The following Tideflex valve Maintenance Plan and Report are a standard part of "Drainage Maintenance Standard Operating Procedures" effective March 12, 2010 and are conducted annually.

## **Maintenance of TideFlex Valves**

In an effort to reduce the effect of flooding in City of Margate City, Tideflex valves have been installed in various locations throughout the city. Tideflex valves will be inspected annually either as part of the regular Margate City storm water system maintenance program or case by case as a complaint/request for service. To reduce the potential of flooding, if during an inspection a deficiency is found to exist, it needs to be rectified as soon as possible. The main deficiency for a Tideflex valve is bypass, therefore inspections/maintenance should focus on valves sealing and eliminating any potential of interference of the valve closing correctly.

## Inspections

When inspected, the valve should be checked for working condition. The valve should be free of debris that would cause bypass. If debris exists it needs to be removed and disposed of correctly. Valves that are free standing such as those on the bay side of a bulkhead or at the head of a drainage swale must be up out of the mud. Mud, soil, or debris of any type must be cleared away from the valve.

If the valve is in a vault, all mud and debris must be removed, including floatables.

Bolts, clamps and any other fastening hardware should be inspected, complete, tightened, and otherwise in good working condition.

A valve that does not seal after corrective maintenance has been conducted needs to be reported to the Public Works Director to make a determination on further action or replacement.

## Reporting

All Tideflex valve inspections need to be memorialized on the "Tideflex Valve Report Form" (attached) to be kept by the supervisor of street maintenance. At the end of each year the collection of reports need to be forwarded to the Public Works Administrative offices for storage.

An annual Tideflex valve maintenance summary will be included in the Public Works drainage inspection summary, submitted in August as part of the Flood Plain Management Report. A matrix will be added to the summary identifying the valve locations and the subsequent inspection dates.

## Margate CITY PUBLIC WORKS TIDEFLEX VALVE MAINTENANCE REPORT FORM

DATE
VALVE LOCATION
NAME OF INSPECTOR
IS THERE ANY DEBRIS UPSTREAM/DOWNSTREAM? YES NO
ACTION TAKEN
IS VALVE IN A VAULT? YES NO
IF IN VAULT IS THERE ANY DEBRIS/MUD? YES NO
ACTION TAKEN
IS ALL FASTENING HARDWARE COMPLETE AND IN WORKING CONDITION?  YES NO  ACTION TAKEN
DOES VALVE WORK PROPERLY? YES NO  ACTION TAKEN
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