



South Florida Water Management District
Individual Environmental Resource Permit No. 06-07569-P
Date Issued: August 24, 2017
Modified On: January 10, 2020

Permittee: Lennar Homes LLC
730 NW 107th Ave Ste 300
Miami, FL 33172

Project: Sierra Ranch

Application No. 191205-2431

Location: Broward County, See Exhibit 1

Your application for an Individual Environmental Resource Permit is approved. This action is taken based on Chapter 373, Part IV, of Florida Statutes (F.S.) and the rules in Chapter 62-330, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.). Unless otherwise stated, this permit constitutes certification of compliance with state water quality standards under section 401 of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. 1341, and a finding of consistency with the Florida Coastal Management Program. Please read this entire agency action thoroughly and understand its contents.

This permit is subject to:

- Not receiving a filed request for a Chapter 120, F.S., administrative hearing.
- The attached General Conditions for Environmental Resource Permits.
- The attached Special Conditions.
- All referenced Exhibits.

All documents are available online through the District's ePermitting site at www.sfwmd.gov/ePermitting.

If you object to these conditions, please refer to the attached "Notice of Rights" which addresses the procedures to be followed if you desire a public hearing or other review of the proposed agency action. Please contact this office if you have any questions concerning this matter. If we do not hear from you in accordance with the "Notice of Rights", we will assume that you concur with the District's action.

The District does not publish notices of action. If you wish to limit the time within which a person may request an administrative hearing regarding this action, you are encouraged to publish, at your own expense, a notice of agency action in the legal advertisement section of a newspaper of general circulation in the county or counties where the activity will occur. Legal requirements and instructions for publishing a notice of agency action, as well as a noticing format that can be used, are available upon request. If you publish a notice of agency action, please send a copy of the affidavit of publication provided by the newspaper to the District's West Palm Beach office for retention in this file.

If you have any questions regarding your permit or need any other information, please call us at 1-800-432-2045 or email ERP@sfwmd.gov.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Elizabeth Veguilla".

Elizabeth Veguilla
Regulatory Specialist Supervisor

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Operating Entity: Sierra Ranch Homeowners Association, Inc
4755 Technology Way #210
Boca Raton, FL 33431

Location: Broward County

Permit Acres: 89.10 acres

Project Land Use: Residential

Special Drainage District: Central Broward Water Control District

Water Body Classification: CLASS III

FDEP Water Body ID: 3281

Conservation Easement to District: No

Sovereign Submerged Lands: No

Project Summary

This Environmental Resource Permit authorizes Construction and Operation of a stormwater management (SWM) system serving 89.1 acres of residential development known as Sierra Ranch. Construction activities include lot grading, neighborhood roads, utilities and recreational amenities. Runoff will be directed to a wet detention system that provides water quality treatment prior to overflow into the preserve area. Ultimate discharge is to the Central Broward Water Control District N-17 Canal via a control structure.

Issuance of this permit constitutes certification of compliance with state water quality standards in accordance with Rule 62-330.062, F.A.C.

Site Description

The site is an undeveloped parcel located about a mile south of Interstate 595 and Hiatus Road in Broward County, as shown in Exhibit 1. This location is within the Central Broward Water Control District and the Water Preserve Area Basin boundary.

There are no permitted water management facilities within the project area. Please see the Wetlands and Other Surface Water section for information about wetland impacts and mitigation.

Ownership, Operation and Maintenance

Perpetual operation and maintenance of the stormwater management system is the responsibility of Sierra Ranch Homeowners Association, Inc. as indicated in the submitted draft governing

documents. Upon completion of construction and in conjunction with submittal of the construction completion certification, a request for transfer to the operating entity and recorded copies of its governing documents must be submitted in accordance with General Condition No. 7.

Current Authorization (Application No. 191205-2431)

A permit transfer to Lennar Homes, LLC is issued as requested under Application 191205-2431. The only modification authorized by this action is a change in permittee. The permit remains subject to the Expiration Date, General Conditions, and Special Conditions as previously issued.

Permit Modification History

Please see Exhibit No. 5.1 for a list of authorizations included in this permit.

Engineering Technical Section

Please see Exhibit No. 2.0 for a list of authorizations that constitute this permit.

Related Concerns:**DEO/CZM Consistency Review**

The issuance of this permit constitutes a finding of consistency with the Florida Coastal Management Program.

Third Party Interest

No third party has contacted the District with concerns about this application.

