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JOSEPH B. CHAISON Executive Director

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AGENDA

DATE: April 13, 2022

TO: JID Commissioners and Staff

FROM: Joseph Chaison, Executive Director

SUBJECT: Meeting Agenda

The Regular Monthly Meeting has been scheduled for **Wednesday**, **April 13**, **2022** at **7:00 P.M.** at the Jupiter Inlet District Administration Building, 400 N. Delaware Blvd., Jupiter, Florida.

- 1. Call to Order
- Comments from the Public
- Approval of Minutes
 - March 9, 2022 Regular Meeting
- Approval of Bills
 - Submission of April Bills
 - · Submission of Payroll, Utility Bills and Health Insurance Invoice for May
- Treasurer's Report
 - Approval of March 2022 Treasurer's Report
- 6. Executive Director's Report
- 7. Engineer's Report
- Legal Report
- 9. Unfinished Business
 - Commissioner Fees
- New Business
 - Office Remote Work Policy
- 11. Commissioner Reports
- 12. Next Meeting Date(s) Regular Meeting, May 11, 2022
- 13. Adjournment

REGULAR BOARD MEETING BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS JUPITER INLET DISTRICT MINUTES March 9, 2022

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

George Gentile, Chairman
Thomas Howard, Vice Chairman
James H. Davis, Secretary/Treasurer
Michael Martinez
Gail Whipple

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT

None

OTHERS PRESENT

Joseph B. Chaison, Executive Director William H. Broome, Attorney Kenneth Craig, PE, Taylor Engineering JB Brumfield, PE, Taylor Engineering Sonja Kezber, Administrative Assistant

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Jim Williams of Williams, Leininger and Cosby Andre' Rajoo by CMT

1. Call to Order

Chairman Gentile called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Gentile noted that Mr. Williams of Williams, Leininger and Cosby was in attendance and suggested the Board address him at the beginning of the meeting. Mr. Broome noted that Mr. Williams had completed his report regarding staff and that he was in attendance to answer questions from the Board. The Board asked Mr. Williams about his report and discussed the District's chain of command.

Vice Chair Howard stated that the Recommendation section of Mr. Williams' report, combined with actions by Ms. Kezber that he learned of following completion of the report, led him to conclude that the District could not continue with Ms. Kezber as a staff member. In particular, Vice Chair Howard noted a surreptitious recording of a conversation that was made by Ms. Kezber without two-party consent. Vice Chair Howard made a MOTION to allow Ms. Kezber the opportunity to voluntarily resign, sign an employment release agreement, and receive four week's severance pay or be terminated by the Board and receive two week's severance pay. Secretary Davis SECONDED. Chair Gentile called for discussion.

Mr. Williams stated that Vice Chair Howard's understanding of the Florida statute was correct. He stated that the motion was appropriate and that there was nothing wrong with the motion from a legal standpoint. Mr. Broome asked how long Ms. Kezber would have to consider, and 10 days was agreed. Following additional discussion, the **MOTION CARRIED unanimously.**

- 2. District Representation for 2022 Continued from January Meeting
 The results of the discussion of the continuing Agency Representation for Calendar Year
 2022 are as follows:
 - Northern Palm Beach County Chamber of Commerce Alternate; Commissioner
 Martinez

3. Comments from Public

None.

4. Approval of Minutes

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Chairman Gentile entertained a MOTION to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 9, 2022. Commissioner Whipple stated on Page 6, the word "decide" should be changed to "decided". Vice Chair Howard noted that on page three "permit mod" should be "permit modification".

Secretary Davis so **MOVED to approve both Minutes as amended**. Commissioner Whipple **SECONDED**. Chairman Gentile called for discussion; there being none, the **MOTION CARRIED unanimously**.

5. Approval of Bills

- Submission of February Bills Chairman Gentile called for a MOTION to approve
 the February Bills and the additional Bills as presented. Commissioner Davis
 so MOVED; Vice Chair Howard SECONDED. There being no further discussion,
 the MOTION CARRIED unanimously.
- Submission of Payroll, Utility Bills and Health Insurance Invoice for March Chairman Gentile called for a MOTION to approve the Utility Bills and Health
 Insurance Invoice for March. Secretary Davis so MOVED; Commissioner Whipple
 SECONDED. There being no further discussion, the MOTION CARRIED
 unanimously.

