

Pine Tree Water Control District Policy Regarding Fences

Fences and Walls

The Pine Tree Water Control District (PTWCD) is responsible for the maintenance of drainage within the PTWCD boundaries. The minimization of impediments to the maintenance of canals and swales is a PTWCD goal. In order to accomplish this goal, any obstruction (e.g trees, landscape, fences, walls, debris or other construction or obstruction), which limits access to and maintenance of canals and swales, shall be prohibited.

Although the PTWCD has not previously required fences and walls to be approved, given the PTWCD's investment in the reconstruction of swales and maintenance of canals and the necessity to maintain the flow of water throughout the PTWCD's drainage system, PTWCD approval will be required as of October 1, 2015. This approval shall be done in conjunction with the Village of Wellington Building Department's review of such permits required as a part of the Village's Land Development Regulations (LDRs) and Building Code. The PTWCD may designate the Chief Building Official as its agent for purposes of the PTWCD's review and approval.

When the PTWCD determines that fences or other obstructions are or may be affecting either the flow of water within or maintenance of a canal or swale, the PTWCD shall initiate contact with the landowner and work with the landowner to eliminate or minimize the effect of the fence or obstruction on the canal or swale. If the PTWCD Administrator or their designee is unable to resolve the issues, the Administrator shall bring the issue to the PTWCD Board of Supervisors for advice and direction.

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