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PART I LAKE ISTOKPOGA — INDIAN PRAIRIE AREA

40E-22.011 — Policy and Purpose.

This part establishes minimum water levels for Lake Istokpoga and the canals within the Indian Prairie Basin, minimum flows for the canals within the Indian Prairie Basin and Arbuckle Creek and Josephine Creek and a permit classification system and water shortage plan for the Lake Istokpoga-Indian Prairie Area. The rules in this part apply to water withdrawals from Lake Istokpoga and the Indian Prairie Basin.

Specific Authority 373.044, 373.113 FS. Law Implemented 373.042, 373.086, 373.103(4), 373.175, 373.246 FS. History — New 9-3-81, Formerly 16K-30.01, 40E-21.011.

40E-22.061 — Indian Prairie Basin Boundary.

(See Figure 21-1.) The Indian Prairie Basin includes the areas within the following boundaries: Begin at the northeast corner of Section 1, Township 38 South, Range 33

East, in the North boundary line of Glades County; thence, southwesterly, to the southwest corner of the northwest one-quarter of said Section 1; thence, southerly, along the West line of Sections 1 and 12, Township 38 South, Range 33 East, to the northwest corner of Section 13, Township 38 South, Range 33 East; thence, southeasterly, to the southeast corner of Section 19, Township 38 South, Range 34 East; thence, southerly, to the intersection thereof with the southerly right of way line of South Florida Water Management District Levee 59; thence, southwesterly, along the southeasterly right of way lines of South Florida Water Management District Levees 59, 60 and 61, to the intersection thereof with the southerly right of way line of South Florida Water Management District Levee 50; thence, westerly and northerly, along said right of way line and its northerly extension, to the intersection thereof with the North line of Section 2, Township 40 South, Range 31 East; thence, westerly, along the Section line, to the southwest corner of Section 35, Township 39 South, Range 31 East; thence, northerly, along the Section line, to the northwest corner of said Section 35; thence, northwesterly, to the northwest corner of Section 27, Township 39 South, Range 31 East; thence, northwesterly to the northwest corner of Section 21, Township 39 South, Range 31 East; thence, westerly, along the Section line, to the southwest corner of Section 17, Township 39 South, Range 31 East, thence, northwesterly, to the southeast corner of the southwest one-quarter of Section 7, Township 39 South, Range 31 East; thence, northwesterly, to the northwest corner of the southwest one-quarter of said Section 7 in the boundary line between Glades and Highlands Counties; thence, northwesterly, to the southwest corner of the southeast one-guarter of Section 1. Township 39 South, Range 30 East; thence northerly to the northwest corner of the northeast one-quarter of said Section 1; thence, northwesterly, to the southeast corner of the North one-half of Section 35, Township 38 South, Range 30 East; thence, westerly, along the South line of the North one-half of said Section 35 to the southwest corner of the East one-half of the northwest one-quarter of said Section 35 and the westerly boundary of the South Florida Water Management District; thence, along the following three courses, being the westerly boundary of said South Florida Water Management District: 1) Thence, northerly along the West line of Sections 35, the East one-half of the West one-half of Sections 35, 26, and 23, Township 38 South, Range 30 East, to the northwest corner of the East one-half of the West one-half of Sections 35. 26, and 23, Township 38 South, Range 30 East, to the northwest corner of the East one-half of West one-half of said Section 23; 2) Thence, westerly along the Section line to the southwest corner of Section 14, Township 38 South, Range 30 East; 3) Thence, northerly along the West line of Sections 14, 11 and 2. Township 38 South, Range 30 East, and Sections 35, 26, 23, 14, 11 and 2, Township 37 South, Range 30 East, to the intersection thereof with the center line of State Road 621; thence, easterly, northerly and northeasterly, along said centerline, to the intersection thereof with the North line of the South one-half of Section 10, Township 36 South, Range 31 East; thence, easterly to the northeast corner of the South one-half of said Section 10, thence, easterly, to the northwest corner of the South one-half of Section 12, Township 36 South, Range 31 East; thence, easterly, to the northeast corner of the South one-half of said Section 12; thence, southerly, along the Range line between Ranges 31 and 32 to the northwest corner of Section 6, Township 37 South, Range 32 East; thence, easterly, along the Township line between Townships 36 and 37, to the northwest corner of Section 5,

