

Notice of Development of Rulemaking

WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICTS South Florida Water Management District

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

40E-8.221: Minimum Flows and Levels (MFLs): Surface Waters

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: To increase the MFL flow criteria at the S-79 structure from 300 cubic feet per second (cfs) to 400 cfs and to revise the duration and return frequency components of the MFL criteria. The draft rule will be made available on February 1, 2018 at the South Florida Water Management District's minimum flows and minimum water levels webpage at <https://www.sfwmd.gov/our-work/mfl>.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Minimum Flows and Levels for the Caloosahatchee River Estuary

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: [373.042](#), [373.044](#), [373.113](#), , [373.119](#), [373.129](#), [373.136](#), [373.171 FS](#).

LAW IMPLEMENTED: [373.016](#), [373.036](#), [373.042](#), [373.0421](#), [373.175](#), [373.216](#), [373.219](#), [373.223](#), [373.246](#), [373.709 FS](#).

A RULE DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP WILL BE HELD AT THE DATE, TIME AND PLACE SHOWN BELOW:

DATE AND TIME: February 15, 2018 at 10:00 am

PLACE: South Florida Water Management District, Fort Myers Service Center, 1st Floor Conference Room, 2301 McGregor Boulevard, Fort Myers, FL 33901

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 5 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: South Florida Water Management District Clerk's Office, (561) 682-6805. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT, IF AVAILABLE, IS: Don Medellin at dmedelli@sfwmd.gov or call (561) 682-6340.

THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS AVAILABLE AT NO CHARGE FROM THE CONTACT PERSON LISTED ABOVE.