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Subject: INITIAL NOTIFICATION - Rehabilitation of E-3 Canal Right-of-Way from Lake Ida Road to 1200' North of Via Delray Blvd (Project No. 16-9921P.11) (Job No. 118B) and Rehabilitation of L-31 Canal Right-of-Way from Jog Road to 175' East of the E-3 Canal (Project Nos. 16-9960P.03 and 16-9960P.04) (Job Nos. 118A and 118C)

Dear Resident:

The Lake Worth Drainage District (District) is planning necessary rehabilitation work on the E-3 and the L-31 Canals adjacent to your property. This work is necessary to facilitate effective flood control for public safety and provide unobstructed access for emergency flood control response and routine canal maintenance. Rehabilitation efforts may include removal of vegetative encroachments, removal of structural and non-structural encroachments, dredging of the canal channel, and reshaping or reconstruction of the canal bank(s). Encroachments located on the District's canal rights-of-way can create obstructions to water flow during a heavy rainfall event or hinder the District's ability to properly maintain the canal, both of which can cause serious flooding issues for surrounding neighborhoods.

In order to identify the boundaries of the District's E-3 and L-31 Canal rights-of-way, both the north and south, or the east and west canal right-of-way lines within the limits of the project are scheduled to be field-staked by the District's Florida Licensed Surveyors beginning the week of July 31, 2017. Any plantings or vegetation, structures, fences or personal property located and identified within these rights-of-way are considered to be encroachments and should be removed by the property owner prior to the commencement of this project. Please be advised that any encroachments remaining in the rights-of-way at the commencement of the project may be removed and disposed of by the District.

If you have any prior written approvals, agreements, permits, or any other written authorization from the District for any existing encroachments, or any other information relative to any existing encroachment within the canal rights-of-way please contact the District as soon as you can so that this information can be reviewed.

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Also, if you have constructed or installed any fencing, plantings or vegetation, or any other items within the canal rights-of-way of which you are relying on for security purposes, please be advised these are considered encroachments and they will be removed with this rehabilitation project. If any of these existing encroachments have previously been permitted by the District, you may apply for a permit to replace them; however, all current and applicable permit criteria must be met. If you wish to secure your private property, you must do so outside the limits of the canal right-of-way.

Based on the District's current canal rehabilitation schedule, we estimate the project will begin in early September 2017. The project schedule is subject to change at any time due to weather conditions, labor or equipment allocations, project site conditions, etc.

For additional information regarding this canal rehabilitation project, please visit our website at www.lwdd.net and click on 'In Your Neighborhood' or email us at info@lwdd.net. If you would like to speak with a representative regarding this specific project, please contact Joseph Walsh, Right-of-Way Compliance Coordinator, at 561-498-5363, extension 5588.

Sincerely,



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Assistant Director of Right-of-Way

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C: Robert Brown, Executive Director