

**June 28, 2022 – 6:00 PM REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

Lehigh Acres Municipal Services Improvement District  
Barrett Room  
601 East County Lane  
Lehigh Acres, FL 33936

This meeting is open to the general public.

**REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**

- 1) **Preliminaries**
  - A. Call to Order
  - B. Roll Call
  - C. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance
  - D. Move, Remove and Add Agenda Items
  - E. Approval of Agenda
  - F. Public Comment for Agenda Items and Non-agenda
  - G. Action on Removed Consent Items
  - H. Approval of Consent Agenda
- 2) **Consent Agenda**
  - A. Invoices and Change Orders
  - B. May 24, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes
  - C. Permit #22-14, Lehigh Acres Community Park Expansion-Williams Rd.
  - D. 2023-2027 Capital Improvement Plan
  - E. 2023-2027 Strategic Plan
  - F. RES 22-06, Surplus Resolution
  - G. Fuel Island Software and Hardware Installation Bids
  - H. Permit 22-22, 511 Lee Blvd. Self Storage
  - I. Ratification of FDEP Agreement LPA0064, Amendment No. 2
- 3) **Action Agenda**
  - A. Good Cause
  - B. Sale of Windemere Parcels
  - C. Manager's Review, Contract Change for Spending
  - D. LA-MSID's Twenty Year Stormwater Needs Assessment
  - E. RES 22-07, Wage Adjustments
- 4) **Discussion Agenda**
  - A. Old Business
    1. Lehigh Acres Cookie Rehabilitation Plan
    2. Future Legislation
    3. Review of Policy, Section 4 – Permitting
  - B. New Business
  - C. Commissioner's Request
  - D. Engineer's Report
  - E. Attorney's Report
  - F. Staff and Financial Report
  - G. Treasurer's Report
  - H. Secretary's Report
- 5) **Adjournment**

# LEHIGH ACRES MUNICIPAL SERVICES IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

## AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

**Subject:** Invoices and Change Orders

**Meeting Date:** June 28, 2022

**Agenda Item #** 2A

CONSENT                       ACTION                       OLD BUSINESS                       NEW BUSINESS

**Request Initiated By:**                       COMMISSIONER \_\_\_\_\_                       ATTORNEY

BOARD                       MANAGER                       ENGINEER                       AUDITOR

**1 Recommended motion:**                      Move to approve all invoices as stated on the Summary Sheet.

**2 What the action accomplishes:**                      Approves all invoices that are outside the approval limits of the Treasurer and Manager.

**3 Fiscal Impact:**                      As listed on the Summary Sheet.

**4 Staff comments:**

**5 Staff review and recommended approval:**

MANAGER                       ASSISTANT DISTRICT MGR

ATTORNEY                       FIELD DIRECTOR

ENGINEER                       FINANCE DIRECTOR

**6 Board Action:**

APPROVED                       DENIED                       DEFERRED

# LEHIGH ACRES MUNICIPAL SERVICES IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

## AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

**Subject:** Approval of Minutes- May 24, 2022 Regular Meeting

**Meeting Date:** June 28, 2022

**Agenda Item #** 2B

CONSENT                       ACTION                       OLD BUSINESS] NEW BUSINESS

**Request Initiated By:**                       COMMISSIONER                      \_\_\_\_\_] ATTORNEY

BOARD                       MANAGER                       ENGINEER] AUDITOR

1 **Recommended Motion:** Move to approve the minutes of the May 24, 2022 Regular Meeting.

2 **What the action accomplishes:** Memorializes the Board Meetings as per Florida Statute.

3 **Fiscal Impact:** 4 hours staff time

4 **Staff comments:**

5 **Staff review and recommended approval:**

MANAGER                       ASSISTANT DISTRICT MGR

ATTORNEY                       FIELD DIRECTOR

ENGINEER                       FINANCE DIRECTOR

6 **Board Action:**

APPROVED                       DENIED                       DEFERRED

# LEHIGH ACRES MUNICIPAL SERVICES IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

## AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

**Subject:** Permit #22-14, Lehigh Acres Community Park Expansion

**Meeting Date:** June 28, 2022

**Agenda Item #** 2C

CONSENT                       ACTION                       OLD BUSINESS                       NEW BUSINESS

**Request Initiated By:**                       COMMISSIONER \_\_\_\_\_                       ATTORNEY

BOARD                       MANAGER                       ENGINEER                       AUDITOR

**Recommended motion:** Move to approve Permit 2022-14, Lee County's Lehigh Acres Community Park Expansion, with any listed stipulations.