Township 37 South, Range 33 East; thence, southeasterly, to the southeast corner of said Section 5 thence, southerly, along the Section line, to the northwest corner of Section 16, Township 37 South, Range 33 East; thence, southeasterly, to the southeast corner of said Section 16; thence southeasterly, to the northeast corner of the southwest one-quarter of Section 22, Township 37 South, Range 33 East; thence, southerly, to the southeast corner of the southwest one-quarter of said Section 22; thence, southerly, to the northwest corner of northeast one-quarter of Section 34, Township 37 South, Range 33 East; thence, easterly, along the North line of Section 34 and 35, Township 37 South, Range 33 East, to the northeast corner of said Section 35; thence, southeasterly, to the point of intersection of the South right of way line of South Florida Water Management District Canal 41-A and the East line of Section 36, Township 37 South, Range 33 East; thence, southerly, along the Section line, to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

Specific Authority 373.044, 373.113 FS. Law Implemented 373.103, 373.175, 373.246 FS. History — New 9-3-81, Formerly 16K-30.02, 40E-21.061.

40E-22.072 — Minimum Levels.

The following minimum levels shall be maintained.

(1) Lake Istokpoga

- (a) The minimum levels for Lake Istokpoga are shown in Figure 21-2.
- (b) The District may, after public notice, allow the minimum levels in Figure 21-2 to be temporarily lowered for environmental or water quality reasons.

(2)	Primary Canals ((feet above mean sea level)
	(a)	Canal 39-A above Structure 75	22.5
	(b)	Canal 40 above Structure 72	17.7
	(c)	Canal 41 above Structure 71	17.0
	(d)	Canal 41 above Structure 70	22.5
	(e)	Canal 41-A above Structure 84	21.7
	(f)	Canal 41-A above Structures 82	and 83 29.0
	(g)	Borrow Canal of Interceptor Leve	ee 59 17.7
	(h)	Borrow Canal of Interceptor Leve	ee 60 17.7

(i) Borrow Canal of Interceptor Levee 61 17.0

Specific Authority 373.044, 373.113 FS. Law Implemented 373.042, 373.086, 373.103(4) FS. History — New 9-3-81, Formerly 16K-30.03, 16K-30.05, 40E-21.072.

40E-22.082 — **Minimum Flows.**

The following minimum monthly flows shall be maintained:

- (1) Canals 39-A, 40, 41 and 41-A
 - (a) The monthly sum of the discharges at Structures 71, 72, 84, 127, 129, and 131 shall not be less than:

MONTH	MINIMUM FLOW
	(in acre-feet)
January	220
February	650
March	800
April	540
May	440
June	6500
July	5800
August	5500
September	6100
October	9200
November	1600
December	360

(b) If Lake Istokpoga is at or below its minimum level, no releases will be made for the sole purpose of maintaining the minimum flows established in this subsection.

(2) Arbuckle Creek

(a) The monthly discharge measured at U. S. Highway Number 98 shall not be less than:

MONTH	MINIMUM FLOW
	(in acre-feet)
January	9,025
February	9,025
March	9,025
April	7,790
May	5,510
June	8,550
July	19,000
August	26,600
September	27,550
October	28,500
November	11,400
December	7,790

(3) Josephine Creek

(a) The monthly discharge measured at State Road Number 17 shall not be less than:

MONTH MINIMUM FLOW (in acre-feet)

January	1,995
February	1,995
March	1,995
April	1,615
May	1,045
June	2,090
July	4,275
August	5,795
September	8,075
October	6,365
November	2,945
December	2,280

Specific Authority 373.044, 373.113 FS. Law Implemented 373.042, 373.086, 373.103(4) FS. History — New 9-3-81, Formerly 16K-30.04, 16K-30.06, 40E-21.082.

40E-22.112 — Permit Classification.

- (1) Water use permits will be classified by source and use within the following areas:
 - (a) all lands receiving water from Lake Istokpoga including the Lake Istokpoga Canal between Lake Istokpoga and the Lake Istokpoga canal structure;
 - (b) all lands within the Indian Prairie Basin as defined in Rule 40E-21.062;
 - (c) all lands receiving water from the borrow canals of Interceptor Levees 59, 60 and 61.
- (2) Source Classification.
 - (a) The following waters shall be classified "S".

