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Perdido Bay Boat Ramp

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**Environmental Resource Permit
State-owned Submerged Lands Authorization – Granted**

**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Authorization – Separate Corps Authorization
Required**

Escambia County
Permit No.: 0361132-002-EI/17

**Permit Issuance Date: September 11, 2020
Permit Construction Phase Expiration Date: September 10, 2025**

Consolidated Environmental Resource Permit and Sovereignty Submerged Lands Authorization

Permittee/Grantee: Escambia County Public Works

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PROJECT LOCATION

The activities authorized by this permit and sovereignty submerged lands authorization are located at 10836 Lillian Highway, Pensacola, Florida 32507, Parcel ID No.: 162S314002000000 and 162S314002000027, in Section 16, Township 02 South, Range 31 West in Escambia County, at Latitude 30°24'34.19" North / Longitude 87°22'26.20" West.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The permittee is authorized to construct a public boat launching facility within a 32.99 acre parcel and including impacts to approximately 3.52 acres of wetlands and surface waters associated with Heron Bayou and Perdido Bay, a Class III Florida Waterbody, Unclassified Shellfish Harvesting Area. Those activities include the construction of a 2-lane boat ramp, associated parking lot, access road, stormwater management infrastructure, and 2 accessory piers, as well as dredging of a 2,260 foot by 40 foot channel to a depth of -5 feet NAV to provide ingress/egress to the facility. Authorized activities are depicted on the attached exhibits.

To offset unavoidable impacts that will occur from these authorized activities, the permittee shall provide mitigation that includes the preservation of 14.38 acres of on-site wetlands through a conservation easement.

AUTHORIZATIONS

Perdido Bay Boat Ramp

Environmental Resource Permit

The Department has determined that the activity qualifies for an Environmental Resource Permit. Therefore, the Environmental Resource Permit is hereby granted, pursuant to Part IV of Chapter 373, Florida Statutes (F.S.), and Chapter 62-330, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.).

Sovereignty Submerged Lands Authorization

The activity is located on sovereignty submerged lands owned by the State of Florida. It therefore also requires authorization from the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund (Board of Trustees), pursuant to Article X, Section 11 of the Florida Constitution, and Section 253.77, F.S. As staff to the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund (Board of Trustees) under Sections 253.002, F.S., the Department has determined that the activity qualifies for and requires a Letter of Consent, as long as the work performed is located within the boundaries as described and is consistent with the terms and conditions herein.

During the term of this Letter of Consent you shall maintain satisfactory evidence of sufficient upland interest as required by paragraph 18-21.004(3)(b), F.A.C. If such interest is terminated or the Board of Trustees determines that such interest did not exist on the date of issuance of this Letter of Consent, this Letter of Consent may be terminated by the Board of Trustees at its sole

option. If the Board of Trustees terminates this Letter of Consent, you agree not to assert a claim or defense against the Board of Trustees arising out of this Letter of Consent.

Federal Authorization

Your proposed activity as outlined on your application and attached drawings **does not qualify** for federal authorization pursuant to the State Programmatic General Permit and a **SEPARATE permit** or authorization **shall be required** from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps). You must apply separately to the Corps using the federal application form (ENG 4345). More information about Corps permitting may be found online in the Jacksonville District Regulatory Division Sourcebook. **Failure to obtain Corps authorization prior to construction could subject you to federal enforcement action by that agency.**

Authority for review – an agreement with the Corps entitled “Coordination Agreement Between the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers (Jacksonville District) and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, or Duly Authorized Designee, State Programmatic General Permit,” Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbor Act of 1899, and Section 404 of the Clean Water Act.

Coastal Zone Management

Issuance of this authorization also constitutes a finding of consistency with Florida’s Coastal Zone Management Program, as required by Section 307 of the Coastal Zone Management Act.

Water Quality Certification

This permit also constitutes a water quality certification under Section 401 of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. 1341.

Other Authorizations

You are advised that authorizations or permits for this activity may be required by other federal, state, regional, or local entities including but not limited to local governments or municipalities. This permit does not relieve you from the requirements to obtain all other required permits or authorizations.

The activity described may be conducted only in accordance with the terms, conditions and attachments contained in this document. Issuance and granting of the permit and authorizations herein do not infer, nor guarantee, nor imply that future permits, authorizations, or modifications will be granted by the Department.

