

STATE OF FLORIDA
FLORIDA FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

FWC Executive Order No. EO 18-32

**Changing the Flood Stage Water Level to
Activate Flood Zones in the St. Johns River**

The Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission of the State of Florida, acting under the authority of Ch. 327.71, Florida Statutes hereby changes the flood stage activation levels as indicated below. Recent changes to flood stage criteria levels are in direct conflict with activation levels for boating restricted areas in flood prone portions of the St. John's River established by Florida Administrative Code. The new flood stage levels were approved by the U.S. Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, National Weather Service on May 4, 2018. The below changes are needed to ensure public safety during flood events currently being experienced due to recent heavy rains across the Florida peninsula.

- (1) The following changes are hereby modified regarding the flood zone trigger height found in rules 68D-24.018 (1)(b) 1. and 68D-24.018 (1)(b) 2., F.A.C. from 2.8 to 2.3 feet and from 5.6 to 5.5 feet, respectively.

- (2) This order shall take effect immediately upon signing and shall remain in effect until the water level recede below the modified trigger heights.

Specific Authority: Chapter 327.71, Florida Statutes
Rule 68-1.009, F.A.C.

**APPROVED AS TO FORM
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY**

Commission Attorney

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF THE FISH AND
WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE
STATE OF FLORIDA THIS 12th DAY OF JULY, 2018.



Eric Sutton, Executive Director

ATTEST:


Agency Clerk