- 1. Lake Istokpoga including the Lake Istokpoga Canal between Lake Istokpoga and the Lake Istokpoga canal structure;
- 2. Canals 39-A, 40, 41 and 41-A;
- 3. The borrow canals of Interceptor Levees 59, 60 and 61;
- 4. Any ditches and canals connecting with the facilities listed in subparagraphs 1., 2., or 3.
- (b) The portion of the water table aquifer lying within 2,000 feet of the following waters shall be classified "G-1".
 - 1. The shore line of Lake Istokpoga, including the Lake Istokpoga Canal between Lake Istokpoga and the Lake Istokpoga canal structure;
 - 2. Canals 39-A, 40, 41 and 41-A;
 - 3. The borrow canals of Interceptor Levees 59, 60 and 61;
 - 4. Any ditch or canal connecting with Canals 39-A, 40, 41 and 41-A or the borrow canals of Interceptor Levees 59, 60 and 61 and with a depth below ground level in excess of 15 feet.
 - (c) The water table aquifer within areas specified in subsection (1), other than that portion of the aquifer described in paragraph (2)(b), shall be classified "G-2".
 - (d) The water body that has the generic name "Floridan Aquifer" (Artesian) shall be classified "G-3".
 - (3) Use Classification. All uses shall be classified as provided in Rule 40E-2.501.

Specific Authority 373.044, 373.113 FS. Law Implemented 373.246 FS. History — New 9-3-81, Formerly 16K-30.07, 40E-21.112.

40E-22.122 — Termination of Withdrawals.

Upon notice from the District, water withdrawals under permits having source classification "S" shall be terminated when any of the minimum levels specified in Rule 40E-22.072 is reached.

Specific Authority 373.044, 373.113 FS. Law Implemented 373.086, 373.103(4), 373.246 FS. History — New 9-3-81, Formerly 16K-30.08, 40E-21.122.

40E-22.132 — Water Shortage Plan.

- (1) The Water Shortage Plan in this section establishes criteria to be used when the Board declares that a water shortage exists within the Lake Istokpoga-Indian Prairie Area for users with a source classification of "S". This Plan is intended to insure that the minimum flows and levels within the area are maintained and that the water resources within the Area do not suffer serious harm.
- (2) Permits with the use classifications designated in Rule 40E-2.501 shall be grouped as follows:
 - (a) Group 1: Domestic and Essential Service
 - (b) Group 2: Public Supply
 - (c) Group 3: Livestock and Agricultural
 - (d) Group 4: Industrial and Mining
- (3) If the Board declares a water shortage or the Executive Director declares a water shortage emergency within the Lake Istokpoga-Indian Prairie Area, then permits with source classification of "S" and within Groups 2, 3 or 4, shall be restricted as follows until the shortage is satisfied:
 - (a) If the forecast shortage for the period is 25 percent or less of the estimated demand for the period, then the percentage reduction for permits within Groups 2 and 3 shall be equal, and the percentage reduction for permits within Group 4 shall be 5 percentage points higher than that of permits for Groups 2 and 3.
 - (b) If the forecast shortage for the period is greater than 25 percent but not greater than 35 percent of the estimated demand for the period, then the first 25 percent of the deficiency shall be satisfied as specified in paragraph (a) and the remaining deficiency shall be determined, and the percentage reduction for permits within Group 3 shall be 5 percentage points higher than that for permits within Group 2 and the percentage reduction for permits within Group 4 shall be 10 percentage points higher than that for permits within Group 2.
 - (c) If the forecast shortage for the period is greater than 35 percent of the estimated demand for the period, then the first 35 percent of the deficiency shall be satisfied as specified in paragraphs (a) and (b) and no further restrictions shall be applied to permits within Group 2. The remaining deficiency shall be determined, and the percentage reduction for permits

within Group 4 shall be 5 percentage points higher than that of permits within Group 3.

(4) No restrictions shall be made upon permits within Group 1 under this Water Shortage Plan.

Specific Authority 373.044, 373.113 FS. Law Implemented 373.246 FS. History — New 9-3-81, Formerly 16K-30.09, 40E-21.132.