6. Treasurer's Report

A. Approval of February 2022 Treasurer's Report

Staff recommended approval. Chairman Gentile entertained a MOTION to approve the February 2022 Treasurer's Report. Secretary Davis so MOVED; Commissioner Whipple SECONDED. Chairman Gentile called for discussion; there being none, the MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

7. Executive Director's Report

2022 Inlet Sand Trap Dredging:

Mr. Chaison noted that Taylor Engineering will cover construction and contract elements in the Engineer's Report. Leatherback sea turtle nesting has occurred in the project vicinity, which has triggered permit-required monitoring. This is early but is something we were prepared for.

Palm Beach County will be performing a truck-haul Dune Restoration project south of Jupiter Carlin Park during the same timeframe as our project. We are coordinating and do not expect either project to affect the other. The request for a Notice to Mariners has been submitted to the Coast Guard for the project.

Jupiter Lighthouse - Bureau of Land Management (BLM):

- The Director of the BLM visited our Living Shoreline project this month and then toured the entire JILONA shoreline. A round-table discussion with local stakeholders followed.
- The University of Florida Agricultural Extension (UF IFAS) issued new mangrove trimming guidance. Mr. Chaison noted that he forwarded this to our partners at the Lighthouse and confirmed their intent to maintain the mangroves at six feet above substrate.

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 The BLM has solicited input from local stakeholders to incorporate into their planning for their eastern shoreline stabilization. Mr. Chaison solicited the Board's comments to forward them by official letter.

Public Facility Report:

In re-reading our guiding legislature, (Florida Statutes Chapter 189 - Uniform Special Districts Accountability Act), Mr. Chaison noticed a requirement in F.S. 189.08; "to foster coordination between special districts and local general-purpose governments... Each independent special district shall submit to each local general-purpose government in which it is located a public facilities report". This Act became law after the construction of our building and dredged material management area (DMMA). As such, we are only subject to the requirements of (2)(a).

This report will be sent to Palm Beach County and will need to contain a description of each facility, capacity, demand, and location. It is required to be updated every seven years. Mr. Chaison noted that there was uncertainty if this had been performed in the past and that regardless, he would submit it before the next scheduled board meeting.

Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Permit Activity:

The FDEP notifies JID about Environmental Resource Permit (ERP) activities within our district boundaries. Of note this month;

- A Verification of Exemption was received by SFWMD for installing a water quality meter in coordination with the Bureau of Land Management on the Living Shoreline Observation Pier at the Jupiter Lighthouse.
- The Pelican Club submitted an application to dredge 2,800cy from the area between their dock and the Intracoastal Waterway to depths of -5' MLW and -8'MLW.

500 North Delaware Parcel (Taylor Property):

The Town of Jupiter, Natural Resources, solicited quotes for an exotic vegetation removal contract for the property. The quotes were due on March 4th.

Sebastian Inlet District Visit:

Staff from the Sebastian Inlet District toured our operations on February 22nd. They were especially interested to see the Living Shoreline project. They have an opportunity for a similar project and wanted to see our competed living shoreline.

Friends of Jonathan Dickinson State Park:

As a part of re-visiting our Outreach partners, we have made a \$500 contribution to the Friends of Jonathan Dickinson State Park, similar to our support with the Loxahatchee River Historical Society.

Vice Chair Howard noted that this has historically been a very short list, decided by the board, with very discerning requirements.

8. Engineer's Report

General Engineering

Jetty Maintenance Proposal

Johnathan (JB) Brumfield gave a presentation outlining Taylor Engineering's proposal for performing and American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) Repair Inspection and developing construction plans and specifications for maintenance and repair of the north and south jetties. Following the presentation, Mr. Brumfield answered questions from the Board. Chairman Gentile called for a MOTION. Commissioner Martinez made a MOTION to accept the Jetty Maintenance proposal. Vice Chair Howard SECONDED. There being no further discussion, the MOTION passed unanimously.

