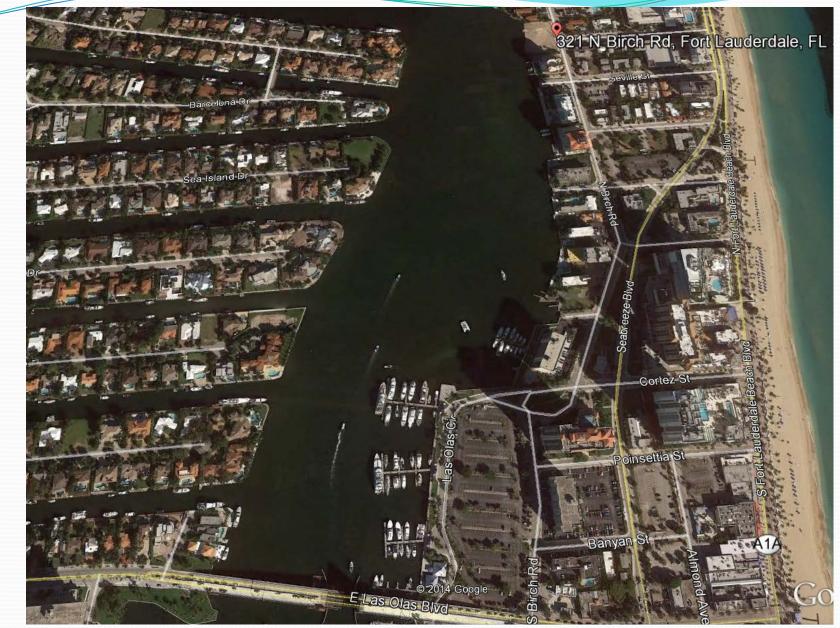
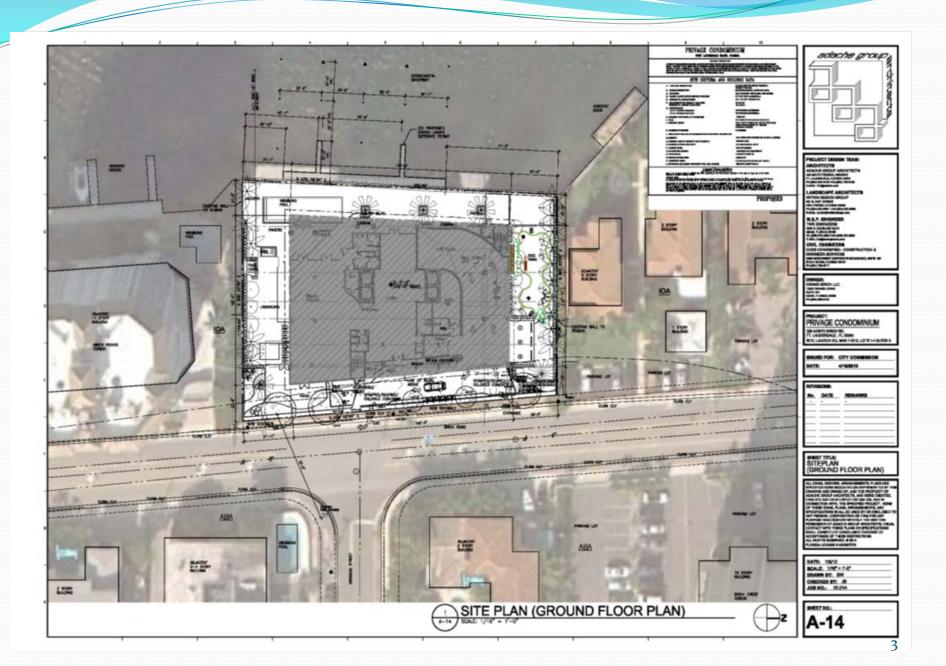
Grand Birch, LLC 321 N. Birch Road

Request for Waiver of Limitations Per ULDR Sections 49-19.3(d) and (e)

