SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

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Cost Code 11210

February 2, 2018

Mr. Rick Melchiori
The Club, LLC (Becker 14 Grove, LTD.)
1701 State Road A1A, Suite 204
Vero Beach, FL 32963

Subject: **The Grove Golf Course**
Notice of Water Quality Violation
Permit No. 43-02812-P / Application No. 170512-20
Martin County
PCN: 143941000002000009

Dear Mr. Melchiori:

As discussed with South Florida Water Management District (District) staff and Robert W. Higgins, P.E. on February 2, 2018, this correspondence is to provide notification that recent aerial and field inspections by District staff indicate that State water quality standards may have been violated as a result of activities associated with ongoing construction of the above-referenced project.

Specifically, Rules 62-302.500 and 62-302.503, Florida Administrative Code (FAC), establish acceptable State water quality standards.

General Condition 3 of Permit 43-02812-P requires implementation of best management practices (BMP's) for erosion and pollution control to prevent violation of State water quality standards during construction. While field inspections reveal the presence of BMPs and erosion control measures, offsite discharge of turbid water was observed downstream of the Hobe – St. Lucie Conservancy District control structure.

At this time, please take immediate actions to control turbidity and prevent further sedimentation and erosion from impacting the downstream waterbody beyond the project boundaries. All turbid discharges must be discontinued.

As a result of this violation, the District will seek civil penalties, recovery of staff investigative costs and may require restoration of the affected area. The specific terms for resolution of this violation will be forwarded to you after your response to this Notice.

The District is authorized under Section 373.129, FS, to seek civil penalties and to recover costs such as staff investigative time and attorney fees.

Please respond, in writing, within ten (10) days of receipt of this letter with your intentions regarding this matter. Should you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Guy Boisclair at (863) 462-5260 ext. 3008, or via e-mail at gboiscl@sfwmd.gov, in the Okeechobee Service Center.

Sincerely,

Wayne Blythe, PWS, Natural Resources Administrator
Environmental Resource Bureau
West Palm Beach Office

Enclosures: Location Map
Photos
Photo Map

c: Mr. Robert W. Higgins, Higgins Engineering, Inc. (via email)

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Wayne Blythe
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Application File 170512-20

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Mr. Rick Melchiori via Email: rmelchiori@beckerholding.com

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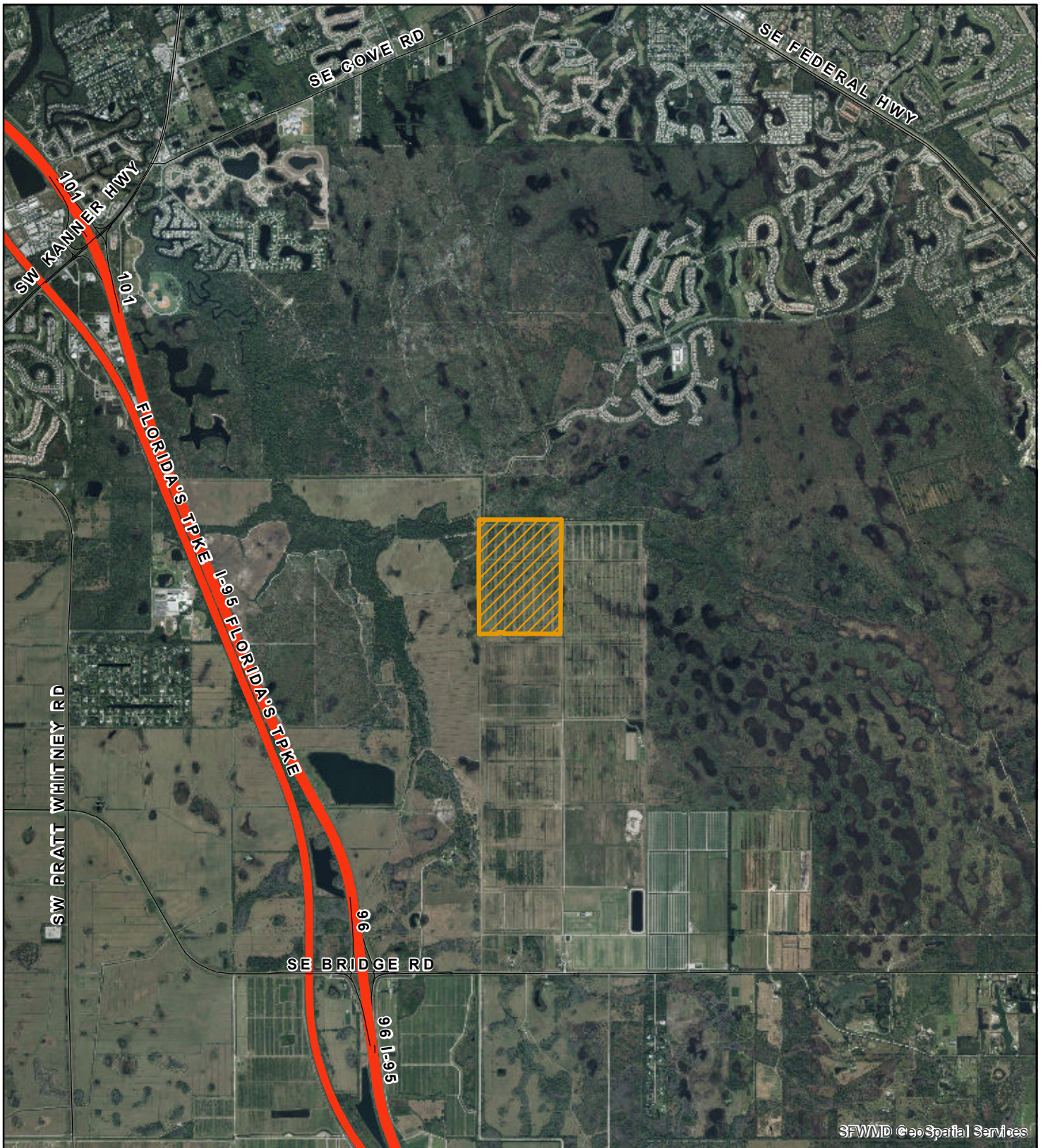

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REGULATION DIVISION

Project Name: THE GROVE GOLF COURSE

Application

Application Number: 170512-20

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