

Scott Krawczuk

City of Sanibel
Deputy Public Works Director
800 Dunlop Road
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Dear Mr. Krawczuk:

I am writing to you today to request a temporary waiver from the City of Sanibel Noise Ordinance. WM would like to request the City of Sanibel to allow our employees to start at 6 am to avoid high heat indices and help prevent heat related injuries and deaths.

Southwest Florida has been experiencing dangerously high temperatures over the last few years reaching temperatures of 100 degrees and higher with heat indexes in the 120's or more. The WM Market Area covers 9 sites from SW FL to Pasco Co and in the last 2 years there have been 15 heat related work comp claims.

One way we can limit exposure to the heat is to get out on the streets earlier to avoid the high afternoon heat values. If we can start at least an hour earlier we would be able to avoid early morning traffic, which will save time, get more work done in the early morning cooler hours of the day and get everyone of the streets before the higher heat hours in the afternoons. This would greatly reduce the risk of heat related injuries to the workers.

This waiver is subject to a 30-day review of any noise complaints and will be rescinded with a one-week notice.

Please allow WM to start work early beginning May 1st and running through October 31st.

This change could save lives.

Thank you.



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