Presented By: Heidi Davis Knapik



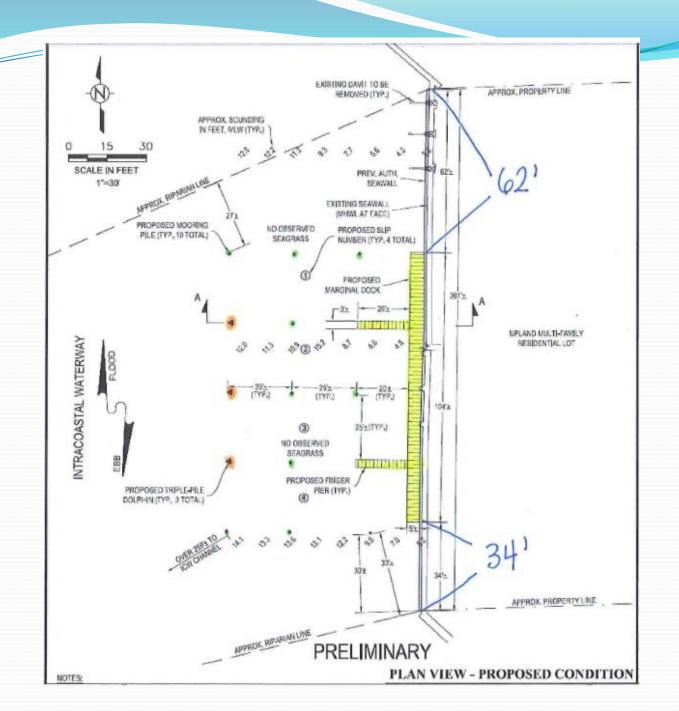


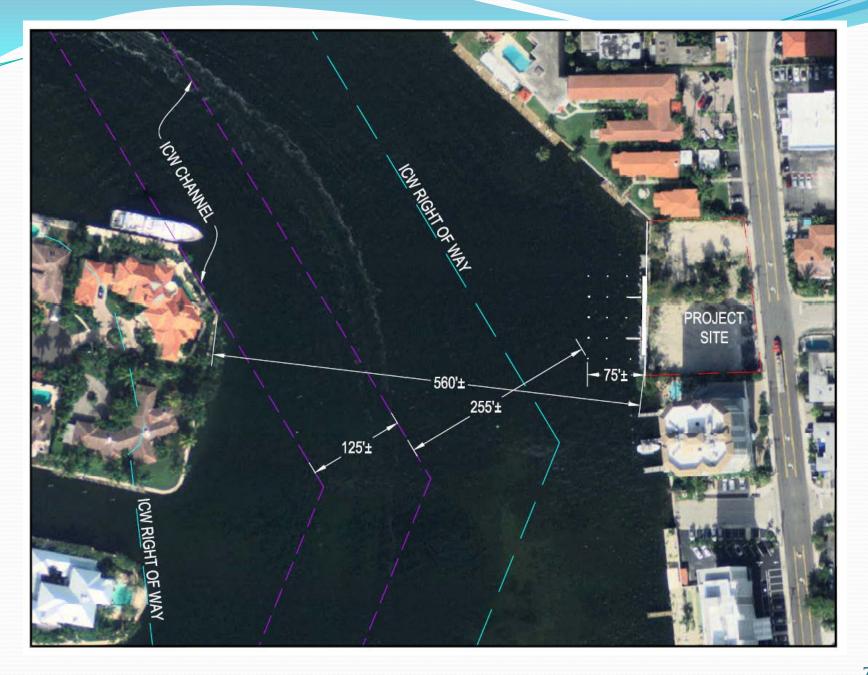




Request for Waiver of Limitations ULDR Section 47-19.3.d and e

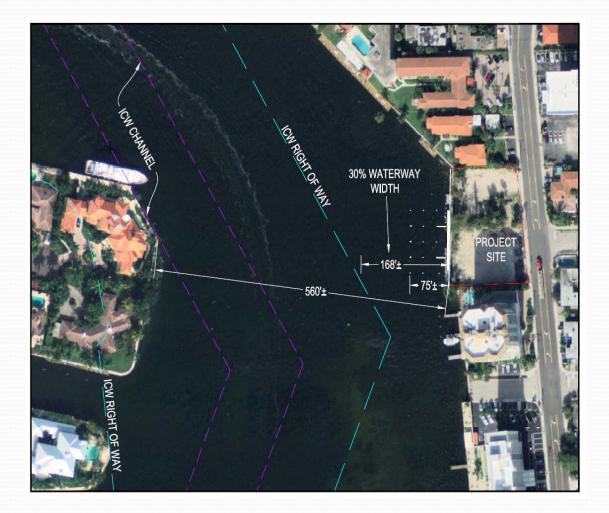
- Applicant requests a waiver of the Limitation to allow piles to extend into the ICW an additional 50 feet beyond the 25 foot limit for a total extension of 75 feet from the Property line.
- Request to allow 3 triple pile dolphin piles and 9 mooring piles to extend into the ICW 75 feet from the property line.
- Although <u>not</u> part of this Request for Waiver of Limitations, Grand Birch, LLC is also:
 - removing 2 existing marginal docks;
 - removing 3 existing davits;
 - installing a marginal dock (5' x 104' = 520 square feet); and
 - installing 2 finger piers (3' x 20' = 60 square feet each).





Grand Birch

- Width of ICW is 560 feet.
- Outermost piles are 255 feet from ICW Channel.
- 30% of waterway width is 168 feet.
- Request is for piles to extend 75 feet or 13.39% of waterway.



Extraordinary Circumstances

- To properly protect, stabilize and secure vessels to withstand powerful elements of the ICW.
- The ICW has strong currents due to the geography and geometry of the area and site and without the piles, vessels will sustain damage.
