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The Blind Pass Update is below:

- The Construction may conclude as early as Wednesday, July 29<sup>th</sup> pending weather. Current forecasts are favorable through Thursday but do not look good for Friday and Saturday.
- The opening of Blind Pass, or removal of the last sheetpile wall, could occur as early as August 1. The opening will not occur prior to completion of the dredging in the Gulf or prior to marking the Pole & Troll zone in Wulfert Flats.
- Lee County is considering authorizing additional dredging in the Gulf after the pass is 'opened' to extend the dredging as long as October. The additional work stems from infilling expected to occur immediately after the sheetpile wall is removed.
- The Contractor is expected to continue working 24 hours per day until the initial work is completed in the Gulf.
- Lee County will be removing up to 20 of the old bridge timber pilings that were found in the channel prior to removal of the sheetpile wall. The total number of pilings still in place from the old bridge is not known.

Pictures will be provided of the sheetpile removal and pass opening.

Thanks,

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Completion of the initial dredging is expected by Friday, July 30<sup>th</sup>. The tentative date for removing the sheetpile wall and 'opening' Blind Pass is Saturday, August 1. Attached is a picture of Dredge Nate dredging seaward of the sheetpile wall. The photograph was taken today.

The County intends to authorize additional dredging up to 40,000 cyds with a completion date of October. The additional material will be dependent on the volume of shoaling experienced when the sheetpile wall is removed.

Marking of Wulfert Channel and the 'Pole and Troll" zone in Wulfert Flats is anticipated prior to opening Blind Pass.

The County is removing the old creosote bridge pilings, discovered in the dredge area, on Friday, August 31.

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