



Agenda Item Summary

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Meeting Date: 6/16/2020

PLACEMENT: Departmental

TITLE:

PRESENTATION TO THE BOARD ON THE FLOODING WHICH RESULTED FROM THE RECENT EXTREME RAINFALL

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Staff will present information related to the impact of the recent rainfall in Martin County from Memorial Day weekend through the first week of June.

DEPARTMENT: Public Works

PREPARED BY: **Name:** James Gorton

Title: Public Works Director

REQUESTED BY: Don Donaldson, Deputy County Administrator

PRESET:

PROCEDURES: None

BACKGROUND/RELATED STRATEGIC GOAL:

Martin County experienced two significant rainfall events in the past month. According to the South Florida Water Management District approximately 30 inches has fallen in the Southeast portion of the County (see attached). Staff is aware of 32 homes flooded in the Eastern portion of the County from Jensen Beach to Hobe Sound due to this storm event. Martin County Emergency Management has been assisting by coordinating with the Red Cross and other community service organization to help displaced residents get hotel rooms or temporary housing.

The flooding also impacted the wastewater collection system by flooding lift stations and road flooding contributed water pouring into sewer manhole covers. Martin County Utilities did not have any spills and all the excess water coming into the plant was able to be properly treated. South Martin Regional Utilities did have three spills into surface water bodies that were reported to the Department of Environmental Protection.

Staff from the Public Works Department, Parks Department and Utilities Department worked 24 hours a day during the event trying to reduce flood impacts. Martin County Fire Rescue and the Sheriff's office also provided invaluable support in this endeavor. All the employees working this event worked extremely well together with several going above and beyond.

Because staff has ongoing cleanup actions at the time of this writing a PowerPoint presentation which details the areas which suffered the most severe flooding and summary won't be available until Monday.

An agenda item after-action report with recommendations will be prepared and discussed at a later Board meeting.

ISSUES:

None

LEGAL SUFFICIENCY REVIEW:

None required.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

RECOMMENDATION

Move that the Board receive the presentation.

ALTERNATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS

None

FISCAL IMPACT:

RECOMMENDATION

None

Funding Source	County Funds	Non-County Funds
Subtotal		
Project Total		

ALTERNATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS

None

DOCUMENT(S) REQUIRING ACTION:

- ☐ Budget Transfer / Amendment ☐ Chair Letter ☐ Contract / Agreement
☐ Grant / Application ☐ Notice ☐ Ordinance ☐ Resolution
☐ Other:

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