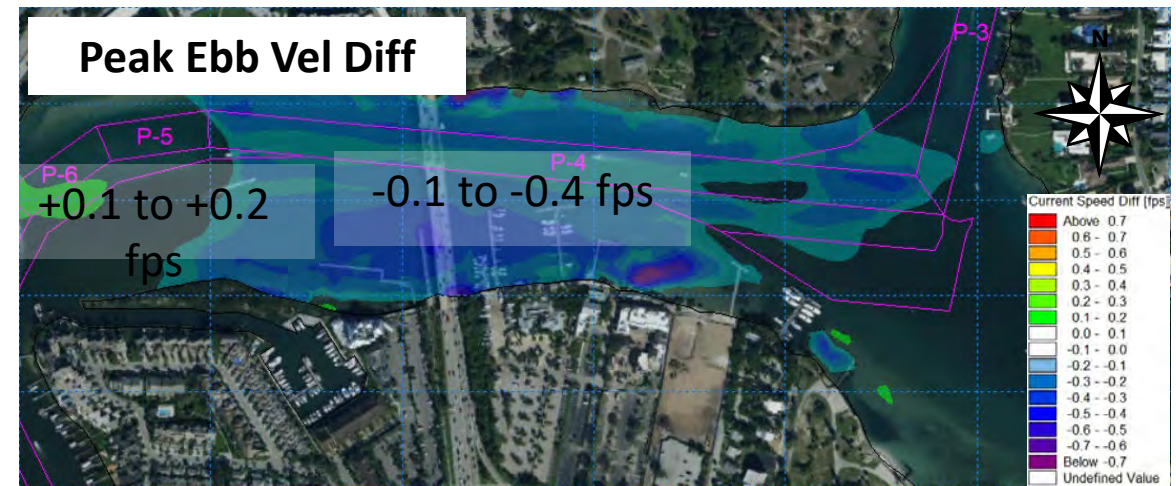
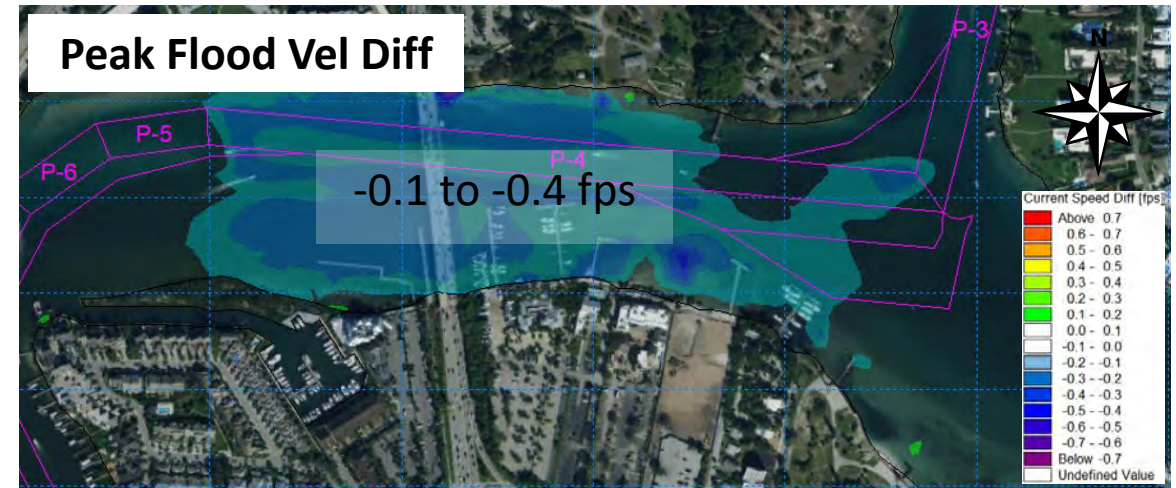
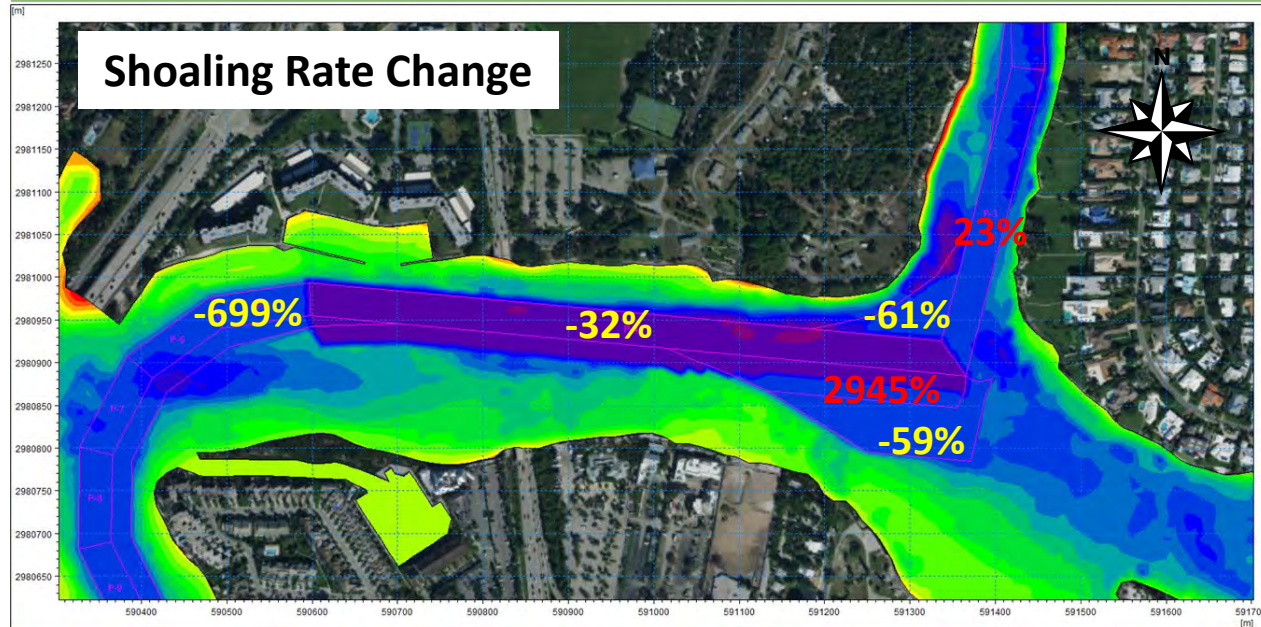
	Baseline	Alt. 8dC_M3
Dredging Interval (yr)	3	7
Cost per Dredging Event	\$1,410,000	\$2,518,000
Equivalent Annual Cost	\$852,000	\$669,000
Cost Savings per Year	n/a	\$183,000

