⚓ NAPLES NAVY WATERFRONT ALERT

IN COORDINATION WITH NAPLES CERT (COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM)

🚨 SITUATION REPORT: HIGH TIDE & WATER LEVEL WARNING (Fall and Winter)

TO ALL NAPLES ISLANDS WATERFRONT RESIDENTS: The Naples Navy continues to actively monitor local waterfront conditions. In upcoming weeks and months, **seasonal high tides** may be 6-18 inches higher than normal predicted levels due to elevated sea temperatures and a periodic **Kelvin Wave effect** which may cause canal water levels to reach record highs exceeding 8 feet.

WARNING: Take immediate action now to secure floating docks, gangways, vessels, and seawalls starting with the high tide cycle of October 24th.

📋 IMMEDIATE ACTION CHECKLIST

1. Docks & Pilings

- **Check Piling Caps:** Ensure top caps are secure. High tides may cause dock rings/connectors to slide over the tops of un-capped guide poles.
- **Inspect Gangways:** Gangways leveling or inclining downward can put immense pressure on dock joints or unhinge open-top connectors. Inspect all attachment points.

2. Vessel Safety & Bilge Systems

- **Watch Davit Clearances:** Ensure vessels under davits or boat lifts have sufficient overhead clearance so rising tides do not crush hulls against lift structures or poles.
- **Electrical & Pumps:** Verify vessel batteries are fully charged. Test bilge pumps and automatic float switches immediately.
- **Mooring Lines:** Adjust lines to account for extreme vertical tide movement without binding or pulling.

3. Seawalls & Sandbags

- **Low-Lying Island Alert:** During these extreme high tides, portions of Naples Islands sit below sea level. Monitor seawalls closely for excessive seepage or structural stress.
- **Sandbag Station:** Free sandbags are available at the **Claremont Parking Lot and Fire Station 14 and other locations.** Secure low-lying property thresholds early.

📞 CONTACT & RESPONSE PROTOCOLS

- **General Enquiries / Waterfront Assistance:** Text **Naples Navy** at **562-881-0567**. Email at Belmontmoorings@gmail.com
- **Emergency Assistance:** For life-threatening emergencies, call **911** immediately.
- **Community Support:** Naples Navy volunteers work alongside CERT to assist neighbors with de-watering, line adjustment, and property protection on and near the water.

Naples Navy is an ad-hoc volunteer waterfront disaster assistance group working in synergy with LB CERT Naples Island neighborhood teams.

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