PART II ST. LUCIE COUNTY AGRICULTURAL AREA

40E-22.212 — Policy and Purpose.

This part establishes minimum flows and levels for Canals 23, 24 and 25 and a permit classification system for the St. Lucie County Agricultural Area. The rules in this part apply to water withdrawals within the St. Lucie County Agricultural Area and water withdrawals from Canal 25 below Structure 99.

Specific Authority 373.044, 373.113 FS. Law Implemented 373.042, 373.086, 373.103(4), 373.175, 373.246 FS. History — New 9-3-81, Formerly 16K-31.01, 40E-21.212.

40E-22.222 — St. Lucie County Agricultural Area Boundary.

(See Figure 21-3.) The St. Lucie County Agricultural Area includes the area within the following boundaries:

BEGINNING at the Northeast corner of Section 1, Township 34 South, Range 38 East thence, Southerly along the East line of Sections 1, 12 and 13, Township 34 South, Range 38 East, to the Northwest corner of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 18, Township 34 South, Range 39 East; thence, Easterly to the Northeast corner of the Southwest one-quarter of said Section 18; thence, Southerly along the East line of the West one-half of Sections 18, 19, 30 and 31, Township 34 South, Range 39 East, and Sections 6 and 7, Township 35 South, Range 39 East, to the Northwest corner of the Southeast one-quarter of said Section 7; thence, Easterly to the Northeast corner of the Southeast one-quarter of said Section 7; thence, Southerly to the Southeast corner of the Southeast one-quarter of said Section 7; thence, Easterly to the Northeast corner of the West one-half of Section 17, Township 35 South, Range 39 East; thence, Southerly along the East line of the West one-half of Sections 17 and 20, Township 35 South, Range 39 East, to the Southeast corner of the West one-half of said Section 20; thence, Easterly to the Northeast corner of Section 29, Township 35 South, Range 39 East; thence, Southerly along the East line of Sections 29 and 32, Township 35 South, Range 39 East, and Section 5, Township 36 South, Range 39 East, to the Southeast corner of said Section 5; thence, Westerly along the South line of Sections 5 and 6, Township 36 South, Range 39 East, to the Northeast corner of the West one-half of Section 7,

Township 36 South, Range 39 East; thence, Southerly along the East line of the West one-half of Sections 7 and 18, Township 36 South, Range 39 East, to the Northwest corner of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 19, Township 36 South, Range 39 East; thence, Easterly along the North line of Sections 19, 20, 21 and 22, Township 36 South, Range 39 East, to the Northeast corner of said Section 22; thence, Southerly, along the East line of Sections 22 and 27, Township 36 South, Range 39 East, to Southeast corner of said Section 27; thence, Southeasterly to the Northeast corner of Section 2, Township 37 South, Range 39 East; thence, Southerly along the East line of Sections 2, 11, 14, 23, 26 and 35, Township 37 South, Range 39 East, to the Southeast corner of said Section 35 in the boundary line between St. Lucie County and Martin County; thence, continue Southerly along the East line of Sections 2, 11 and 14, Township 38 South, Range 39 East, to the Southeast corner of said Section 14; thence, Westerly along the South line of Sections 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18, Township 38 South, Range 39 East, Sections 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18, Township 38 South, Range 38 East and Section 13, Township 38 South, Range 37 East; to the Southeast corner of Section 13, Township 38 South, Range 37 East; thence Northerly along the West line of said Section 13, to the Northwest corner of said Section 13; thence, Westerly along the South line of Sections 11 and 10, Township 38 South, Range 37 East to the Southwest corner of said Section 10; thence, Northerly along the West line of Sections 10 and 3, Township 38 South, Range 37 East to the Northwest corner of said Section 3 in the boundary line between Martin County and St. Lucie County; thence, continue Northerly along the West line of Section 34, Township 37 South, Range 37 East, to the Southeast corner of Section 28, Township 37 South, Range 37 East; thence, Westerly along the South line of said Section 28, to the Southwest corner of said Section 28; thence, Northerly along the West line of Sections 28, 21 and 16, Township 37 South, Range 37 East, to the Northwest corner of said Section 16; thence, Westerly along the South line of Sections 8 and 7, Township 37 South, Range 37 East, to the Southwest corner of said Section 7 in the boundary line between St. Lucie County and Okeechobee County: thence, Northerly along said boundary line, also being the West line of said Section 7, to the Southeast corner of Section 1, Township 37 South, Range 36 East; thence, Westerly along the South line of Sections 1 and 2, Township 37 South, Range 36 East, to the Southwest corner of said Section 2; thence, Northerly, along the West line of said Section 2 and along the West line of Section 35, Township 36 South, Range 36 East, to the Southeast corner of Section 27, Township 36 South, Range 36 East; thence, Northwesterly to the Southwest corner of Section 22, Township 36 South, Range 36 East: thence. Northerly along the west line of said Section 22, to the Southeast corner of Section 16, Township 36 South, Range 36 East; thence, Northwesterly to the Southeast corner of Section 8, Township 36 South, Range 36 East; thence, Westerly along the South line of said Section 8, to the Southwest corner of said Section 8; thence, Northerly along the West line of Sections 8 and 5, Township 36 South, Range 36 East, to the Northwest corner of said Section 5; thence, Northwesterly to the Southeast corner of Section 25, Township 35 South, Range 35 East; thence, Westerly along the South line of said Section 25, to the Southwest corner of the East one-half of said Section 25; thence, Northerly along the West line of the East one-half of Sections 25, 24 and 13, Township 35 South, Range 35 East, to the Southeast corner of the Northwest one-guarter of said Section 13; thence, Westerly along the South line of the

