ACCEPTED in Open Session
10/8/2026
Manatee County Board of County Commissioners

September 14, 2026

Clerk of the Circuit Court of Manatee, Sarasota, Charlotte and Lee Counties

Re: Statutory Reporting Requirements for FY2026-2027

In compliance with the Florida statutory reporting requirements, we are enclosing the following:

- Copy of the FY2026-2027 Budget Summary
- FY2026-2027 Public Meeting Schedule
- Resolutions 2026-10 and 2026-11 adopting the millage rate of 0.0394 and the budget for FY2026-2027
- A copy of the West Coast Inland Navigation District Guide Map

Sincerely,

Justin D. McBride
Executive Director

Enclosures

WEST COAST INLAND NAVIGATION DISTRICT
PRELIMINARY BUDGET SUMMARY
FISCAL YEAR
October 1, 2026 to September 30, 2027

REVENUE		
Estimated balance (carryover) at 10-01-26	22,198,038	**SCHEDULE A**
Estimated revenue for FYE 26-27	15,827,274	**SCHEDULE F**
Total funds available for FYE 26-27	**38,025,312**	
EXPENDITURES-FY 26-27		
Current		
Waterway Development Projects - County	(6,185,451)	**SCHEDULE J**
Cooperative Assistance Program - Regional	(1,150,000)	**SCHEDULE I**
State/Federal Match & Other Funded Programs - Regional	(350,000)	**SCHEDULE I**
Maintenance - Regional	(270,000)	**SCHEDULE G**
Administration - District	(981,860)	**SCHEDULE G**
Contingency - District/Regional	(125,000)	**SCHEDULE G**
Total current year expenditures/projects	**(9,062,311)**	
District reserve 9-30-27	**28,963,001**	
Detail of District Reserve		
ACOE Section 1135	50,351	**SCHEDULE D - Page 2**
County CNIF	37,026,429	**SCHEDULE J**
Undesignated	(8,113,779)	
	28,963,001	

Note: Budget prepared using the Proposed millage rate of 0.0394.

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WEST COAST INLAND NAVIGATION DISTRICT

RESOLUTION 2026-11

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE WEST COAST INLAND NAVIGATION DISTRICT ADOPTING THE OFFICIAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026/2027; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the West Coast Inland Navigation District (the "District") of Lee, Charlotte, Sarasota and Manatee Counties duly considered the budgetary requirements of the District at a public hearing in accordance with Section 200.065, Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the District set forth the appropriations and revenue estimate for the Fiscal Year 2026/2027 Budget with projected funds available of $38,025,312, total expenditures of $9,062,311 and reserves of $28,963,001.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WEST COAST INLAND NAVIGATION DISTRICT, A MULTI-COUNTY INDEPENDENT SPECIAL TAX DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, THAT:

1. The attached Fiscal Year 2026/2027 Budget is hereby adopted, and incorporated herein by reference, as and for the final official budget of the District for the fiscal year beginning on October 1, 2026 and ending September 30, 2027; and

2. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

DULY ADOPTED at a public hearing this 11th day of September, 2026, at Venice, Florida.

Comm. Chris Constance, **Chair**

ATTEST:

Justin McBride, Executive Director

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WEST COAST INLAND NAVIGATION DISTRICT

RESOLUTION 2026-10

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE WEST COAST INLAND NAVIGATION DISTRICT ADOPTING THE FINAL LEVYING OF AD VALOREM TAXES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026/2027; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the West Coast Inland Navigation District (the "District") of Lee, Charlotte, Sarasota and Manatee Counties duly considered the budgetary requirements of the District in determining its Tentative Millage Rate for Fiscal Year 2026/2027; and

WHEREAS, the District held a public hearing on September 4, 2026, in accordance with Section 200.065, Florida Statutes, to consider and adopt its Tentative Millage Rate for Fiscal Year 2026/2027; and

WHEREAS, the District held a public hearing on September 11, 2026, to finally adopt its Millage Rate and budget as required by Section 200.065, Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the total gross taxable value for operating purposes not exempt from taxation within Lee, Charlotte, Sarasota and Manatee Counties has been certified by each respective County Property Appraiser to the District as $385,553,668,663.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WEST COAST INLAND NAVIGATION DISTRICT, A MULTI-COUNTY INDEPENDENT SPECIAL TAX DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, THAT:

1. The Fiscal Year 2026/2027 Millage Rate to be levied is hereby set at the rate of 0.0394 mills on the taxable property within the District; and

2. The Millage Rate of 0.0394 mills is greater than the current year rolled back rate of 0.0389 mills by 1.2%, and the percentage increase in property taxes adopted by the District is 1.2%; and

3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

DULY ADOPTED at a public hearing this 11th day of September, 2026, at Venice, Florida.

Comm. Chris Constance, **Chair**

ATTEST:

Justin McBride, Executive Director

West Coast Inland Navigation District
Meeting Schedule – FY2026-2027

Date	Time	Meeting Description	Location
November 13, 2026	10:00 a.m.	(as needed)	Venice Police Station
January 22, 2027	10:00 a.m.	Board Meeting	WCIND Office
April 2, 2027	10:00 a.m.	(as needed)	WCIND Office
June 11, 2027	10:00 a.m.	Board Meeting	WCIND Office
August 6, 2027	10:00 a.m.	Board Meeting.	WCIND Office
September 10, 2027	4:00 p.m.	Board Meeting	WCIND Office
September 10, 2027	5:01 p.m.	First TRIM Hearing	WCIND Office
September 17, 2027	5:01 p.m.	Final TRIM Hearing	WCIND Office

*Venice Police Station: 1575 E. Venice Avenue, Venice, FL 34292

*WCIND Office: 980 Gulf Coast Blvd., Venice, FL 34285

APPS FOR BOATERS

Lee Waterways

U.S. Coast Guard

Calusa Blueway

MyManatee Mobile

Visit Sarasota

Nature Viewing

Feel like a Southwest Florida local with these interactive apps! Get access to waterway and nature trail navigation guides with the Lee County Waterway app and the Calusa Blueway kayak trail guide. The apps listed will bring you to some of the best places of interest in SWFL to see flora and fauna on both land and water. Boating safety regulations as well as tips for better fishing and boating experiences are also featured. To report downed channel markers, navigational hazards, damaged boat ramp amenities or other countywide issues requiring attention in Manatee County, download the MyManatee Mobile app.

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BOATER'S GUIDE