PERMIT / SOVEREIGNTY SUBMERGED LANDS CONDITIONS

The activities described must be conducted in accordance with:

- **The Specific Conditions**
- **The General Conditions**
- **The Special Consent Conditions**
- **The General Conditions for Sovereignty Submerged Lands Authorization**
- **The limits, conditions and locations of work shown in the attached drawings**
- **The term limits of this authorization**

You are advised to read and understand these conditions and drawings prior to beginning the authorized activities, and to ensure the work is conducted in conformance with all the terms,

conditions, and drawings herein. If you are using a contractor, the contractor also should read and understand these conditions and drawings prior to beginning any activity. Failure to comply with these conditions, including any mitigation requirements, shall be grounds for the Department to revoke the permit and authorization and to take appropriate enforcement action. Operation of the facility is not authorized except when determined to be in conformance with all applicable rules and this permit and sovereignty submerged lands authorization, as described.

SPECIFIC CONDITIONS – ADMINISTRATIVE/EMERGENCIES

1. The construction phase expires at 11:59 p.m. on the date indicated on the cover page of this permit.
2. For emergencies involving a serious threat to the public health, safety, welfare, or environment, the emergency telephone contact number is (800) 320-0519 (State Warning Point). The Department telephone number for reporting nonthreatening problems or system malfunctions is (850) 595-0663, day or night.
3. The mailing address for submittal of forms for the “Construction Commencement Notice”, “As-Built Certification ...”, “Request for Conversion of Stormwater Management Permit Construction Phase to Operation and Maintenance Phase”, or other correspondence is FDEP, SLERP, 160 W Government Street, Suite 308, Pensacola, Florida 32502.
4. The permittee shall be responsible for keeping records documenting that relevant permit conditions are met. This documentation shall include, at a minimum, the date of each inspection, the name and qualifications of the inspector, any maintenance actions taken, and a determination by the inspector as to whether the system is operating as intended. Inspection documentation must be readily available and shall be provided at the Department’s request. Submittal of the inspection documentation to the Department is not required.
5. Within 30 days of any failure of a stormwater management system or deviation from the permit, a report shall be submitted to the Department on Form 62-330.311(1) Operation and Maintenance Inspection Certification, describing the remedial actions taken to resolve the failure or deviation. This report shall be signed and sealed by a registered professional.

SPECIFIC CONDITIONS – PRIOR TO ANY CONSTRUCTION

6. Subsequent to the selection of the contractor to perform the authorized activity and prior to the initiation of work authorized by this permit, the permittee, (or authorized agent) and the contractor, shall attend a pre-construction conference with a representative of the Department's Submerged Lands and Environmental Resources Compliance Assurance Program staff. The permittee shall notify the Department by email kenneth.dickey@floridadep.gov subsequent to contractor selection to request scheduling of the subject conference.
7. Prior to construction, the limits of impact and the conservation easement areas shall be clearly marked in a way which is visible and obvious to anyone performing work on-site, including someone operating heavy equipment. Orange construction fence or tall flagged stakes along the construction limits are possible methods.
8. Best management practices for erosion control shall be implemented prior to construction commencement and shall be maintained at all times during construction to prevent siltation and

turbid discharges in excess of State water quality standards pursuant to Rule 62-302, F.A.C. Methods shall include, but are not limited to the use of staked hay bales, staked filter cloth, sodding, seeding, staged construction and the installation of turbidity screens around the immediate project site.

9. Prior to installation of turbidity screens or initiation of dredging activities, the permittee shall use PVC pipes to clearly delineate the extent of any seagrass beds in the vicinity of the dredge area. The PVC pipes shall be removed within 72 hours of dredging completion and once turbidity levels have returns to background.

SPECIFIC CONDITIONS – MITIGATION

10. Prior to any construction authorized by this permit, the proposed mitigation area shall be preserved through a perpetual conservation easement. A copy of the conservation easement is included as an attachment. The language in the conservation easement shall not be changed. Within 30 days of permit issuance, the approved regulatory conservation easement shall be signed by the appropriate party, notarized and recorded within the Official Records of Escambia County. The original recorded document shall be returned to the Department. Please mail the original recorded document to DEP, Attn: ERP Permitting, 160 W. Government Street, Suite 308, Pensacola, Florida 32502.