Water Preserve Area

This project is located within the boundaries of the Water Preserve Area Basin as defined in Chapter 40E-41.323, F.A.C. In accordance with 40E-41.363, F.A.C., Conditions of Issuance of Environmental Resource Permits and Surface Water Management Permits in the Water Preserve Area, Water Preserve Area Basin, or Adjacent to the Protective Levees, the applicant has demonstrated that the proposed project meets the criteria pursuant to this rule.

Waste Water System/Supplier

City of Sunrise Utilities

Enforcement

There has been no enforcement activity associated with this application.

CERP

The proposed project is not located within or adjacent to a Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Project component.

Right-Of-Way Permit Status

A District Right-of-Way Permit is not required for this project.

Potable Water Supplier

City of Sunrise Utilities

Historical/Archeological Resources

The District has received correspondence from the Florida Department of State, Division of Historical Resources indicating that no significant archaeological or historical resources are recorded in the project area and the project is therefore unlikely to have an effect upon any such properties. This permit does not release the permittee from compliance with any other agencies' requirements in the event that historical and/or archaeological resources are found on the site.

Water Use Permit Status

The permittee will use surface water from the lakes as a source for irrigation for the project. Water Use Permit Number 06-04148-W for landscape irrigation was issued on February 4, 2015 for this project. Dewatering is not required for construction of this project. This permit does not release the

permittee from obtaining all necessary Water Use authorization(s) prior to the commencement of activities which will require such authorization, including construction dewatering and irrigation.

General Conditions for Individual Environmental Resource Permits, 62-330.350, F.A.C.

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, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.). Any deviations that are not so authorized shall 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), 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" indicating the expected start and completion dates. 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 Applicant's Handbook 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 Conditions for Individual Environmental Resource Permits, 62-330.350, F.A.C.

1. The construction phase of this permit shall expire on August 24, 2022.
2. Operation and maintenance of the stormwater management system shall be the responsibility of Sierra Ranch Homeowners Association, Inc. Within one year of permit issuance or concurrent with the engineering certification of construction completion, whichever comes first, the permittee shall submit a copy of the recorded deed restrictions (or declaration of condominium, if applicable), a copy of the filed articles of incorporation, and a copy of the certificate of incorporation for the association.
3. Discharge Facilities:

Basin: DEVELOPMENT

1-6' WIDE SHARP CRESTED weir with crest at elev. 4.8' NGVD 29.
1-.25' dia. CIRCULAR ORIFICE with invert at elev. 4' NGVD 29.
1-6' W X 6' L drop inlet with crest at elev. 6.2' NGVD 29.

Receiving body : PRESERVE
Control elev : 4 feet NGVD 29.

Basin: PRESERVE

1-.4' W X 1' H RECTANGULAR NOTCH weir with crest at elev. 4' NGVD 29.
1-3.33' W X 4.5' L drop inlet with crest at elev. 6.2' NGVD 29.

Receiving body : CBWCD N-17
Control elev : 4 feet NGVD 29.
4. Lake side slopes shall be no steeper than 4:1 (horizontal:vertical) to a depth of two feet below the control elevation. Side slopes shall be nurtured or planted from 2 feet below to 1 foot above control elevation to insure vegetative growth, unless shown on the plans.
5. A stable, permanent and accessible elevation reference shall be established on or within one hundred (100) feet of all permitted discharge structures no later than the submission of the certification report. The location of the elevation reference must be noted on or with the certification report.
6. The following are exhibits to this permit. Exhibits noted as incorporated by reference are available on the District's ePermitting website (<http://my.sfwmd.gov/ePermitting>) under this application number.
Exhibit No. 1.0 Location Map
Exhibit No. 2.0 Plans, Pages 1 - 13
Exhibit No. 3.0 Wetland Impacts and Mitigation Plan, Pages 1-14
Exhibit No. 4.0 Conservation Easement, Pages 1-10
Exhibit No. 4.1 O&M POA
Exhibit No. 5.0 Draft Financial Assurance, Pages 1-2
Exhibit No. 6.0 Work Schedule

7. Prior to initiating construction activities associated with this Environmental Resource Permit (ERP), the permittee is required to hold a pre-construction meeting with field representatives, consultants, contractors, District Environmental Resource Compliance (ERC) staff, and any other local government entities as necessary.

The purpose of the pre-construction meeting is to discuss construction methods, sequencing, best management practices, identify work areas, staking and roping of preserves where applicable, and to facilitate coordination and assistance amongst relevant parties.

To schedule a pre-construction meeting, please contact ERC staff from the West Palm Beach Office at (561) 686-8800 or via e-mail at: pre-con@sfwmd.gov. When sending a request for a pre-construction meeting, please include the application number, permit number, and contact name and phone number.