North one-half of Sections 13 and 14, Township 35 South, Range 35 East, to the Southwest corner of the North one-half of said Section 14; thence, Northerly along the West line of Sections 14, 11, and 2, Township 35 South, Range 35 East, to the Northwest corner of said Section 2 and the Northerly boundary of the South Florida Water Management District; Thence, along the following 9 courses, being the Northerly boundary of said South Florida Water Management District; 1) Thence, Easterly along the North line of said Section 2 to the Southwest corner of Section 36, Township 34 South, Range 35 East; 2) Thence, Northerly along the West line of Sections 36, 25, 24 and 13, Township 34 South, Range 35 East, to the Northwest corner of said Section 13; 3) Thence, Easterly along the North line of said Section 13 to the Northeast corner of said Section 13 and the Range line between Ranges 35 and 36 East; 4) Thence, Northerly along said Range line to the Northwest corner of Section 18, Township 34 South, Range 36 East; 5) Thence, Easterly along the North line of Sections 18, 17 and 16, Township 34 South, Range 36 East, to the Southwest corner of Section 10, Townships 34 South, Range 36 East; 6) Thence, Northerly along the West line of said Section 10 to the Northwest corner of said Section 10; 7) Thence, Easterly along the North line of Sections 10, 11 and 12, Township 34 South, Range 36 East, to the Northeast corner of said Section 12 and the Okeechobee-St. Lucie County Line; 8) Thence, Northerly along said County line to the South line of Indian River County; 9) Thence, Easterly along the St. Lucie-Indian River County line to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

The above described parcel of land being situated in Martin, Okeechobee and St. Lucie Counties.

LEVEL

Specific Authority 373.044, 373.113 FS. Law Implemented 373.103, 373.175, 373.246 FS. History — New 9-3-81, Formerly 16K-31.02, 40E-21.222.

40E-22.232 — Minimum Levels.

The following minimum levels shall be maintained:

CANAL

		(feet above mean sea level)
(a)	Canal 23 above Structure 97	14.0
(b)	Canal 23 between Structure 48 and Structure 97	4.0
(c)	Canal 24 above Structure 49	14.0
(d)	Canal 25 above Structure 99	14.0

(e) Canal 25 between Structure 50 and 8.0 Structure 99

Specific Authority 373.044, 373.113 FS. Law Implemented 373.042, 373.086, 373.103(4) FS. History — New 9-3-81, Formerly 16K-31.04, 40E-21.232.

40E-22.242 — **Minimum Flows**.

