

Piney Point Updates February 2022



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Piney Point Update – Feb. 28, 2022

Testing of the new evaporation system on top of the OGS-North compartment at Piney Point continues. Through this testing, baseline data will continue to be collected to establish performance.

Closure of this facility remains the top priority, which will ensure that the potential threat to the environment and surrounding community is eliminated permanently. Water management and removal are central to those efforts.

Key status updates and response activities (bolded and underlined language reflects changes):

- The site received no rainfall overnight. Piney Point has received approximately 37.96 inches of rain since the beginning of June 2021. The current storage capacity for additional rainfall at the site is approximately **24 inches**. This capacity is expected to change with rainfall amounts, as well as adjusted water management activities at the site. At this time, expected rainfall through the end of May 2022 is approximately **8 inches**.
- As part of the site's water management efforts, piping of water to the North Regional Water Reclamation Facility resumed Thursday, Sept. 2, 2021, and to date, **16,277,631 gallons** have been transferred. Spray evaporation also continues.
- Approximately **263 million gallons** are currently held within the NGS-South compartment. Pond level readings are expected to fluctuate due to a host of factors, including wind/associated waves in the pond, rainfall and water management activities.
- The court-appointed receiver and its contractors continue to coordinate with DEP on their response to and repair of the recently identified seepage along the south wall of the NGS-South reservoir. DEP staff are on-site and will continue to monitor site conditions to minimize environmental impacts and to protect human health and safety. The general location of a source of the seepage has been identified, and the court-appointed receiver and his contractors are working to investigate any other potential anomalies and identify any needed repairs. Contractors are placing additional fill material in and around the 8x8x6 ft. box structure to further stabilize the seepage until a larger box structure can be constructed, which will provide the foundation for continued repair activities. There continues to be no indication of any concern with the integrity or stability of the stack system, and there are no offsite discharges occurring at this time.

- Innovative technology has been used for onsite water treatment since April 2021, and is ongoing under the Receiver's work at the site. As a result of these innovative water treatment practices, nutrients, including Total Phosphorus (TP) and Total Nitrogen (TN), continue to be reduced significantly onsite. To date, approximately 265 tons of TN and 240 tons of TP have been removed from wastewater onsite.
- The department finalized its agreement with the court-appointed receiver, supporting his role to both manage and undertake final closure of the site. This agreement was finalized after a judge issued an order on Aug. 25, 2021, appointing a receivership to serve as an independent third party to oversee management and closure of the Piney Point site. Day-to-day management and operations now come from this receiver. As part of the receiver's work, water treatment will continue and all available options to manage water onsite will continue to be pursued in an attempt to minimize the potential need for any future treated discharges.

Residents can find the latest information on the status of the site, response activities and water quality at ProtectingFloridaTogether.gov/PineyPointUpdate.

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Piney Point Update – Feb. 25, 2022

Installation and assembly of the new evaporation system on top of the OGS-North compartment of the Piney Point property has been completed. Contractors began pilot testing of the system, and testing will continue through the next few weeks to establish baseline data.

Closure of this facility remains the top priority, which will ensure that the potential threat to the environment and surrounding community is eliminated permanently. Water management and removal are central to those efforts.

Key status updates and response activities (**bolded and underlined language reflects changes**):

- The site received no rainfall overnight. Piney Point has received approximately 37.96 inches of rain since the beginning of June 2021. The current storage capacity for additional rainfall at the site is approximately **22.8 inches**. This capacity is expected to change with rainfall amounts, as well as adjusted water management activities at the site. At this time, expected rainfall through the end of May 2022 is approximately 8.5 inches.
- As part of the site's water management efforts, piping of water to the North Regional Water Reclamation Facility resumed Thursday, Sept. 2, 2021, and to date, **15,983,361 gallons** have been transferred. Spray evaporation also continues.
- Approximately **264 million gallons** are currently held within the NGS-South compartment. Pond level readings are expected to fluctuate due to a host of factors, including wind/associated waves in the pond, rainfall and water management activities.
- The court-appointed receiver and its contractors continue to coordinate with DEP on their response to and repair of the recently identified seepage along the south wall of the NGS-South reservoir. DEP staff are on-site and will continue to monitor site conditions to minimize environmental impacts and to protect human health and safety. The general location of a source of the seepage has been identified, and the court-appointed receiver and his contractors are working to investigate any other potential anomalies and identify any needed repairs. Contractors are placing additional fill material in and around the 8x8x6 ft. box structure to further stabilize the seepage until a larger box structure can be constructed, which will provide the foundation for continued repair activities. There continues to be no indication of any concern with the integrity or stability of the stack system, and there are no offsite discharges occurring at this time.

- Innovative technology has been used for onsite water treatment since April 2021, and is ongoing under the Receiver's work at the site. As a result of these innovative water treatment practices, nutrients, including Total Phosphorus (TP) and Total Nitrogen (TN), continue to be reduced significantly onsite. To date, approximately 265 tons of TN and 240 tons of TP have been removed from wastewater onsite.
- The department finalized its agreement with the court-appointed receiver, supporting his role to both manage and undertake final closure of the site. This agreement was finalized after a judge issued an order on Aug. 25, 2021, appointing a receivership to serve as an independent third party to oversee management and closure of the Piney Point site. Day-to-day management and operations now come from this receiver. As part of the receiver's work, water treatment will continue and all available options to manage water onsite will continue to be pursued in an attempt to minimize the potential need for any future treated discharges.

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Piney Point Update – Feb. 24, 2022

Installation and assembly of the new evaporation system on top of the OGS-North compartment of the Piney Point property has been completed. Contractors began pilot testing of the system, and testing will continue through the next few weeks to establish baseline data.

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Key status updates and response activities (bolded and underlined language reflects changes):

- The site received no rainfall overnight. Piney Point has received approximately 37.96 inches of rain since the beginning of June 2021. The current storage capacity for additional rainfall at the site is approximately **22.5 inches**. This capacity is expected to change with rainfall amounts, as well as adjusted water management activities at the site. At this time, expected rainfall through the end of May 2022 is approximately 8.5 inches.
- As part of the site's water management efforts, piping of water to the North Regional Water Reclamation Facility resumed Thursday, Sept. 2, 2021, and to date, **15,947,241 gallons** have been transferred. Spray evaporation also continues.
- Approximately 268 million gallons are currently held within the NGS-South compartment. Pond level readings are expected to fluctuate due to a host of factors, including wind/associated waves in the pond, rainfall and water management activities.
- The court-appointed receiver and its contractors continue to coordinate with DEP on their response to and repair of the recently identified seepage along the south wall of the NGS-South reservoir. DEP staff are on-site and will continue to monitor site conditions to minimize environmental impacts and to protect human health and safety. The general location of a source of the seepage has been identified, and the court-appointed receiver and his contractors are working to investigate any other potential anomalies and identify any needed repairs. Contractors are placing additional fill material in and around the 8x8x6 ft. box structure to further stabilize the seepage until a larger box structure can be constructed, which will provide the foundation for continued repair activities. There continues to be no indication of any concern with the integrity or stability of the stack system, and there are no offsite discharges occurring at this time.

