

INDIAN RIVER COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: Members of the Board of County Commissioners

DATE: April 25, 2018

SUBJECT: Blue Cypress Lake and the Possibility of Pollutants

FROM: Commissioner Bob Solari

A recent Orlando Sentinel article reported some potentially bad news. The article reported that “authorities have documented a surprising spike in contamination at the large lake...” A SJRWMD scientist was quoted: “One of the things that jumps out at you is the utilization of biosolids.”

This is disturbing news. I would ask the Board if we could have Staff gather whatever relevant information they have on possible pollution at Blue Cypress Lake and ask both the FDEP and the SJRWMD for any relevant information that they might have.

If O.K. with the Board I will review the information with Staff. On June 18, 2018, the TCRPC and IRLNEP are having a “2018 Science Summit” on biosolids, which I plan to attend. If it is the Board’s pleasure, I will bring back my thoughts on a path forward at the first Board meeting in July.

Thank you.