

THE FULL TEXT OF THE RECOMMENDED RULE CHANGE IS:

**68C-22.011 Citrus and Associated County (Parts of Levy and Hernando) Zones.**

(1) For the purpose of protecting manatees and manatee habitat in Citrus County and within closely associated portions of Levy and Hernando counties, the following year-round and seasonal zones are established, which shall include all associated and navigable tributaries, lakes, creeks, coves, bends, backwaters, canals, channels, and boat basins, unless otherwise designated or excluded: (Seasonal limits, if they apply, are specified within each zone classification.)

(a) through (f) No change.

(g) Slow Speed Zone (October 1 through April 30)/Maximum 25 MPH Zone (Remainder of Year) –

1. Homosassa River Area: Waters of the Homosassa River as follows:

a. No change.

b. That part of the Homosassa River easterly of a line that bears 142° from a point (approximate latitude 28° 47' 16" North, approximate longitude 82° 36' 58" West) on the northern shoreline of the Homosassa River ~~the easterly line of Section 31, Township 19 South, Range 17 East~~ and westerly of a line ~~that which~~ bears 90° North 00° 00' 00" East (True) running through the northernmost tip of the western ~~westernmost~~ shoreline of a canal serving the Trade Winds Marina (approximate latitude 28° 47' ~~38~~<sup>37</sup>" North, approximate longitude 82° 36' ~~21~~<sup>22</sup>" West), including those waterways south of the river easterly of a line that bears 180° from a point (approximate latitude 28° 47' 8" North, approximate longitude 82° 36' 59" West) on the northern shoreline of the waterway that intersects the river southeast of Monkey Island (near the western terminus of West Xanadu Path).

2. No change.

(h) No change.

(i) Idle Speed Zone (Year-round) –

1. No change.

2. Homosassa River Area:

a. No change.

b. That part of the Homosassa River easterly of a line ~~that which~~ bears 90° North 00° 00' 00" East (True) through a point 100 feet westerly of the northernmost tip of the western shoreline of ~~2~~ Otter Creek (approximate latitude 28° 46' 55" North, approximate longitude 82° 37' 19" West) and westerly of a line that bears 142° from a point (approximate latitude 28° 47' 16" North, approximate longitude 82° 36' 58" West) on the northern shoreline of the Homosassa River ~~the easterly line of Section 31, Township 19 South, Range 17 East~~, including that part of Otter Creek and associated waters northerly of the centerline of Mason Creek Road;

c. through f. No change.

3. No change.

(j) through (m) No change.

(2) No change.

(3) Maps depicting the zones described in this rule are available on the agency's website at <http://myfwc.com>. The maps are intended only as visual aids and do not have regulatory effect; therefore, in the event of conflict between the maps and the descriptions of the zones provided by this rule, the rule text shall prevail. ~~The zones described in subsection 68C-22.011(1), F.A.C., are depicted on the following maps labeled "Citrus and Associated Counties Manatee Protection Zones." The maps are intended as depictions of the above-described zones. In the event of conflict between the maps and descriptions, the descriptions shall prevail.~~

(4) ~~The amendments to Rule 68C-22.011, F.A.C., as approved by the Commission on September 12, 2002, shall take effect as soon as the regulatory markers are posted.~~

[Maps 1-6 are deleted from this rule.]

*Rulemaking Authority 379.2431(2) 370.12(2)(g), (i), (n), (o) FS. Law Implemented 379.2431(2) 370.12(2)(d), (g), (i), (n), (o) FS. History—New 3-19-79, Amended 2-23-81, 12-4-85, Formerly 16N-22.11, Amended 1-27-92, Formerly 16N-22.011, 62N-22.011, Amended 11-14-02, \_\_\_\_\_.*