

# DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY PERMIT

**Permittee:** Golden City Highland Beach, LLC  
Attention: Samuel Swerdlow  
20725 NE 16th Avenue, Suite A1  
Miami, Florida 33179

**Permit No:** SAJ-2014-00517

**Issuing Office:** U.S. Army Engineer District, Jacksonville

NOTE: The term "you" and its derivatives, as used in this permit, means the permittee or any future transferee. The term "this office" refers to the appropriate district or division office of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) having jurisdiction over the permitted activity or the appropriate official of that office acting under the authority of the commanding officer.

You are authorized to perform work in accordance with the terms and conditions specified below.

**Project Description:** The applicant is authorized to construct a 9-unit multi-family residential townhome community by placing fill within 0.75 acres of high-quality tidal mangrove wetlands, which includes 0.18 acre below the mean high water line (MHWL) and 0.57 acres above the MHWL. The work described above is to be completed in accordance with the 3 pages of drawings [and 6 additional attachments] affixed at the end of this permit instrument.

**Project Location:** The project site is located at 3822 South Ocean Boulevard (PCN: 24-43-47-04-00-001-0030), Section 4, Township 47 South, Range 43 East, Highland Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida.

**Directions to site:** Take Interstate 95 to Exit 51 for Linton Blvd, proceed east to end of Linton Blvd at SR A1A, then proceed south 2.3 miles on SR A1A. Project site is located on west side of SR A1A, directly south of Toscana residential towers.

**Approximate Central Coordinates:** Latitude: 26.406439° North  
Longitude: -80.065312° West

## **Permit Conditions**

### **General Conditions:**

1. The time limit for completing the work authorized ends on **January 23, 2030**. If you find that you need more time to complete the authorized activity, submit your

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request for a time extension to this office for consideration at least one month before the above date is reached.

2. You must maintain the activity authorized by this permit in good condition and in conformance with the terms and conditions of this permit. You are not relieved of this requirement if you abandon the permitted activity, although you may make a good faith transfer to a third party in compliance with General Condition 4 below. Should you wish to cease to maintain the authorized activity or should you desire to abandon it without a good faith transfer, you must obtain a modification of this permit from this office, which may require restoration of the area.

3. If you discover any previously unknown historic or archeological remains while accomplishing the activity authorized by this permit, you must immediately notify this office of what you have found. We will initiate the Federal and State coordination required to determine if the remains warrant a recovery effort or if the site is eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

4. If you sell the property associated with this permit, you must obtain the signature and the mailing address of the new owner in the space provided and forward a copy of the permit to this office to validate the transfer of this authorization.

5. If a conditioned water quality certification has been issued for your project, you must comply with the conditions specified in the certification as special conditions to this permit. For your convenience, a copy of the certification is attached if it contains such conditions (Attachment 2).

6. You must allow representatives from this office to inspect the authorized activity at any time deemed necessary to ensure that it is being or has been accomplished in accordance with the terms and conditions of your permit.

**Special Conditions:**

**1. Reporting Address:** The Permittee shall submit all reports, notifications, documentation, and correspondence required by the general and special conditions of this permit to either (not both) of the following addresses:

- a. For electronic mail (preferred): SAJ-RD-Enforcement@usace.army.mil (not to exceed 15 MB).
- b. For standard mail: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Regulatory Division, Enforcement Section, P.O. Box 4970, Jacksonville, FL 32232-0019.

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The Permittee shall reference this permit number, SAJ-2014-00517 (SP-KHN), on all submittals.

**2. Permit Conditions Prevail:** If information in the permit attachments conflict with the special conditions of this permit, the requirements of the permit special conditions shall prevail.

**3. Commencement Notification:** Within 10 days from the date of initiating the work authorized by this permit, the Permittee shall submit a completed "Commencement Notification" form (Attachment 3).

**4. Posting of Permit:** The Permittee shall have available and maintain for review a copy of this permit and approved plans at the construction site.

**5. Notice of Permit:** The Permittee shall complete and record the "Notice of Department of the Army Authorization" form (Attachment 4) with the Clerk of the County Court, Registrar of Deeds or other appropriate official charged with the responsibility of maintaining records of title to or interest in real property within the county of the authorized activity. No later than 90 days from the effective date of this permit, the Permittee shall provide a copy of the recorded Notice of Permit to the Corps clearly showing a stamp from the appropriate official indicating the book and page at which the Notice of Permit is recorded in the official records and the date of recording.