11. Mitigation consists of preservation of 14.38 acres of on-site wetlands through a conservation easement. Permanent signs shall be placed along the property boundaries of the conservation easement area. The signs shall consist of ¾-inch diameter aluminum posts, driven 30 inches into the ground and extending 3 feet above the ground with a highly visible aluminum sign (12 inches by 12 inches) bolted to the post. Signs shall be posted at 250 foot intervals and in conspicuous locations. All signs shall be installed within 30 days of the signature of this permit. The signs should read:

WETLAND CONSERVATION AREA
LAND AND DRAINAGE ALTERATION
ACTIVITIES PROHIBITED

SPECIFIC CONDITIONS – CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES

12. The permittee shall be responsible for ensuring erosion control devices/procedures are inspected and maintained daily during all phases of construction authorized by this permit until areas disturbed during construction are sufficiently stabilized to prevent erosion, siltation, and turbid discharges.

13. Areas of exposed soils shall be isolated from wetlands or other surface waters to prevent erosion and deposition of these soils into wetlands or other surface waters during permitted activities.

14. Staked filter cloth shall be positioned at the edge of the permitted fill slopes adjacent to wetlands to prevent turbid run-off and erosion.

15. Grass seed, or sod shall be installed and maintained on exposed slopes and disturbed soil areas within 48 hours of completing final grade, and at other times as necessary, to prevent erosion, sedimentation or turbid discharges into waters of the state and adjacent wetlands. A vegetative cover that stabilizes and prevents erosion of the fill material shall be established within

60 days of sodding or seeding. Turbidity barriers/erosion control devices shall be removed upon establishment of a substantial vegetative cover.

16. The following measures shall be taken immediately by the permittee when turbidity levels within waters of the State surrounding the project site, exceed 29 NTUs above background:

- a. Immediately cease work contributing to the water quality violation.
- b. Stabilize exposed soils contributing to the violation. Modify the work procedures responsible for the violation, install additional turbidity containment devices and repair non-functioning turbidity containment devices.
- c. Notify the Department within 24 hours of the time the violation is first detected.

17. Watercraft associated with the construction of the permitted structure shall operate within waters of sufficient depth to preclude bottom scouring, prop dredging or damage to submerged bottom or submerged resources. During all construction activities, there shall be a minimum of 1-foot clearance between the draft of the construction vessel or barge and the top of any submerged resources or submerged bottom.

18. Any damage to wetlands outside of the authorized impact areas as a result of construction shall be immediately reported to the Department at (850)595-8300 and repaired by reestablishing the pre-construction elevations and replanting vegetation of the same species, size, and density as that in the adjacent areas. The restoration shall be completed within 30 days of completion of construction, and the Department shall be notified of its completion within that same 30-day period.

19. Construction equipment shall not be repaired or refueled in wetlands or elsewhere within waters of the state.

Dredging

20. Areas to be dredged shall be dredged in accordance with the attached permit drawings and shall not exceed the areas and depths indicated on those drawings.

21. Floating turbidity curtains with weighted skirts that extend to within 1 ft. of the bottom shall be placed around the dredge area prior to the initiation of work authorized by this permit. The screens shall be maintained and remain in place for the duration of the dredge to ensure turbidity levels outside the construction area do not exceed 29 NTU's above background level. The permittee is responsible for inspecting and maintaining turbidity control devices so no violations of state water quality standards outside of the turbidity screens occurs. Turbidity shall be monitored as described in the monitoring portion of this permit.

22. Dredging shall be limited to day light; no dredging activities are authorized to be conducted at night.

23. The spoil cell shall be constructed in a manner which shall prevent the escape of dredged material and associated effluent into wetlands and surface waters. Discharge of water or dredged material to wetlands or other surface waters shall not be allowed during disposal or transport.

24. The clean dredged material will be hydraulically dredged and piped to an appropriate contained upland spoil disposal. Contaminated dredged material will be placed in geo-tubes and

capped with clean material in the upland spoil cell site as shown on sheets C-010, C-040, C-041, and C-041.

Turbidity Monitoring

25. Water turbidity levels shall be monitored if a turbidity plume is observed outside the limits of the required turbidity control devices. Samples shall be taken every four hours, one foot above the bottom, mid-depth, and one-foot below the surface at monitoring stations located as follows:

- a. Approximately 100 feet up-current of the work sites and clearly outside the influence of construction activities. (This shall serve as the natural background sample against which other turbidity readings shall be compared.)
- b. Directly outside the turbidity curtains surrounding the work sites and within the densest portion of any visible turbidity plume. (This sample shall serve as the compliance sample.)