- Innovative technology has been used for onsite water treatment since April 2021, and is ongoing under the Receiver's work at the site. As a result of these innovative water treatment practices, nutrients, including Total Phosphorus (TP) and Total Nitrogen (TN), continue to be reduced significantly onsite. To date, approximately 265 tons of TN and 240 tons of TP have been removed from wastewater onsite.
- The department finalized its agreement with the court-appointed receiver, supporting his role to both manage and undertake final closure of the site. This agreement was finalized after a judge issued an order on Aug. 25, 2021, appointing a receivership to serve as an independent third party to oversee management and closure of the Piney Point site. Day-to-day management and operations now come from this receiver. As part of the receiver's work, water treatment will continue and all available options to manage water onsite will continue to be pursued in an attempt to minimize the potential need for any future treated discharges.

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Piney Point Update – Feb. 23, 2022

Installation and assembly of the new evaporation system on top of the OGS-North compartment of the Piney Point property has been completed. Contractors began pilot testing of the system, and testing will continue through the next few weeks to establish baseline data.

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Key status updates and response activities (bolded and underlined language reflects changes):

- The site received no rainfall overnight. Piney Point has received approximately 37.96 inches of rain since the beginning of June 2021. The current storage capacity for additional rainfall at the site is approximately **22.7 inches**. This capacity is expected to change with rainfall amounts, as well as adjusted water management activities at the site. At this time, expected rainfall through the end of May 2022 is approximately **8.5 inches**.
- As part of the site's water management efforts, piping of water to the North Regional Water Reclamation Facility resumed Thursday, Sept. 2, 2021, and to date, **15,850,021 gallons** have been transferred. Spray evaporation also continues.
- Approximately 268 million gallons are currently held within the NGS-South compartment. Pond level readings are expected to fluctuate due to a host of factors, including wind/associated waves in the pond, rainfall and water management activities.
- The court-appointed receiver and its contractors continue to coordinate with DEP on their response to and repair of the recently identified seepage along the south wall of the NGS-South reservoir. DEP staff are on-site and will continue to monitor site conditions to minimize environmental impacts and to protect human health and safety. The general location of a source of the seepage has been identified, and the court-appointed receiver and his contractors are working to investigate any other potential anomalies and identify any needed repairs. As part of these ongoing efforts, contractors completed the deployment of an 8x8X6 ft. box structure that will aid in removal of mud and silt, providing better access to evaluate the identified area. There continues to be no indication of any concern with the integrity or stability of the stack system, and there are no offsite discharges occurring at this time.

- Innovative technology has been used for onsite water treatment since April 2021, and is ongoing under the Receiver's work at the site. As a result of these innovative water treatment practices, nutrients, including Total Phosphorus (TP) and Total Nitrogen (TN), continue to be reduced significantly onsite. To date, approximately 265 tons of TN and 240 tons of TP have been removed from wastewater onsite.
- The department finalized its agreement with the court-appointed receiver, supporting his role to both manage and undertake final closure of the site. This agreement was finalized after a judge issued an order on Aug. 25, 2021, appointing a receivership to serve as an independent third party to oversee management and closure of the Piney Point site. Day-to-day management and operations now come from this receiver. As part of the receiver's work, water treatment will continue and all available options to manage water onsite will continue to be pursued in an attempt to minimize the potential need for any future treated discharges.

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Piney Point Update – Feb. 22, 2022

Installation and assembly of the new evaporation system on top of the OGS-North compartment of the Piney Point property has been completed. Contractors began pilot testing of the system, and testing will continue through the next few weeks to establish baseline data.

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Key status updates and response activities (bolded and underlined language reflects changes):

- The site received no rainfall overnight. Piney Point has received approximately 37.96 inches of rain since the beginning of June 2021. The current storage capacity for additional rainfall at the site is approximately **22.8 inches**. This capacity is expected to change with rainfall amounts, as well as adjusted water management activities at the site. At this time, expected rainfall through the end of May 2022 is approximately 9 inches.
- As part of the site's water management efforts, piping of water to the North Regional Water Reclamation Facility resumed Thursday, Sept. 2, 2021, and to date, **15,750,221 gallons** have been transferred. Spray evaporation also continues.
- Approximately 268 million gallons are currently held within the NGS-South compartment. Pond level readings are expected to fluctuate due to a host of factors, including wind/associated waves in the pond, rainfall and water management activities.
- The court-appointed receiver and its contractors continue to coordinate with DEP on their response to and repair of the recently identified seepage along the south wall of the NGS-South reservoir. DEP staff are on-site and will continue to monitor site conditions to minimize environmental impacts and to protect human health and safety. The general location of a source of the seepage has been identified, and the court-appointed receiver and his contractors are working to investigate any other potential anomalies and identify any needed repairs. As part of these ongoing efforts, contractors completed the deployment of an 8x8X6 ft. box structure that will aid in removal of mud and silt, providing better access to evaluate the identified area. There continues to be no indication of any concern with the integrity or stability of the stack system, and there are no offsite discharges occurring at this time.

- Innovative technology has been used for onsite water treatment since April 2021, and is ongoing under the Receiver's work at the site. As a result of these innovative water treatment practices, nutrients, including Total Phosphorus (TP) and Total Nitrogen (TN), continue to be reduced significantly onsite. To date, approximately 265 tons of TN and 240 tons of TP have been removed from wastewater onsite.
- The department finalized its agreement with the court-appointed receiver, supporting his role to both manage and undertake final closure of the site. This agreement was finalized after a judge issued an order on Aug. 25, 2021, appointing a receivership to serve as an independent third party to oversee management and closure of the Piney Point site. Day-to-day management and operations now come from this receiver. As part of the receiver's work, water treatment will continue and all available options to manage water onsite will continue to be pursued in an attempt to minimize the potential need for any future treated discharges.

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Piney Point Update – Feb. 21, 2022

Installation and assembly of the new evaporation system on top of the OGS-North compartment of the Piney Point property has been completed. Contractors began pilot testing of the system, and testing will continue through the next few weeks to establish baseline data.