- The damaging effect of excessive wakes and the high wave pitch coming from accelerating vehicles requires vessels to be properly secured to avoid damage.
- The wide ICW water body produces strong winds during storm events. Vessels tied with bow lines to piles can be safely moored in storms or high wind events.

Extraordinary Circumstances

View to south showing strong currents and wave action against Grand Birch shoreline



Conclusions

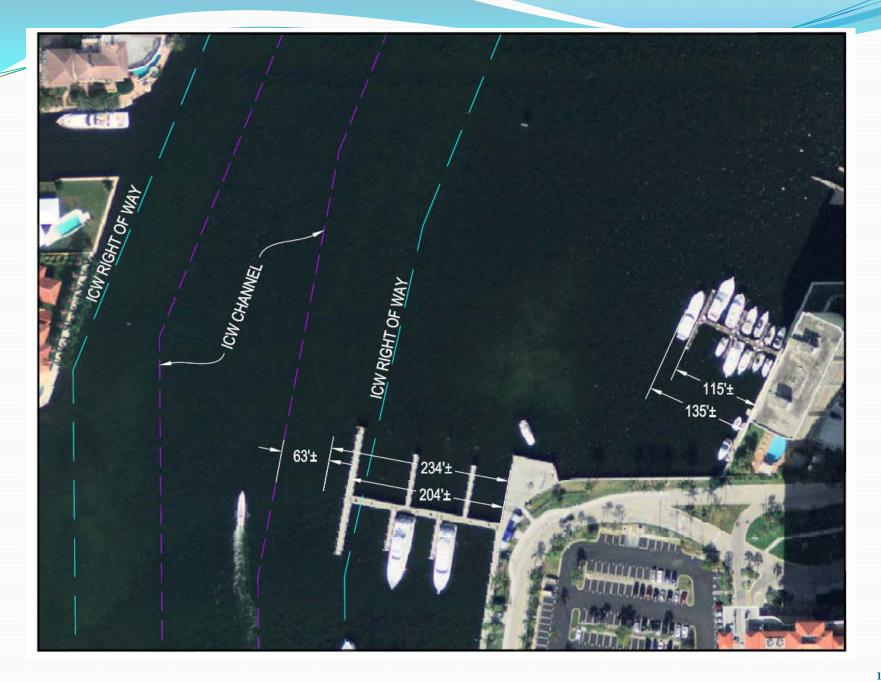
- The proposed application complies with ULDR Section 47-19.3(d) and (e):
 - Piles will not exceed 30% of the width of the ICW only 13.37% of the waterway width.
 - The piles will not adversely impact the navigation of vessels nor create a hazard to navigation.
 - Only dolphin and mooring piles to extend an additional 50 feet no docks, finger piers or other large structures will extend beyond 25'.
 - All Federal, State and Broward County permit, licenses have been approved and issued.
 - ACOE, DEP and Broward County determined that proposed piles will not create a hazard or obstruct navigational waters or adversely affect environmental or natural resources.
 - Marine Advisory Board overwhelmingly approved request.

