

**Miami River Commission’s Stormwater Subcommittee
Public Virtual Workshop Minutes
December 7, 2022**

The Miami River Commission (MRC) Stormwater Subcommittee’s quarterly virtual workshop convened at 10 AM on December 7, 2022. Attendees included Anita Nash, FDEP, Ely Estevez, City of Miami, Omar Abdelrahman and Juliet Ruggiero, DERM, Patty Harris, MRC, and Brett Bibeau, MRC Managing Director.

I. “Miami River Basin Water Quality Improvement Plan” Agency Quarterly Implementation Progress Reports – Mr. Omar Abdelrahman, Miami Dade County’s Department of Environmental Resource Management’s (DERM) provided a report covering July – September 2022. The most alarming water quality violation was detected at Wagner Creek testing station WC04 in July had E-coli. of 39,700 (cfu/100ml) when the safe water quality standard is only 410 (cfu/100ml).

II. Update Regarding “Vacuum Truck, Street Sweepers, and Scavenger Water Decontamination Vessel” Grant Application to FDEP

MRC Director Bibeau thanked FDEP for awarding the MRC’s submitted application for \$600,000 in grant funding from the State’s FY 22-23’s \$20 million for improving water quality in the Biscayne Bay Aquatic Preserve, by increasing frequency of vacuum truck services in stormwater manholes along the Miami River (\$300,000), landside garbage pickups (\$165,000), street sweeper truck (\$100,000) and Scavenger Water Decontamination Vessel services (\$35,000) along the Miami River. The stormwater system was identified as a source of pollution in the County’s recent helpful Miami River Water Quality Assessment, which was reviewed during the MRC Stormwater Subcommittee’s June quarterly public virtual workshop.

The MRC SSC’s next quarterly virtual workshop will be March 1, 2023, 10 AM.

The virtual workshop adjourned.