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# Emergency Field Authorization

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The Choose an item. has determined that emergency conditions exist as a result of (insert a description of event precipitating emergency conditions and a description of the emergency conditions):

that require immediate action, as authorized herein, to protect the public health, safety, or welfare; the health of animals, fish, or aquatic life; a public water supply; or recreational, commercial, industrial, agricultural, or other reasonable uses.

Field Authorization Number:

Date of Issuance:

Expiration Date:

Owner:

Authorized Entity: (Name)

(Street Address)

(City)

(State)

(Zip)

(Telephone Number)

(Email Address)

## 1. Project Location:

[Please attach the location map or site directions.]

Water body name, if applicable:

County:

Section:

Township:

Range:

Or Street Address and Nearest Intersection:

Requested by:

Date Received:

**2. Authorized Activity:** This Emergency Field Authorization authorizes the activity described below, and as further detailed in the attached aerial photographs or plans, as applicable:

**3. This Emergency Field Authorization is subject to the following general conditions:** This authorization is effective as of the date of issuance shown above, and expires on the date of expiration shown above, unless otherwise extended by the Agency. All work must be completed by the date of expiration of this authorization or the expiration date of any extension.

- a. All activities will be implemented as set forth in the plans, specifications, or performance criteria as approved in this Emergency Field Authorization and any attachments hereto.



- b. Activities undertaken in accordance with this authorization will be conducted in a manner that does not cause, or contribute to, violations of state water quality standards.
- c. This authorization does not waive the requirement to obtain any other federal, state, or local permits or other authorizations that may be required.
- d. Any structure(s) rebuilt pursuant to this Emergency Field Authorization must comply with all applicable local, state, and federal building standards, and the requirements of the Federal Emergency Management Act (FEMA).
- e. The authorized entity shall provide access to authorized Agency representatives to enter the property at any reasonable time to inspect the facility. The authorized entity or its representative shall either accompany Agency staff onto the property or make provision for access onto the property.
- f. This authorization does not convey any property right, or any interest in real property, nor does it authorize any entrance upon or activities on property that is not owned or controlled by the authorized entity.
- g. By accepting this authorization, the authorized entity agrees that it is solely responsible for compliance with the terms of the authorization. This project may be subject to future compliance inspections.
- h. This authorization does not authorize reconstruction of any structures or land that did not legally exist before the emergency.
- i. The authorized entity will hold and save the Agency harmless from any and all damages, claims, or liabilities that may arise by reason of the activities authorized by this Emergency Field Authorization or use of the authorized system.
- j. The authorized entity will immediately notify the Agency in writing of any previously provided information that is later discovered to be inaccurate.
- k. The authorized activity shall not cause any adverse water resource impacts.

**4. This Field Authorization is subject to the following checked special conditions:**

- Storing or stockpiling of material is authorized only in uplands (or specific location described). No materials may be stored or stockpiled in wetlands.
- Best management practices for erosion control will be implemented and maintained at all times during construction to prevent siltation and turbid discharges in excess of state water quality standards. Methods will include, but are not limited to, the use of staked hay bales, staked filter cloth, sodding, seeding, and mulching; staged construction; and the installation of turbidity screens around the project site. The authorized entity will be responsible for ensuring that erosion controls are inspected and maintained daily during all phases of construction, and until all disturbed areas are sufficiently stabilized to prevent erosion, siltation, or turbid discharges.
- All wetlands or other surface waters adjacent to the project site will be protected from erosion, sedimentation, siltation, scouring, excessive turbidity, or dewatering.
- Dredging is limited to that necessary to remove sediment deposited from the emergency event. No dredging in excess of amounts attributable to the emergency event is authorized.
- Agency staff must be notified in advance of any proposed construction dewatering. If the dewatering activity is likely to result in offsite discharge or sediment transport into wetlands or surface waters, a written dewatering plan must be submitted to and approved by the Agency prior to any dewatering. Dewatering activity pursuant to this Emergency Field Authorization may not exceed the permitting thresholds in Chapter  40A-2, F.A.C. (NFWFMD);  40B-2, F.A.C. (SRWMD);  40C-2, F.A.C. (SJRWMD);  40D-2, F.A.C. (SWFWMD); or  40E-2, F.A.C. (SFWMD).
- Where shoreline stabilization is required, riprap will consist of unconsolidated boulders, rocks, or clean concrete rubble without exposed reinforcing rods or similar protrusions. The riprap will be free of sediment, debris, and toxic or otherwise harmful substances.

The riprap shall have a diameter of 12 to 36 inches. Filter cloth will be placed under the riprap to prevent shoreline erosion and leaching of shoreline soils through the riprap.

- Trimming or alteration of mangroves will be supervised or conducted by a professional mangrove trimmer in order to minimize damage to mangroves.
- Activities shall not disturb marked or known marine turtle nests or damage existing native salt-tolerant or submerged vegetation, threatened, and endangered species, or historical and archeological resources.
- The authorized entity is required to maintain documentation (such as photos) of the condition of structures or lands as they existed prior to initiating any activities authorized under this Emergency Field Authorization, and provide such documentation to the Agency if requested.
- Within \_\_\_\_\_ days of completion of activities authorized by this Emergency Field Authorization or expiration of the authorization, whichever is earlier, the authorized entity will submit certified as-built construction drawings for the project to the Agency.
- Within \_\_\_\_\_ days of completion of activities authorized by this Emergency Field Authorization or expiration of the authorization, whichever is earlier, the authorized entity will submit a Notice of Completion in lieu of certified as-built construction drawings for the project to the Agency.

5. This Emergency Field Authorization is issued this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, by:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

6. **The undersigned has read the foregoing and agrees to comply with the conditions contained herein. The undersigned acknowledges that any deviation from the attached drawings or conditions of this Emergency Field Authorization may result in enforcement action, including financial penalties.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Owner/Authorized Agent Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

cc: Florida Department of Environmental Protection  
City  
County

**[Insert Notice of Rights]**