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PUBLIC NOTICE (11-14)

All interested parties are notified that the Commander, Seventh Coast Guard District, is conducting navigational surveys of three waterways impacted by rail traffic. We are soliciting **written** comments through this notice and will be accepting **written** comments regarding the reasonable needs of marine traffic at the following locations at the date and time indicated:

WATERWAY/LOCATION AND COMMENT COLLECTION DATE/TIME:

- A. **Waterway: New River**, mile 1.82, Downtown Fort Lauderdale, Broward Co., FL (Lat: 26°07'06.64"N, Long: 080°08'43.56"W). **Comment collection:** October 1, 2014, from 7-9 p.m., at Embassy Suites, 1100 SE 17th St, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33316.
- B. **Waterway: Loxahatchee River**, mile 1.23, Jupiter, Palm Beach Co., FL (Lat: 26°56'51.50"N, Long: 080°05'25.10"W). **Comment collection:** October 2, 2014, from 7-9 p.m., at Embassy Suites, 4350 PGA Blvd, Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410.
- C. **Waterway: St. Lucie River**, mile 7.11, Okeechobee Waterway (OWW), Stuart, Martin Co., FL (Lat: 27° 12' 13.02"N, Long: 080° 15' 36.79"W). **Comment collection:** October 3, 2014, from 7-9 p.m. at Hutchinson Island Marriott Beach Resort, 555 NE Ocean Blvd, Stuart, FL 34996.

NAVIGATIONAL CONSIDERATIONS:

In order to ensure the reasonable needs of navigation are being met by current bridge operation regulations, the U.S. Coast Guard is gathering **written** information from mariners to help determine if a change in federal bridge operating regulations should be considered. Interested parties are encouraged to complete the enclosed navigation survey and return it to the Seventh Coast Guard District offices to be included in the official record. Information helpful to this effort includes current and future use of the waterway (especially through movable bridges), the kind and type of vessels used, frequency of use, navigational hazards such as currents, obstructions, and those hazards that may not be evident from charts and published materials.

SOLICITATION OF COMMENTS:

In an effort to meet maritime needs, interested parties are requested to express their navigability concerns in **writing**. Comments will be received for the record at the Office of the Commander, Seventh Coast Guard District, Brickell Plaza Federal Building, 909 Southeast 1st Avenue, Suite 432, Miami, Florida 33131-3050. Comments mailed on or before November 1, 2014, will be made part of the official record. Written comments can also be received via email at: USCGD7DPBPublicComment@uscg.mil. Written comments will also be received at the locations and dates listed above.

**SEVENTH COAST GUARD DISTRICT,
NAVIGATION SURVEY**

USER INFORMATION:

NAME, ADDRESS & PHONE NUMBER:

WHAT TYPE OF WATERWAY USER: (please circle one)

PLEASURE COMMERCIAL LICENSED UNLICENSED

VESSEL INFORMATION:

TYPE VESSEL: (Please circle one)

MOTOR SAIL FISHING FERRY TUG/BARGE PILOT DEEP DRAFT OTHER

VESSEL DIMENSIONS:

LENGTH_____BEAM_____DRAFT_____TONNAGE_____HORSEPOWER_____

BRIDGE CLEARANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR VESSEL: (measured in feet)

VERTICLE CLEARANCE_____

HORIZONTAL CLEARANCE_____

WATERWAY INFORMATION:

NAME OF WATERWAY USED: (Please Circle)

NEW RIVER LOXAHATCHEE RIVER SAINT LUCIE RIVER

DO YOU USE MAIN CHANNEL? (Please Circle)

YES NO

WHEN DO YOU TRANSIT THESE WATERWAYS?
(Please Circle)

SEASONALLY YEAR-ROUND DAY NIGHT

TIMES OF DAY USED MOST:_____

