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## Foreword

This document is a collection of maps, prepared by Florida Sea Grant, that depict channels included in the Charlotte County General Permit (GP)<sup>1</sup>. Each map shows either (a) channel segments within a GP trafficshed<sup>2</sup> or (b) segments in a GP secondary channel system (contains channels that route vessels from one or more trafficsheds to deep, open water). West Coast Inland Navigation District (WCIND) policy requires that navigational safety factors and/or the provision of access to public facilities determine eligibility of channel segments for inclusion in the GP.

Channel segments are symbolized by line thickness to highlight those for which dredging is anticipated under the GP given waterway depths measured during the field survey<sup>3</sup>. The symbology is determined by subtracting the measured MLLW<sup>4</sup> depth of each channel segment from the GP depth (determined for the entire trafficshed or secondary channel system). If the difference is greater than zero, the status "GP Dredging Anticipated" is assigned. Otherwise, the status is "GP Dredging Not Anticipated." Each map includes summary statistics of total GP channel length, total length of channel segments for which GP dredging is anticipated, and GP dredge depth.

The channel segments are waterway centerlines constructed from depths measured for the Charlotte County Regional Waterway Management System project (2013)<sup>5</sup>.

- <sup>3</sup> Select channel segments that are associated with Bass Inlet Secondary Channel (page 6), Beeney/Bangsburg/Severin Waterway (page 7), Dover Canal (page 12), and Santa Clara Canal (page 26) currently have adequate navigability, but are candidates for the GP based on the county maintenance program history and anticipated future maintenance needs.
- <sup>4</sup> Mean Lower Low Water tidal datum.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Rule 62-330.411 General Permit for Public Navigation Channel and Canal Infrastructure by the West Coast Inland Navigation District within Charlotte County. <u>https://www.flrules.org/gateway/ChapterHome.asp?Chapter=62-330</u>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The term trafficshed is used to define an area that contains a concentration of boats that use a common channel, exclusive to the trafficshed, to gain access to secondary access channels and, ultimately, to deep, open water.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Swett, R.A., D.A. Fann, and B. Staugler. 2012. Regional Waterway Management System for Charlotte County, FL. Florida Sea Grant Technical Paper 181. Gainesville, FL Florida Sea Grant College Program.

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