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Kissimmee River Lock Closed an Additional Week for Repairs *S-65D Navigation Lock will reopen May 5*

Okeechobee, FL – The S-65D Navigation Lock on the Kissimmee River, which is closed for repairs, will reopen in time for weekend boat traffic to resume on May 5.

The lock, about 14 miles north of Lake Okeechobee, required maintenance to control the opening of the gates and ensure continued safe operation. The lock has been closed since April 16.

The flood control gates are continuing to operate normally during the lock repair.

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About the South Florida Water Management District

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.