**What the action accomplishes:** Allows Lee County to expand the existing Community Park to develop an commercial site at 1145 & 1251 Village Lakes Blvd., while certifying on their plans that their stormwater facilities are adequate and able to discharge less than 30 CSM.

**Fiscal Impact:** Permit Fees: \$2,250.00

**Staff comments:** Approved according to the plans and calculations signed/sealed April 21, 2022.

### Staff review and recommended approval:

MANAGER                       ASSISTANT DISTRICT MGR

ATTORNEY                       FIELD SUPERINTENDENT

ENGINEER                       CONTROLLER

### Board Action:

APPROVED                       DENIED                       DEFERRED

# LEHIGH ACRES MUNICIPAL SERVICES IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

## AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

**Subject:** 2023-2027 Capital Improvement Plan

**Meeting Date:** June 28, 2022

**Agenda Item #** 2D

CONSENT                       ACTION                       OLD BUSINESS                       NEW BUSINESS

**Request Initiated By:**                       COMMISSIONER \_\_\_\_\_                       ATTORNEY

BOARD                       MANAGER                       ENGINEER                       AUDITOR

**Recommended motion:** Move to approve the 2023-2027 Capital Improvement Plan.

**What the action accomplishes:** Provides for a plan to schedule and complete capital projects with the best knowledge available today.

**Fiscal Impact:** Per Project

**Staff comments:**

### Staff review and recommended approval:

MANAGER     ASSISTANT DISTRICT MGR  
 ATTORNEY     FIELD SUPERINTENDENT  
 ENGINEER     CONTROLLER

### Board Action:

APPROVED                       DENIED                       DEFERRED

# LEHIGH ACRES MUNICIPAL SERVICES IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

## AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

**Subject:** 2023-2027 Strategic Plan

**Meeting Date:** June 28, 2022

**Agenda Item #** 2E

CONSENT                       ACTION                       OLD BUSINESS                       NEW BUSINESS

**Request Initiated By:**                       COMMISSIONER \_\_\_\_\_                       ATTORNEY

BOARD                       MANAGER                       ENGINEER                       AUDITOR

**Recommended motion:** Move to approve LA-MSID's 2023-2027 Strategic Plan.

**What the action accomplishes:** Provides a framework to determine the Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats to formulate strategies to guide LA-MSID for the future.

**Fiscal Impact:** 25 hours staff time.

**Staff comments:**

### Staff review and recommended approval:

MANAGER     ASSISTANT DISTRICT MGR  
 ATTORNEY     FIELD DIRECTOR  
 ENGINEER     FINANCE DIRECTOR

### Board Action:

APPROVED                       DENIED                       DEFERRED

# LEHIGH ACRES MUNICIPAL SERVICES IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

## AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

**Subject:** RES #22-06, Surplus Resolution

**Meeting Date:** June 28, 2022

**Agenda Item #** 2F

CONSENT                       ACTION                       OLD BUSINESS                       NEW BUSINESS

**Request Initiated By:**                       COMMISSIONER \_\_\_\_\_                       ATTORNEY

BOARD                       MANAGER                       ENGINEER                       AUDITOR

**Recommended motion:** Move to approve Resolution 2022-06, Surplus of lands in the Windemere subdivision, as attached.

**What the action accomplishes:** Allows surplus lands to be sold to the developer of Windemere Subdivision, to be used as part of their stormwater system.

**Fiscal Impact:** TBA

**Staff comments:**

### Staff review and recommended approval:

MANAGER                       ASSISTANT DISTRICT MGR  
 ATTORNEY                       FIELD DIRECTOR  
 ENGINEER                       FINANCE DIRECTOR

### Board Action:

APPROVED                       DENIED                       DEFERRED

# LEHIGH ACRES MUNICIPAL SERVICES IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

## AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

**Subject:** Fuel Island Software and Hardware Installation Bids

**Meeting Date:** June 28, 2022

**Agenda Item #** 2G

CONSENT                       ACTION                       OLD BUSINESS                       NEW BUSINESS

**Request Initiated By:**                       COMMISSIONER \_\_\_\_\_                       ATTORNEY

BOARD                       MANAGER                       ENGINEER                       AUDITOR

- 1 Recommended motion:** Move to have Florida Pump and Meter install the SM2 Fuel Management System from Conencorp, not to exceed \$5,000.
  