RANK 2: Alternative 8dC_M5 (206,811 cy per Dredge Event)



	Baseline	Alt. 8dC_M5
Dredging Interval (yr)	3	7
Cost per Dredging Event	\$1,410,000	\$2,672,000
Equivalent Annual Cost	\$852,000	\$710,000
Cost Savings per Year	n/a	\$142,000

RANK 3: Alternative 8dC (163,818 cy per Dredge Event)



	Baseline	Alt. 8dC
Dredging Interval (yr)	3	7
Cost per Dredging Event	\$1,410,000	\$2,258,000
Equivalent Annual Cost	\$852,000	\$600,000
Cost Savings per Year	n/a	\$252,000

Details of Equivalent Uniform Annual Cost Estimates (Long-Term)

	Parameter	Baseline	Alt. 8d	Alt. 8dC	Alt. 8dC_M3	Alt. 8dC_M5
A.	Dredging Frequency (years)	3	5	7	7	7
B.	Project Life (years)	48	50	49	49	49
C.	Number of Dredging Events	16	10	7	7	7
D.	Quantity (cubic yards per event)	77,200	125,771	163,818	190,891	206,811
E.	Total Yardage (cubic yards)	1,235,200	1,257,710	1,146,726	1,336,237	1,447,677
F.	Yardage Cost (Per Dredging Event)	\$645,550	\$1,051,703	\$1,369,854	\$1,596,239	\$1,729,363
G.	Mobilization/Demobilization Cost	\$580,666	\$580,666	\$580,666	\$580,666	\$580,666
H.	Total Dredging Cost (F+G)	\$1,226,216	\$1,632,369	\$1,950,520	\$2,176,905	\$2,310,029
I.	Permitting Cost (initial \$50,000 and \$15,000 at every dredging event)	n/a	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000
J.	Environmental Study Cost (initial \$20,000 and \$5,000 per acre at every dredging event)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
K.	E&D Cost (initial \$110,000 and 5% of Total Dredging Cost at every dredging event)	\$61,311	\$81,618	\$97,526	\$108,845	\$115,501
L.	Construction Administration Cost (10% of Total Dredging Cost)	\$122,622	\$163,237	\$195,052	\$217,691	\$231,003
M.	Total Cost (H + I + J + K + L)	\$1,410,148	\$1,892,224	\$2,258,098	\$2,518,441	\$2,671,533
N.	Total Cost (Rounded to Nearest Thousand)	\$1,410,000	\$1,892,000	\$2,258,000	\$2,518,000	\$2,672,000
O.	Equivalent Uniform Annual Cost	\$852,000	\$709,000	\$600,000	\$669,000	\$710,000
P.	Annual Savings	n/a	\$143,000	\$252,000	\$183,000	\$142,000

Recommendations

1. Proceed with geotechnical and environmental evaluations for Alternative 8dC_M5 basin dredging. Notably, the Alternative 8dC_M3 dredge template is contained in the Alternative 8dC_M5 dredge template.
2. Typical dredging can follow the Alternative 8dC_M3 dredging template. Dredging can follow the Alternative 8dC_M5 dredging template if additional dredging at marina areas is desired.
3. The existing US-1 Bridge crosses over Cut-P4. As the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) will be replacing the bridge in the near future, any changes to the IWW channel dimensions under the bridge will have to be coordinated with the FDOT.
4. Proceed with the permitting, engineering, and design of basins for Alternative 8dC_M5 to allow dredging for either Alternative 8dC_M3 or Alternative 8dC_M5.
5. Engineering design for the final channel and basin modifications should evaluate long-term (e.g., year-long) shoaling rate variation for better estimation of the variation of the sediment impoundment performance of channels and basins and to better account for more potential variations of waves and water levels.
6. Future bathymetric surveys should include the areas of proposed basin locations to establish baseline shoaling rates at these locations.

THANK YOU Questions?

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January 4, 2024

Mr. Mark Crosley
Executive Director
Florida Inland Navigation District
1314 Marcinski Road
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Re: Annual Adjustment of Billing Rates

Dear Mr. Crosley:

Please find attached our proposed schedule of billing rates effective January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024 (Attachment 1). Attachment 1 includes our currently effective rates for comparison and notes the percentage change with the proposed rate for each staff category. Variations in the percentage increase by labor category result from changes in staffing, such as new hires and promotions. We have added two new labor categories for your consideration, highlighting our relatively new survey offering.

As noted in Attachment 1, the average percentage increase in rates for 2024 is 3.1% for all staff and 2.7% for professional and technical staff. The engineering industry continues to realize full employment and labor shortages. The competition for qualified talent, especially in niche markets like coastal and water resources engineering, is driving salaries upward at a much faster pace than inflation. As our requested increase is in line with the 3.1% in 2023, we believe our requested rate increase is reasonable.

So that you can fairly evaluate our rates, we also include supporting documentation comparing our fully-burdened rates with industry averages (Attachments 2 and 3). Attachment 2 provides a comparison of the direct salaries included in our proposed rates with the Florida Department of Transportation's (FDOT) average negotiated rates for the period December 21, 2022 through December 20, 2023 and with the Zweig Group *2022 Salary Report of Northeast & South Atlantic Engineering Firms*. As noted in Attachment 2, our average proposed direct rates are 0.3% higher than the average FDOT rates and 3.6% higher than Zweig Group rates. Considering that the data from the Zweig Group is based on 2022 salaries, we feel that our direct rates for 2024 are fair and reasonable.