Jetty Observation

Taylor Engineering staff performed the monthly jetty condition assessment on March 9. No any significant changes from the prior assessment were noted.

Jupiter Inlet Sand Trap

Taylor Engineering conducted the bid opening on Monday, February 7, 2022, at 2PM. We received three bids, one each from Ahtna Marine and Construction Company, Atlantic and Gulf Dredging, and Cottrell Contracting Corporation. Following review of each bid, we recommended and the board approved award of the contract to Ahtna.

Ahtna has provided all required preconstruction submittals. A preconstruction conference with the regulatory agencies and interested parties is scheduled for March 4, 2022 at 10AM. We anticipate receiving the Notice to Proceed from FDEP shortly after this meeting.

The USACE has issued a public notice and is drafting the decision document for our permit modification request to establish the full Jupiter/Carlin beach fill template as the authorized disposal area and extend the permit length from 5 years to 10 years.

Loxahatchee River Main Channel Maintenance Dredging

Taylor Engineering has reviewed and approved preconstruction submittals provided by Ahtna. The construction schedule was discussed.

Loxahatchee River Mile 6 Gap Closure and Oxbow Restoration Maintenance

Taylor Engineering submitted the state and federal environmental permit applications to the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE). SFWMD issued the environmental resource permit on November 4, 2021. The

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USACE issued a request for additional information (RAI) on December 8, 2021. Taylor Engineering completed a site visit to confirm site and natural resource conditions on December 22, 2021. Taylor Engineering submitted the completed RAI response to the USACE on February 2, 2022. The RAI response is currently under review by the USACE.

JID Sediment Study

Taylor Engineering presented a historical review and the potential next steps involved with a future comprehensive sediment study of the Jupiter Inlet and Loxahatchee River areas. Following the presentation, it was agreed that the magnitude of this undertaking deserved additional focused discussion.

9. Legal Report

None.

10. Unfinished Business

Commissioner Fees

The consensus of the Board was to table this discussion until the next Board meeting.

11. New Business

None.

12. Commissioner Reports

Commissioner Whipple

Commissioner Whipple noted the timeliness of the legislative process and instructed staff to investigate if a Workshop was necessary to maintain the viability of undertaking Commissioner Fees within the upcoming legislative cycle.

Vice Chair Howard

Following comments by Ms. Kezber, Vice Chair Howard stated that he felt the discussion was unresolved. Vice Chair Howard asked Ms. Kezber if he understood that she was declining to exercise the offered ten days to decide, and that she would not take the opportunity to resign. After twice hearing confirmation from Ms. Kezber, Vice Chair Howard made a MOTION for the Board to terminate Ms. Kezber, effective immediately. Commissioner Martinez SECONDED. Chairman Gentile called for discussion; there being none, the MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

	Commissioner Davis
None.	
	Commissioner Martinez
None.	
	Chair Gentile
None.	
13.	Next Meeting Date(s)
Regular Meeting – April 13, 2022	
14.	Adjournment
There I	peing no further business before the Commission, Chairman Gentile called for a MOTION
to Adj	ourn. Commissioner Davis so MOVED; Commissioner Whipple SECONDED. The
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. The meeting was adjourned at 9:27 PM.	

Thomas L. Howard, Vice Chairman

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George G. Gentile, Chairman

JUPITER INLET DISTRICT

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

FROM: JOSEPH B. CHAISON, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

DATE: APRIL 13, 2022

2022 Inlet Sand Trap Dredging:

The 2022 Inlet Sand Trap dredging was complete on Sunday April 3rd. Ahtna Marine was very professional and efficient; over 70,000 cubic yards removed from the trap in 13 days of digging. The project was well received by the public and by Ocean Rescue staff on the beach placement side of operations. Loggerhead Marinelife Center performed their work and communicated well throughout. Mr. Craig will discuss further in his Engineering Report.

Central Embayment - Main Channel Maintenance Dredging

Ahtna Marine has begun mobilization for this project. They are distributing the attached flyer to the neighborhoods adjacent to the work and along the pipeline route. They have been closely coordinating with the Railroad Bridge contractor and Brightline.