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Key status updates and response activities (**bolded and underlined language reflects changes**):

- The site received no rainfall overnight. Piney Point has received approximately 37.96 inches of rain since the beginning of June 2021. The current storage capacity for additional rainfall at the site is approximately **23 inches**. This capacity is expected to change with rainfall amounts, as well as adjusted water management activities at the site. At this time, expected rainfall through the end of May 2022 is approximately 9 inches.
- As part of the site's water management efforts, piping of water to the North Regional Water Reclamation Facility resumed Thursday, Sept. 2, 2021, and to date, **15,651,451 gallons** have been transferred. Spray evaporation also continues.
- Approximately **268 million gallons** are currently held within the NGS-South compartment. Pond level readings are expected to fluctuate due to a host of factors, including wind/associated waves in the pond, rainfall and water management activities.
- The court-appointed receiver and its contractors continue to coordinate with DEP on their response to and repair of the recently identified seepage along the south wall of the NGS-South reservoir. DEP staff are on-site and will continue to monitor site conditions to minimize environmental impacts and to protect human health and safety. The general location of a source of the seepage has been identified, and the court-appointed receiver and his contractors are working to investigate any other potential anomalies and identify any needed repairs. As part of these ongoing efforts, contractors completed the deployment of an 8x8X6 ft. box structure that will aid in removal of mud and silt, providing better access to evaluate the identified area. There continues to be no indication of any concern with the integrity or stability of the stack system, and there are no offsite discharges occurring at this time.

- Innovative technology has been used for onsite water treatment since April 2021, and is ongoing under the Receiver's work at the site. As a result of these innovative water treatment practices, nutrients, including Total Phosphorus (TP) and Total Nitrogen (TN), continue to be reduced significantly onsite. To date, approximately 265 tons of TN and 240 tons of TP have been removed from wastewater onsite.
- The department finalized its agreement with the court-appointed receiver, supporting his role to both manage and undertake final closure of the site. This agreement was finalized after a judge issued an order on Aug. 25, 2021, appointing a receivership to serve as an independent third party to oversee management and closure of the Piney Point site. Day-to-day management and operations now come from this receiver. As part of the receiver's work, water treatment will continue and all available options to manage water onsite will continue to be pursued in an attempt to minimize the potential need for any future treated discharges.

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Piney Point Update – Feb. 18, 2022

Installation and assembly of the new evaporation system on top of the OGS-North compartment of the Piney Point property has been completed. Contractors began pilot testing of the system, and testing will continue through the next few weeks to establish baseline data.

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Key status updates and response activities (**bolded and underlined language reflects changes**):

- The site received no rainfall overnight. Piney Point has received approximately 37.96 inches of rain since the beginning of June 2021. The current storage capacity for additional rainfall at the site is approximately **22.2 inches**. This capacity is expected to change with rainfall amounts, as well as adjusted water management activities at the site. At this time, expected rainfall through the end of May 2022 is approximately **9.0 inches**.
- As part of the site's water management efforts, piping of water to the North Regional Water Reclamation Facility resumed Thursday, Sept. 2, 2021, and to date, **15,356,171 gallons** have been transferred. Spray evaporation also continues.
- Approximately **271 million gallons** are currently held within the NGS-South compartment. Pond level readings are expected to fluctuate due to a host of factors, including wind/associated waves in the pond, rainfall and water management activities.
- The court-appointed receiver and its contractors continue to coordinate with DEP on their response to and repair of the recently identified seepage along the south wall of the NGS-South reservoir. DEP staff are on-site and will continue to monitor site conditions to minimize environmental impacts and to protect human health and safety. The general location of a source of the seepage has been identified, and the court-appointed receiver and his contractors are working to investigate any other potential anomalies and identify any needed repairs. As part of these ongoing efforts, contractors completed the deployment of an 8x8X6 ft. box structure that will aid in removal of mud and silt, providing better access to evaluate the identified area. There continues to be no indication of any concern with the integrity or stability of the stack system, and there are no offsite discharges occurring at this time.

- Innovative technology has been used for onsite water treatment since April 2021, and is ongoing under the Receiver's work at the site. As a result of these innovative water treatment practices, nutrients, including Total Phosphorus (TP) and Total Nitrogen (TN), continue to be reduced significantly onsite. To date, approximately 265 tons of TN and 240 tons of TP have been removed from wastewater onsite.
- The department finalized its agreement with the court-appointed receiver, supporting his role to both manage and undertake final closure of the site. This agreement was finalized after a judge issued an order on Aug. 25, 2021, appointing a receivership to serve as an independent third party to oversee management and closure of the Piney Point site. Day-to-day management and operations now come from this receiver. As part of the receiver's work, water treatment will continue and all available options to manage water onsite will continue to be pursued in an attempt to minimize the potential need for any future treated discharges.

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Piney Point Update – Feb. 17, 2022

Installation and assembly of the new evaporation system on top of the OGS-North compartment of the Piney Point property has been completed. Contractors began pilot testing of the system, and testing will continue through the next few weeks to establish baseline data.

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- The site received no rainfall overnight. Piney Point has received approximately 37.96 inches of rain since the beginning of June 2021. The current storage capacity for additional rainfall at the site is approximately **22.6 inches**. This capacity is expected to change with rainfall amounts, as well as adjusted water management activities at the site. At this time, expected rainfall through the end of May 2022 is approximately 9.5 inches.
- As part of the site's water management efforts, piping of water to the North Regional Water Reclamation Facility resumed Thursday, Sept. 2, 2021, and to date, **15,258,651 gallons** have been transferred. Spray evaporation also continues.
- Approximately **268 million gallons** are currently held within the NGS-South compartment. Pond level readings are expected to fluctuate due to a host of factors, including wind/associated waves in the pond, rainfall and water management activities.
- The court-appointed receiver and its contractors continue to coordinate with DEP on their response to and repair of the recently identified seepage along the south wall of the NGS-South reservoir. DEP staff are on-site and will continue to monitor site conditions to minimize environmental impacts and to protect human health and safety. The general location of a source of the seepage has been identified, and the court-appointed receiver and his contractors are working to investigate any other potential anomalies and identify any needed repairs. As part of these ongoing efforts, contractors completed the deployment of an 8x8X6 ft. box structure that will aid in removal of mud and silt, providing better access to evaluate the identified area. There continues to be no indication of any concern with the integrity or stability of the stack system, and there are no offsite discharges occurring at this time.

