

PEACE RIVER MANASOTA REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY AUTHORITY

Expanding our Regional Drinking Water Supply and Delivery System

Regional Integrated Loop Pipeline System Phase 3A Interconnect Pipeline Project

- Project provides drinking water service to Sarasota County, and enables a future tie-in with City of Venice and future extension north to interconnect Manatee County with the regional water supply system.
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Owner: Peace River Manasota Regional Water Supply Authority

Engineer: PBS&J, Inc.

Contractor: Garney Companies, Inc.

What is the project?

Major components include construction of 48-inch (4-foot) diameter drinking water pipe, a pumping station and a water storage tank.

Why is the project needed?

The new regional water pipeline will provide drinking water service to Sarasota County, allows a future tie-in with the City of Venice and enables a future extension north to connect Manatee County with the regional drinking water supply system.

Who is paying for the project?

The project is funded by the Southwest Florida Water Management District and the Peace River Manasota Regional Water Supply Authority.

How much is the project costing?

Total project cost is \$33 million with over 40% in grant funding.

Who is the County contact for the project?

Mr. Jody Kirkman, Sarasota County Water Resources.

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When will the project be done?

The construction of all the project components is scheduled to be completed by May 2011.

Where will the pipeline, pumping station and water tank be located?

The pumping station and the water tank will be co-located at Carlton Water Treatment Plant located at 1255 Mabry Carlton Parkway, Venice, Florida, inside the fenced area.

The pipe is a 9-mile long, 48-inch (4-foot) diameter drinking water transmission pipeline that will be installed underground. In general, the pipe route is from the Sarasota County Carlton Water Treatment Plant westward across the Carlton Reserve; under the Myakka River; through the City of Venice Myakka River Park, west along Laurel Road; north along Knight's Trail Road and; parallel along Cow Pen Slough to a point near the Central County Landfill and State Road 681.

Who will be on the project site?

Project personnel you may see include representatives from the project owner (Peace River Manasota Regional Water Supply Authority), the construction team (Garney Companies), the engineering team (PBS&J), utilities such as FPL, personnel from the City of Venice, and Sarasota County, as well as representatives from local, state and federal regulatory agencies.

What kind of construction activities will there be?

1. site clearing
2. vegetation pruning, trimming and removal where required
3. removing and re-locating of existing fences
4. installing construction site fencing
5. erosion protection using silt barrier fencing
6. above-ground marking of buried utilities including for electrical, traffic, water, wastewater, reclaimed water, gas, fiber optic, telephone, cable lines
7. above-ground marking of construction areas using wooden stakes
8. equipment to temporarily remove water from the area where the contractor is digging, the water will be discharged as the regulations require
9. materials delivery for pipe, fittings, valves, crushed stone, concrete
10. equipment delivery such as excavators, back-hoe, dump-truck for digging trenches to allow the pipe to be installed
11. survey markers
12. excavation for and installation of the pipeline and restoration activities

Is the pipeline going to be above ground or buried?

It is a buried drinking water pipeline.

What will the pipe construction areas look like when finished?

Areas disturbed by the construction activities will be restored to pre-construction condition for stormwater drainage, re-seeded or re-vegetated, and fences re-installed or re-located as needed.

Some items will be permanently located at ground level or above-ground along the 9-mile length of the pipe route. Ground level items include small square concrete pads and manhole access points. Above-ground items include valves that allow trapped air to be expelled or ‘burped’ from the pipe, identification markers that show where the buried pipe is located.

Specifically where in the community will the pipe be installed?

The pipe route begins at Sarasota County’s Carlton Water Treatment Plant, crosses part of the T. Mabry Carlton Reserve, goes under the Myakka River and extends through the City of Venice Myakka River Park. The route follows the park entrance road, and extends west along Laurel Road to Knights Trail. At Knights Trail the route turns north and follows Knights Trail to approximately Rustic Road. There it crosses Knights Trail to the west and generally follows Cow-Pen Slough to the connection point with a new Sarasota County pipeline to the west of the Landfill. Between the east end of paved Laurel Road and the Park, the pipe route will be north of the existing travel-way and south of the landscaped berm along the southerly edge of the Venetian Golf and River Club community.

Along paved Laurel Road, the pipe route will be along the south side either in the road right-of-way or under the existing pavement. The pipe crosses to be on the north side of Laurel Road immediately east of the Laurel/Knight’s Trail road intersection.

Along Knight’s Trail Road, the pipe route will be along the east side in utility easements adjacent to the road right-of-way. The pipe crosses to the west side of Knight’s Trail Road north of the Knight’s Trail/Gene Green road intersection. From here, the pipe continues north along the west side of Knight’s Trail Road, paralleling Cow Pen Slough, to the fenced, above-ground metering station near the Central County Landfill.