**6. As-Built Certification:** Within 60 days of completion of the work authorized by this permit, the Permittee shall submit as-built drawings of the authorized work and a completed "As-Built Certification by Professional Engineer or Surveyor" form (Attachment 5) to the Corps. The as-built drawings shall be signed and sealed by a registered professional engineer or surveyor and include the following:

- a. A plan view drawing of the location of the authorized work footprint, as shown on the permit drawings, with an overlay of the work as constructed. The plan view drawing should show all existing water management structures and the completed structures, dredge/fill activities, and wetland impacts.
- b. A list of any deviations between the work authorized by this permit and the work as constructed. In the event that the completed work deviates, in any manner, from the authorized work, describe on the attached "As-Built Certification by Professional Engineer" form the deviations between the work authorized by this permit and the work as constructed. Clearly indicate on the as-built drawings any deviations that have been listed. Please note that the

depiction and/or description of any deviations on the drawings and/or "As-Built Certification by Professional Engineer" form does not constitute approval of any deviations by the Corps.

- c. The Department of the Army permit number on all sheets submitted.

## **7. Cultural Resources/Historic Properties:**

- a. No structure or work shall adversely affect, impact, or disturb properties listed in the *National Register of Historic Places* (NRHP), or those eligible for inclusion in the NRHP.
- b. If, during permitted activities, items that may have historic or archaeological origin are observed the Permittee shall immediately cease all activities adjacent to the discovery that may result in the destruction of these resources and shall prevent his/her employees from further removing, or otherwise damaging, such resources. The applicant shall notify both the Florida Department of State, Division of Historical Resources, Compliance Review Section at (850)-245-6333 and the Corps, of the observations within the same business day (8 hours). Examples of submerged historical, archaeological or cultural resources include shipwrecks, shipwreck debris fields (such as steam engine parts, or wood planks and beams), anchors, ballast rock, concreted iron objects, concentrations of coal, prehistoric watercraft (such as log "dugouts"), and other evidence of human activity. The materials may be deeply buried in sediment, resting in shallow sediments or above them, or protruding into water. The Corps shall coordinate with the Florida State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) to assess the significance of the discovery and devise appropriate actions. Project activities shall not resume without verbal and/or written authorization from the Corps.
- c. Additional cultural resources assessments may be required of the permit area in the case of unanticipated discoveries as referenced in accordance with the above Special Condition and, if deemed necessary by the SHPO or Corps, in accordance with 36 CFR 800 or 33 CFR 325, Appendix C (5). Based on the circumstances of the discovery, equity to all parties, and considerations of the public interest, the Corps may modify, suspend, or revoke the permit in accordance with 33 CFR Part 325.7. Such activity shall not resume on non-federal lands without written authorization from the SHPO for finds under his or her jurisdiction, and from the Corps.
- d. In the unlikely event that unmarked human remains are identified on non-federal lands; they will be treated in accordance with Section 872.05 Florida Statutes. All

work and ground disturbing activities within a 100-meter diameter of the unmarked human remains shall immediately cease and the Permittee shall immediately notify the medical examiner, Corps, and State Archaeologist within the same business day (8-hours). The Corps shall then notify the appropriate SHPO. Based on the circumstances of the discovery, equity to all parties, and considerations of the public interest, the Corps may modify, suspend, or revoke the permit in accordance with 33 CFR Part 325.7. Such activity shall not resume without written authorization from the SHPO and from the Corps.

- e. If prehistoric or historic artifacts, such as pottery or ceramics, projectile points, dugout canoes, metal implements, historic building materials, or any other physical remains that could be associated with Native American, early European, or American settlement are encountered at any time within the project site area, the permitted project shall cease all activities involving subsurface disturbance in the vicinity of the discovery. The applicant shall contact the Florida Department of State, Division of Historical Resources, Compliance Review Section at (850)-245-6333. Project activities shall not resume without verbal and/or written authorization. In the event that unmarked human remains are encountered during permitted activities, all work shall stop immediately and the proper authorities notified in accordance with Section 872.05, Florida Statutes.

