

# LOXAHATCHEE RIVER DISTRICT

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# LOW-PRESSURE STATION INSTALLATION, MAINTENANCE, & SUSPENSION OF SERVICE INSPECTION PROCEDURES

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## **Suspension of Service / Cut and Cap Requests**

- 1. Please contact the District's Engineering Department to schedule a cut and cap inspection to suspend service during re-development of a property.
- 2. Power to the station must be on when the District Inspector is on-site for the cut and cap inspection. The station is required to be pumped down and the District Inspector will perform a station evaluation during the cut and cap inspection.
- 3. For re-developing properties, if the existing low-pressure station is to be re-used, any deficiencies noted during the station evaluation at the cut and cap inspection will be required to be corrected by the property owner prior to re-connection.

### **Low-Pressure Station Installation**

- 1. Please refer to the District's Engineering Plan Review Checklist. Approved plans must be in place prior to installation.
- 2. Please contact the District's Engineering Department to schedule mandatory pre-construction meeting a minimum of 48 hours in advance prior to construction start.
- 3. The following inspections are required to be completed for the low-pressure station installation:
  - a. Pre-Construction Meeting On-Site
  - b. Wet Well Inspection
  - c. Electrical Inspection scheduled following passing Building Department inspection
    - i. Contractor / Property Owner will not energize control panel until all inspections have been completed and approved with District Inspector on-site.
  - d. Start-Up Inspection
    - i. Continuity Test
    - ii. Pump-down Test
    - iii. Pressure Test on 1.25" effluent line
  - e. Plumbing Inspection
    - i. Plumbing may be moved from septic tank to wet well upon a passing start-up inspection and must be inspected by District staff

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- f. Septic Tank Abandonment and Fill
  - i. Tank pumped out
  - ii. Pressure washed
  - iii. Rupture Tank
  - iv. Fill
  - v. District Inspector must be present on-site
- 4. All low-pressure stations must be constructed in compliance with the District's Manual of Minimum Construction Standards and Technical Specifications posted on the District's website: <a href="http://www.lrecd.org/">http://www.lrecd.org/</a>

### **Low-Pressure Station Maintenance**

- 1. Property Owners have the option to execute a License for Maintenance Agreement (see attached) to engage with the District to maintain the low-pressure station and control panel at no additional cost. The License for Maintenance Agreement would need to be signed by the Property Owner and returned to the District.
- 2. The District maintains the low-pressure service and mains within the public R/W and easements. The Property Owner maintains the low-pressure service line from the public R/W / easement to the low-pressure station.
- 3. Each low-pressure station is equipped with both visual and audible alarms. In the event of an alarm, please contact the District's emergency number 561-575-5708. The District has staff available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
- 4. The following items should <u>not</u> be introduced into the sanitary sewer system:
  - a. Glass
  - b. Metal
  - c. Cloth (sock, rags, etc.)
  - d. Plastic Objects (toys, utensils, etc.)
  - e. Diapers, Diaper Wipes, Sanitary Napkins or Tampons
  - f. Fats, Oils and Grease (FOG)
  - g. Bones and other grease-laden proeducts
  - h. Dental Floss and Picks
  - i. String, any kind
  - j. Q-Tips
  - k. Explosives
  - 1. Flammable Material
  - m. Lubricating Oils and/or Grease
  - n. Strong Chemicals
  - o. Gasoline Paints

- 5. <u>Unoccupied Homes:</u> If your home is left unoccupied for longer than 2 weeks, please contact the District to pump down your station. Do not disconnect power to the station.
- 6. Access: District Standards require a minimum 36" clear zone from fencing, landscaping, and other obstructions that may limit access to the station. A compliance notice will be sent if this 36" clear zone is not maintained.
- 7. <u>Response During Emergency Conditions:</u> When the District has declared Emergency Conditions (EMCON) based on District procedures, the District will pump down low-pressure stations without power every 48 hours until commercial power is restored to the property. This pump down procedure will begin upon declaration of EMCON-5.

