

Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 1044

An act relating to water use and impoundment construction permits; amending s. 373.116, F.S.; providing for notice by electronic mail; requiring that permits contain certain specified language; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Section 373.116, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

373.116 Procedure for water use and impoundment construction permit applications.—

(1) Applications for water use permits, under part II of this chapter; for permits for construction or alteration of dams, impoundments, reservoirs, and appurtenant works, under part IV of this chapter; and for permits under s. 403.812 shall be filed with the water management district on appropriate forms provided by the governing board.

(2) Upon receipt of an application for a permit of the type referred to in subsection (1), the governing board shall cause a notice thereof to be published in a newspaper having general circulation within the affected area. In addition, the governing board shall send, by regular or electronic mail, a copy of such notice to any person who has filed a written request for notification of any pending applications affecting this particular designated area. ~~Upon written request,~~ Notice of application for the consumptive use of water shall be mailed by regular mail to the county and appropriate city government from which boundaries the withdrawal is proposed to be made.

(3) All permits issued under this section shall include the following language:

This permit does not convey to the permittee any property rights or privileges other than those specified herein, nor relieve the permittee from complying with any applicable local government, state, or federal law, rule, or ordinance.

Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

Approved by the Governor June 10, 2003.

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