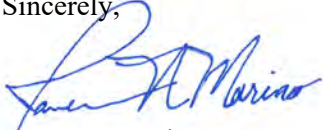
Furthermore, Attachment 3 provides average overhead rates, as audited by the FDOT from 2018 to 2020, which is the most recently published data. The average FDOT home office overhead rate is 169.62%. For comparison purposes, our proposed overhead rate is 175% of direct labor, which is reflected in the burdened rates included in Attachment 1. Therefore, we feel that our overhead rate is also fair and reasonable.

Finally, our fully-burdened rates in Attachment 1 include our standard 12% profit. This is the standard profit we charge our clients and the profit on labor the FIND has granted us in the past. As previously authorized by the FIND, we include a 10% fee on subcontractor and other direct costs.

Mark Crosley
January 4, 2024
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Thank you for your consideration of this request. Please let me know if I can answer any questions.

Sincerely,



James N. Marino, P.E., D.CE
President

Attachments

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ATTACHMENT 1

TAYLOR ENGINEERING, INC.
PROPOSED HOURLY RATES FOR
FLORIDA INLAND NAVIGATION DISTRICT

Effective Date: 1/1/2024
Expiration Date: 12/31/2024
Fee on Subconsultants & ODC's: 10%

Labor Category	Current Burdened Hourly Rate	Proposed Burdened Hourly Rate	% Change
R. Bruce Taylor, Ph.D.	\$ 325.00	\$ 325.00	0.0%
President	300.00	315.00	5.0%
Vice President/Principal	268.00	277.00	3.4%
Senior Advisor	269.00	285.00	5.9%
Program Manager	232.00	238.00	2.6%
Senior Professional*	210.00	215.00	2.4%
Project Professional*	168.00	172.00	2.4%
Staff Professional*	125.00	130.00	4.0%
Senior CAD Designer*	170.00	173.00	1.8%
Staff CAD Designer*	95.00	98.00	3.2%
Senior GIS Specialist*	183.00	190.00	3.8%
Project GIS Specialist*	123.00	125.00	1.6%
Staff GIS Analyst*	86.00	88.00	2.3%
Professional Survey Lead		140.00	n/a
Geomatics Technician		111.00	n/a
Administrative/Intern	70.00	74.00	5.7%
Average Billing Rate — All Staff (excludes new categories)	187.43	193.21	3.1%
Average Billing Rate — Professional & Technical Staff	145.00	148.88	2.7%

*Included in calculation of *Average Billing Rate — Professional & Technical Staff*

ATTACHMENT 2

Taylor Engineering, Inc.
Comparison of Proposed Rates to FDOT Average Negotiated Rates
and Zweig Group Average Salaries

Labor Category	Direct Rate Proposed	Equivalent FDOT Job Classification	FDOT Average Rate	Equivalent Zweig Group Classification	Zweig Average Rate
R. Bruce Taylor, Ph.D.	105.52	No comparison		No Comparison	
President	102.27	Principal Engineer	101.28	President	104.77
Vice President/Principal	89.94	Chief Engineer 1	89.81	Vice President	83.81
				Executive VP	106.69
Senior Advisor	92.53	Chief Engineer 2	93.17	Principal	83.05
Program Manager	77.27	Project Manager 2	80.03	Department Manager	63.39
Senior Professional	69.81	Senior Engineer 1	75.94	Associate	62.47
Project Professional	55.84	Engineer 1	50.27	Project Manager	51.55
		Engineer 2	64.07		
Staff Professional	42.21	Engineering Intern	38.02	Entry Level Engineer	29.73
				Project Engineer	37.93
Senior CAD Designer	56.17	Senior Designer	48.60	CAD Manager	37.52
Staff CAD Designer	31.82	CADD/Computer Tech	32.30	Engineering Technician	28.02
Senior GIS Specialist	61.69	GIS Specialist (75th Percentile)	45.76	GIS Associate	56.33
Project GIS Specialist	40.58	GIS Specialist (Mean)	38.99	GIS Project Manager	45.54
Staff GIS Analyst	28.57	GIS Specialist (25th Percentile)	30.10	GIS Entry Level	30.10
Professional Survey Lead	45.45	Surveyor	49.80	No Comparison	
Geomatics Technician	36.04	Survey Analyst 3	39.36	No Comparison	
Administrative/Intern	24.03	Secretary/Clerical	31.22	Administrative Assistant	23.02
Average Rate ¹	56.95	Average Rate	56.77		
Average Rate ¹	59.44			Average Rate	54.99