Are any environmentally sensitive areas being disturbed by this project?

Temporarily, yes. As required by federal, state and county regulations, all efforts have been taken and will continue to minimize disturbances to environmentally sensitive areas. Wetland vegetation will naturally re-grow back in the disturbed wetland areas, and extensive re-planting with native vegetation in and around the Park will be conducted.

Why is the Venice Myakka River Park closing?

The park is closing temporarily for the safety reasons while a drinking water pipeline is being installed through the Park and along the Park entrance road. The construction activities involve large earth-moving and vegetation-trimming equipment as well as loading, unloading and installation of 4-foot diameter steel pipe and valves. Once the pipeline is installed, restoration activities will include tree transplanting, plantings of new native trees and shrubs, and re-building of any affected park amenities such as the asphalt walking trail.

What is the scheduled closing date of the Venice Myakka River Park?

September 1, 2010.

How long will the park be closed?

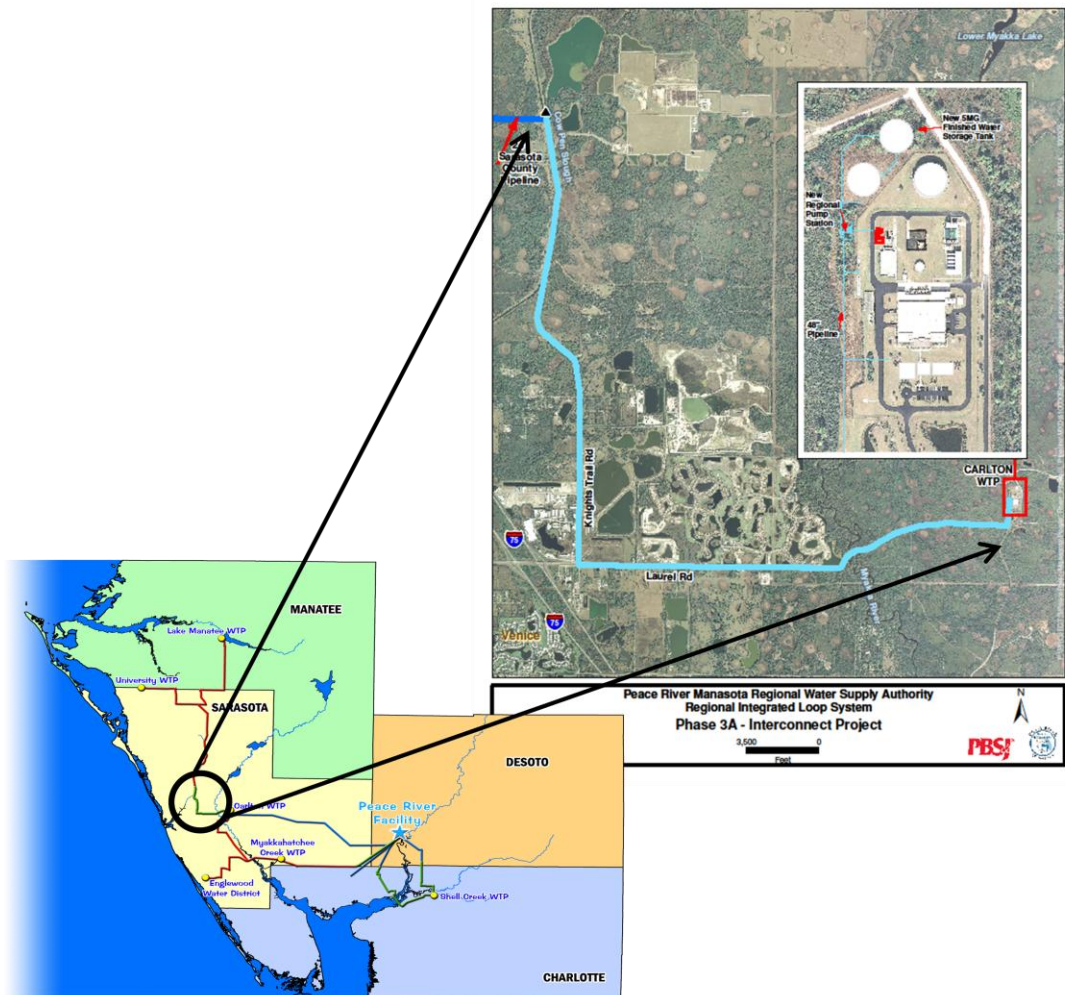
Eight months. Anticipate the park re-opening by April 30, 2011.

Will the entire park be closed or just the portions where the work is being done?

In the interest of community safety the entire park will be closed during pipeline construction and the restoration activities.

Once completed will I still be able to access the same areas of the park as before?

Yes.



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