Piney Point Updates November 2022



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Piney Point Update - Nov. 23, 2022

The court-appointed receiver and its contractor, Forgen, LLC, continue closure work at the OGS-South compartment. Contractors are grading and shaping the area so that it will no longer accumulate rainwater.

DEP will continue performing its stringent regulatory oversight of the facility to ensure this is the last chapter in the long history of Piney Point. DEP is committed to working with the receiver to ensure that progress toward closure is done as expeditiously as possible.

Key status updates and response activities (bolded and underlined language reflects changes):

- The site received **0.09 inches** of rain so far this week. Piney Point has received approximately **54.46 inches** of rain since Jan. 1, 2022. In response to rain events, clean, non-contact stormwater will be conveyed as needed through the site's permitted outfall along Buckeye Road. Samples are collected at the permitted outfall during runoff events to confirm the stormwater meets the requirements of its permit.
- The current storage capacity for additional rainfall at the site is approximately <u>25.1 inches</u>. This capacity is expected to change with rainfall amounts, as well as adjusted water management activities at the site.
- As part of the site's water management efforts, piping of water to the North Regional Water Reclamation Facility resumed and to date, <u>40,738,871 gallons</u> have been transferred. Spray evaporation also resumed in the NGS-North compartment.
- Approximately <u>263 million gallons</u> are currently held within the NGS-South compartment. Pond level readings are expected to fluctuate due to a host of factors, including wind/associated waves in the pond, rainfall and water management activities.

Residents can find the latest information on the status of the site, response activities and water quality at <u>ProtectingFloridaTogether.gov/PineyPointUpdate</u>.

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Piney Point Update - Nov. 18, 2022

The court-appointed receiver and its contractor, Forgen, LLC, continue closure work at the OGS-South compartment. Contractors are grading and shaping the area so that it will no longer accumulate rainwater.

DEP will continue performing its stringent regulatory oversight of the facility to ensure this is the last chapter in the long history of Piney Point. DEP is committed to working with the receiver to ensure that progress toward closure is done as expeditiously as possible.

Key status updates and response activities (bolded and underlined language reflects changes):

- The site received **0.38 inches** of rain this week. Piney Point has received approximately **54.37 inches** of rain since Jan. 1, 2022. In response to rain events, clean, non-contact stormwater will be conveyed as needed through the site's permitted outfall along Buckeye Road. Samples are collected at the permitted outfall during runoff events to confirm the stormwater meets the requirements of its permit.
- The current storage capacity for additional rainfall at the site is approximately <u>23.9 inches</u>. This capacity is expected to change with rainfall amounts, as well as adjusted water management activities at the site.
- As part of the site's water management efforts, piping of water to the North Regional Water Reclamation Facility resumed and to date, <u>40,264,071 gallons</u> have been transferred. Spray evaporation also resumed in the NGS-North compartment.
- Approximately <u>264 million gallons</u> are currently held within the NGS-South compartment. Pond level readings are expected to fluctuate due to a host of factors, including wind/associated waves in the pond, rainfall and water management activities.

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Piney Point Update – Nov. 11, 2022

Severe weather associated with Hurricane Nicole passed through the Piney Point site yesterday, producing nearly 3.4 inches of rain and winds. DEP has been in contact with the court-appointed receiver and confirmed there is no identified damage to the compartment systems or any other water management concerns.

DEP is working closely with the court-appointed receiver to continue site evaluations and manage water levels.

Key status updates and response activities (bolded and underlined language reflects changes):

- The site received <u>3.4 inches</u> of rain this week. Piney Point has received approximately <u>52.9 inches</u> of rain since Jan. 1, 2022. In response to rain events, clean, non-contact stormwater will be conveyed as needed through the site's permitted outfall along Buckeye Road. Samples are collected at the permitted outfall during runoff events to confirm the stormwater meets the requirements of its permit.
- The current storage capacity for additional rainfall at the site is approximately <u>24 inches</u>. This capacity is expected to change with rainfall amounts, as well as adjusted water management activities at the site.
- Spray evaporation in the NGS-North compartment as well as piping of water to the North Regional Water Reclamation Facility resumed this morning in coordination with Manatee County.
- Approximately <u>265 million gallons</u> are currently held within the NGS-South compartment. Pond level readings are expected to fluctuate due to a host of factors, including wind/associated waves in the pond, rainfall and water management activities.

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