- Innovative technology has been used for onsite water treatment since April 2021, and is ongoing under the Receiver's work at the site. As a result of these innovative water treatment practices, nutrients, including Total Phosphorus (TP) and Total Nitrogen (TN), continue to be reduced significantly onsite. To date, approximately 265 tons of TN and 240 tons of TP have been removed from wastewater onsite.
- The department finalized its agreement with the court-appointed receiver, supporting his role to both manage and undertake final closure of the site. This agreement was finalized after a judge issued an order on Aug. 25, 2021, appointing a receivership to serve as an independent third party to oversee management and closure of the Piney Point site. Day-to-day management and operations now come from this receiver. As part of the receiver's work, water treatment will continue and all available options to manage water onsite will continue to be pursued in an attempt to minimize the potential need for any future treated discharges.

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Piney Point Update – Feb. 16, 2022

Work on the new evaporation system continues on top of the OGS-North compartment of the Piney Point property. Assembly for the new enhanced evaporation system has been completed and contractors are working to complete final adjustments prior to beginning pilot testing of the system. Testing of the system will continue through the next several weeks.

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- As part of the site's water management efforts, piping of water to the North Regional Water Reclamation Facility resumed Thursday, Sept. 2, 2021, and to date, **15,161,631 gallons** have been transferred. Spray evaporation also continues.
- Approximately 269 million gallons are currently held within the NGS-South compartment. Pond level readings are expected to fluctuate due to a host of factors, including wind/associated waves in the pond, rainfall and water management activities.
- The court-appointed receiver and its contractors continue to coordinate with DEP engineers and regulatory staff on their response to and repair of the recently identified seepage along the south wall of the NGS-South reservoir. DEP staff are on-site and will continue to monitor site conditions to minimize environmental impacts and to protect human health and safety. The general location of a source of the seepage has been identified through a combination of hydrophone surveys, sonar work, dye trace studies and scuba divers. The court-appointed receiver and his contractors are continuing their work to identify needed repairs and further investigate any other potential anomalies. As part of these ongoing efforts, contractors have completed the deployment of an 8x8X6 ft. box structure that will aid in removal of mud and silt, providing better access to evaluate the identified area. There continues to be no indication of any concern with the integrity or stability of the stack system, and there are no offsite discharges occurring at this time.

- Innovative technology has been used for onsite water treatment since April 2021, and is ongoing under the Receiver's work at the site. As a result of these innovative water treatment practices, nutrients, including Total Phosphorus (TP) and Total Nitrogen (TN), continue to be reduced significantly onsite. To date, approximately 265 tons of TN and 240 tons of TP have been removed from wastewater onsite.
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Piney Point Update – Feb. 15, 2022

Work on the new evaporation system continues on top of the OGS-North compartment of the Piney Point property. Assembly for the new enhanced evaporation system has been completed and contractors are working to complete final adjustments prior to beginning pilot testing of the system. Testing of the system will continue through the next several weeks.

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- As part of the site's water management efforts, piping of water to the North Regional Water Reclamation Facility resumed Thursday, Sept. 2, 2021, and to date, **15,065,331 gallons** have been transferred. Spray evaporation also continues.
- Approximately **269 million gallons** are currently held within the NGS-South compartment. Pond level readings are expected to fluctuate due to a host of factors, including wind/associated waves in the pond, rainfall and water management activities.
- The court-appointed receiver and its contractors continue to coordinate with DEP engineers and regulatory staff on their response to and repair of the recently identified seepage along the south wall of the NGS-South reservoir. DEP staff are on-site and will continue to monitor site conditions to minimize environmental impacts and to protect human health and safety. The general location of a source of the seepage has been identified through a combination of hydrophone surveys, sonar work, dye trace studies and scuba divers. The court-appointed receiver and his contractors are continuing their work to identify needed repairs and further investigate any other potential anomalies. As part of these ongoing efforts, contractors have completed the deployment of an 8x8X6 ft. box structure that will aid in removal of mud and silt, providing better access to evaluate the identified area. There continues to be no indication of any concern with the integrity or stability of the stack system, and there are no offsite discharges occurring at this time.

- Innovative technology has been used for onsite water treatment since April 2021, and is ongoing under the Receiver's work at the site. As a result of these innovative water treatment practices, nutrients, including Total Phosphorus (TP) and Total Nitrogen (TN), continue to be reduced significantly onsite. To date, approximately 265 tons of TN and 240 tons of TP have been removed from wastewater onsite.
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Piney Point Update – Feb. 14, 2022

Work on the new evaporation system continues on top of the OGS-North compartment of the Piney Point property. Contractors are continuing to set up and assemble the new enhanced evaporation system. Installation and testing of the system will continue through the next few weeks.

Closure of this facility remains the top priority, which will ensure that the potential threat to the environment and surrounding community is eliminated permanently. Water management and removal are central to those efforts.

Key status updates and response activities (bolded and underlined language reflects changes):

- The site received **0.09 inches** of rainfall overnight. Piney Point has received approximately **37.96 inches** of rain since the beginning of June 2021. The current storage capacity for additional rainfall at the site is approximately **22.5 inches**. This capacity is expected to change with rainfall amounts, as well as adjusted water management activities at the site. At this time, expected rainfall through the end of May 2022 is approximately 10 inches.
- As part of the site's water management efforts, piping of water to the North Regional Water Reclamation Facility resumed Thursday, Sept. 2, 2021, and to date, **14,965,931 gallons** have been transferred. Spray evaporation also continues.
- Approximately **268 million gallons** are currently held within the NGS-South compartment. Pond level readings are expected to fluctuate due to a host of factors, including wind/associated waves in the pond, rainfall and water management activities.
- The court-appointed receiver and its contractors continue to coordinate with DEP engineers and regulatory staff on their response to and repair of the recently identified seepage along the south wall of the NGS-South reservoir. DEP staff are on-site and will continue to monitor site conditions to minimize environmental impacts and to protect human health and safety. The general location of a source of the seepage has been identified through a combination of hydrophone surveys, sonar work, dye trace studies and scuba divers. The court-appointed receiver and his contractors are continuing their work to identify needed repairs and further investigate any other potential anomalies. As part of these ongoing efforts, contractors have completed the deployment of an 8x8X6 ft. box structure that will aid in removal of mud and silt, providing better access to evaluate the identified area. There continues to be no indication of any concern with the integrity or stability of the stack system, and there are no offsite discharges occurring at this time.

