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July 11, 2003

Mr. Ramon Mendieta,
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Re: Federal Emergency Management Agency, Hazard Mitigation Assistance, Draft Supplemental Environmental Assessment (DSEA) for the Bay Point Key and Saddlebunch Key Wastewater System, Monroe County, Florida

SAI: FL200305122041C

Dear Mr. Mendieta:

The Florida State Clearinghouse, pursuant to Executive Order 12372, Gubernatorial Executive Order 95-359, the Coastal Zone Management Act, 16 U.S.C. §§ 1451-1464, as amended, and the National Environmental Policy Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 4321, 4331-4335, 4341-4347, as amended, has coordinated the review of the above-referenced Draft Supplemental Environmental Assessment (DSEA) for the proposed project.

The Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) indicates that there are several concerns related to the possible incompatibility of vertical clearances between the vacuum collection system and the use of the abandoned 18-inch potable water line, as well as separation distances between potable water mains and wastewater collection systems. Prevention of cross connections between potable water distribution and wastewater collection systems is of paramount concern to DEP. Capacities of the receiving injection well and the wastewater treatment plant may be exceeded by this project, which must be in compliance with Chapter 99-395, Laws of Florida, and AWT standards. Please see the enclosed memorandum and report summary for more detail on the DEP requirements.

The South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) prefers a central wastewater treatment alternative that will remove septic tanks that may be a local source of pollution. The SFWMD also recommends using a lower gallon per capita per day water use number which would be more representative of the "10 States Standards for Sewage Works¹". The District does not recommend in-line magnetic flow meters for raw sewage, because the anticipated solids and

¹ Task Force under the Water Environment Federation's (WEF) Technical Practice Committee, 1997 edition of the Great Lakes-Upper Mississippi River Board of State Sanitary *Recommended Standards for Wastewater Facilities*, the "10 States Standards."

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grease can cause a non-conducting coating on the electrodes, which would create a maintenance problem. The SFWMD has posed a number of questions and provides several recommendations that could prolong the life of the proposed system. Please see the enclosed letter from the SFWMD for details.

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) indicates that permits may be required for activities within its right-of-way. FDOT recommends coordinating with the district permitting office for assistance in avoiding traffic interruptions. Please see the FDOT comments on the enclosed Clearinghouse reporting page.

The South Florida Regional Planning Council (SFRPC) states that the project is generally consistent with the goals and policies of its Strategic Regional Policy Plan and has summarized the relevant goals and policies that apply to this project. Please see the attached comments from the SFRPC and specific recommendations for complying with permitting requirements.

Based on the information contained in the above-referenced DSEA and the comments provided by our reviewing agencies, as summarized above and enclosed, the state has determined that, at this stage, the proposed project is consistent with the Florida Coastal Management Program (FCMP). All subsequent environmental documents prepared for this project must be reviewed to determine the project's continued consistency with the FCMP. The state's consistency concurrence with the project will be based, in part, on the adequate resolution of issues identified during this and subsequent reviews. The state's final concurrence on the project's consistency with the FCMP will be determined during the environmental permitting stage.

Thank you for the opportunity to review this project. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Mr. Bob Hall at 850/245-2163.

Sincerely,



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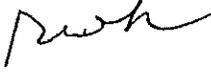
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Memorandum

TO: Florida State Clearinghouse

FROM: Robert W. Hall, Environmental Specialist 
Office of Intergovernmental Programs

DATE: July 10, 2003

PROJECT: Federal Emergency Management Agency, Hazard Mitigation Assistance,
Draft Supplemental Environmental Assessment (SEA) for the Bay Point Key
and Saddlebunch key Wastewater System, Monroe County, Florida

SAI: FL200305122041C

The Department has reviewed the above-referenced project and offers the following comments.

Several major concerns have been expressed by the DEP Marathon office, and include the possible incompatibility of vertical clearances between the vacuum collection system, and the use of the abandoned 18-inch potable water line, especially at the 700-foot bridge crossing of Saddlebunch Key Number 2. Pursuant to Chapter 62-604, F.A.C., DEP will require reasonable assurances that there is adequate separation distance between potable water mains and wastewater collection systems, and that cross connections between potable water mains and wastewater collection systems is prevented.

The capacity of the planned injection well system may be exceeded, since similar permitted systems have had more than two wells. There is concern that the design flow may exceed the injection well capacity.

The existing Phase II/III collection system permit for the sewerage project of south Stock Island contains a condition that prohibits additional connections when flows reach 95% (0.474 MGD), and DEP is concerned that the existing facility may not have sufficient capacity to accept the flow from the Bay Point connections. The additional flow of 0.072 MGD may result in the facility operating at 103 % of capacity. Expansions of the Key West Resort Utilities Wastewater Treatment Plant must be in compliance with Chapter 99-395, Laws of Florida, and meet AWT standards.

