



## SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

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# MEDIA ADVISORY

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### **S-65D Navigation Lock to Close for One Day for Inspection**

*Weekend hours for Kissimmee River navigation locks to change on November 1*

**Okeechobee, FL** – The South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) will close the S-65D navigation lock on the Kissimmee River to navigation for a one-day inspection on Wednesday, October 28.

The District is taking this action to ensure the safety of divers who will be working in the lock chamber during the day. The lock will resume normal operation on Thursday, October 29.

#### **Weekend Schedule Changes November 1**

From November 1 through February 28, weekend operating hours for S-65D and other navigation locks in the Kissimmee River system change to 5:30 a.m. until 6:30 p.m.

Weekend hours for the rest of the year are from 5:30 a.m. until 7:30 p.m.

Weekday operating hours remain from 7 a.m. until 6 p.m. Monday through Friday throughout the year.

Other navigation locks affected by the change in weekend hours are the S-61, S-65, S-65A, S-65C and S-65E locks. S-61 is in the Upper Kissimmee Chain of Lakes, and S-65 is at the convergence of Lake Kissimmee and the Kissimmee River. The rest of the locks are on the river between lakes Kissimmee and Okeechobee.

For more information, please contact the SFWMD Okeechobee Service Center at (863) 462-5260 or (800) 250-4200 or the SFWMD Orlando Service Center at (407) 858-6100 or (800) 250-4250.

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*The South Florida Water Management District is a regional, governmental agency that oversees the water resources in the southern half of the state – 16 counties from Orlando to the Keys. It is the oldest and largest of the state's five water management districts. The agency mission is to manage and protect water resources of the region by balancing and improving water quality, flood control, natural systems and water supply. A key initiative is cleanup and restoration of the Everglades.*