26. Turbidity levels outside the construction area shall not exceed 29 NTU's above background levels. The following measures shall be taken immediately by the permittee whenever turbidity levels within waters of the State surrounding the project site exceed 29 NTUs above background:

- a. Notify the Department at 850-595-8300 at the time the violation is first detected.
- b. Immediately cease all work contributing to the water quality violation.
- c. Stabilize all exposed soils contributing to the violation. Modify the work procedures that were responsible for the violation, install more turbidity containment devices, and repair any non-functional turbidity containment devices.
- d. As required, perform turbidity monitoring per Specific Conditions.
- e. Resume construction activities once turbidity levels outside turbidity curtains fall below 29 NTUs.

27. Failure to report violations or to follow correct procedures before resuming work shall constitute grounds for permit revocation and may subject the permittee to formal enforcement action.

SPECIFIC CONDITIONS – OTHER LISTED SPECIES

28. This permit does not authorize the permittee to cause any adverse impact to or “take” of state listed species and other regulated species of fish and wildlife. Compliance with state laws regulating the take of fish and wildlife is the responsibility of the owner or applicant associated with this project. Please refer to Chapter 68A-27 of the Florida Administrative Code for definitions of “take” and a list of fish and wildlife species. If listed species are observed onsite, FWC staff are available to provide decision support information or assist in obtaining the appropriate FWC permits. Most marine endangered and threatened species are statutorily protected and a “take” permit cannot be issued. Requests for further information or review can be sent to FWCConservationPlanningServices@MyFWC.com.

SPECIFIC CONDITIONS – OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE ACTIVITIES

29. The stormwater management systems shall be inspected by a registered professional to evaluate whether the system is functioning as designed and permitted. Percolation performance should specifically be addressed. The registered professional may record his inspection on Form No. 62-330.311(1), Operation and Maintenance Inspection Certification or may provide his evaluation in any other format; however, any report must be signed and sealed by the registered professional. Submittal of the inspection report to the Department is not required; but the report

shall be made available to the Department upon request. Inspections shall be made by the registered professional in accordance with this schedule:

For Dry Retention:

- a. On the first anniversary of the date of conversion to Operation and Maintenance Phase.
- b. Every fifth year on the anniversary of conversion to Operation and Maintenance Phase, after the first year of successful operation.

30. All structures authorized by this permit shall remain in operable condition and shall not be allowed to deteriorate or otherwise contribute to a water quality violation for the life of the facility. All stormwater structures identified by this permit shall be maintained in proper working order for the life of the facility.

31. The Stormwater Operation and Maintenance Plan, as approved and enclosed with this permit, shall be implemented.

32. Percolation performance shall be evaluated within the pond at least every third year. If there is evidence of inadequate percolation, the pond bottom must be re-scarified or deep-raked to restore percolation characteristics. If reworking the pond bottom fails to restore adequate percolation, additional retention area restoration shall be performed as follows:

- a. Remove the top layer of the retention area bottom material to a depth of 2 to 3 inches and scarify or deep-rake the excavated bottom.
- b. Replace excavated bottom material with suitably permeable material and restore the pond bottom to design grade.

33. Inspections by the Permittee:

- a. The stormwater system shall be inspected periodically for accumulation of debris and trash. Accumulations of debris and trash that negatively affect the function of the system shall be removed upon discovery.
- b. The stormwater system shall be inspected periodically for silt accumulation. Accumulations of silt that negatively affect the function of the system shall be removed.

GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR INDIVIDUAL PERMITS

The following general conditions are binding on all individual permits issued under chapter 62-330, F.A.C., except where the conditions are not applicable to the authorized activity, or where the conditions must be modified to accommodate project-specific conditions.

1. All activities shall be implemented following the plans, specifications and performance criteria approved by this permit. Any deviations must be authorized in a permit modification in accordance with Rule 62-330.315, F.A.C. Any deviations that are not so authorized may subject the permittee to enforcement action and revocation of the permit under Chapter 373, F.S.

2. A complete copy of this permit shall be kept at the work site of the permitted activity during the construction phase, and shall be available for review at the work site upon request by the Agency staff. The permittee shall require the contractor to review the complete permit prior to beginning construction.

3. Activities shall be conducted in a manner that does not cause or contribute to violations of state water quality standards. Performance-based erosion and sediment control best management

practices shall be installed immediately prior to, and be maintained during and after construction as needed, to prevent adverse impacts to the water resources and adjacent lands. Such practices shall be in accordance with the *State of Florida Erosion and Sediment Control Designer and Reviewer Manual* (Florida Department of Environmental Protection and Florida Department of Transportation June 2007), and the *Florida Stormwater Erosion and Sedimentation Control Inspector's Manual* (Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Nonpoint Source Management Section, Tallahassee, Florida, July 2008), which are both incorporated by reference in subparagraph 62-330.050(9)(b)5., F.A.C., unless a project-specific erosion and sediment control plan is approved or other water quality control measures are required as part of the permit.