- 2 What the action accomplishes:** This will install the hardware for fueling the vehicles and equipment.
  
- 3 Fiscal Impact:**

\$4302.49 Labor & material to install the SM2 system for three pumps.	
\$11,839.95 SM2 FMS ( includes first years annual fees)	
\$5,508.90 Omntec Proteus K Controller	\$21,651.34
Total and \$4,317.00 annual fees starting year 2.	
  
- 4 Staff comments:** Equipment and software will allow LA-MSID to better manage fuel consumption, secure pumps and accounting. Includes all electric material to control the pumps, install the pedestal and controller, install the pulsers on the meters, wire in the pulsers, install the corded RF reader, and test.

### Staff review and recommended approval:

MANAGER     ASSISTANT DISTRICT MGR  
 ATTORNEY     FIELD DIRECTOR  
 ENGINEER     FINANCE DIRECTOR

### Board Action:

APPROVED                       DENIED                       DEFERRED



# LEHIGH ACRES MUNICIPAL SERVICES IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

## AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

**Subject:** Permit #22-22, 511 Lee Blvd. Self Storage Facility

**Meeting Date:** June 28, 2022

**Agenda Item #** 2H

CONSENT                       ACTION                       OLD BUSINESS                       NEW BUSINESS

**Request Initiated By:**                       COMMISSIONER \_\_\_\_\_                       ATTORNEY

BOARD                       MANAGER                       ENGINEER                       AUDITOR

**Recommended motion:** Move to approve Permit 2022-22 Self Storage Facility at 511 Lee Blvd., with any listed stipulations.

**What the action accomplishes:** Allows H&M Development to develop an commercial self storage facility at 511 Lee Blvd. , while certifying on their plans that their stormwater facilities are adequate and able to discharge less than 30 CSM.

**Fiscal Impact:** Permit Fees: \$1,500.00

**Staff comments:** Approved according to plans and calculations signed/sealed June 2, 2022.

### Staff review and recommended approval:

MANAGER     ASSISTANT DISTRICT MGR  
 ATTORNEY     FIELD SUPERINTENDENT  
 ENGINEER     CONTROLLER

### Board Action:

APPROVED                       DENIED                       DEFERRED

# LEHIGH ACRES MUNICIPAL SERVICES IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

## AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

**Subject:** Ratification of FDEP Agreement LPA0064, Amendment No. 2

**Meeting Date:** June 28, 2022

**Agenda Item #** 21

CONSENT                       ACTION                       OLD BUSINESS                       NEW BUSINESS

**Request Initiated By:**                       COMMISSIONER \_\_\_\_\_                       ATTORNEY

BOARD                       MANAGER                       ENGINEER                       AUDITOR

**Recommended motion:** Move to ratify FDEP Agreement LPA0064, Amendment No. 2.

**What the action accomplishes:** Provides for the ratification of this time extension agreement that was signed early by our Chair Julie Camp at the request of Mike Scheinkman FDEP Project Manager in Tallahassee

**Fiscal Impact:** None

**Staff comments:** This agreement allows LA-MSID more design time to complete the design of CREST, Phase III.

### Staff review and recommended approval:

MANAGER                       ASSISTANT DISTRICT MGR  
 ATTORNEY                       FIELD SUPERINTENDENT  
 ENGINEER                       CONTROLLER

### Board Action:

APPROVED                       DENIED                       DEFERRED

# LEHIGH ACRES MUNICIPAL SERVICES IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

## AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

**Subject:** Sale of Windemere Parcels

**Meeting Date:** June 28, 2022

**Agenda Item #** 3B

CONSENT                       ACTION                       OLD BUSINESS                       NEW BUSINESS

**Request Initiated By:**                       COMMISSIONER \_\_\_\_\_                       ATTORNEY

BOARD                       MANAGER                       ENGINEER                       AUDITOR

**1 Recommended motion:** Move to approve the sale of parcels: Parcel A, 4.38-acres - Strap # 08-44-27-08-0000A.0000 for a price of \$22,425.60 (4.38 acres X \$6400 X 80%) and and Parcel B, 2.43-acres - Strap # 08-44-27-08-0000B.0000, (\$2,430 X 80%)= \$1,944.00, for aa total of \$24,369.60, and to allow the chair to sign the closing papers following a legal and staff review.