- (1) The following minimum monthly flows shall be maintained:
 - (a) The monthly discharge at Structure 48 shall not be less than:

MONTH	MINIMUM FLOW
	(in acre-feet)
January	292
February	329
March	365
April	219
May	401
June	1,168
July	1,533
August	1,533
September	1,680
October	2,118
November	694
December	292

(b) The monthly discharge at Structure 49 shall not be less than:

MONTH	MINIMUM FLOW
	(in acre-feet)
January	439
February	319
March	319

April 280

May 439

June 1,636

July 998

August 1,636

September 1,277

October 1,636

November 430

December 240

(c) The monthly discharge at Structure 50 shall not be less than:

MONTH MINIMUM FLOW (in acre-feet)

January 480

February 400

March 560

April 520

May 440

June 1,279

July 1,639

August 1,399

September 1,199

October 1,679

November 1,439

December 399

- (2) If Canal 23, 24, or 25 is at or below the following levels the minimum flow requirement for that canal will be suspended until the canal exceeds these levels:
 - (a) Dry Season (October 15 through May 14)

CANAL LEVEL

(feet above mean sea level)

C-23 above Structure 97 23.2

C-24 above Structure 49 21.2

C-25 above Structure 99 21.2

(b) Wet Season (May 15 through October 14)

CANAL LEVEL

(feet above mean sea level)

C-23 above Structure 97 22.2

C-24 above Structure 49 20.2

C-25 above Structure 99 20.2

Specific Authority 373.044, 373.113 FS. Law Implemented 373.042, 373.086, 373.103(4) FS. History — New 9-3-81, Formerly 16K-31.03, 40E-21.242.

40E-22.252 — Permit Classification.

- (1) Water Use Permits will be classified by source and use.
- (2) Source Classification.
 - (a) Canals 23, 24 or 25 and all ditches and canals connecting with Canals 23, 24 or 25 shall be given a source classification of "S".

- (b) The portion of the water table aquifer lying within 2,000 feet of the following waters shall be classified "G-1":
 - 1. The centerline of Canals 23, 24 or 25;
 - 2. Any ditch or canal connecting with Canals 23, 24 or 25 and with a depth below ground level in excess of 15 feet.
- (c) The portion of the water table aquifer other than that described in paragraph (b) shall be classified "G-2".
- (d) The water body that has the generic name "Floridan Aquifer" (Artesian) shall be classified "G-3".
- (3) Use Classification. All uses shall be classified as provided in Rule 40E-2.501.

Specific Authority 373.044, 373.113 FS. Law Implemented 373.246 FS. History — New 9-3-81, Formerly 16K-31.05, 40E-21.252.

40E-22.262 — Termination of Withdrawals.

- (1) Upon notice from the District, water withdrawals under permits having source classification "S" shall be terminated under the following conditions:
 - (a) For water withdrawals directly from either Canal 23, 24 or 25: when level in the primary canal from which water is being withdrawn reaches the minimum level set forth in Rule 40E-22.242.
 - (b) For water withdrawals made from canals or ditches connecting with either Canal 23, 24 or 25: when the level in the connecting canal from which water is being withdrawn reaches an elevation of 14.0 feet mean sea level.
- (2) The cessation of water withdrawals will remain in effect until the level in either the primary canal or the connecting canal rises above an elevation of 14.0 feet mean sea level and the District has notified permit holders that they may resume making withdrawals.

Specific Authority 373.044, 373.113 FS. Law Implemented 373.086, 373.103(4), 373.246 FS. History — New 9-3-81, Formerly 16K-31.06, 40E-21.262

40E-22.272 — Water Use Restrictions.

- (1) When Canal 25 is less than 10.0 feet above mean sea level at Structure 50, the District may, upon notice, initiate restrictions upon agricultural, livestock, mining, industrial and recreational uses which receive their water from the section of Canal 25 between Structure 99 and Structure 50. Restrictions shall remain in force until that section of Canal 25 rises above 10.0 feet mean sea level and the District has given notice that withdrawals may be resumed.
- (2) When Canal 25 is less than 8.0 feet above mean sea level at Structure 50, the District may, upon notice, initiate restrictions upon public supply uses which receive their water from the section of canal 25 between Structure 99 and Structure 50. Restrictions shall remain in force until that section of Canal 25 rises above 8.0 feet above mean sea level and the District has given notice that withdrawals may be resumed.