- Innovative technology has been used for onsite water treatment since April 2021, and is ongoing under the Receiver's work at the site. As a result of these innovative water treatment practices, nutrients, including Total Phosphorus (TP) and Total Nitrogen (TN), continue to be reduced significantly onsite. To date, approximately 265 tons of TN and 240 tons of TP have been removed from wastewater onsite.
- The department finalized its agreement with the court-appointed receiver, supporting his role to both manage and undertake final closure of the site. This agreement was finalized after a judge issued an order on Aug. 25, 2021, appointing a receivership to serve as an independent third party to oversee management and closure of the Piney Point site. Day-to-day management and operations now come from this receiver. As part of the receiver's work, water treatment will continue and all available options to manage water onsite will continue to be pursued in an attempt to minimize the potential need for any future treated discharges.

Residents can find the latest information on the status of the site, response activities and water quality at [ProtectingFloridaTogether.gov/PineyPointUpdate](https://protectingfloridatogether.gov/PineyPointUpdate).

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Piney Point Update – Feb. 11, 2022

Work on the new evaporation system continues on top of the OGS-North compartment of the Piney Point property. Contractors are continuing to set up and assemble the new enhanced evaporation system. Installation and testing of the system will continue through the next few weeks.

Closure of this facility remains the top priority, which will ensure that the potential threat to the environment and surrounding community is eliminated permanently. Water management and removal are central to those efforts.

Key status updates and response activities (bolded and underlined language reflects changes):

- The site received no rainfall overnight. Piney Point has received approximately 37.68 inches of rain since the beginning of June 2021. The current storage capacity for additional rainfall at the site is approximately **21.4 inches**. This capacity is expected to change with rainfall amounts, as well as adjusted water management activities at the site. At this time, expected rainfall through the end of May 2022 is approximately **10 inches**.
- As part of the site's water management efforts, piping of water to the North Regional Water Reclamation Facility resumed Thursday, Sept. 2, 2021, and to date, **14,676,531 gallons** have been transferred. Spray evaporation also continues.
- Approximately 267 million gallons are currently held within the NGS-South compartment. Pond level readings are expected to fluctuate due to a host of factors, including rainfall, water management activities and wind/associated waves in the pond.
- The court-appointed receiver and its contractors continue to coordinate with DEP engineers and regulatory staff on their response to and repair of the recently identified seepage along the south wall of the NGS-South reservoir. DEP staff are on-site and will continue to monitor site conditions to minimize environmental impacts and to protect human health and safety. The general location of a source of the seepage has been identified through a combination of hydrophone surveys, sonar work, dye trace studies and scuba divers. The court-appointed receiver and his contractors are continuing their work to identify needed repairs and further investigate any other potential anomalies. As part of these ongoing efforts, contractors have completed the deployment of an 8x8X6 ft. box structure that will aid in removal of mud and silt, providing better access to evaluate the identified area. There continues to be no indication of any concern with the integrity or stability of the stack system, and there are no offsite discharges occurring at this time.

- Innovative technology has been used for onsite water treatment since April 2021, and is ongoing under the Receiver's work at the site. As a result of these innovative water treatment practices, nutrients, including Total Phosphorus (TP) and Total Nitrogen (TN), continue to be reduced significantly onsite. To date, approximately 265 tons of TN and 240 tons of TP have been removed from wastewater onsite.
- The department finalized its agreement with the court-appointed receiver, supporting his role to both manage and undertake final closure of the site. This agreement was finalized after a judge issued an order on Aug. 25, 2021, appointing a receivership to serve as an independent third party to oversee management and closure of the Piney Point site. Day-to-day management and operations now come from this receiver. As part of the receiver's work, water treatment will continue and all available options to manage water onsite will continue to be pursued in an attempt to minimize the potential need for any future treated discharges.

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Piney Point Update – Feb. 10, 2022

Work on the new evaporation system continues on top of the OGS-North compartment of the Piney Point property. Contractors are continuing to set up and assemble the new enhanced evaporation system. Installation and testing of the system will continue through the next few weeks.

Closure of this facility remains the top priority, which will ensure that the potential threat to the environment and surrounding community is eliminated permanently. Water management and removal are central to those efforts.

Key status updates and response activities (bolded and underlined language reflects changes):

- The site received **no rainfall** overnight. Piney Point has received approximately 37.68 inches of rain since the beginning of June 2021. The current storage capacity for additional rainfall at the site is approximately **21.2 inches**. This capacity is expected to change with rainfall amounts, as well as adjusted water management activities at the site. At this time, expected rainfall through the end of May 2022 is approximately 10.5 inches.
- As part of the site's water management efforts, piping of water to the North Regional Water Reclamation Facility resumed Thursday, Sept. 2, 2021, and to date, **14,579,331 gallons** have been transferred. Spray evaporation also continues.
- Approximately 267 million gallons are currently held within the NGS-South compartment. Pond level readings are expected to fluctuate due to a host of factors, including rainfall, water management activities and wind/associated waves in the pond.
- The court-appointed receiver and its contractors continue to coordinate with DEP engineers and regulatory staff on their response to and repair of the recently identified seepage along the south wall of the NGS-South reservoir. DEP staff are on-site and will continue to monitor site conditions to minimize environmental impacts and to protect human health and safety. The general location of a source of the seepage has been identified through a combination of hydrophone surveys, sonar work, dye trace studies and scuba divers. The court-appointed receiver and his contractors are continuing their work to identify needed repairs and further investigate any other potential anomalies. As part of these ongoing efforts, contractors have completed the deployment of an 8x8X6 ft. box structure that will aid in removal of mud and silt, providing better access to evaluate the identified area. There continues to be no indication of any concern with the integrity or stability of the stack system, and there are no offsite discharges occurring at this time.

- Innovative technology has been used for onsite water treatment since April 2021, and is ongoing under the Receiver's work at the site. As a result of these innovative water treatment practices, nutrients, including Total Phosphorus (TP) and Total Nitrogen (TN), continue to be reduced significantly onsite. To date, approximately 265 tons of TN and 240 tons of TP have been removed from wastewater onsite.
- The department finalized its agreement with the court-appointed receiver, supporting his role to both manage and undertake final closure of the site. This agreement was finalized after a judge issued an order on Aug. 25, 2021, appointing a receivership to serve as an independent third party to oversee management and closure of the Piney Point site. Day-to-day management and operations now come from this receiver. As part of the receiver's work, water treatment will continue and all available options to manage water onsite will continue to be pursued in an attempt to minimize the potential need for any future treated discharges.

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Piney Point Update – Feb. 9, 2022

Work on the new evaporation system continues on top of the OGS-North compartment of the Piney Point property. Contractors are continuing to set up and assemble the new enhanced evaporation system. Installation and testing of the system will continue through the next few weeks.