Please see the attached summary report for further details on the Florida Keys requirements for wastewater treatment. For additional assistance on DEP's requirements please contact Ms. Nancy Brooking in Marathon at 305/289-2310.

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Bay Point SEA Comments

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General:

- ❖ The construction of the wastewater collection, treatment and disposal systems will require wastewater permits from the DEP's South District Office in Ft. Myers.
- ❖ Any dredging or filling in wetlands or surface waters will require Environmental Resource Permits (ERP) from the DEP's Marathon office.
- ❖ The Department's NPDES Section in Tallahassee shall be contacted to determine if the construction projects will require NPDES permits for stormwater.

Alternative 2-new treatment plant and collection system

- ❖ Section 1.2.1 Wastewater collection system
 - The design of the vacuum collection system requires vertical clearance. The use of the abandoned 18" potable water line may be incompatible with the design requirements of the vacuum line, especially at the 700' bridge crossing over Saddlebunch No. 2.
 - The Department will require reasonable assurance that, pursuant to Chapter 62-604, FAC:
 1. separation distances between potable water mains and wastewater collection systems are maintained
 2. cross connections between potable water mains and wastewater collection systems shall be prevented
 - Regarding plumbing connections at individual homes, FAC Rule 62-604.100(1) states that any single, individual gravity service connection to a collection system sized and intended to serve a single building is exempted from the requirements of this rule. The Department of Health (DOH) is responsible for ensuring the homeowners' on site systems are properly abandoned in accordance with the requirements of FAC Rule 64E-6.011.
- ❖ Section 1.2.2 Wastewater Treatment Plant
 - The Department has concerns regarding whether the capacity of the injection well system to be used for effluent disposal is adequate to accept the design flow of 0.065 MGD-0.072 MGD, AADF. Other Department permitted facilities of a similar capacity have more than two wells.

Alternative 3-collection/transmission system to KWRU

- ❖ Section 1.3.4 Existing Key West Resort Utilities Wastewater Treatment Plant
 - The effluent at the Key West Resort Utility (KWRU) is treated to high level disinfection and Total Suspended Solids (TSS) reduction before being discharged to storage ponds on the golf course.
 - Currently (March 03 DMR) the facility is operating at 51% of capacity, or 0.254 MGD.
 - Phase I of the South Stock Island sewerage project will contribute an additional 0.078 MGD of flow. Using the current flow information, this additional flow will result in the facility operating at 67% of capacity.
 - Phases II and III of the South Stock Island sewerage project will contribute an additional 0.11 MGD of flow. Using the March 2003 flow data and the estimated flow data from Phase I connections, the facility will be operating at 89% of capacity.
 - The Phase II/III collection system permit for the sewerage project of south Stock Island contains a condition that prohibits additional connections when flows reach 95% of capacity (0.474 MGD).
 - The Department is concerned that the existing facility may not have sufficient capacity to accept the flow from the Bay Point connections. This additional flow of 0.072 MGD may result in the facility operating at 103% of capacity.
 - 0.254-current average flow (will put the facility at 51% of capacity)
 - 0.078-Phase I estimated flow contributions (facility to 67% of capacity)
 - 0.110-Phase II/III estimated flow contributions (89% of capacity)
 - 0.072-Bay Point estimated flow contributions
 - 0.514 MGD total flow/0.499 MGD = 103% of current capacity of 0.499 MGD
 - When an expansion is required, the KWRU WWTP will need to be upgraded to the Chapter 99-395, Laws of Florida Advanced Wastewater Treatment standards of 5 mg/L CBOD₅, 5 mg/L TSS, 3 mg/L TN, and 1 mg/L TP.
 - The stated number and depth of the Class V injection wells that provide back up effluent disposal are incorrect. The correct information is that the three wells are each cased to 60', with total depth of 109'.
 - Residuals from the drying beds are disposed of at DEP permitted land application sites.

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Dear Ms. Milligan:

Subject: Bay Point Key/Saddlebunch Key Wastewater System, Monroe County Supplemental Environmental Assessment [SAI#: FL200305122041C]

In response to your request, South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) staff has reviewed the Supplemental Environmental Assessment (SEA) for the above subject project for consistency with the Florida Coastal Zone Management Program (FCMP). The purpose of the SEA is to evaluate three alternatives identified in the Monroe County Sanitary Wastewater Master Plan for the proposed Bay Point and Saddlebunch Key wastewater systems. The three alternatives evaluated are No Action, New Wastewater Treatment Plant Construction, and New Wastewater Transmission System Construction.

