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# IDENTIFICATION OF FLOOD PRONE AREAS IN SUMTER COUNTY'S LITTLE JONES CREEK/WILDWOOD WATERSHED

# THURSDAY, JANUARY 13, 2022 ANYTIME BETWEEN 4:00 PM AND 6:30 PM

## WILDWOOD COMMUNITY CENTER

6500 POWELL ROAD, WILDWOOD, FL 34785

The Southwest Florida Water Management District (District) is hosting an open house and presenting preliminary flood prone area information for public input. The District will gather comments and investigate any issues identified by the public.

This watershed study is funded by the District, Sumter County and City of Wildwood. Flood prone area information will be used by local governments and the District for floodplain management once finalized. This information is not currently being incorporated into the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Digital Flood Insurance Rate Maps (DFIRMs); however, it may be used in future DFIRM updates.

Preliminary flood prone area information shows that the flood risk for your parcel(s) may have changed. For information on how you may be affected, you can attend the District's Open House. This is your opportunity to meet with District representatives in-person. The representatives will provide information on your property for review and comment, and answer questions.

You are not required to attend the meeting to view the information or provide comments. The information is also available by visiting <a href="https://www.watermatters.org/floodplain.">https://www.watermatters.org/floodplain.</a> Please see Additional Website Instructions (enclosed) for more details on viewing the data online.

If you have any comments or would like to request an individual map of your property showing these potential changes, either complete and return the enclosed comment card by mail, drop off the card at the meeting, or submit a request/comment through the website listed above. The comment period ends on 02/27/2022.

Whether you attend the meeting in-person or visit the website and provide comments online, this is your opportunity to view the preliminary flood prone area information and provide additional information to District representatives. We welcome any photos, documents, or historical information regarding your property to assist with further analysis.

**Bartow Office** 170 Century Boulevard Bartow, FL 33830-7700 863-534-1448 or 1-800-492-7862 Sarasota Office
78 Sarasota Center Blvd.
Sarasota, FL 34240-9711
941-377-3722 or 1-800-320-3503

**Tampa Office** 7601 US Highway 301 North Tampa, FL 33637-6759 813-985-7481 or 1-800-836-0797

#### Additional Website Instructions

WaterMatters.org/floodplain

Click on Little Jones Creek/Wildwood under the Ongoing Floodplain Public Reviews section at the top of the page. The **Public Review/Comment Dates** refer to the initial review period when the public can review the preliminary floodplain maps and provide comments through the website. The District will review all public comments received during the initial review period. Any comments received after the initial review period will not be included in the updates to the floodplains.

The **Maps** section includes an index map and large-scale floodplain maps showing both the preliminary floodplain information from this study and the current effective FEMA flood zones. Use the index map to determine which map number your property is located within, then open the corresponding map number to view the floodplain information. Click on the map thumbnail to open a PDF version of the map. Use the back button on your internet browser to return to the previous page to view other maps.

If you would like to provide comments or request an individual map of your property showing the preliminary floodplains, click the **Click Here to Provide Comments/ Request Map>>** link and complete the form. Fields marked with an asterisk [\*] are required.

You may also click on the **interactive map viewer** link to open the floodplain map viewer. It will automatically zoom to the watershed extent. See below for additional guidance on using the map viewer.

# Property Search Tips

Click on the **Tools** tab on the left side of the map to reveal the Address Search Window. Enter your address in the Search window and click Enter. The map will zoom to the approximate location of the address.

### Navigation Tips:

- Zoom In/Out using the [+] and [-] buttons in the upper right corner of the map. You can also use the center scroll wheel on your mouse if it is equipped with one.
- Click and drag your mouse around the screen to pan up/down and left/right.

#### Map Layer Tips:

Click the **Legend** tab at the top of the map to show all available layers. Click the boxes next to the names to turn the layers on and off. Click on the **Basemaps** tab to choose a different basemap layer (imagery, street map, etc.).

## **Additional Information**

- Federal Flood Map Updates: www.WaterMatters.org/floodrisk
- Watershed Management Program: www.WaterMatters.org/floodplain

If you would like to provide any comments or request an individual map of your property showing these potential floodplain changes, please complete the comment card below and return by mail.

Engineering and Watershed Management Section Southwest Florida Water Management District 2379 Broad Street, Brooksville, FL 34604

If you prefer to provide comments electronically, visit our website <a href="www.WaterMatters.org/floodplain">www.WaterMatters.org/floodplain</a> click on Little Jones Creek/Wildwood under the **Ongoing Floodplain Public Reviews** section near the top of the page, then scroll down and click on **Click Here to Provide Comments / Request Map >>** 

Comment Card			
Watershed: Little Jones	Creek/Wildwood	Cou	unty: Sumter
Your Name:			
Telephone Number:			
Site Address:			
Send Map? (please check	one) No Yes	(US Mai	l) Yes (Email)
Mailing Address: Same as Site Address			
Email Address:			
Have you witnessed floo	ding on/near the property?	(please	check one)
No Flooding Observed _	_ Flooding Observed on Proper	tyF	looding Observed on Another Parcel
Storm name/date of obse	erved flood event, if knowr	:	
Comments:			

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