8. Minimum building floor elevation: BASIN: PRESERVE - 8.50 feet NGVD 29.
9. Minimum road crown elevation: Basin: PRESERVE - 7.50 feet NGVD 29.
10. No construction dewatering is proposed. However, if in the future, the permittee determines that dewatering is required, an application for dewatering authorization must be submitted to the District and approved prior to the dewatering being conducted.
11. A mitigation program for Sierra Ranch shall be implemented in accordance with Exhibit No. 3. The permittee shall restore and enhance 23.86 acres of wetlands onsite.
12. Prior to commencement of construction and in accordance with the work schedule in Exhibit No. 6, the permittee shall submit documentation from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection that 3.01 freshwater herbaceous credits have been deducted from the ledger for FPL Everglades Mitigation Bank.
13. Prior to commencement of construction and in accordance with the work schedule in Exhibit 6 the permittee shall submit an electronic or hard copy version of the documentation that the executed conservation easement for the mitigation area(s) and associated buffer(s) has been accepted by Broward County for recording. The electronic version of the documentation shall be submitted via the District's ePermitting/eCompliance website.

The permittee shall submit an electronic or hard copy version of the certified copy of the recorded conservation easement for the mitigation area(s) and associated buffer(s) when these documents are available from the County.

The electronic version of the recorded conservation easement, and associated GIS information described below, shall be submitted via the District's ePermitting/eCompliance website. The GIS data shall be supplied in a digital ESRI Geodatabase (mdb), ESRI Shapefile (shp) or AutoCAD Drawing Interchange (dxf) file format using Florida State Plane coordinate system, East Zone (3601), Datum NAD83, HARN with the map units in feet. A map depicting the Conservation Easement over the best available satellite or aerial imagery shall also be provided. If the information is provided via hard copy the GIS data shall reside on CD disk and be submitted to the District's Environmental Resource Compliance Division in the service area office where the application was submitted.

The recorded easement shall utilize the form attached as Exhibit 4. Any proposed modification to the approved form must receive prior written consent from the District. The easement must be free of encumbrances or interests in the easement which the District determines are contrary to the intent of the easement. In the event it is later determined that there are encumbrances or interests in the easement which the District determines are contrary to the

intent of the easement, the permittee shall be required to provide release or subordination of such encumbrances or interests.

14. Prior to the commencement of construction and in conformance with the work schedule in Exhibit 6, the permittee shall provide an original letter of credit in the amount of \$718744.40 to ensure the permittee's financial ability and commitment to complete the proposed mitigation, monitoring and maintenance plan as shown on Exhibit No. 3. The financial assurance shall be in substantial conformance with Exhibit No. 5. The financial assurance shall be in effect for the entire period of the mitigation and monitoring program. Notification to the District by the financial institution or surety that the financial assurance will not be renewed or is no longer in effect shall constitute non-compliance with the permit.

Should the permit be transferred from the construction to operational phase prior to the completion of the mitigation and monitoring program, it will be incumbent upon the original permittee to either keep the existing financial assurance in force or provide replacement financial assurance in the name of the operational entity. The existing financial assurance cannot be released until a replacement document is received and accepted by the District.

15. A monitoring program shall be implemented in accordance with Exhibit No. 3. The monitoring program shall extend for a period of 5 years with annual reports submitted to District staff. At the end of the first monitoring period the mitigation area shall contain an 80% survival of planted vegetation. The 80% survival rate shall be maintained throughout the remainder of the monitoring program, with replanting as necessary. If native wetland, transitional, and upland species do not achieve an 80% coverage within the initial two years of the monitoring program, native species shall be planted in accordance with the maintenance program. At the end of the 5 year monitoring program the entire mitigation area shall contain an 80% survival of planted vegetation and an 80% coverage of desirable obligate and facultative wetland species.
16. The District reserves the right to require remedial measures to be taken by the permittee if monitoring or other information demonstrates that adverse impacts to onsite or offsite wetlands, upland conservation areas or buffers, or other surface waters have occurred due to project related activities.
17. A maintenance program shall be implemented in accordance with Exhibit No. 3 for the restored/enhanced wetland areas on a regular basis to ensure the integrity and viability of those areas as permitted. Maintenance shall be conducted in perpetuity to ensure that the conservation areas are maintained free from Category 1 exotic vegetation (as defined by the Florida Exotic Pest Plant Council at the time of permit issuance) immediately following a maintenance activity. Maintenance in perpetuity shall also insure that conservation areas, including buffers, maintain the species and coverage of native, desirable vegetation specified in the permit. Coverage of exotic and nuisance plant species shall not exceed 5% of total cover between maintenance activities. In addition, the permittee shall manage the conservation areas such that exotic/nuisance plant species do not dominate any one section of those areas.
18. Permanent physical markers designating the preserve status of the wetland preservation areas and buffer zones shall be placed at the intersection of the buffer and each lot line. These markers shall be maintained in perpetuity.
19. Activities associated with the implementation of the mitigation, monitoring and maintenance plan(s) shall be completed in accordance with the work schedule attached as Exhibit No. 6. Any deviation from these time frames must be coordinated with the District's Environmental Resource Compliance staff, and may require a minor modification to this permit. Such requests must be made in writing and shall include (1) reason for the change, (2) proposed start/finish and/or completion dates; and (3) progress report on the status of the project development or mitigation effort.