4. At least 48 hours prior to beginning the authorized activities, the permittee shall submit to the Agency a fully executed Form 62-330.350(1), "Construction Commencement Notice," [October 1, 2013], which is incorporated by reference in paragraph 62-330.350(1)(d), F.A.C., indicating the expected start and completion dates. A copy of this form may be obtained from the Agency, as described in subsection 62-330.010(5), F.A.C. If available, an Agency website that fulfills this notification requirement may be used in lieu of the form.

5. Unless the permit is transferred under Rule 62-330.340, F.A.C., or transferred to an operating entity under Rule 62-330.310, F.A.C., the permittee is liable to comply with the plans, terms and conditions of the permit for the life of the project or activity.

6. Within 30 days after completing construction of the entire project, or any independent portion of the project, the permittee shall provide the following to the Agency, as applicable:

- a. For an individual, private single-family residential dwelling unit, duplex, triplex, or quadruplex – "Construction Completion and Inspection Certification for Activities Associated With a Private Single-Family Dwelling Unit" [Form 62-330.310(3)]; or
- b. For all other activities – "As-Built Certification and Request for Conversion to Operational Phase" [Form 62-330.310(1)].
- c. If available, an Agency website that fulfills this certification requirement may be used in lieu of the form.

7. If the final operation and maintenance entity is a third party:

- a. Prior to sales of any lot or unit served by the activity and within one year of permit issuance, or within 30 days of as- built certification, whichever comes first, the permittee shall submit, as applicable, a copy of the operation and maintenance documents (see sections 12.3 thru 12.3.3 of Volume I) as filed with the Department of State, Division of Corporations and a copy of any easement, plat, or deed restriction needed to operate or maintain the project, as recorded with the Clerk of the Court in the County in which the activity is located.
- b. Within 30 days of submittal of the as- built certification, the permittee shall submit "Request for Transfer of Environmental Resource Permit to the Perpetual Operation Entity" [Form 62-330.310(2)] to transfer the permit to the operation and maintenance entity, along with the documentation requested in the form. If available, an Agency website that fulfills this transfer requirement may be used in lieu of the form.

8. The permittee shall notify the Agency in writing of changes required by any other regulatory agency that require changes to the permitted activity, and any required modification of this permit must be obtained prior to implementing the changes.

9. This permit does not:
- a. Convey to the permittee any property rights or privileges, or any other rights or privileges other than those specified herein or in Chapter 62-330, F.A.C.;
 - b. Convey to the permittee or create in the permittee any interest in real property;
 - c. Relieve the permittee from the need to obtain and comply with any other required federal, state, and local authorization, law, rule, or ordinance; or
 - d. Authorize any entrance upon or work on property that is not owned, held in easement, or controlled by the permittee.

10. Prior to conducting any activities on state-owned submerged lands or other lands of the state, title to which is vested in the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund, the permittee must receive all necessary approvals and authorizations under Chapters 253 and 258, F.S. Written authorization that requires formal execution by the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund shall not be considered received until it has been fully executed.

11. The permittee shall hold and save the Agency harmless from any and all damages, claims, or liabilities that may arise by reason of the construction, alteration, operation, maintenance, removal, abandonment or use of any project authorized by the permit.

12. The permittee shall notify the Agency in writing:
- a. Immediately if any previously submitted information is discovered to be inaccurate; and
 - b. Within 30 days of any conveyance or division of ownership or control of the property or the system, other than conveyance via a long-term lease, and the new owner shall request transfer of the permit in accordance with Rule 62-330.340, F.A.C. This does not apply to the sale of lots or units in residential or commercial subdivisions or condominiums where the stormwater management system has been completed and converted to the operation phase.

13. Upon reasonable notice to the permittee, Agency staff with proper identification shall have permission to enter, inspect, sample and test the project or activities to ensure conformity with the plans and specifications authorized in the permit.

