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Subject: Comments concerning Roberts Road SpaceX Operations Area Expansion and Supporting Infrastructure Draft EA, KSC, Florida

Dear Mr. Dankert,

- The Sierra Club hopes that SpaceX will consider the use of Low Impact Development to minimize water that enters the local water system. The Indian River Lagoon is in bad condition and fresh water is a pollutant to the system.
- This area has wetlands which can be mitigated with in the Brevard County Area. Best practice would be to move the construction to the South and not impair the wetlands or scrub at all.
- Areas need to be located to impound storm water so that it does not enter into the Indian River Lagoon at all.
- The coastal area is subject to sea level rise and the future must be considered.
- There is major concern with the projected launch rate that access to Canaveral Sea Shore, a very popular area may be closed off. This is also one of the major sea turtle nesting areas that's in Florida.

Thank you for taking the time to read and consider our concerns.

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