

South Florida Water Management District

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Mrs. Carole Helene, President
Arch Creek Trust
431 N.W. 146th Street
Miami, FL 33168

Dear Mrs. Helene:

Presently, the surface of Arch Creek Canal is blanketed with unsightly aquatic weeds. Duckweed, commonly referred to as "green slime", alligator weed and torpedo grass present a canal maintenance challenge to the staff of this agency.

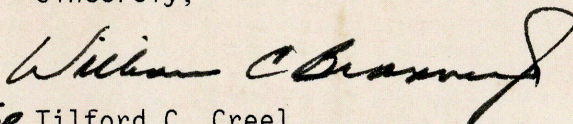
Over the years, the District has worked with the Arch Creek Trust, a non-profit organization, to explore alternatives to chemical treatment. To date, other methods have not proven successful in eliminating the reoccurrence of these weeds which accumulate garbage and debris and cause operational problems in our canals. As a result of our efforts, it is apparent that the most economical and feasible way to control the growth of these nuisance weeds is chemical treatment.

Members of our staff have received a number of complaints regarding the condition of the Arch Creek Canal.

To be responsive to these complaints and in accordance with the maintenance and operational responsibilities for the waterway, the District has established a schedule to chemically treat the aquatic weeds and remove the trash from this canal (enclosed). The area will be posted the day of treatment. However, by informing you in advance, the District hopes to continue to be a good neighbor to those living near Arch Creek. Each condominium association and single-family residence adjacent to the treated area of the canal will receive an additional notice on the day of treatment.

For additional information, please contact Kathy Copeland, 1-800-432-2045, extension 456.

Sincerely,


For Tilford C. Creel
Deputy Executive Director

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