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Dear Landowner:

Pursuant to Florida law, the 2023 Annual Landowners Meeting of the San Carlos Estates Water Control District ("District") is scheduled to be held at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, September 23, 2023, at the Gulf Shore Church located at 25300 Bernwood Drive, Bonita Springs, Florida 34135. The Notice of the 2023 Annual Landowners Meeting is attached. The Notice provides additional information concerning the process of electing a Supervisor to the Board of Supervisors for a three (3) year term for the Supervisor's position currently held by Jim Bradford. Please note, landowners in the District must be current on the payment of their District assessments in order to participate in the election process. Information about the 2023 Annual Landowners Meeting is available on the District's website under the "Annual Landowners Meeting" tab.

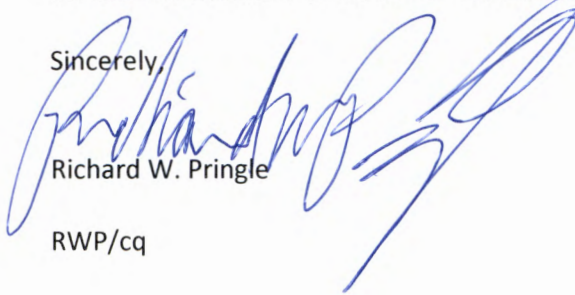
The Board of Supervisors has asked me to address the topic of the ownership, use, and control of the District's right of ways. When the District was created in 1969, the drainage and road right of ways in the District were established and an easement for the District right of ways was created/dedicated in favor of the District that is superior to everyone else's rights in the right of ways areas. As provided by Florida law, and as a result of the creation/dedication of the District's easement over all of the drainage and road right of ways, the District owns all of the improvements within the District's right of ways. Further, the District exclusively controls all uses and activities that occur within the District's right of ways. A map of the District's drainage and road right of ways was recorded in the Official Records of Lee County, Florida in 1969 at Drainage Plat Book 1, Page 1. Any construction of any improvements in the District's right of ways and any use of the District's right of ways is controlled exclusively by the District pursuant to Florida law and the District's policies, rules and regulations. The District Board of Supervisors has adopted a written procedure for a landowner in the District to use when they want to apply for a permit from the District to construct improvements in the District's right of ways or when they want to apply for a permit to use the District's right of ways for any and all purposes, including driveway connections. All uses in the District's right of ways and the construction of any improvements in the District's right of ways must receive the District's prior written permission (permit) which will be granted or denied in the District's sole discretion. The process for a landowner to receive the District's written permission to use the District's right of way or to construct any improvements in the District's right of way begins with a landowner (applicant) submitting a written application on the District's forms to the District's engineer. The District's application form must be completed, signed and submitted to the District's engineer with any applicable permit application fee required by the District. The District's engineer has the authority to request additional information from the applicant. After the District's engineer has reviewed the written permit application

and any additional information the District's engineer requests, the District's engineer can either: reject the permit application, or approve the permit application, or approve the permit application with conditions, or the District engineer can refer the permit application to the Board of Supervisors for the Board's decision making. As indicated earlier, it is ultimately the District's decision, in the District's sole discretion, as to whether to deny, or approve, or approve with conditions or variances, an application by a land owner to use the District's right of ways and/or to construct any improvements in the District's right of ways. As a final note, please be aware of the fact that no landowner or third party can remove, modify, or replace any of the District's improvements, including canals, swale ditches, or road improvements, without the District's prior written approval which will be granted or withheld in the District's sole discretion.

The Board of Supervisors also wants to provide additional correspondence to all of the Phase II Assessment Landowners as an attachment to this correspondence. If you are a Phase II Assessment Landowner, I respectfully request that you review the attached correspondence from Chairman Jim Bradford dated August 25, 2023, so that there can be a better understanding of the Phase II Assessment of the District.

For further information about the District, a landowner can view the District's website or a landowner can contact the District's office at the contact information shown on the District's website.

Sincerely,



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