14. If any prehistoric or historic artifacts, such as pottery or ceramics, stone tools or metal implements, dugout canoes, or any other physical remains that could be associated with Native American cultures, or early colonial or American settlement are encountered at any time within the project site area, work involving subsurface disturbance in the immediate vicinity of such discoveries shall cease. The permittee or other designee shall contact the Florida Department of State, Division of Historical Resources, Compliance and Review Section, at (850) 245-6333 or (800) 847-7278, as well as the appropriate permitting agency office. Such subsurface work shall not resume without verbal or written authorization from the Division of Historical Resources. If unmarked human remains are encountered, all work shall stop immediately and notification shall be provided in accordance with Section 872.05, F.S.

15. Any delineation of the extent of a wetland or other surface water submitted as part of the permit application, including plans or other supporting documentation, shall not be considered binding unless a specific condition of this permit or a formal determination under Rule 62-330.201, F.A.C., provides otherwise.

16. The permittee shall provide routine maintenance of all components of the stormwater management system to remove trapped sediments and debris. Removed materials shall be disposed of in a landfill or other uplands in a manner that does not require a permit under Chapter 62-330, F.A.C., or cause violations of state water quality standards.

17. This permit is issued based on the applicant's submitted information that reasonably demonstrates that adverse water resource-related impacts will not be caused by the completed permit activity. If any adverse impacts result, the Agency will require the permittee to eliminate the cause, obtain any necessary permit modification, and take any necessary corrective actions to resolve the adverse impacts.

18. A Recorded Notice of Environmental Resource Permit may be recorded in the county public records in accordance with subsection 62-330.090(7), F.A.C. Such notice is not an encumbrance upon the property.

SPECIAL CONSENT CONDITIONS

1. The applicant agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Board of Trustees and the State of Florida from all claims, actions, lawsuits and demands in any form arising out of the authorization to use sovereignty submerged lands or the applicant's use and construction of structures on sovereignty submerged lands. This duty to indemnify and hold harmless will include any and all liabilities that are associated with the structure or activity including special assessments or taxes that are now or in the future assessed against the structure or activity during the period of the authorization.

2. Failure by the Board of Trustees to enforce any violation of a provision of the authorization or waiver by the Board of Trustees of any provision of the authorization will not invalidate the provision not enforced or waived, nor will the failure to enforce or a waiver prevent the Board of Trustees from enforcing the unenforced or waived provision in the event of a violation of that provision.

3. Applicant binds itself and its successors and assigns to abide by the provisions and conditions set forth in the authorization. If the applicant or its successors or assigns fails or refuses to comply with the provisions and conditions of the authorization, the authorization may be terminated by the Board of Trustees after written notice to the applicant or its successors or assigns. Upon receipt of such notice, the applicant or its successors or assigns will have thirty (30) days in which to correct the violations. Failure to correct the violations within this period will result in the automatic revocation of this authorization.

4. All costs incurred by the Board of Trustees in enforcing the terms and conditions of the authorization will be paid by the applicant. Any notice required by law will be made by certified mail at the address shown on page one of the authorization. The applicant will notify the Board of Trustees in writing of any change of address at least ten days before the change becomes effective.

5. This authorization does not allow any activity prohibited in a conservation easement or restrictive covenant that prohibits the activity.

GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR SOVEREIGNTY SUBMERGED LANDS AUTHORIZATION

Any use of sovereignty submerged lands is subject to the following general conditions, which are binding upon the applicant and are enforceable under Chapter 253, F.S.

1. Sovereignty submerged lands may be used only for the specified activity or use. Any unauthorized deviation from the specified activity or use and the conditions for undertaking that activity or use will constitute a violation. Violation of the authorization will result in suspension or revocation of the applicant's use of the sovereignty submerged lands unless cured to the satisfaction of the Board of Trustees.
2. Authorization under Rule 18-21.005, F.A.C., conveys no title to sovereignty submerged lands or water column, nor does it constitute recognition or acknowledgment of any other person's title to such land or water.
3. Authorizations under Rule 18-21.005, F.A.C., may be modified, suspended or revoked in accordance with its terms or the remedies provided in Sections 253.04, F.S. and Chapter 18-14, F.A.C.
4. Structures or activities will be constructed and used to avoid or minimize adverse impacts to resources.
5. Construction, use, or operation of the structure or activity will not adversely affect any species which is endangered, threatened or of special concern, as listed in Rules 68A-27.003, 68A-27.004, and 68A-27.005, F.A.C.
6. Structures or activities will not unreasonably interfere with riparian rights. When a court of competent jurisdiction determines that riparian rights have been unlawfully affected, the structure or activity will be modified in accordance with the court's decision.
7. Structures or activities will not create a navigational hazard.
8. Structures will be maintained in a functional condition and will be repaired or removed if they become dilapidated to such an extent that they are no longer functional.
9. Structures or activities will be constructed, operated, and maintained solely for water dependent purposes.
10. The applicant agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Board of Trustees and the State of Florida from all claims, actions, lawsuits and demands in any form arising out of the authorization to use sovereignty submerged lands or the applicant's use and construction of structures on sovereignty submerged lands. This duty to indemnify and hold harmless will include any and all liabilities that are associated with the structure or activity including special assessments or taxes that are now or in the future assessed against the structure or activity during the period of the authorization.
11. Failure by the Board of Trustees to enforce any violation of a provision of the authorization or waiver by the Board of Trustees of any provision of the authorization will not invalidate the

