



## COLLIER COUNTY GOVERNMENT

STORMWATER MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT  
TRANSPORTATION DIVISION

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**In this area, the county placed the names and addresses of the Pine Ridge residents with no easements but immediately adjacent to a lot with a 5' easement.**

Re: Lake Interconnect Between Lake Egret and Mockingbird Lake and Mockingbird Lake east to the ditch on the west side of Goodlette-Frank Road - Lot 27 Block E; Lot 10 Block L; Lot 34 Block L; & Lot 17 Block H – Owners with no easements but immediately adjacent to a lot with a five foot (5') easement

Dear Property Owners:

You are being contacted because the property immediately adjacent to one side of your lot has a five foot (5') wide strip of land which was reserved in the late 1950s and utilized for installation of a storm sewer pipe. This pipe conveys stormwater runoff from Egret and Mockingbird Lakes east to the ditch on the west side of Goodlette-Frank Road. This pipe's useable lifespan has been exceeded. Currently it is in a state of failure as evident by numerous locations of soil subsidence and open holes in the ground resulting from the pipe collapse.


The pipe needs to be removed and replaced with a new one. In order to complete this work Collier County requires a seven & one half feet (7 1/2') wide easement over your property. We are also acquiring two & one half feet (2 1/2') in addition to the five feet (5') currently reserved from your adjacent neighbor's property providing a total of seven & one half feet (7 1/2') of drainage easement over the property adjacent to your lot. This will provide a total of fifteen feet (15') necessary to complete the pipe replacement project.

Unlike the original installation which located the pipe biased to one side of the property line, installation of the new pipe is proposed to be centered on the common property line with no bias of affected property owners. Site observations reveal there are numerous above ground objects such as privacy walls, landscaping, trees, fencing, etc. which will have to be removed in order to remove and replace this pipe. Once the necessary easements are granted, Collier County will work with each individual property owner to determine restoration details to the greatest extent possible. The cost of this project is estimated to be significant therefore the cost of any final landscape and any hardscape restoration will be the responsibility of the property owner. In order to protect and preserve the integrity of the new pipe placement of fences, walls or large trees directly over the pipe will be prohibited.

Acquiring these easements is the first step to completing this important stormwater management project insuring a basic standard level of flood protection for you the neighboring properties. Without neighboring lot owners unanimous cooperation this project as proposed **will not** move forward. As we would like to resolve this issue as soon as possible, please advise the Stormwater Management Department in writing within fifteen (15) days upon receipt of this letter, if you would be willing to consider granting an easement so the next step in project improvement may continue.

We have attached a sketch of the area for review and request your cooperation.

Respectfully,

  
Val Prince, Project Manager  
Attachments: Location Exhibits  
:: Nick Hale