Specific Authority 373.044, 373.113 FS. Law Implemented 373.086, 373.103(4), 373.246 FS. History — New 9-3-81, Formerly 16K-31.07, 40E-21.272.

PART III LAKE OKEECHOBEE REGION

40E-22.312 Policy and Purpose.

This section identifies water levels within Lake Okeechobee that will be considered by the Governing Board in declaring a water shortage pursuant to Rule 40E-21.231, F.A.C. The rules in this section apply to the withdrawal of surface water from the Lake Okeechobee Region as depicted on Figure 21-4 and described in Subsection 40E-21.691(3), F.A.C., and the Brighton Reservation in accordance with the terms of the Water Rights Compact Among the Seminole Tribe of Florida, the state of Florida, and the South Florida Water Management District ("Seminole Compact").

Specific Authority 373.044, 373.113 FS. Law Implemented 373.042, 373.0421, 373.086, 373.103(4), 373.175, 373.246 FS. History – New, 9-10-01.

40E-22.322 Geographic Application.

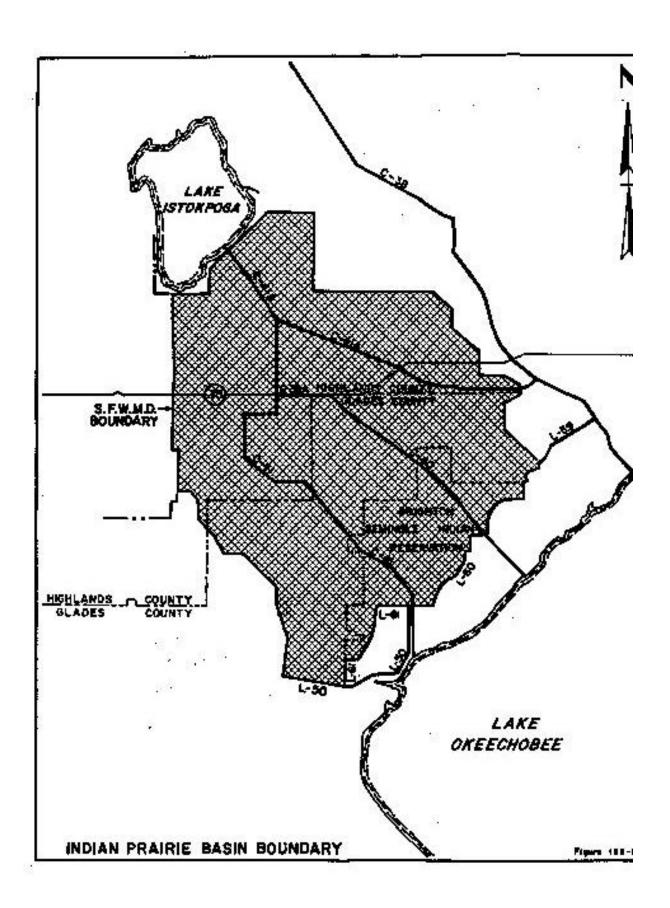
This rule shall be applied to the Lake Okeechobee Region described in Subsection 40E-21.691(3), F.A.C., and the Brighton Reservation in accordance with the terms of the Seminole Compact. In addition, depending upon particular hydrologic conditions, restrictions imposed under this section may be applied to agricultural users of Lake Okeechobee and its connected canal system that are in areas outside the Lake Okeechobee Region. Such areas will be identified, as appropriate in the specific water shortage order declaring the restrictions.