Loxahatchee River Railroad Bridge:

The interruptions to navigation due to the replacement of the bascule section of the railroad bridge will have begun by the time of this meeting. Efforts have been made to ensure no parties have been overlooked in the notification process. A construction site visit with the Contractor and the Florida Inland Navigation District (FIND) is scheduled for April 8th.

Jupiter Lighthouse - Bureau of Land Management:

The attached letter was transmitted to the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) regarding planning for their Indian River shoreline stabilization. The letter indicates the Jupiter Inlet District's commitments to navigation, recreation, and environmental stewardship. It further encourages the BLM to "maximize the continuation of the recreational activities traditionally available to the public along this shoreline."

Public Facility Report:

A Public Facility Report was transmitted to Palm Beach County in fulfillment of F.S. 189.415(2).

District-Relevant Permit Activity:

The attached 'Letter of No Objection' was issued by the United States Coast Guard to the Jupiter Inlet Foundation (JIF) for their proposed installation of informational buoys in Sawfish Bay. It is not believed that a similar letter has been issued for their proposed buoys near the District's mangrove island restoration project.

The United States Army Corps of Engineers notified us of a permit application to restore the historical boathouse structure located at the former Suni Sands property, 961 N. Hwy. A1A.

500 North Delaware Blvd (Taylor Property):

The Town of Jupiter solicited bids for the removal of exotic vegetation on the site. The quotes ranged from \$37,800 to \$98,850. The Town is not moving forward with performing this work.

Information Technology (IT) Service Provider:

Proposals were collected from three firms for IT support for the District. This will change our IT support from a "break/fix" model to a service support and network management model. This will also update our information storage and security systems.

I recommend that we engage KDT Solutions. They had the best understanding of our needs, they are local to Jupiter, come highly recommended, and were the lowest cost at \$370 per month. The other quotes were \$420/month and \$1,250/month.

Truist Bank (formerly BB&T):

In updating our contact information, it was requested by Truist Bank that I be authorized by the Board to receive information about our account, and for this authorization to be noted in the minutes. The Board will remain the only signatories for the account.

Jupiter Inlet District Monthly Engineering Report April 2022

General Engineering

Jetty Observation

Taylor Engineering staff (Ken Craig) will perform the monthly jetty condition assessment on April 13. We will report on any significant changes from the prior assessment.

Jupiter Inlet Sand Trap

FDEP issued the Notice to Proceed (NTP) as expected on March 4, 2022. We then issued JID's NTP to Ahtna Marine and Construction Company (Ahtna) later that day. Ahtna began mobilization to the site on March 5, 2022 and began dredging on March 22, 2022. Work progressed quickly with the final day of dredging on April 3, 2022. We have held weekly project coordination calls with representatives of JID, Ahtna, Taylor Engineering, Palm Beach County, FDEP, FWC, and Loggerhead Marine Life Center. Ahtna submitted daily construction progress reports and turbidity monitoring reports to Taylor Engineering for review and transmittal to FDEP's JCP Compliance group. Review of the preconstruction and post construction surveys indicate Ahtna placed approximately 71,000 cy on the beach south of the inlet.

The project team will conduct a final walkthrough of the area on Tuesday April 12.

Assuming we receive Ahtna's pay application with sufficient time for review, we anticipate presenting it at the April board meeting.

Loxahatchee River Main Channel Maintenance Dredging

Taylor Engineering has coordinated with JID and Ahtna regarding mobilization. Ahtna plans to stage earth moving equipment at the DMMA to prepare to receive dredged material. Dredging should begin in the next two weeks.

Loxahatchee River Mile 6 Gap Closure and Oxbow Restoration Maintenance

Taylor Engineering submitted the state and federal environmental permit applications to the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE). SFWMD issued the environmental resource permit on November 4, 2021. The USACE issued a request for additional information (RAI) on December 8, 2021. Taylor Engineering completed a site visit to confirm site and natural resource conditions on December 22, 2021. Taylor Engineering submitted the completed RAI response to the USACE on February 2, 2022. The RAI response remains under review by the USACE.