Projects reviewed by the SFWMD, pursuant to the FCMP, are reviewed for consistency with the provisions of Chapter 373, F.S. (Florida Water Resources Act of 1972, as amended), as well as the programs and regulations developed thereunder. Chapter 373, F.S. authorizes the SFWMD to regulate the withdrawal, diversion, storage, and consumptive uses of water, the construction and operation of stormwater management systems, and work in, on, or over surface waters or wetlands. Chapter 373, F.S. also authorizes the SFWMD to acquire and manage land, to conduct research and investigations into all aspects of water resource management, and to disseminate information relating to the water resources of the state to public and private users.

After review of the SEA, the SFWMD has the following comments and recommendations:

Proposed Alternatives

- (1) In general, Alternative 1.1 (No Action Alternative) would keep inadequate on-site septic systems that could be a source of local pollution. Both Alternatives 1.2 and 1.3 will remove these septic systems and replace them with advanced treatment. Consequently, these two alternatives are preferable to the No Action

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Alternative. Alternative 1.2 considers effluent disposal in shallow injection wells. Alternative 1.3 considers a centralized wastewater treatment system with reuse of reclaimed water for spray irrigation. This alternative could present several advantages in terms of operational costs and water quality control. The life-span of the wastewater transmission system (Alternative 1.3) is 50 years while the life-span for the wastewater treatment plant (Alternative 1.2) is 30 to 50 years.

Technical/Economic Issues

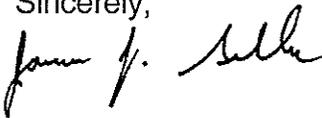
- (2) Table 1 assumes 167 gallons per day (gpd) per parcel for average water use. This assumption does not differentiate between mobile homes, single-family, and multi-family uses. A water use of 70 to 100 gpd per capita would be more representative of actual water use based on the "Ten State Recommended Standards for Sewage Works", Section 43.3.
- (3) Table 1 assumes 334 gpd per commercial parcel. However, the various types of commercial parcels are not differentiated (e.g. offices, grocery store, restaurant, etc.). Different types of commercial uses may have different water demands.
- (4) In-line magnetic flow meters for raw sewage are not recommended because solids and grease can cover the electrodes with a non-conducting coating and electrode cleaning might be required quite frequently. As an alternative, staff recommends clamp-on-type flowmeters. They are non-intrusive, tough, simple to operate, accurate, and they can be installed and operated without cutting pipelines or stopping flows.
- (5) Unless there is industrial waste discharged into the collection system, there is no need for alkalinity (pH) control in raw sewage.
- (6) What are the estimated influent concentrations of ammonia-N, nitrate, or total nitrogen? For Total Nitrogen effluent concentrations of 10 mg/L or higher, the nitrification/denitrification might not be required in the treatment train.
- (7) The Sequencing Batch Reactor (SBR) and/or the Upflow Sludge Blanket Filter processes are not recommended processes for this application because they require close attention by the operator, unless nitrification/denitrification is required.
- (8) The Ludzak-Ettinger and Bardenpho processes have several disadvantages in operation for small packaged wastewater treatment systems. They are not recommended as cost-effective alternatives.

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- (9) Seasonal and daily flow variations and organic shock loads, typical of wastewater treatment facilities in the Keys, can affect the performance of the biological process. Therefore, the provision of flow equalization ahead of the biological process is highly recommended.
- (10) The treatment plant drawing (Figure 4) is out of scale. The digestion tank appears to be larger than the biological process.
- (11) For a lifespan of 30 to 50 years, the treatment plant should be made of concrete.
- (12) Section 1.3.4, Existing Key West Resort Utilities Treatment Plant, is not very clear on the current treatment process and how it could accommodate the new flows from the Bay Point Area. This section should include a description of the existing treatment plant and any upgrades/expansions necessary to meet more stringent Florida Statutory Treatment Standards.
- (13) A conventional activated sludge with nitrification/denitrification and chemical addition for phosphorus removal, disinfection, and tertiary filtration and/or the immersed membrane bio-reactor might be more cost-effective processes for Alternative 1.2.
- (14) A 50-year present worth analysis on Alternatives 1.2 and 1.3, considering capital and operating costs, is recommended to evaluate the most cost-effective alternative.

If you have any questions concerning the above or if I can be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me at (561) 682-6862.

Sincerely,

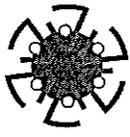


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RE: SFRPC #03-0545, SAI #FL200305122041C, Request for comments on a Draft Supplemental Environmental Assessment (DSEA) to provide a Hazard Mitigation Assistance grant to expand wastewater treatment service to properties on Bay Point and Saddlebunch Keys, U.S. Department of Commerce - Federal Emergency Management Agency, Monroe County.

