

July 17, 2017

RE: Big Carlos Pass Bridge Rehabilitation/Replacement Study
From Lovers Key Entrance to Estrellita Drive
Lee County, Florida

Dear PROPERTY OWNER:

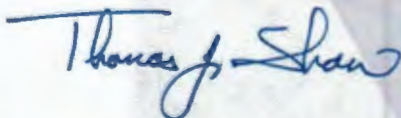
Lee County is conducting a study to identify and review options for the rehabilitation or replacement of the Big Carlos Pass Bridge (see map on page 2). The project will evaluate alternatives for rehabilitation or replacement of the existing bridge and approximately one mile of roadway that provides a connection between nearby coastal neighborhoods and Lovers Key State Park. The Big Carlos Pass Bridge rehabilitation/replacement project is consistent with stated goals and policies for safe and convenient bridge crossings in the Lee County Comprehensive Plan.

The current bridge opened in July 1965 and is now over fifty years old. It has exceeded its design life, does not meet current design standards, and has deteriorated due to chloride penetration from the saltwater of Big Carlos Pass. The existing bridge design consists of a single leaf steel movable bascule span and pre-stressed concrete girder approach spans. Vertical clearance when the bridge is closed is 24 feet. Horizontal clearance is 50 feet.

Lee County and the U.S. Coast Guard is asking for assistance in collecting data to determine the extent of boat use in the Big Carlos Pass waterway. If you use Big Carlos Pass for access to and from the Gulf of Mexico, please fill out the survey form included or complete the form online at <http://www.bigcarlosbridgeproject.com/navigation-survey.html>. Information collected from this survey will be useful in determining user extent, types of vessels, and purpose of travel through the waterway. **All responses received by September 1, 2017 will be included in the survey database.**

If you have any questions regarding this survey please contact Thomas Shaw, P.E., Project Manager, Kisinger Campo & Associates, Inc. at 813.871.5331 or Tom.Shaw@Kisingercampo.com

Sincerely,



Thomas J. Shaw, P.E.
PROJECT MANAGER

NAVIGATION SURVEY



USER INFORMATION:

NAME, ADDRESS & PHONE NUMBER:

WHAT TYPE OF WATERWAY USER: (please circle one) PLEASURE

COMMERCIAL LICENSED UNLICENSED

VESSEL INFORMATION:

TYPE VESSEL: (Please circle one)

MOTOR SAIL FISHING FERRY TUG/BARGE PILOT DEEP DRAFT OTHER VESSEL

DIMENSIONS:

LENGTH _____ BEAM _____ DRAFT _____ TONNAGE _____ HORSEPOWER _____

BRIDGE CLEARANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR VESSEL: (measured in feet)

VERTICLE CLEARANCE: _____

HORIZONTAL CLEARANCE: _____

WATERWAY INFORMATION:

WATERWAY:

Big Carlos Pass Estero Island, Florida

DO YOU USE MAIN CHANNEL? (Please Circle) YES NO

WHEN DO YOU TRANSIT THIS WATERWAY?
(Please Circle)

SEASONALLY YEAR-ROUND DAY NIGHT

TIMES OF DAY USED MOST: (Please Circle)

EARLY MORNING (6AM TO 10AM)

MID AFTERNOON (2PM TO 4PM)

MID MORNING (10AM TO NOON)

EARLY EVENING (4PM TO 6PM)

EARLY AFTERNOON (NOON TO 2PM)

LATE EVENING (6PM TO 10PM)

OTHER: _____

COMMENTS:

Please provide comments on any navigation related issues regarding this waterway. Please be specific to actual navigation needs. Comments must be received by September 1, 2017.

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