

Chapter 5: Environmental Resource Permitting Projects

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ANNUAL REPORTS

For the reporting period, annual reports for Environmental Resource Permit (ERP) projects are presented as appendices to this chapter:

- Appendix 5-1: Annual Permit Report for the Loxahatchee River Watershed Restoration Project, G-160 and G-161 Components
- Appendix 5-2: Annual Permit Report for the C-4 Emergency Detention Basin
- Appendix 5-3: Annual Permit Report for the Holey Land Wildlife Management Area
- Appendix 5-4: Annual Permit Report for the Buttermilk/Packingham Slough, G-700 Pump Station Bypass Removal

PERMIT INFORMATION UPDATES

CYPRESS CREEK RESTORATION

Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Permit 0300341

Permit Title: Cypress Creek Restoration

Permit Administrator: Permit Acquisition and Compliance Section, Office of Everglades Policy and Coordination

Original Permit Number: 0300341-001-EI

Permit Modification Numbers:
0300341-003 (*minor modification*)

Specific Condition Requiring Annual Report: 13

Original Issue Date: November 23, 2010

Expiration Date: November 22, 2015

Reporting Period: May 1, 2014 to April 30, 2015

Report Prepared By: Leslye Waugh

Status

Martin County, the co-applicant on the project, is continuing to work through the process of obtaining additional easements from adjacent property owners to complete the northern

3,050 linear feet of the berm. In December 2014, FDEP approved a revised water stage and hydroperiod monitoring plan. In January 2015, monitoring began to document the hydrologic benefits that may be provided by the already completed portion of the project.

Problems Encountered

Easements from adjacent properties are not in place. These are necessary for project construction.

Actions to Address Problems

Martin County is working with the appropriate landowners to obtain the necessary easements, which is expected to require additional time. Upon receipt of the easements, Martin County will construct the remaining portion of the permitted berm to complete the project.

EAST COAST PROTECTION LEVEE REHABILITATION PROJECT

FDEP Permit 0305403

Permit Title: East Coast Protection Levee Rehabilitation Project

Permit Administrator: Permit Acquisition and Compliance Section, Office of Everglades Policy and Coordination

Original Permit Number: 0305403-001

Permit Modification Numbers: None

Specific Condition Requiring Annual Report: 22

Original Issue Date: March 5, 2012

Expiration Date: March 5, 2017

Reporting Period: May 1, 2014 to April 30, 2015

Report Prepared By: Leslye Waugh

Status

On November 5, 2014, staff from FDEP, the District, and the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission visited the Rotenberger Wildlife Management Area mitigation project. As a result of the site visit, FDEP concurred that the mitigation project was successful. In January 2015, FDEP released the South Florida Water Management District from future monitoring and reporting. Since the East Coast Protection Levee Rehabilitation Project has no operational requirements and mitigation monitoring is complete, this will be the final status update for this project.

Problems Encountered

No problems were encountered.

Actions to Address Problems

None were needed.