**8. Assurance of Navigation and Maintenance:** The Permittee understands and agrees that, if future operations by the United States require the removal, relocation, or other alteration, of the structures or work herein authorized, or if in the opinion of the Secretary of the Army or his authorized representative, said structure or work shall cause unreasonable obstruction to the free navigation of the navigable waters, the Permittee will be required, upon due notice from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, to remove, relocate, or alter the structural work or obstructions caused thereby, without expense to the United States. No claim shall be made against the United States on account of any such removal or alteration.

**9. Eastern Indigo Snake Protection Measures and Inspection:** Permittee shall comply with U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's "Standard Protection Measures for the Eastern Indigo Snake" dated March 23, 2021, as provided in Attachment 6 of this permit. All gopher tortoise burrows, active or inactive, shall be evacuated prior to site manipulation in the vicinity of the burrow. If excavating potentially occupied burrows, active or inactive, individuals must first obtain state authorization via a Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) Authorized Gopher Tortoise Agent permit. The excavation method selected shall minimize the potential for injury of an indigo snake. The Permittee shall follow the excavation guidance provided in the most current FWC Gopher Tortoise Permitting Guidelines found at <http://myfwc.com/gophertortoise>.

If an indigo snake is encountered, the snake must be allowed to vacate the area prior to additional site manipulation in the vicinity. Holes, cavities, and snake refugia other than gopher tortoise burrows shall be inspected each morning before planned site manipulation of a particular area, and if occupied by an indigo snake, no work shall commence until the snake has vacated the vicinity of the proposed work.

**10. NMFS Informal Consultation Conditions:** The permittee has agreed to adhere to NMFS Southeast Region's Protected Species Construction Conditions (NMFS 2021, Attachment 7). The applicant will install silt fences and/or turbidity curtains within 2 ft of the toe of the batter piles. A maximum of five concrete piles will be installed by impact hammer per day. All work will occur during daylight hours. All roads used for construction material will be constructed within the project footprint and landward of the proposed sheet pile wall.

**11. Proposed Species/Critical Habitat:** The action falls within the range for the green sea turtle (*Chelonia mydas*) critical habitat which is proposed critical habitat for the species under the Endangered Species Act. If the species becomes federally listed and the authorized work has not been completed, the Permittee is required to stop work and request the Corps to re-evaluate the effects of the permitted action on the green sea turtle critical habitat, and if needed, complete Section 7 consultation with the National Marine Fisheries Service to address potential impacts to the green sea turtle critical habitat.

**12. Turbidity Barriers:** Prior to the initiation of any of the work authorized by this permit, the Permittee shall install floating turbidity barriers with weighted skirts that extend within 1 foot of the bottom around all work areas that are in, or adjacent to, surface waters. The turbidity barriers shall remain in place and be maintained daily until the authorized work has been completed and turbidity within the construction area has returned to ambient levels. Turbidity barriers shall be removed upon stabilization of the work area.

**13. Erosion Control:** Prior to the initiation of any work authorized by this permit, the Permittee shall install erosion control measures along the perimeter of all work areas to prevent the displacement of fill material outside the work area into waters of the United States. The erosion control measures shall remain in place and be maintained until all authorized work is completed and the work areas are stabilized.

**14. Fill Material:** The Permittee shall use only clean fill material for this project. The fill material shall be free from items such as trash, debris, automotive parts, asphalt, construction materials, concrete block with exposed reinforcement bars, and soils

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contaminated with any toxic substance in toxic amounts, in accordance with Section 307 of the Clean Water Act.

**15. Wetland Avoidance Areas:** All jurisdictional wetlands outside of the 0.75 acre of wetland impacts authorized by this permit, as shown in the attached drawings, were avoided in accordance with the Section 404(b)(1) guidelines and Public Interest Review. Any proposed discharge of dredged or fill material to these areas would require re-evaluation for the Department of Army authorization.

**16. Special Aquatic Site Boundary Identification:** Prior to the initiation of any authorized work, the Permittee shall stake the edges of the existing wetlands outside of the 0.75 acres of authorized impacts, every 25 feet to ensure special aquatic site boundary visibility to all construction personnel to prevent encroachment and impacts to these sensitive areas.

**17. Mitigation Bank Credit Purchase:** Prior to commencement of work, the Permittee shall provide verification to the Corps that 0.762 of Estuarine Intertidal group federal mitigation bank credits have been purchased from the Everglades Phase II Mitigation Bank (SAJ-1995-00155). The required verification shall reference this project's permit number SAJ-2014-00517 (SP –KHN).