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TO: BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, JUPITER INLET DISTRICT

FROM: WILLIAM R. H. BROOME

DATE: April 1, 2022

APRIL LEGAL REPORT

Kezber Claim

You will by now have learned that Sonja Kezber has engaged an attorney, Gregory Sconzo of Palm Beach Gardens, who has sent a demand letter and a public records request. The asserted basis of the claim is wrongful termination in violation of the Florida Public Whistle-blower's Act, F.S. §112.387. She requests damages for lost past wages, lost future wages and employment benefits, attorney's fees and costs, a positive letter of recommendation, rescission of any claims that she was terminated or that she engaged in any wrongdoing and a mutual non-disparagement agreement. His deadline for a response about "pre-litigation" resolution is April 8.

I have forwarded these items to Jim Williams. Mr. Chaison is assembling a response to the public records request.



LOXAHATCHEE RIVER MAIN CHANNEL DREDGING AND MATERIAL DISPOSAL

Dredging Project

Ahtna is a Florida-based dredging and marine construction contractor with over 100 years of combined personnel experience in hydraulic dredging, mechanical dredging, Marine and Civil Construction.

We invite anyone with questions or concerns to contact us at 954-568-0007.

What's going on?

The Loxahatchee River periodically requires dredging to maintain a safe navigable channel. Over time sand and silt fill the channel and effectively reduce the depth of the waters creating a potential hazard to boater traffic. Ahtna Marine & Construction Co., will be dredging the areas in the main channel that has been identified as needing maintenance. The dredge "Lil Monica" will be using her cutterhead to effectively cut and "vacuum" up the sediment and push it through a heavy wall HDPE pipeline to the final disposal area. The disposal site is located almost a mile and a half from the furthest dredge site. This will require setting up an intermediate booster pump to help push the sediment through the pipeline to the disposal area. The Dredge Material Disposal Area (DMMA) is an area of land maintained by the Jupiter Inlet District (JID) behind their offices, consisting of a large parcel of land with a permanent levee system surrounding it to contain the material.



When and for How Long?

Mobilization will begin approximately on April 8, 2022 and will continue over the next two and a half weeks. This will involve bolting and staging of the pipe-line as well as preparation of the Dredge Material Management Area (DMMA). Dredging is set to begin on or around April 20,2022, as soon as the dredge has been brought to the site. Dredging operations will typically run five days a week, 12-hours, but may extend to six days. The dredge work is in the Main Channel of the Loxahatchee River. Dredging operations are expected to last through the end of July 2022.



DMMA



The DMMA (Dredge Material Management Area) is where heavy equipment will be moving around supporting the dredging operations. An excavator will maintain the existing berms and continually work the sediment and water mixture coming out of the pipe, moving the pipe and filling the DMMA. The heavy sediment will fall out of suspension and remain as the clean water gets routed back through a discharge pipe at the far end into the Sims Creek Channel. Around 10,600 cubic yards of material are to be pumped into the DMMA. Monitoring activities and appropriate protective measures for turbidity, the environment and other natural resources are a key element of this project..





SAFETY FIRST



FOR YOUR SAFETY

WATCH YOUR WAKE when passing the dredge. DON'T APPROACH HEAVY MACHINERY

Wait until a crew member sees you and approaches you. RESPECT THE BARRIERS They are there for your safety DO NOT SIT OR STAND ON THE PIPELINE

The pipeline is under high pressure and may move.
STAY AWAY FROM THE PIPE DISCHARGE
Material is exiting the pipe at high pressures. Sometimes

Material is exiting the pipe at high pressures. Sometimes rocks or other large objects may be discharged.

To work, the dredge has a self swinging ladder which uses no anchors. It is constantly in motion. Boaters need to be aware of this and give the dredge a wide berth. The dredge can be reached on VHF Channels 16/79. A support boat is always in attendance to assist. The dredge is considered a RAM (Restricted Ability to Move) by the Coast Guard and as such should be granted the right of way. Please pass the dredge slowly and be considerate. Watch for the floating and sunken pipeline. Both will be clearly marked to prevent any boats from running into it. Just remember to use common sense. Stay back at least 100 feet and be aware of the dredge's location and limited maneuverability.