**2 What the action accomplishes:** Transfers ownership of parcels that LA-MSID owns, that are dedicated to the water management system of Windemere.

**3 Fiscal Impact:** \$24,369.60

**4 Staff comments:** These parcels were surplusssed in item 2F. Please refer to the back-up for more detail on the pricing procedures used.

### 5 Staff review and recommended approval:

MANAGER     ASSISTANT DISTRICT MGR  
 ATTORNEY     FIELD DIRECTOR  
 ENGINEER     FINANCE DIRECTOR

### 6 Board Action:

APPROVED                       DENIED                       DEFERRED

# LEHIGH ACRES MUNICIPAL SERVICES IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

## AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

**Subject:** Manager's Review, Contract Change for Spending

**Meeting Date:** June 28, 2022

**Agenda Item #** 3C

CONSENT                       ACTION                       OLD BUSINESS                       NEW BUSINESS

**Request Initiated By:**                       COMMISSIONER \_\_\_\_\_                       ATTORNEY

BOARD                       MANAGER                       ENGINEER                       AUDITOR

**1 Recommended motion:** Move to approve the change to the Manager's Contract and Policy and Procedure (attached), to allow the Manager to spend up to \$20,000 on capital items.

**2 What the action accomplishes:** Allows for individual reviews of the Manager and a change to the Manager's contract and Policy.

**3 Fiscal Impact:** Potential \$20,000 purchases from time to time.

**4 Staff comments:**

**5 Staff review and recommended approval:**

MANAGER                       ASSISTANT DISTRICT MGR  
 ATTORNEY                       FIELD DIRECTOR  
 ENGINEER                       FINANCE DIRECTOR

**6 Board Action:**

APPROVED                       DENIED                       DEFERRED

# LEHIGH ACRES MUNICIPAL SERVICES IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

## AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

**Subject:** LA-MSID's Twenty Year Stormwater Needs Assessment

**Meeting Date:** June 28, 2022

**Agenda Item #** 3D

CONSENT                       ACTION                       OLD BUSINESS                       NEW BUSINESS

**Request Initiated By:**                       COMMISSIONER \_\_\_\_\_                       ATTORNEY

BOARD                       MANAGER                       ENGINEER                       AUDITOR

- 1 Recommended motion:** Move to approve LA-MSID's Twenty Year Stormwater Needs Assessment.
  
- 2 What the action accomplishes:** Provides the state with the first report explaining future enhancement to our stormwater system.
  
- 3 Fiscal Impact:** 20 hours AIM time. 20 hours staff time.
  
- 4 Staff comments:**

**5 Staff review and recommended approval:**

MANAGER                       ASSISTANT DISTRICT MGR  
 ATTORNEY                       FIELD DIRECTOR  
 ENGINEER                       FINANCE DIRECTOR

**6 Board Action:**

APPROVED                       DENIED                       DEFERRED

# LEHIGH ACRES MUNICIPAL SERVICES IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

## AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

**Subject:** RES #22-07, Wage Adjustments

**Meeting Date:** June 28, 2022

**Agenda Item #** 3E

CONSENT       ACTION       OLD BUSINESS       NEW BUSINESS

**Request Initiated By:**  COMMISSIONER \_\_\_\_\_  ATTORNEY

BOARD       MANAGER       ENGINEER       AUDITOR

**1 Recommended motion:** Move to approve Resolution 2022-07, cola/wage adjustments and the supporting documents e.g. pay scale and job descriptions.

**2 What the action accomplishes:** This helps narrow the gap in scale to help as we search for new candidates, offsets cost of inflation and prepares for the minimum wage increase.

**3 Fiscal Impact:**

**4 Staff comments:**

**5 Staff review and recommended approval:**

MANAGER       ASSISTANT DISTRICT MGR  
 ATTORNEY       FIELD SUPERINTENDENT  
 ENGINEER       CONTROLLER

**6 Board Action:**

APPROVED       DENIED       DEFERRED

# LEHIGH ACRES MUNICIPAL SERVICES IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

## AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

**Subject:** Lehigh Acres Cookie Rehabilitation Plan

**Meeting Date:** June 28, 2022

**Agenda Item #** 4A1

CONSENT                       ACTION                       OLD BUSINESS                       NEW BUSINESS

**Request Initiated By:**                       COMMISSIONER \_\_\_\_\_                       ATTORNEY

BOARD                       MANAGER                       ENGINEER                       AUDITOR

1 **Recommended motion:** N/A

2 **What the action accomplishes:** Provides a forum to discuss rehabilitation of the "cookie" sign.