**Further Information:**

1. Congressional Authorities: You have been authorized to undertake the activity described above pursuant to:

(X) Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C. 403)

(X) Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1344)

( ) Section 103 of the Marine Protection, Research and Sanctuaries Act of 1972 (33 U.S.C. 1413)

( ) Section 14 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C. 408)

2. Limits of this authorization.

a. This permit does not obviate the need to obtain other Federal, State, or local authorizations required by law.

- b. This permit does not grant any property rights or exclusive privileges.
  - c. This permit does not authorize any injury to the property or rights of others.
  - d. This permit does not authorize interference with any existing or proposed Federal projects.
3. Limits of Federal Liability. In issuing this permit, the Federal Government does not assume any liability for the following:
- a. Damages to the permitted project or uses thereof as a result of other permitted or unpermitted activities or from natural causes.
  - b. Damages to the permitted project or uses thereof as a result of current or future activities undertaken by or on behalf of the United States in the public interest.
  - c. Damages to persons, property, or to other permitted or unpermitted activities or structures caused by the activity authorized by this permit.
  - d. Design or construction deficiencies associated with the permitted work.
  - e. Damage claims associated with any future modification, suspension, or revocation of this permit.
4. Reliance on Applicant's Data: The determination of this office that issuance of this permit is not contrary to the public interest was made in reliance on the information you provided.
5. Reevaluation of Permit Decision: This office may reevaluate its decision on this permit at any time the circumstances warrant. Circumstances that could require a reevaluation include, but are not limited to, the following:
- a. You fail to comply with the terms and conditions of this permit.
  - b. The information provided by you in support of your permit application proves to have been false, incomplete, or inaccurate (see 4 above).
  - c. Significant new information surfaces which this office did not consider in reaching the original public interest decision.

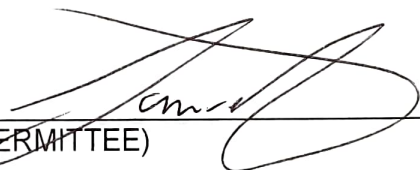


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Such a reevaluation may result in a determination that it is appropriate to use the suspension, modification, and revocation procedures contained in 33 CFR 325.7 or enforcement procedures such as those contained in 33 CFR 326.4 and 326.5. The referenced enforcement procedures provide for the issuance of an administrative order requiring you comply with the terms and conditions of your permit and for the initiation of legal action where appropriate. You will be required to pay for any corrective measures ordered by this office, and if you fail to comply with such directive, this office may in certain situations (such as those specified in 33 CFR 209.170) accomplish the corrective measures by contract or otherwise and bill you for the cost.

6. Extensions: General Condition 1 establishes a time limit for the completion of the activity authorized by this permit. Unless there are circumstances requiring either a prompt completion of the authorized activity or a reevaluation of the public interest decision, the Corps will normally give favorable consideration to a request for an extension of this time limit.

Your signature below, as permittee, indicates that you accept and agree to comply with the terms and conditions of this permit.

  
(PERMITTEE)

01/24/2025  
(DATE)

Golden city Highland beach LLC, Samuel Swedlow MGAM  
(PERMITTEE NAME-PRINTED)

This permit becomes effective when the Federal official, designated to act for the Secretary of the Army, has signed below.



Date: January 24, 2025

for: BRANDON L. BOWMAN  
Colonel, U.S. Army  
District Commander

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When the structures or work authorized by this permit are still in existence at the time the property is transferred, the terms and conditions of this permit will continue to be binding on the new owner(s) of the property. To validate the transfer of this permit and the associated liabilities associated with compliance with its terms and conditions, have the transferee sign and date below.