Dear Ms. Milligan:

We have reviewed the above-referenced program and have the following comments:

- Council staff believes the project will further our goals for a more livable, sustainable, and competitive region. The project is generally consistent with the goals and policies of the *Regional Policy Plan for South Florida*, particularly the following:

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Strategic Regional Goal

- 2.2 Revitalize deteriorating urban areas.

Regional Policies

- 2.2.1 Give priority to development in areas that are blighted, characterized by underdevelopment or underemployment and are in need of redevelopment; among these, secondary priority should be given to areas within which adequate infrastructure and support services are either programmed or available.
- 2.2.2 Public facility and service providers should give priority to eliminating any infrastructure deficiencies which would impede rehabilitation or redevelopment of blighted areas.

Strategic Regional Goal

- 2.3 Enhance the economic competitiveness of the region and ensure the adequacy of its public facilities and services by eliminating the existing backlog, meeting the need for growth in a timely manner, improving the quality of services provided and pursuing cost-effectiveness and equitability in their production, delivery and financing.

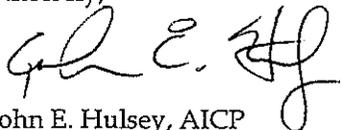
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Regional Policies

- 2.3.3 The public sector should give priority to the funding of those improvements which support the general welfare of its citizenry and promote public goals, objectives and plans.
- 2.3.11 Give priority to the construction, maintenance or reconstruction of public facilities needed to serve existing development most effectively.
- 2.3.12 Provide incentives for development and redevelopment to use existing public facilities and services.
- 2.3.13 Local governments should provide centralized sewer service in areas where existing septic tanks are a problem and adopt and implement stormwater level of service standards consistent with those recommended by the South Florida Water Management District.
- 2.3.15 Impact review procedures shall consider the impacts of development on state, regional and local public facilities and services.
- 2.3.30 Local governments should establish as wide a range of financing methods for the provision of public facilities as possible. Where impact fees are assessed, procedures, schedules, and programs for the expenditure of these fees in a timely and equitable manner shall be developed.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment. If you require further information, please contact me.

Sincerely,



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Keywords:	FEMA - BAY POINT/SADDLEBUNCH KEYS WASTEWATER SYSTEM - MONROE CO
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Reviewer: bobh
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Comment: Extensive comments have been received from the District office in Marathon. The Department is concerned that the existing facility may not have sufficient capacity to accept the flow from the Bay Point connetions. The additional flow of .072 MGD may result in the facility operating at 103% of capacity. Please see attached memo and summary comments.

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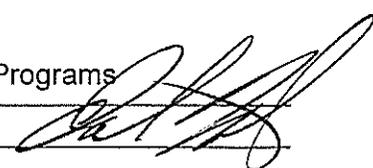
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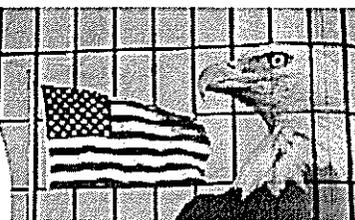
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Reviewer: SARAH JALVING PAIC 6/5/03
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Subject: Notice of Draft Supplemental Environmental Assessment (SEA) for the Bay Point Key/Saddlebunch Key Wastewater System, Monroe County, Florida.

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Subject: Notice of Draft Supplemental Environmental Assessment (SEA) for the Bay Point Key/Saddlebunch Key Wastewater System, Monroe County, Florida.

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Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2100

Subject: Notice of Draft Supplemental Environmental Assessment (SEA) for the Bay Point Key/Saddlebunch Key Wastewater System, Monroe County, Florida.

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Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, South Region
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Subject: Notice of Draft Supplemental Environmental Assessment (SEA) for the Bay Point Key/Saddlebunch Key Wastewater System, Monroe County, Florida.

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Florida Department of Health
Bureau of Onsite Sewage, HSES
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Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1713

Subject: Notice of Draft Supplemental Environmental Assessment (SEA) for the Bay Point Key/Saddlebunch Key Wastewater System, Monroe County, Florida.

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Growth Management and Strategic Planning
Office of the Governor
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Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0001

Subject: Notice of Draft Supplemental Environmental Assessment (SEA) for the Bay Point Key/Saddlebunch Key Wastewater System, Monroe County, Florida.

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Subject: Notice of Draft Supplemental Environmental Assessment (SEA) for the Bay Point Key/Saddlebunch Key Wastewater System, Monroe County, Florida.

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Monroe County Growth Management Director
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May 6, 2003

Rebecca Jetton
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Subject: Notice of Draft Supplemental Environmental Assessment (SEA) for the Bay Point Key/Saddlebunch Key Wastewater System, Monroe County, Florida.

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