3 **Fiscal Impact:** TBA

4 **Staff comments:**

5 **Staff review and recommended approval:**

MANAGER                       ASSISTANT DISTRICT MGR  
 ATTORNEY                       FIELD DIRECTOR  
 ENGINEER                       FINANCE DIRECTOR

6 **Board Action:**

APPROVED                       DENIED                       DEFERRED

# LEHIGH ACRES MUNICIPAL SERVICES IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

## AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

**Subject:** Future Legislation

**Meeting Date:** June 28, 2022

### Agenda Item #

CONSENT                       ACTION                       OLD BUSINESS                       NEW BUSINESS

**Request Initiated By:**                       COMMISSIONER \_\_\_\_\_                       ATTORNEY

BOARD                       MANAGER                       ENGINEER                       AUDITOR

**1 Recommended motion:**                      N/A

**2 What the action accomplishes:**                      Provides a forum to discuss future legislation.

**3 Fiscal Impact:**                      TBA

**4 Staff comments:**

### 5 Staff review and recommended approval:

MANAGER                       ASSISTANT DISTRICT MGR  
 ATTORNEY                       FIELD DIRECTOR  
 ENGINEER                       FINANCE DIRECTOR

### 6 Board Action:

APPROVED                       DENIED                       DEFERRED



# LEHIGH ACRES MUNICIPAL SERVICES IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

## AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

**Subject:** Review of Policy, Section 4 – Permitting

**Meeting Date:** June 28, 2022

**Agenda Item #** 4A3

CONSENT                       ACTION                       OLD BUSINESS                       NEW BUSINESS

**Request Initiated By:**                       COMMISSIONER \_\_\_\_\_                       ATTORNEY

BOARD                       MANAGER                       ENGINEER                       AUDITOR

1 **Recommended motion:** N/A

2 **What the action accomplishes:** Provides a forum to discuss changes to Section 4-Permitting of the Policy & Procedures manual.

3 **Fiscal Impact:**

4 **Staff comments:**

5 **Staff review and recommended approval:**

MANAGER     ASSISTANT DISTRICT MGR  
 ATTORNEY     FIELD SUPERINTENDENT  
 ENGINEER     CONTROLLER

6 **Board Action:**

APPROVED                       DENIED                       DEFERRED

# AIM Engineering & Surveying, Inc.

June 21, 2022

Board of Commissioners  
Lehigh Acres Municipal Services Improvement District  
601 East County Lane  
Lehigh Acres, FL 33936

## Re: Engineer's Report for June 2022 Board Meeting

Dear Board Members:

The status of current projects involving the District Engineer is outlined in the following.

### General Consulting

- Review of Board agenda and preparation of monthly Engineer's report
- 20-year stormwater needs analysis (House Bill 53) efforts
- Compiling culvert inspection data for incorporation into LA-MSID GIS database
- Review and recommendations for Permits No. 22-12, 22-14, 22-15, 22-16, 22-17, 22-18, 22-19, and 22-20

### Recently Completed Projects

- Southwest Lehigh Groundwater Recharge and Aquifer Restoration (February 2018)
- Hendry Canal Extension Widening (February 2021)
- Halfway Pond – SR 82 Segment 3 (April 2019)
- JUSWMSA Agreement – FDOT (March 2021)
- West Marsh Design (May 2021)

### Current Projects Progress

**GS-10:** The property for this project was purchased by Lee County Conservation 20/20. A March 2019 Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Lee County and LA-MSID details each part's responsibilities related to this property. LA-MSID issued a Purchase Order to AIM in March 2020 to prepare a Land Management Plan as one of the first step requirements of the MOU. Following a presentation to Lee County's Conservation Land Acquisition and Stewardship Advisory Committee (CLASAC) made in December 2020, the committee recommended approval. The LA-MSID Board approved the Land Management Plan in January 2021 for submittal to the Lee County Board of County Commissioners. The Lee County Board approved the plan of County Commissioners on their March 2021 agenda. The LA-MSID Board approved a purchase order to AIM for an initial design scope at their August 2021 Board meeting. Lee County has cleared a small park access area but still needs to fence in this area, as well as a fence along the eastern boundary from the park access entrance to the southern boundary. LA-MSID is currently conducting maintenance exotic removal activities on site. LA-MSID and AIM presented a drone video of progress in the October 2021 Board Meeting. Survey has completed collection of elevation data and the design team is continuing to work on the 60% design approach/plans.