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(TRANSFEREE-SIGNATURE)

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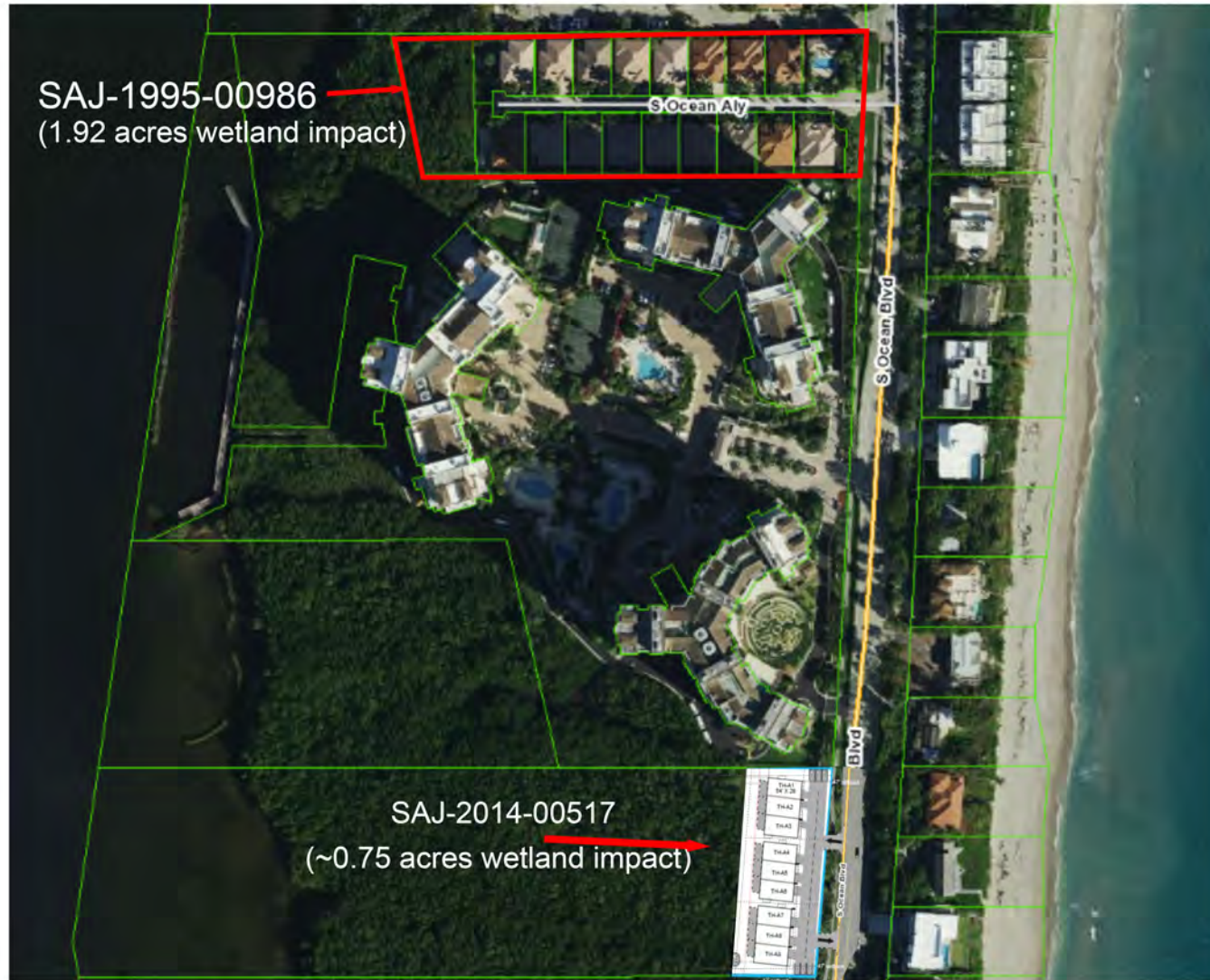
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***Attachments to Department of the Army  
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1. PERMIT DRAWINGS: 3 pages
2. WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION: Specific Conditions of the water quality permit/certification in accordance with General Condition number 5 on page 2 of this DA permit. 26 pages.
3. COMMENCEMENT NOTIFICATION FORM: 1 page
4. NOTICE OF AUTHORIZATION FORM: 2 pages
5. AS-BUILT CERTIFICATION FORM: 2 pages
6. EASTERN INDIGO SNAKE PROTECTION MEASURES: 3 pages
7. NMFS PROTECTED SPECIES CONSTRUCTION CONDITIONS: 2 pages

# Minimization to Townhomes project

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**Onsite Alternative #12**  
9 units multi-level homes complex  
minimum housing project size



## ALTERNATIVE #12 - SITE PLAN







# Measurements

