

**INDIAN RIVER COUNTY  
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Re: Notice of Non-Puruit/Completion of Utility Work Schedule by Indian River County Utility Department 437707-1-52-01 CR612 Over Lateral Canal Bridge Construction Project.

Mrs. Campbell,

Indian River County Department of Utility Services is working to become compliant with the requirements needed in order to construct the Bridge over the lateral canal. The current deficiency is the conflict resolution for the 24" force main as it is in conflict with a proposed bridge piling. The county has bids from our labor contractor and warehouse contract for the material and construction labor required to perform the work. Unfortunately, the previous authorization from our county administrator to award from the labor contract and warehouse contract has been rescinded due to the perception it gives the other contractors on the contract when a project of such a high dollar value is awarded without fair chance to bid from the other contractors. We have since solicited bids from the other contractors on our labor contract without any response. Therefore we have secured our lowest responsive responsible bidder for this project. The bid will go before the board of county commissioners on June 20<sup>th</sup> 2023 for approval. Upon approval the contractor and material provider have stated that they are ready to start construction and that the material is readily available to procure. Last week during a conversation with the FDOT bridge contractor and FDOT project manager it was stated that moving the test piles of the bridge could be asked for in order to provide more time to relocate the utility without any impact to the critical path. That relocation has been approved by the EOR for the project. Our plan is to begin the construction immediately after the board of county commissioners approves the construction and material bids on June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023. All permits have been secured or are in the process of approval, all design and revisions have been complete to date. I anticipate that if we start construction as soon as the board approval goes through that we can be done by the end of July or first week of August. Please accept this as the Indian River County Department of Utility Services plan to bring the department into compliance.

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