provision not enforced or waived, nor will the failure to enforce or a waiver prevent the Board of Trustees from enforcing the unenforced or waived provision in the event of a violation of that provision.

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NOTICE OF RIGHTS

This action is final and effective on the date filed with the Clerk of the Department unless a petition for an administrative hearing is timely filed under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S., before the deadline for filing a petition. On the filing of a timely and sufficient petition, this action will not be final and effective until a subsequent order of the Department. Because the administrative hearing process is designed to formulate final agency action, the subsequent order may modify or take a different position than this action.

Petition for Administrative Hearing

A person whose substantial interests are affected by the Department's action may petition for an administrative proceeding (hearing) under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S. Pursuant to Rules 28-106.201 and 28-106.301, F.A.C., a petition for an administrative hearing must contain the following information:

- (a) The name and address of each agency affected and each agency's file or identification number, if known;
- (b) The name, address, and telephone number of the petitioner; the name, address, and telephone number of the petitioner's representative, if any, which shall be the address for service purposes during the course of the proceeding; and an explanation of how the petitioner's substantial interests are or will be affected by the agency determination;
- (c) A statement of when and how the petitioner received notice of the agency decision;
- (d) A statement of all disputed issues of material fact. If there are none, the petition must so indicate;
- (e) A concise statement of the ultimate facts alleged, including the specific facts that the petitioner contends warrant reversal or modification of the agency's proposed action;
- (f) A statement of the specific rules or statutes that the petitioner contends require reversal or modification of the agency's proposed action, including an explanation of how the alleged facts relate to the specific rules or statutes; and

- (g) A statement of the relief sought by the petitioner, stating precisely the action that the petitioner wishes the agency to take with respect to the agency's proposed action.

The petition must be filed (received by the Clerk) in the Office of General Counsel of the Department at 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, Mail Station 35, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000, or via electronic correspondence at Agency_Clerk@FloridaDEP.gov. Also, a copy of the petition shall be mailed to the applicant at the address indicated above at the time of filing.

Time Period for Filing a Petition

In accordance with Rule 62-110.106(3), F.A.C., petitions for an administrative hearing by the applicant and persons entitled to written notice under Section 120.60(3), F.S., must be filed within 21 days of receipt of this written notice. Petitions filed by any persons other than the applicant, and other than those entitled to written notice under Section 120.60(3), F.S., must be filed within 21 days of publication of the notice or within 21 days of receipt of the written notice, whichever occurs first. You cannot justifiably rely on the finality of this decision unless notice of this decision and the right of substantially affected persons to challenge this decision has been duly published or otherwise provided to all persons substantially affected by the decision. While you are not required to publish notice of this action, you may elect to do so pursuant to Rule 62-110.106(10)(a), F.A.C.

The failure to file a petition within the appropriate time period shall constitute a waiver of that person's right to request an administrative determination (hearing) under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S., or to intervene in this proceeding and participate as a party to it. Any subsequent intervention (in a proceeding initiated by another party) will be only at the discretion of the presiding officer upon the filing of a motion in compliance with Rule 28-106.205, F.A.C. If you do not publish notice of this action, this waiver may not apply to persons who have not received a clear point of entry.

Extension of Time

Under Rule 62-110.106(4), F.A.C., a person whose substantial interests are affected by the Department's action may also request an extension of time to file a petition for an administrative hearing. The Department may, for good cause shown, grant the request for an extension of time. Requests for extension of time must be filed with the Office of General Counsel of the Department at 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, Mail Station 35, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000, or via electronic correspondence at Agency_Clerk@FloridaDEP.gov, before the deadline for filing a petition for an administrative hearing. A timely request for extension of time shall toll the running of the time period for filing a petition until the request is acted upon.

Mediation

Mediation is not available in this proceeding.

