Dear Del Webb Bexley Community Members,

Your Community Development District (CDD) Board is committed to enhancing our ability to promptly address issues pertaining to the DWB community ponds and wetland areas. Early identification of problems facilitates the implementation of more effective and cost-efficient solutions.

To this end, the CDD is implementing a reporting system akin to a neighborhood watch for the following five issues, which are under the scope of the CDD. If you would like to provide feedback regarding these or other CDD-related issues, please contact the CDD Manager following the instructions listed below.

- 1. Nuisance Alligators: General information regarding alligators in Florida can be accessed at the following website: https://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/publication/UW230. Residents are advised to report nuisance alligators directly to the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) at 1-866-392-4286. When reporting, provide your name, address, contact information, and the location of the alligator. The FWC will issue a reference number and request that you send an email to the CDD Manager with the reference number, your details, and the alligator's location. This information will be used to record the request and facilitate CDD communication with the FWC. Please note that alligators are social animals, and removing an alligator from a specific pond may attract a new alligator within a few days or weeks.
- <u>2. Dead Fish</u>: The CDD would like to know if you witness a large number of dead fish floating on the pond surface. General information regarding fish kills in Florida can be found at the following website: https://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/publication/FA104.pdf. Prompt removal of dead fish is important for maintaining ecosystem health and odor control.
- 3. Floating Debris: The CDD would like to know if you observe floating debris in our ponds. The CDD contracts with an aquatics vendor who is on the DWB property every Tuesday. They treat issues in each pond at least once per month and sometimes several times per month. Our efforts are focused on minimizing the accumulation of grass and other debris that can contribute to increased organic load in the ponds.
- <u>4. Pond Bank Erosion</u>: General information on stormwater ponds and bank erosion can be found at the following website: https://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/publication/WC468. The Del Webb Bexley community has approximately 53,000 linear feet of pond banks. The CDD has contracted with our District Engineer to conduct a comprehensive study of all community ponds and sumps. The study will include detailed records and recommendations to maintain the pond banks.
- <u>5.Wetland Areas</u>: Wetlands are important because they store floodwaters, protect and improve water quality, and provide wildlife habitats. These areas are subject to regulatory protection by the Southwest Florida Water Management District to prevent any unauthorized use or impact from homeowners. For more information on wetland areas, please visit the following website: https://www.swfwmd.state.fl.us/about/newsroom/wetlands.

Feedback Instructions

Should you encounter issues that require attention from the CDD, please contact the CDD Manager, Mr. Lynn Hayes, at LHayes@rizzetta.com. Please note all emails should be limited to either our ponds or wetland areas and must include the location, date and time of the issue, a photograph if applicable, your name and email address, or phone number.

We appreciate your continued support towards improving our community.