Closure of this facility remains the top priority, which will ensure that the potential threat to the environment and surrounding community is eliminated permanently. Water management and removal are central to those efforts.

Key status updates and response activities (bolded and underlined language reflects changes):

- The site received **0.54 inches** of rainfall of overnight. Piney Point has received approximately **37.68 inches** of rain since the beginning of June 2021. The current storage capacity for additional rainfall at the site is approximately **21.4 inches**. This capacity is expected to change with rainfall amounts, as well as adjusted water management activities at the site. At this time, expected rainfall through the end of May 2022 is approximately 10.5 inches.
- As part of the site's water management efforts, piping of water to the North Regional Water Reclamation Facility resumed Thursday, Sept. 2, 2021, and to date, **14,480,431 gallons** have been transferred. Spray evaporation also continues.
- Approximately 267 million gallons are currently held within the NGS-South compartment. Pond level readings are expected to fluctuate due to a host of factors, including rainfall, water management activities and wind/associated waves in the pond.
- The court-appointed receiver and its contractors continue to coordinate with DEP engineers and regulatory staff on their response to and repair of the recently identified seepage along the south wall of the NGS-South reservoir. DEP staff are on-site and will continue to monitor site conditions to minimize environmental impacts and to protect human health and safety. The general location of a source of the seepage has been identified through a combination of hydrophone surveys, sonar work, dye trace studies and scuba divers. The court-appointed receiver and his contractors are continuing their work to identify needed repairs and further investigate any other potential anomalies. As part of these ongoing efforts, contractors have completed the deployment of an 8x8X6 ft. box structure that will aid in removal of mud and silt, providing better access to evaluate the identified area. There continues to be no indication of any concern with the integrity or stability of the stack system, and there are no offsite discharges occurring at this time.

- Innovative technology has been used for onsite water treatment since April 2021, and is ongoing under the Receiver's work at the site. As a result of these innovative water treatment practices, nutrients, including Total Phosphorus (TP) and Total Nitrogen (TN), continue to be reduced significantly onsite. To date, approximately 265 tons of TN and 240 tons of TP have been removed from wastewater onsite.
- The department finalized its agreement with the court-appointed receiver, supporting his role to both manage and undertake final closure of the site. This agreement was finalized after a judge issued an order on Aug. 25, 2021, appointing a receivership to serve as an independent third party to oversee management and closure of the Piney Point site. Day-to-day management and operations now come from this receiver. As part of the receiver's work, water treatment will continue and all available options to manage water onsite will continue to be pursued in an attempt to minimize the potential need for any future treated discharges.

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Piney Point Update – Feb. 8, 2022

Work on the new evaporation system continues on top of the OGS-North compartment of the Piney Point property. Contractors are continuing to set up and assemble the new enhanced evaporation system. Installation and testing of the system will continue through the next few weeks.

Closure of this facility remains the top priority, which will ensure that the potential threat to the environment and surrounding community is eliminated permanently. Water management and removal are central to those efforts.

Key status updates and response activities (bolded and underlined language reflects changes):

- The site received no rainfall of overnight. Piney Point has received approximately 37.14 inches of rain since the beginning of June 2021. The current storage capacity for additional rainfall at the site is approximately 21.8 inches. This capacity is expected to change with rainfall amounts, as well as adjusted water management activities at the site. At this time, expected rainfall through the end of May 2022 is approximately **10.5 inches**.
- As part of the site's water management efforts, piping of water to the North Regional Water Reclamation Facility resumed Thursday, Sept. 2, 2021, and to date, **14,382,611 gallons** have been transferred. Spray evaporation also continues.
- Approximately 267 million gallons are currently held within the NGS-South compartment. Pond level readings are expected to fluctuate due to a host of factors, including rainfall, water management activities and wind/associated waves in the pond.
- The court-appointed receiver and its contractors continue to coordinate with DEP engineers and regulatory staff on their response to and repair of the recently identified seepage along the south wall of the NGS-South reservoir. DEP staff are on-site and will continue to monitor site conditions to minimize environmental impacts and to protect human health and safety. The general location of a source of the seepage has been identified through a combination of hydrophone surveys, sonar work, dye trace studies and scuba divers. The court-appointed receiver and his contractors are continuing their work to identify needed repairs and further investigate any other potential anomalies. As part of these ongoing efforts, contractors have completed the deployment of an 8x8X6 ft. box structure that will aid in removal of mud and silt, providing better access to evaluate the identified area. There continues to be no indication of any concern with the integrity or stability of the stack system, and there are no offsite discharges occurring at this time.

- Innovative technology has been used for onsite water treatment since April 2021, and is ongoing under the Receiver's work at the site. As a result of these innovative water treatment practices, nutrients, including Total Phosphorus (TP) and Total Nitrogen (TN), continue to be reduced significantly onsite. To date, approximately 265 tons of TN and 240 tons of TP have been removed from wastewater onsite.
- The department finalized its agreement with the court-appointed receiver, supporting his role to both manage and undertake final closure of the site. This agreement was finalized after a judge issued an order on Aug. 25, 2021, appointing a receivership to serve as an independent third party to oversee management and closure of the Piney Point site. Day-to-day management and operations now come from this receiver. As part of the receiver's work, water treatment will continue and all available options to manage water onsite will continue to be pursued in an attempt to minimize the potential need for any future treated discharges.

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Piney Point Update – Feb. 7, 2022

Work on the new evaporation system continues on top of the OGS-North compartment of the Piney Point property. Contractors are continuing to set up and assemble the new enhanced evaporation system. Installation and testing of the system will continue through the next few weeks.

Closure of this facility remains the top priority, which will ensure that the potential threat to the environment and surrounding community is eliminated permanently. Water management and removal are central to those efforts.