Project Work Schedule for Permit No. 06-07569-P

The following activities are requirements of this Permit and shall be completed in accordance with the Project Work Schedule below. Please refer to both General and Special Conditions for more information. Any deviation from these time frames will require prior approval from the District's Environmental Resources Bureau and may require a minor modification to this permit. Such requests must be made in writing and shall include: (1) reason for the change, (2) proposed start/finish and/or completion dates, and (3) progress report on the status of the project.

Condition No.	Date Added	Description	Due Date	Date Satisfied
GC 4	01/10/2020	Construction Commencement Notice	48 hours prior to Construction	
GC 6	01/10/2020	Submit Certification	30 Days After Construction Completion	
GC 7	01/10/2020	Submit Operation Entity Documentation	Within 30 days of Certification	
SC 7	01/10/2020	Pre-Construction Meeting	Prior to Construction	
SC 12	01/10/2020	Submit Mitigation Bank Ledger Documentation	09/23/2017	
SC 13	01/10/2020	Submit Recorded Conservation Easement	09/23/2017	
SC 14	01/10/2020	Submit Financial Assurances	Within 30 days of Permit Issuance	
SC 15	01/10/2020	Submit Monitoring Reports 1	Annually for 5 years	
SC 15		Submit Monitoring Reports 2	1 year after previous submission	
SC 15		Submit Monitoring Reports 3	1 year after previous submission	
SC 15		Submit Monitoring Reports 4	1 year after previous submission	
SC 15		Submit Monitoring Reports 5	1 year after previous submission	

GC = General Condition

SC = Special Condition

Distribution List

Sierra Ranch Homeowners Association, Inc
Amzak International, Inc
Audubon of Florida - Charles Lee
City of Pembroke Pines
Div of Recreation and Park - District 5
US Army Corps of Engineers - Permit Section
Broward County
City Of Fort Lauderdale

Exhibits

The following exhibits to this permit are incorporated by reference. The exhibits can be viewed by clicking on the links below or by visiting the District's ePermitting website at <http://my.sfwmd.gov/ePermitting> and searching under this application number 191205-2431 .

[Exhibit No. 1.0 Location Map](#)

[Exhibit No. 2.0 Plans](#)

[Exhibit No. 3.0 ENV](#)

[Exhibit No. 4.0 Conservation Easement](#)

[Exhibit No. 4.1 O&M POA Declaration of Covenants](#)

[Exhibit No. 5.0 Financial Assurance](#)

[Exhibit No. 5.1 Permit History](#)

[Exhibit No. 6.0 Monitoring Work Schedule](#)

NOTICE OF RIGHTS

As required by Sections 120.569 and 120.60(3), Fla. Stat., the following is notice of the opportunities which may be available for administrative hearing or judicial review when the substantial interests of a party are determined by an agency. Please note that this Notice of Rights is not intended to provide legal advice. Not all of the legal proceedings detailed below may be an applicable or appropriate remedy. You may wish to consult an attorney regarding your legal rights.

RIGHT TO REQUEST ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING

A person whose substantial interests are or may be affected by the South Florida Water Management District's (SFWMD or District) action has the right to request an administrative hearing on that action pursuant to Sections 120.569 and 120.57, Fla. Stat. Persons seeking a hearing on a SFWMD decision which affects or may affect their substantial interests shall file a petition for hearing with the Office of the District Clerk of the SFWMD, in accordance with the filing instructions set forth herein, within 21 days of receipt of written notice of the decision, unless one of the following shorter time periods apply: (1) within 14 days of the notice of consolidated intent to grant or deny concurrently reviewed applications for environmental resource permits and use of sovereign submerged lands pursuant to Section 373.427, Fla. Stat.; or (2) within 14 days of service of an Administrative Order pursuant to Section 373.119(1), Fla. Stat. "Receipt of written notice of agency decision" means receipt of written notice through mail, electronic mail, or posting that the SFWMD has or intends to take final agency action, or publication of notice that the SFWMD has or intends to take final agency action. Any person who receives written notice of a SFWMD decision and fails to file a written request for hearing within the timeframe described above waives the right to request a hearing on that decision.