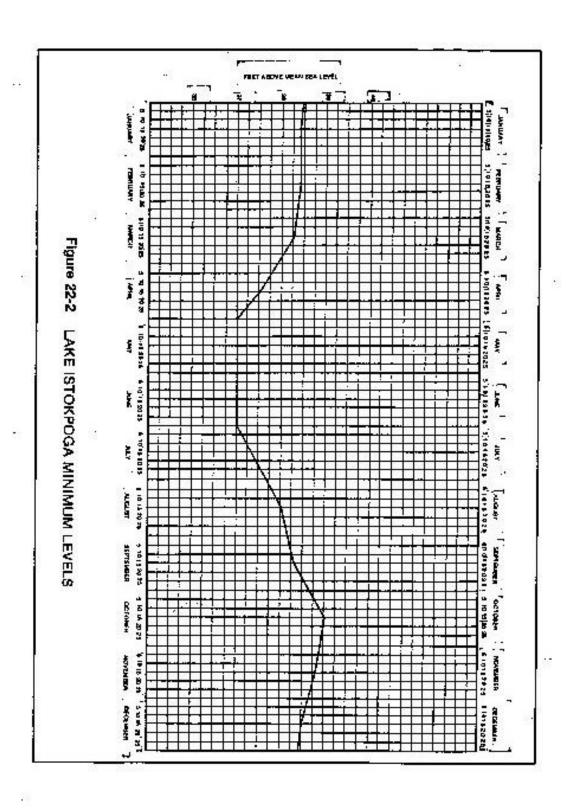
Specific Authority 373.044, 373.113 FS. Law Implemented 373.042, 373.0421, 373.086, 373.103(4), 373.175, 373.246 FS. History – New, 9-10-01.

40E-22.332 Water Shortage Triggers.

- (1) Water shortage trigger levels for Lake Okeechobee are shown on Figure 22-4. When water levels within Lake Okeechobee fall below these trigger levels, the governing board may impose water shortage restrictions pursuant to Rules 40E-21.231, 40E-8.441, F.A.C. and this Part. In considering declaring a water shortage, the governing board shall consider other factors evaluated in this Part and Rule 40E-21.221, F.A.C., along with these trigger levels.
- (2) (a) When water levels within Lake Okeechobee fall within Zone "A" depicted on Figure 22-4, a Phase I water shortage may be declared within the service area, pursuant to Rule 40E-21.521, F.A.C..
 - (b) When water levels within Lake Okeechobee fall within "Zone A" area depicted on Figure 22-4, and can be expected to reach a June 1st lake stage of 10.5 feet NGVD, a Phase II water shortage may be declared within the service area pursuant to Rule 40E-21.531, F.A.C.
 - (c) When water levels within Lake Okeechobee fall below, or can be expected to fall below the June 1st lake stage of 10.5 feet NGVD, a Phase III or greater water shortage may be declared within the service area pursuant to Rule 40E-21.541, F.A.C.

Specific Authority 373.044, 373.113 FS. Law Implemented 373.042, 373.0421, 373.086, 373.103(4), 373.175, 373.246 FS. History – New 9-10-01.





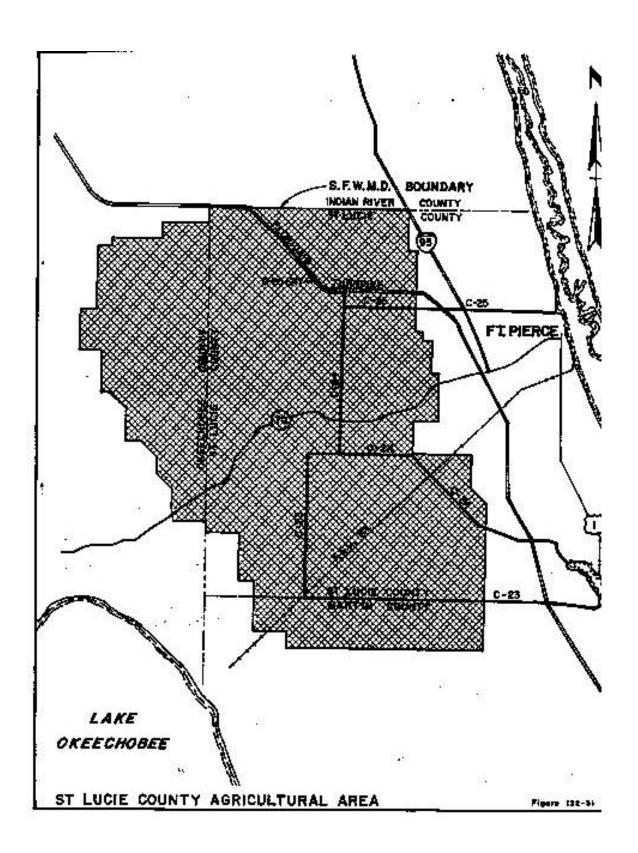


Fig 22-4: Water Shortage Trigger Levels for Lake Okeechobee as Referenced in Rule 40E-22.332, F.A.C.