Key status updates and response activities (bolded and underlined language reflects changes):

- The site received no rainfall of overnight. Piney Point has received approximately 37.14 inches of rain since the beginning of June 2021. The current storage capacity for additional rainfall at the site is approximately **21.8 inches**. This capacity is expected to change with rainfall amounts, as well as adjusted water management activities at the site. At this time, expected rainfall through the end of May 2022 is approximately 11 inches.
- As part of the site's water management efforts, piping of water to the North Regional Water Reclamation Facility resumed Thursday, Sept. 2, 2021, and to date, **14,284,751 gallons** have been transferred. Spray evaporation also continues.
- Approximately 267 million gallons are currently held within the NGS-South compartment. Pond level readings are expected to fluctuate due to a host of factors, including rainfall, water management activities and wind/associated waves in the pond.
- The court-appointed receiver and its contractors continue to coordinate with DEP engineers and regulatory staff on their response to and repair of the recently identified seepage along the south wall of the NGS-South reservoir. DEP staff are on-site and will continue to monitor site conditions to minimize environmental impacts and to protect human health and safety. The general location of a source of the seepage has been identified through a combination of hydrophone surveys, sonar work, dye trace studies and scuba divers. The court-appointed receiver and his contractors are continuing their work to identify needed repairs and further investigate any other potential anomalies. As part of these ongoing efforts, contractors have completed the deployment of an 8x8X6 ft. box structure that will aid in removal of mud and silt, providing better access to evaluate the identified area. There continues to be no indication of any concern with the integrity or stability of the stack system, and there are no offsite discharges occurring at this time.

- Innovative technology has been used for onsite water treatment since April 2021, and is ongoing under the Receiver's work at the site. As a result of these innovative water treatment practices, nutrients, including Total Phosphorus (TP) and Total Nitrogen (TN), continue to be reduced significantly onsite. To date, approximately 265 tons of TN and 240 tons of TP have been removed from wastewater onsite.
- The department finalized its agreement with the court-appointed receiver, supporting his role to both manage and undertake final closure of the site. This agreement was finalized after a judge issued an order on Aug. 25, 2021, appointing a receivership to serve as an independent third party to oversee management and closure of the Piney Point site. Day-to-day management and operations now come from this receiver. As part of the receiver's work, water treatment will continue and all available options to manage water onsite will continue to be pursued in an attempt to minimize the potential need for any future treated discharges.

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Piney Point Update – Feb. 4, 2022

Work on the new evaporation system continues on top of the OGS-North compartment of the Piney Point property. Today contractors began to set up and assemble the new spray evaporation system. Installation and testing of the system will continue through the next few weeks.

Closure of this facility remains the top priority, which will ensure that the potential threat to the environment and surrounding community is eliminated permanently. Water management and removal are central to those efforts.

Key status updates and response activities (bolded and underlined language reflects changes):

- The site received no rainfall of overnight. Piney Point has received approximately 37.14 inches of rain since the beginning of June 2021. The current storage capacity for additional rainfall at the site is approximately **22 inches**. This capacity is expected to change with rainfall amounts, as well as adjusted water management activities at the site. At this time, expected rainfall through the end of May 2022 is approximately 11 inches.
- As part of the site's water management efforts, piping of water to the North Regional Water Reclamation Facility resumed Thursday, Sept. 2, 2021, and to date, **14,027,351 gallons** have been transferred. Spray evaporation also continues.
- Approximately **267 million** gallons are currently held within the NGS-South compartment. Pond level readings are expected to fluctuate due to a host of factors, including rainfall, water management activities and wind/associated waves in the pond.
- The court-appointed receiver and its contractors continue to coordinate with DEP engineers and regulatory staff on their response to and repair of the recently identified seepage along the south wall of the NGS-South reservoir. DEP staff are on-site and will continue to monitor site conditions to minimize environmental impacts and to protect human health and safety. The general location of a source of the seepage has been identified through a combination of hydrophone surveys, sonar work, dye trace studies and scuba divers. The court-appointed receiver and his contractors are continuing their work to identify needed repairs and further investigate any other potential anomalies. As part of these ongoing efforts, contractors have completed the deployment of an 8x8X6 ft. box structure that will aid in removal of mud and silt, providing better access to evaluate the identified area. There continues to be no indication of any concern with the integrity or stability of the stack system, and there are no offsite discharges occurring at this time.

- Innovative technology has been used for onsite water treatment since April 2021, and is ongoing under the Receiver's work at the site. As a result of these innovative water treatment practices, nutrients, including Total Phosphorus (TP) and Total Nitrogen (TN), continue to be reduced significantly onsite. To date, approximately 265 tons of TN and 240 tons of TP have been removed from wastewater onsite.
- The department finalized its agreement with the court-appointed receiver, supporting his role to both manage and undertake final closure of the site. This agreement was finalized after a judge issued an order on Aug. 25, 2021, appointing a receivership to serve as an independent third party to oversee management and closure of the Piney Point site. Day-to-day management and operations now come from this receiver. As part of the receiver's work, water treatment will continue and all available options to manage water onsite will continue to be pursued in an attempt to minimize the potential need for any future treated discharges.

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Piney Point Update – Feb. 3, 2022

Work on the new evaporation system continues on top of the OGS-North compartment of the Piney Point property. Today contractors completed the deployment of a liner that will assist with managing and recycling the water associated with the spray evaporation system. Installation and testing of the system will continue through the next few weeks.

Closure of this facility remains the top priority, which will ensure that the potential threat to the environment and surrounding community is eliminated permanently. Water management and removal are central to those efforts.

Key status updates and response activities (bolded and underlined language reflects changes):

- The site received no rainfall of overnight. Piney Point has received approximately 37.14 inches of rain since the beginning of June 2021. The current storage capacity for additional rainfall at the site is approximately **21.5 inches**. This capacity is expected to change with rainfall amounts, as well as adjusted water management activities at the site. At this time, expected rainfall through the end of May 2022 is approximately **11 inches**.
- As part of the site's water management efforts, piping of water to the North Regional Water Reclamation Facility resumed Thursday, Sept. 2, 2021, and to date, **13,934,251 gallons** have been transferred. Spray evaporation also continues.
- Approximately 268 million gallons are currently held within the NGS-South compartment. Pond level readings are expected to fluctuate due to a host of factors, including rainfall, water management activities and wind/associated waves in the pond.
- The court-appointed receiver and its contractors continue to coordinate with DEP engineers and regulatory staff on their response to and repair of the recently identified seepage along the south wall of the NGS-South reservoir. DEP staff are on-site and will continue to monitor site conditions to minimize environmental impacts and to protect human health and safety. The general location of a source of the seepage has been identified through a combination of hydrophone surveys, sonar work, dye trace studies and scuba divers. The court-appointed receiver and his contractors are continuing their work to identify needed repairs and further investigate any other potential anomalies. As part of these ongoing efforts, contractors have completed the deployment of an 8x8X6 ft. box structure that will aid in removal of mud and silt, providing better access to evaluate the identified area. There continues to be no indication of any concern with the integrity or stability of the stack system, and there are no offsite discharges occurring at this time.