**S-VL-1:** The existing S-VL-1 structure has reached the end of its useful lifespan. AIM finalized design plans for the replacement of the weir including water control inlets, automated gates, and

a catwalk to access controls. Design is complete and SFWMD permit issued. AIM submitted a post design and construction phase services scope and fee to LA-MSID which was approved by the Board on 9-20-2021. Bid were received on November 4, 2021 and LA-MSID has executed the contractor agreement. The notice to proceed was in December 2021. The contractor is working to complete the construction within the contract milestone timeframes, which include the pipes and structure being completed by June 15, gates and platform being completed by August 15, and the actuators being completed by September 15, 2022. The contractor has currently completed construction of the inlet, pipes, and gates.

**Caloosahatchee River and Estuary Storage and Treatment (CREST):** LA-MSID purchased approximately 105 acres for the CREST preserve and stormwater treatment area. The design elements include an interconnecting channel between Dog Canal and Hendry Canal to balance flows between the Bedman Creek and Carlos Waterway Drainage Basins. A retention reservoir is also proposed to provide year-round treatment of suspended solids through increased flow way resident time and storage to attenuate peak stages during storm events. Additionally, wetland plantings provide water quality treatment through nutrient uptake within the circuitous wetland flow-way path.

The LA-MSID Board authorized the design of this project in November 2019. A field survey of the site was completed in April 2020. AIM staff had a virtual meeting with LA-MSID senior staff in April 2020 to review concepts for developing final plans. A pre-application meeting with SFWMD was held in May 2020. LA-MSID was notified in March 2021 that FDEP had approved \$1,000,000 for funding of this project.

A Caracara nesting site is currently established within the CREST project and is protected as such unless determined as an abandoned nest. This determination can only be revisited/alterred within the nesting season period. Note that Caracara tend to maintain an established nesting site or relocate near a previous nesting site. While designated as a nesting site, a 300-meter (984-ft) primary and a 1,500-meter (4,920-ft) secondary zones are established. For impact reference, the primary zone encompasses more than half of the project area, while the secondary zone encompasses the entire project.

A portion of the funds required to construct the entire CREST project will be addressed via a grant from FDEP. AIM and LA-MSID are coordinating with FDEP on this issue. Based on the grant amount, the design plans and construction activities require a phased approach. AIM developed the scope of work for design phasing, post design, and construction phase services and provided to LA-MSID staff for review. This scope also addresses required Caracara monitoring. The LA-MSID Board approved a contract with AIM for this effort on 6/21/2021. Phase 1 of the CREST project include maintenance dredging of the Dog to Hendry canal and replacement of weir S-H-2. LA-MSID and AIM received notification from FDEP on final grant award to complete a \$2 million project to be completed in Phase 2. AIM aggressively worked to complete the design for permit submission in December 2021. A change order with FDEP extends the benchmark to have design plans and permits ready for construction bidding by March 2022, but a time-only change order is anticipated. SFWMD issued RAI No. 1 and AIM responded to review comments. Another central-office permit reviewer was assigned to the project, who issued RAI No. 2. AIM responded to the review comments on April 7, 2022. AIM received the SFWMD CREST Phase 2 permit dated June 6, 2022, which means that the Phase 2 project is fully designed, permitted, funded, and acceptable to proceed into the construction phase.

LA-MSID has received an additional \$4.0 million in grant funds to allow for the construction of the full build out of the CREST project (Phase 3). AIM is working to complete the additional design and permitting tasks required to revise the plans and permitting approach to include the full project build out. AIM's Environmental Scientist is currently coordinating with USFWS to clarify construction restrictions related to the Caracara nesting site.

**Other Activities:** AIM is assisting with an update to the LA-MSID permitting policy to provide technical review and policy revision recommendations. Since additional data and tools have become available over time, the permit policy update seeks to clarify permit application expectations with the goal of permitting sound engineering developments that mitigate impacts to the LA-MSID drainage system. This effort will also include an updated permit application and canal peak-stage reference map as a reference tool for applicants.

If you have any questions or inquiries, please call my cell at (239) 823-8171.

Sincerely,

**AIM Engineering & Surveying, Inc.**

Daniel Schroeder, PE