FLAWAC Review

The applicant, or any party within the meaning of Section 373.114(1)(a) or 373.4275, F.S., may also seek appellate review of this order before the Land and Water Adjudicatory Commission under Section 373.114(1) or 373.4275, F.S. Requests for review before the Land and Water Adjudicatory Commission must be filed with the Secretary of the Commission and served on the Department within 20 days from the date when this order is filed with the Clerk of the Department.

Judicial Review

Once this decision becomes final, any party to this action has the right to seek judicial review pursuant to Section 120.68, F.S. by filing a Notice of Appeal pursuant to Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure 9.110 and 9.190 with the Clerk of the Department in the Office of General Counsel (Station #35, 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000) and by filing a copy of the Notice of Appeal accompanied by the applicable filing fees with the appropriate district court of appeal. The notice must be filed within 30 days from the date this action is filed with the Clerk of the Department.

Thank you for applying to the Submerged Lands and Environmental Resource Permit Program. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Diana Athnos at the letterhead address, at (850)595-0559, or at Diana.Athnos@FloridaDEP.gov

EXECUTION AND CLERKING

Executed in Orlando, Florida.

STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION



Kimberly R. Allen
Permitting Program Administrator

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Attachments:

Standard Manatee Construction Conditions 2011, 2 pages
Complete Project Drawings and Design Specs., 42 pages
Wetland Drawings, 2 pages
Draft Conservation Easement, 9 pages
Conservation Easement Survey, 10 pages
Operation and Maintenance Plan, 3 pages

Copies of 62-330 forms may be obtained at: <https://floridadep.gov/water/submerged-lands-environmental-resources-coordination/content/forms-environmental-resource>

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned duly designated deputy clerk hereby certifies that this document and all attachments were sent on the filing date below to the following listed persons:

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FILING AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

FILED, on this date, pursuant to Section 120.52, F.S., with the designated Department Clerk, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged.



September 11, 2020

Clerk

Date

STANDARD MANATEE CONDITIONS FOR IN-WATER WORK

2011

The permittee shall comply with the following conditions intended to protect manatees from direct project effects:

- a. All personnel associated with the project shall be instructed about the presence of manatees and manatee speed zones, and the need to avoid collisions with and injury to manatees. The permittee shall advise all construction personnel that there are civil and criminal penalties for harming, harassing, or killing manatees which are protected under the Marine Mammal Protection Act, the Endangered Species Act, and the Florida Manatee Sanctuary Act.
- b. All vessels associated with the construction project shall operate at "Idle Speed/No Wake" at all times while in the immediate area and while in water where the draft of the vessel provides less than a four-foot clearance from the bottom. All vessels will follow routes of deep water whenever possible.
- c. Siltation or turbidity barriers shall be made of material in which manatees cannot become entangled, shall be properly secured, and shall be regularly monitored to avoid manatee entanglement or entrapment. Barriers must not impede manatee movement.
- d. All on-site project personnel are responsible for observing water-related activities for the presence of manatee(s). All in-water operations, including vessels, must be shutdown if a manatee(s) comes within 50 feet of the operation. Activities will not resume until the manatee(s) has moved beyond the 50-foot radius of the project operation, or until 30 minutes elapses if the manatee(s) has not reappeared within 50 feet of the operation. Animals must not be herded away or harassed into leaving.
- e. Any collision with or injury to a manatee shall be reported immediately to the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) Hotline at 1-888-404-3922. Collision and/or injury should also be reported to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in Jacksonville (1-904-731-3336) for north Florida or Vero Beach (1-772-562-3909) for south Florida, and to FWC at ImperiledSpecies@myFWC.com
- f. Temporary signs concerning manatees shall be posted prior to and during all in-water project activities. All signs are to be removed by the permittee upon completion of the project. Temporary signs that have already been approved for this use by the FWC must be used. One sign which reads *Caution: Boaters* must be posted. A second sign measuring at least 8 ½" by 11" explaining the requirements for "Idle Speed/No Wake" and the shut down of in-water operations must be posted in a location prominently visible to all personnel engaged in water-related activities. These signs can be viewed at MyFWC.com/manatee. Questions concerning these signs can be sent to the email address listed above.

CAUTION: MANATEE HABITAT

All project vessels

IDLE SPEED / NO WAKE

When a manatee is within 50 feet of work
all in-water activities must

SHUT DOWN

Report any collision with or injury to a manatee:



Wildlife Alert:

1-888-404-FWCC(3922)

cell *FWC or #FWC