If you have any questions or concerns, contact:
Jupiter Inlet District
561-746-2223
www.jupiterinletdistrict.org
Or contact:
Ahtna Marine &
Construction Co..
954-568-0007





Ahtna Marine & Construction Co. Approximate locations of sunken pipeline Boat Crossings Areas



PROCEED SLOW AND CAUTIOUSLY avoid sunken pipeline cross at your own risk



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JAMES H. DAVIS – Secretary/Treasurer
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March 22, 2022

Bureau of Land Management Jupiter Inlet Lighthouse Outstanding Natural Area Peter DeWitt 600 State Road 707, Unit B Jupiter, FL 33469-3516

Mr. DeWitt,

The Jupiter Inlet District appreciates the opportunity to contribute to the development of the Bureau of Land Management's Shoreline Stabilization Project. We value the partnership that has been forged between our agencies, as demonstrated by the jointly completed Living Shoreline project along the Jupiter Inlet Lighthouse southern shoreline.

The Jupiter Inlet District supports the efforts to stabilize the eastern shoreline of the Jupiter Inlet Lighthouse Outstanding Natural Area. This undertaking aligns with the Jupiter Inlet District's interests in navigation, environmental stewardship, and public use.

We encourage the Bureau of Land Management to incorporate elements into the stabilization design which will maximize the continuation of the recreational activities traditionally available to the public along this shoreline.

Sincerely,

Joseph B. Chaison Executive Director Jupiter Inlet District 400 N. Delaware Blvd. Jupiter, FL 33458

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Commander United States Coast Guard Seventh District

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Serial: 22-007 March 8, 2022

Jupiter Inlet Foundation Attn: MB Hauge 5500 Military Trail Suite 22-314 Jupiter, Florida 33458

Dear MB Hauge,

I have reviewed your request to install two informational markers (buoys) within the Sawfish Bay in Palm Beach County as noted in the Florida Uniform Waterway Marker Authorization (FUWM-21-020). The Seventh Coast Guard District offers no objection to this proposed signage.

This *letter of no objection* does not authorize any invasion of private rights, grant any exclusive privileges, nor does it obviate the necessity of complying with any other federal, state or local laws or regulations.

My point of contact for this project is Jessica Wolchak-Benggio. She can be contacted at jessica.a.wolchak-benggio@uscg.mil if you have any questions or concerns.

> Sincerely, SENIUK.NICHOLAS.C Digitally signed by HARLES.1248446222 Date: 2022.03.14 10:34;21 -04'00'

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N. C. Seniuk, Commander, USCG Chief, Waterways Management Branch Seventh Coast Guard District

Copy: Commander, Coast Guard Sector Miami Officer In Charge, Coast Guard ANT Ft. Pierce



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JAMES H. DAVIS – Secretary/Treasurer
MICHAEL MARTINEZ

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March 25, 2022

Alisa Zarbo Chief, Palm Beach Gardens Section 4400 PGA Boulevard, Suite 400 Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410

Chief Zarbo,

The Jupiter Inlet District welcomes the opportunity to express our appreciation of the efforts of your section, and specifically note the efforts of Ms. Jerilyn Ashworth.

Ms. Ashworth processed the Jupiter Inlet District's permit modification request of U.S. Army Corps of Engineers permit SAJ-1989-00506(SP-JKA). This modification request was important for our ability to efficiently complete our chartered mandate of maintaining navigation at the Jupiter Inlet while mitigating erosion along adjacent shorelines. Securing this modification allows the Jupiter Inlet District to use our historical beach placement template through December 2030.

Throughout the process, Ms. Ashworth demonstrated an extensive knowledge of the permitting process as well as a solid understanding of the coastal processes involved with inlet management. In addition to her technical expertise, Ms. Ashworth remained responsive, professional, and pleasant.

Sincerely,

Joseph B. Chaison Executive Director

Jupiter Inlet District