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Dear Sir,

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I am writing to object to the application of Resort Village Utility, Inc. to operate a waste water treatment plant in St. George Island Plantation.

The D.E.P. (Northwesat District, Pensacola, FL) has advised the county that water resources are <u>not</u> available for extensive development on St. George Island..

You should be aware that there is an application for a wastewater treatment plant at this same site filed at the D.E.P. by a different corporation.

This area is known to be flood prone as shown in the attached photocopies, and by recent photographs. Also this area is immediately adjacent to Nick's Hole, the most environmentally sensitive breeding area of Apalachicola Bay. Property around Nick's Hole was acquired by the State of Florida last year to protect the bay, and a substantial part of the Resort Village bay front property is currently under consideration for State acquisition as well.

The Apalachee Regional Planning Council (ARPC) has recommended large lot aerobic system for this area because of their concern about risks and hazards from improper operation, spills, storm surge and flooding in the area.

It is also important to note that the plant would be located immediately adjacent to one acre single family residential home sites.

CAF _____ Thus far, I have been unable to actually locate a copy of the application that has CMU _____ been advertised in the Apalachicola Times. Please keep me informed on any action of the PSC relating to this project. I would also appreciate reciving a copy of this application when it becomes available.

Sincerely,

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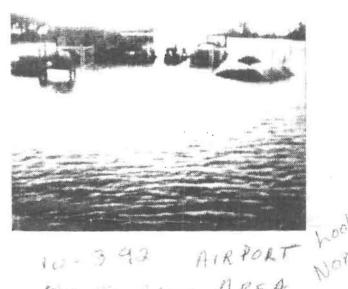
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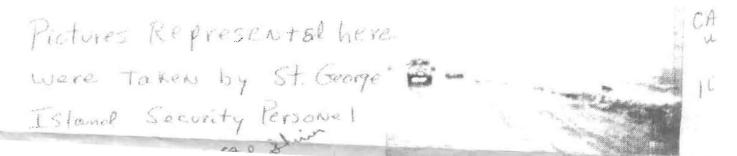
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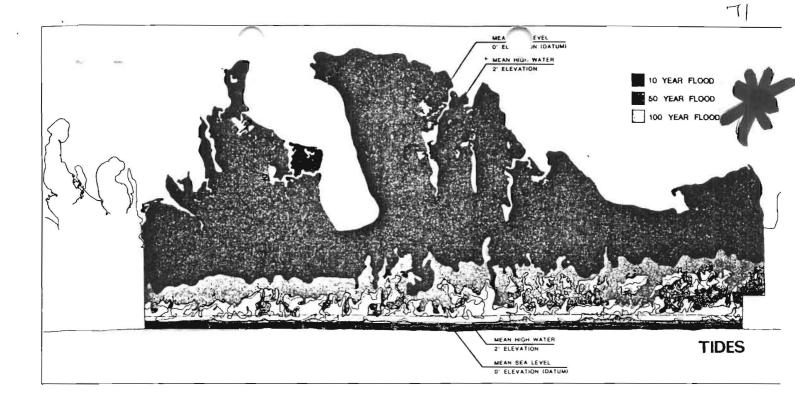




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is in jeopardy. Regeneration of the dunes would be favorably considered by the State Bureau of Beaches and Shores, and state participation in such a program has been suggested as a possibility.

A second factor in tidal consideration is the HUD insurance requirement that the floor level of structures in this area be a minimum of 9 to 10 feet above mean sea level, or from 7 to 8 feet above mean high tide. This drastically limits the extent of normal slab-on-grade construction, and suggests a post-and-beam island architecture.

Living quarters would thereby be lifted well above grade, giving protection from insects, welcome exposure to the prevailing breezes, improved views, and shade for cars which could be parked under the buildings.

In addition, Florida State law also provides that all buildings must be located behind a "coastal construction setback line." The precise location of this line has been established in cooperation with the State Bureau of Beaches and Shores. Construction must be located sufficiently landward of the dune crest line to prevent damage to its structural integrity.

The dunes: In addition to the possible rebuilding and reshaping of the dunes, their protection from overuse and from the ravages of "off-the-road vehicles" must be ensured. The owners will cooperate with state ar local officials in enforcing the legal prohit tions against any vehicles on the dunes se ward of the setback line. Residents of the village will have full and free access to the beaches through membership in a homeow ers' association. The general public will the encouraged to use the public beaches in the state park.

The wetlands: The tidal marshes fringin Apalachicola Bay are the most productin and valuable land-water areas in the count They are also the most vulnerable to poll tion. Since the health of the bay and the abundance of its yield of fish, oysters, an

