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Status: IMPORTANT

(Not For Release)

FOR: ALL SOUTHWEST FLORIDA MEDIA OUTLETS

TO: ALL NEWS DIRECTORS & ASSIGNMENT EDITORS

SUBJECT: PRESS CONFERENCE WITH JACKSONVILLE DISTRICT
COMMANDER ON THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
PERMITTING PROCESS IN SOUTHWEST FLORIDA

Sub-Topic: Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS)

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Jacksonville District, will be conducting a press conference for bona fide members of media organizations to help answer questions concerning the much discussed Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (P-E-I-S) and its relation to land development and environmental issues in the Fort Myers/Naples/Southwest Florida area.

The press conference will be conducted by Colonel Terry L. Rice who is both District Engineer and Commander of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Jacksonville District. He known for being a "straight-talker," rarely communicates through subordinates and will be speaking directly to the media at this press conference. You can expect the straight "scoop" from him. The colonel will be available for individual station "sound bites" and on-camera interviews immediately following the press conference.

PRESS CONFERENCE SITE DETAILS:

Date: THIS SATURDAY, JUNE 21, 1997

Time: 2:30 PM

Location: SHANGRI-LA HISTORIC INN (tel: 941 992-3811)

Directions: from I-75 take Exit 18 Bonita Springs Road, go west to 3rd traffic light then bear right onto Old US Rt. 41 and travel about 2 blocks north.

Other Info: Background information on this story is **attached** as FACT SHEET.

**** Please phone this office and let us know if you will be attending or sending reporters. ****

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