

South Florida Water Management District

Public Meeting to Discuss Regulatory Matters

August 20, 2014
10:00 a.m.
South Florida Water Management District - B-1 Storch Room
3301 Gun Club Road, West Palm Beach, FL 33406

MEETING MINUTES

Staff Present:

Sharon M. Trost, Director, Regulation Division
Anthony Waterhouse, Assistant Director, Regulation Division
Charles Walter, Regulatory Administrator, Orlando Service Center
Dan Waters, Regulatory Administrator, Orlando Service Center
Stan Orlowski, Section Administrator, Regulatory Support
Maria Clemente, Bureau Chief, Water Use
Anita Bain, Bureau Chief, Environmental Resource Permitting Bureau
Ricardo Valera, Bureau Chief, Environmental Resource Compliance
Jesse Markel, Section Leader, Okeechobee Service Center

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Sharon Trost at 10:04 a.m. Ms. Trost reviewed the purpose and requested all comments be regarding regulatory issues and introduced staff at headquarters and the service centers. There were four members of the public present at the District Headquarters. There were no members of the public present at any of the service centers.

2. Applications of Heightened Public Concern Pending Final Action

Application 140708-16 All Aboard Florida MP 293.94-299.83 and MP 340.19-341.24

Public Comment: Alex Larson expressed concern and opposition to the issuance of this permit.

Staff explained that this permit is for the tracks that will go around the central stations. This

application can stand alone it will be used if the overall permit is not issued.

Public Comment: Alex Larson requested clarification of the District parameters in regards to holding back a permit until studies are completed.

Staff explained that when an application is received there are certain deadlines that must be met, if an application is found to require further information a letter is sent to the applicant requesting the additional information.

Public Comment: Anne Kuhl expressed opposition to the issuance of this permit. Ms. Kuhl is concerned with the various smaller applications being permitted without being considered in its entirety.

Staff explained that the applicant is requesting to use the railroad lines that are already in existence and therefore do not require permits from the District. The applications coming to the District are for those areas were additional track are require to go around the stations or to cross water bodies for the West Palm to Miami areas. New lines would be added from the Cocoa Beach to Orlando stretch in the future.

3. Applications of Heightened Public Concern Not Complete

Application 050202-14 Airport -Sears M S B U Master Plan Drainage Improvements

Public Comment: Alex Larson inquired regarding the status of this application.

Staff explained that the project is currently on waiver due to revisions being made to the plans.

Application 090107-1 Crosstown Parkway Extension (Bridge Over North Forks)

Public Comment: Alex Larson expressed concern and opposition to the issuance of this permit

4. Public Comment on other Pending Permit Applications

Application 140327-13 Bridges

Public Comment: Alex Larson inquired regarding this application.

Staff responded with a brief summary of the application.

Application 140529-4 Nob Hill Road- County Line Road to Lox Road

Public Comment: Alex Larson inquired regarding this application.

Staff responded with a brief summary of the application.

Application 140613-7 Loxahatchee Reserve

Public Comment: Alex Larson inquired regarding this application.

Staff explained the application is on waiver.

Application 140619-2 Everglades Works of the District Modification

Public Comment: Alex Larson inquired regarding this application.

Staff explained that a Works of the District pertains to the Better Management Practice (BMP's) and this is just modifying the plan.

Application 140618-1 Harper Brothers Rock Mine

Public Comment: Alex Larson inquired regarding this application.

Staff responded with a brief summary of the application.

Application 140703-17 Lake Worth Drainage District

Public Comment: Alex Larson inquired regarding this application.

Staff responded with a brief summary of the application.

Comment concerning Rock Mining in General

Public Comment: Alex Larson inquired regarding the regulation of these types of applications.

Staff explained that the District permits these applications but DEP regulates these permits.

Application 140715-14; 140711-24; 140711-20 Pine Glades Mitigation Area

Public Comment: Alex Larson inquired regarding these types of application.

Staff explained that Legislative House Bill 503 allows extension on permit that met a certain criteria. The label of a State of Emergency Permit is what this type of extension is called in the language of the HB503.

Application 131015-7 South County Regional Park

Public Comment: Alex Larson inquired regarding this application.

Staff responded with a brief summary of the application.

Application 140808-13 East Central Regional Water Reclamation Facility Biosolids

Public Comment: Alex Larson inquired regarding this application.

Staff explained this application was returned to the applicant for resubmittal to FDEP for issuance.

Application 140806-9 Biscayne Landing (FKA Munisport Landfill)

Public Comment: Alex Larson inquired regarding this application.

Staff responded with a brief summary of the application.

Newspaper article concerning a diesel leak

Public Comment: Alex Larson inquired regarding the District response to diesel spills.

Staff responded that FDEP consults the District on these matters.

Application 090107-1 Crosstown Parkway

Public Comment: Drew Martin (Sierra Club) reported that construction may have started.

Staff responded that staff would be sent to investigate.

5. Public Comment on General Regulatory Issues

Public Comment: Drew Martin inquired regarding golf course runoff on Palm Beach.

Staff responded that staff would be sent to investigate.

Public Comment: Drew Martin inquired regarding C-51 Reservoir with regards to the mixing of water and drainage.

Public Comment: Alex Larson expressed concern regarding the C-51 Reservoirs with regards to drainage, storage, saltwater intrusion and moving water across counties.

Public Comment: Anne Kuhl expressed concern regarding the C-51 Reservoirs with regards to the moving water across counties, drainage and impact of wells that may result from the reservoirs.

Staff gave a brief explanation of the purpose of the C-51 Reservoir project.

Public Comment: Anne Kuhl inquired about an issue that occurred during Storm Event Isaac and a mobile home park that was at a level that was causing a problem with the C-51 level for drainage.

Staff explained this was addressed in a recently in a modification (augmentation)

Public Comment: Anne Kuhl inquired about the Corbit.

Staff gave a brief explanation of the status of this project.

6. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 12:02 p.m.