

The City of Tampa has concluded a study of canals in the Westshore and Davis Islands areas and has identified canals in need of dredging. The criteria used to determine problem areas was a Level of Service (LOS) of 3 feet or less at average low tide. The study identified 144 parcels of land on Davis Islands and 354 parcels of land in the Westshore area that are below the minimum LOS threshold.

The City and a group of Westshore residents have taken a positive step forward in working on solutions that benefit waterfront homeowners concerned about the negative impact of canal sedimentation. Usable water access increases our property's value and enhances our ability to enjoy waterfront living.

As part of the study, two options have been developed to address the studies findings and utilize federal money granted for this purpose.

Option 1

Project addressing all areas identified resulting in approximately \$500-700 in additional property taxes per household per year for 20 years for the 550 parcels affected.

- \$6 million, one-time dredge project.
- 550 Affected Property Owners
- 55/45 Federal requirement
- Federal Contribution \$1.3 million in-hand
- Total project costs per property \$10,900, with federal in-hand share \$8,500. Additional external revenue would go towards buying down the project costs.
- City can finance for 20 years, Part of the tax bill, 5% APR.
 - \$8,500 (\$600 Per-year)
- Navigation management plans prepared with Police Department.

Option 2

Project addressing worst areas identified resulting in approximately \$300-400 per household per year for 20 years for the 208 parcels affected.

- Address the four (4) Canals with Federal the grant (\$1,300,000).
 - Currituck, Dundee (Lake Kipling), Neptune Channel, Spring Lake
- Use \$1,000,000 in ad-valorem as the match.
- Wait for the next grant opportunity for the remaining canals.



Parcels impacted marked in black.

WE NEED YOUR OPINION!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

The map above depicts the areas identified by the study. In order to move forward with either option, we must quantify your interest as a waterfront property owner and convey it to city officials. The level of interest will dictate action on this project as well as future projects that may address problem areas outside of the minimum threshold used in this study.

Please answer the following questions by returning this cut-out to 191 Barbados Ave or by emailing your responses to info@diwpa.com. If you have questions, please call 813-326-4666.

Name: _____
Address: _____

Please mark all that apply to you:

- I am in an area impacted by low water.
- I am in favor of paying an additional tax to have my canal dredged.
- I prefer Option 1
- I prefer Option 2
- I am in an area impacted by low water but my parcel is not shown on the map above as being included in this project.

**WOULD YOU LIKE
YOUR CANAL
DREDGED?**