- Innovative technology has been used for onsite water treatment since April 2021, and is ongoing under the Receiver's work at the site. As a result of these innovative water treatment practices, nutrients, including Total Phosphorus (TP) and Total Nitrogen (TN), continue to be reduced significantly onsite. To date, approximately 265 tons of TN and 240 tons of TP have been removed from wastewater onsite.
- The department finalized its agreement with the court-appointed receiver, supporting his role to both manage and undertake final closure of the site. This agreement was finalized after a judge issued an order on Aug. 25, 2021, appointing a receivership to serve as an independent third party to oversee management and closure of the Piney Point site. Day-to-day management and operations now come from this receiver. As part of the receiver's work, water treatment will continue and all available options to manage water onsite will continue to be pursued in an attempt to minimize the potential need for any future treated discharges.

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Piney Point Update – Feb. 2, 2022

Work on the new evaporation system continues on top of the OGS-North compartment of the Piney Point property. The concrete support platform and surrounding berms have been completed. Today contractors began the deployment of a liner that will assist with managing and recycling the water associated with the spray evaporation system. Installation and testing of the evaporation system will continue through the next few weeks.

Closure of this facility remains the top priority, which will ensure that the potential threat to the environment and surrounding community is eliminated permanently. Water management and removal are central to those efforts.

Key status updates and response activities (bolded and underlined language reflects changes):

- The site received no rainfall of overnight. Piney Point has received approximately 37.14 inches of rain since the beginning of June 2021. The current storage capacity for additional rainfall at the site is approximately **21.1 inches**. This capacity is expected to change with rainfall amounts, as well as adjusted water management activities at the site. At this time, expected rainfall through the end of May 2022 is approximately **11.5 inches**.
- As part of the site's water management efforts, piping of water to the North Regional Water Reclamation Facility resumed Thursday, Sept. 2, 2021, and to date, **13,836,851 gallons** have been transferred. Spray evaporation also continues.
- Approximately 268 million gallons are currently held within the NGS-South compartment. Pond level readings are expected to fluctuate due to a host of factors, including rainfall, water management activities and wind/associated waves in the pond.
- The court-appointed receiver and its contractors continue to coordinate with DEP engineers and regulatory staff on their response to and repair of the recently identified seepage along the south wall of the NGS-South reservoir. DEP staff are on-site and will continue to monitor site conditions to minimize environmental impacts and to protect human health and safety. The general location of a source of the seepage has been identified through a combination of hydrophone surveys, sonar work, dye trace studies and scuba divers. The court-appointed receiver and his contractors are continuing their work to identify needed repairs and further investigate any other potential anomalies. As part of these ongoing efforts, contractors have completed the deployment of an 8x8X6 ft. box structure that will aid in removal of mud and silt, providing better access to evaluate the identified area. There continues to be no indication of any concern with the integrity or stability of the stack system, and there are no offsite discharges occurring at this time.

- Innovative technology has been used for onsite water treatment since April 2021, and is ongoing under the Receiver's work at the site. As a result of these innovative water treatment practices, nutrients, including Total Phosphorus (TP) and Total Nitrogen (TN), continue to be reduced significantly onsite. To date, approximately 265 tons of TN and 240 tons of TP have been removed from wastewater onsite.
- The department finalized its agreement with the court-appointed receiver, supporting his role to both manage and undertake final closure of the site. This agreement was finalized after a judge issued an order on Aug. 25, 2021, appointing a receivership to serve as an independent third party to oversee management and closure of the Piney Point site. Day-to-day management and operations now come from this receiver. As part of the receiver's work, water treatment will continue and all available options to manage water onsite will continue to be pursued in an attempt to minimize the potential need for any future treated discharges.

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Piney Point Update – Feb. 1, 2022

In order to optimize water removal efforts throughout the site, the court-appointed receiver is continuing work to expand water management and removal. This includes incorporating a new evaporation system on top of the OGS-North compartment of the Piney Point property. The concrete support platform for the new system was poured last week, and work continued today on the berms around the test area. Installation and testing of the evaporation system will continue through the next few weeks.

The receiver has also incorporated an additional system to wet the interior slopes of the NGS-South to supplement and maximize existing water evaporation at the site.

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Key status updates and response activities (bolded and underlined language reflects changes):

- The site received no rainfall of overnight. Piney Point has received approximately 37.14 inches of rain since the beginning of June 2021. The current storage capacity for additional rainfall at the site is approximately **21.6 inches**. This capacity is expected to change with rainfall amounts, as well as adjusted water management activities at the site. At this time, expected rainfall through the end of May 2022 is approximately **11.5 inches**.
- As part of the site's water management efforts, piping of water to the North Regional Water Reclamation Facility resumed Thursday, Sept. 2, 2021, and to date, **13,744,451 gallons** have been transferred. Spray evaporation also continues.
- Approximately **268 million** gallons are currently held within the NGS-South compartment. Pond level readings are expected to fluctuate due to a host of factors, including rainfall, water management activities and wind/associated waves in the pond.
- The court-appointed receiver and its contractors continue to coordinate with DEP engineers and regulatory staff on their response to and repair of the recently identified seepage along the south wall of the NGS-South reservoir. DEP staff are on-site and will continue to monitor site conditions to minimize environmental impacts and to protect human health and safety. The general location of a source of the seepage has been identified through a combination of hydrophone surveys, sonar work, dye trace studies and scuba divers. The court-appointed receiver and his contractors are continuing their work to identify needed repairs and further investigate any other potential anomalies. As

part of these ongoing efforts, contractors have completed the deployment of an 8x8X6 ft. box structure that will aid in removal of mud and silt, providing better access to evaluate the identified area. There continues to be no indication of any concern with the integrity or stability of the stack system, and there are no offsite discharges occurring at this time.

- Innovative technology has been used for onsite water treatment since April 2021, and is ongoing under the Receiver's work at the site. As a result of these innovative water treatment practices, nutrients, including Total Phosphorus (TP) and Total Nitrogen (TN), continue to be reduced significantly onsite. To date, approximately 265 tons of TN and 240 tons of TP have been removed from wastewater onsite.
- The department finalized its agreement with the court-appointed receiver, supporting his role to both manage and undertake final closure of the site. This agreement was finalized after a judge issued an order on Aug. 25, 2021, appointing a receivership to serve as an independent third party to oversee management and closure of the Piney Point site. Day-to-day management and operations now come from this receiver. As part of the receiver's work, water treatment will continue and all available options to manage water onsite will continue to be pursued in an attempt to minimize the potential need for any future treated discharges.

Residents can find the latest information on the status of the site, response activities and water quality at ProtectingFloridaTogether.gov/PineyPointUpdate.

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