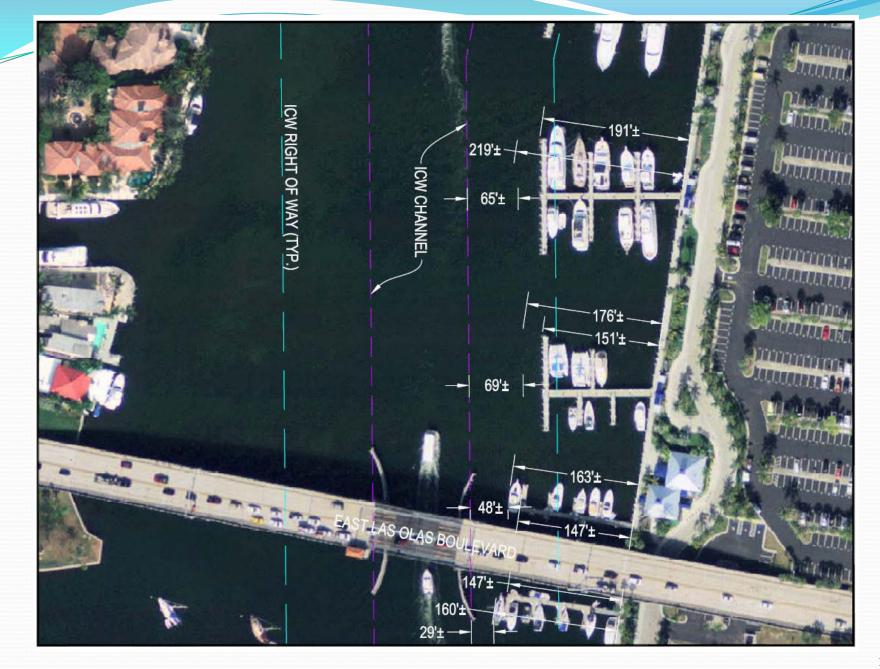
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Application Request for Waiver of Limitations









Envirocare, Inc. - President Susan Engle

- Susan Engle Credentials:
 - Over 27 years of environmental marine permitting and construction experience.
 - Broward County Commissioner for the Florida Inland Navigation District (oversees the management of the Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway) appointed by Governor Jeb Bush.
 - FIND Commissioner and Treasurer active in lobbying to secure federal funding for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
 - President and member of the Board of Directors for the Marine Industries Association of South Florida

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- Upon review of the Grand Birch application and request for Waiver of Limitations, the following are the conclusions and recommendations:
 - Grand Birch's application for Waiver of Limitations satisfies the criteria under ULDR Sec. 47-19.3(d) and (e).
 - Grand Birch application meets and exceeds the Marine Advisory Board purposes to study and recommend navigationally safe operational projects.
 - All required Federal, State and County approvals were obtained.
 - Grand Birch application should be **APPROVED**.