¹Average Rate excludes categories that have no comparison to FDOT & Zweig Group job classifications.

Attachment 3

Current Averages for Audited Overhead, Expense and Facilities Capital Cost of Money (FCCM) Rates

Updated: November 7, 2022

<u>RATE</u>	<u># OBS.</u>	<u>HIGH</u>	<u>LOW</u>	<u>MEAN</u>
Home Office Overhead	900	242.04%	109.21%	169.62%
Field Office Overhead	488	174.06%	80.64%	125.09%
Home Office Expense	736	24.77%	0.33%	6.26%
Field Office Expense	405	28.61%	0.70%	10.05%
FCCM	839	1.72%	0.03%	0.39%

The averages were calculated using three years' worth of audit data, after eliminating the highest and lowest 5%. Self-certified rates, interim rates, and rates determined from job cost accounting system reviews were also eliminated from the calculations, since they are unaudited rates.

The average overhead, expense, and FCCM rates are to be used for comparatively assessing consultant cost control efforts, in accordance with Section 5.0, Negotiation of Operating Margin.

The averages will be used as caps on maximum awarded overhead (indirect costs) rates for firms who submit unaudited rates, including interim reimbursement rates, self-certified reimbursement rates, and job cost accounting system review reimbursement rates for use on professional services contracts.

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GOVERNMENT RELATIONS

January 5, 2024

Monthly Report for the Florida Inland Navigation District

TO: Janet Zimmerman, Executive Director**FROM:** Jim Davenport, Partner

House Republicans held a press conference at the U.S.-Mexico border on January 3rd, where they reiterated their desire to address security issues in one of the upcoming government funding deadlines. Specifically, Speaker Mike Johnson (R-LA) characterized H.R. 2 — the House GOP's border security package that passed last year — as a "necessary ingredient," saying that it would be "irresponsible" for the House GOP to accept anything less than the provisions contained within this legislation. These comments come as Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer (D-NY) signaled that negotiators are making progress on deals to keep the government funded, as well as pairing border security funds with buckets of aid for Ukraine, Israel, and Taiwan. Negotiations are expected to continue through the weekend before Congress gavels back in next week.

As you recall, the Federal government is operating under a continuing resolution (CR) until January 19 and February 2, for two sets of appropriations bills. The CR that expires on January 19th includes the Energy and Water Appropriations bill, which appropriates \$4.054 million for the Intracoastal Waterway. Both the House and Senate Energy and Water Appropriations bills also include over \$100 million spread across the Navigation Maintenance; Inland Waterways; Small, Remote, or Subsistence Navigation "additional work" categories. The additional work numbers might get considerably smaller during conference negotiations so the House and Senate Appropriations Committees can make room for each chamber's congressionally directed spending priorities. Once final numbers in these categories are set, we can pursue additional maintenance dredging funding in the Corps Work Plan later this year.

While we wait for Congress to finish its work on FY24 appropriations, we should begin planning our funding requests for FY25, which will help us identify the members of Congress we will target for our appropriations requests. In addition, I have penciled in March 5 – 8th for meetings in Washington. We should lock in at least a day and a half, perhaps the 7th and 8th, for purposes of meetings.