If the District takes final agency action which materially differs from the noticed intended agency decision, persons who may be substantially affected shall, unless otherwise provided by law, have an additional Rule 28-106.111, Fla. Admin. Code, point of entry.

Any person to whom an emergency order is directed pursuant to Section 373.119(2), Fla. Stat., shall comply therewith immediately, but on petition to the board shall be afforded a hearing as soon as possible.

A person may file a request for an extension of time for filing a petition. The SFWMD may, for good cause, grant the request. Requests for extension of time must be filed with the SFWMD prior to the deadline for filing a petition for hearing. Such requests for extension shall contain a certificate that the moving party has consulted with all other parties concerning the extension and that the SFWMD and any other parties agree to or oppose the extension. A timely request for an extension of time shall toll the running of the time period for filing a petition until the request is acted upon.

FILING INSTRUCTIONS

A petition for administrative hearing must be filed with the Office of the District Clerk of the SFWMD. Filings with the Office of the District Clerk may be made by mail, hand-delivery, or e-mail. Filings by facsimile will not be accepted. A petition for administrative hearing or other document is deemed filed upon receipt during normal business hours by the Office of the District Clerk at SFWMD headquarters in West Palm Beach, Florida. The District's normal business hours are 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., excluding weekends and District holidays. Any document received by the Office of the District Clerk after 5:00 p.m. shall be deemed filed as of 8:00 a.m. on the next regular business day.

Additional filing instructions are as follows:

- Filings by mail must be addressed to the Office of the District Clerk, 3301 Gun Club Road, West Palm Beach, Florida 33406.
- Filings by hand-delivery must be delivered to the Office of the District Clerk. Delivery of a petition to the SFWMD's security desk does not constitute filing. It will be necessary to request that the SFWMD's security officer contact the Office of the District Clerk. An employee of the SFWMD's Clerk's office will receive and file the petition.
- Filings by e-mail must be transmitted to the Office of the District Clerk at clerk@sfwmd.gov. The filing date for a document transmitted by electronic mail shall be the date the Office of the District Clerk receives the complete document. A party who files a document by e-mail shall (1) represent that the original physically signed document will be retained by that party for the duration of the proceeding and of any subsequent appeal or subsequent proceeding in that cause and that the party shall produce it upon the request of other parties; and (2) be responsible for any delay, disruption, or interruption of the electronic signals and accepts the full risk that the document may not be properly filed.

INITIATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING

Pursuant to Sections 120.54(5)(b)4. and 120.569(2)(c), Fla. Stat., and Rules 28-106.201 and 28-106.301, Fla. Admin. Code, initiation of an administrative hearing shall be made by written petition to the SFWMD in legible form and on 8 1/2 by 11 inch white paper. All petitions shall contain:

1. Identification of the action being contested, including the permit number, application number, SFWMD file number or any other SFWMD identification number, if known.
2. The name, address, any email address, any facsimile number, and telephone number of the petitioner and petitioner's representative, if any.
3. An explanation of how the petitioner's substantial interests will be affected by the agency determination.
4. A statement of when and how the petitioner received notice of the SFWMD's decision.
5. A statement of all disputed issues of material fact. If there are none, the petition must so indicate.
6. A concise statement of the ultimate facts alleged, including the specific facts the petitioner contends warrant reversal or modification of the SFWMD's proposed action.
7. A statement of the specific rules or statutes the petitioner contends require reversal or modification of the SFWMD's proposed action.
8. If disputed issues of material fact exist, the statement must also include an explanation of how the alleged facts relate to the specific rules or statutes.
9. A statement of the relief sought by the petitioner, stating precisely the action the petitioner wishes the SFWMD to take with respect to the SFWMD's proposed action.

MEDIATION

The procedures for pursuing mediation are set forth in Section 120.573, Fla. Stat., and Rules 28-106.111 and 28-106.401-.405, Fla. Admin. Code. The SFWMD is not proposing mediation for this agency action under Section 120.573, Fla. Stat., at this time.

RIGHT TO SEEK JUDICIAL REVIEW

Pursuant to Section 120.68, Fla. Stat., and in accordance with Florida Rule of Appellate Procedure 9.110, a party who is adversely affected by final SFWMD action may seek judicial review of the SFWMD's final decision by filing a notice of appeal with the Office of the District Clerk of the SFWMD in accordance with the filing instructions set forth herein within 30 days of rendition of the order to be reviewed, and by filing a copy of the notice with the clerk of the appropriate district court of appeal.