



**US Army Corps
of Engineers**
Jacksonville District

NOTICE TO NAVIGATION INTERESTS

Date: 1/13/2015
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NOTICE NUMBER: 001
LOCAL NUMBER: 20150113
WATERWAY: OKEECHOBEE WATERWAY
EFFECTIVE: 01/13/2015 00:00 thru 02/13/2015 24:00 EST

POC: <http://www.saj.usace.army.mil/Missions/CivilWorks/Navigation/NoticestoNavigation.aspx>

OKEECHOBEE WATERWAY PROPOSED REDUCTION IN LOCK OPERATING HOURS

REFERENCES:

a. 33 CFR Navigation and Navigable Waters

1. Notice to Navigation

Notice is given that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Jacksonville District proposes reduction in operating hours for the five lock and dam structures along the Okeechobee Waterway. The proposed changes would take effect on 1 April 2015. The changes would affect operations at the St Lucie, Port Mayaca, Moore Haven, Ortona and W.P. Franklin Locks along the waterway. Proposed hours of operation will be 07:00 AM to 5:00 PM daily with lockages based on Lake Okeechobee's water level as outlined below.

Lake Okeechobee Level:

- 1) Above 12.5' Lock operations on demand 07:00 AM to 5:00 PM daily.
- 2) Below 12.5' Lock operations every 2 hours (07:00 AM, 09:00 AM, 11:00 AM, 1:00 PM, 3:00 PM, 4:30 PM)
- 3) Below 12.0' Lock operations 4 per-day (07:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 1:00 PM, 4:30 PM)
- 4) Below 11.5' Lock operations 3 per-day (07:00 AM, 12:00 PM, 4:30 PM)
- 5) Below 11.0' Lock operations 2 per-day (07:00 AM, 4:30 PM)

Lake Okeechobee water level can be viewed at <http://w3.saj.usace.army.mil/h2o/currentLL.shtml>

2. Public comment period

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Jacksonville District will accept comments from the public on the proposed operational change for 30 days ending 13 February 2015. Written comments may be submitted to the following office:

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
South Florida Operations Office
525 Ridgelawn Rd.
Clewiston, FL 33440

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Chief Navigation &
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