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Kissimmee River Navigation Lock to Close for Repair *Maintenance will help ensure continued operation*

Okeechobee, FL – The S-65D Navigation Lock on the Kissimmee River will be closed to undergo repairs for 10 days beginning October 9.

The navigation lock, about 14 miles north of Lake Okeechobee, requires maintenance to the gates to ensure safe operation. The lock is expected to return to normal operation on October 19.

The flood control gates will continue 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.