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(13) *The Lower St. Johns River Manatee Refuge.*

(i) The Lower St. Johns River Manatee Refuge is described as portions of the St. Johns River and adjacent waters in Duval, Clay, and St. Johns Counties from approximately Channel Marker "73", as marked, upstream to the mouth of Peter's Branch, including Doctors Lake, in Clay County on the western shore, and to the southern shore of the mouth of Julington Creek in St. Johns County on the eastern shore. A map showing the refuge and two maps showing specific areas of the refuge are at paragraph (13)(v) of this section.

(ii) From Channel Marker "73" upstream to the Main Street Bridge, a distance of approximately 16.8 kilometers (or 10.4 miles), watercraft are required to proceed at slow speed, year-round, outside the marked navigation channel and at speeds of not more than

40 km/h (25 miles per hour) in the marked channel (from Channel Marker "81" to the Main Street Bridge, the channel is defined as the line of sight extending west from Channel Markers "81" and "82" to the fenders of the Main Street Bridge). See map of "St. Johns River Bridges Area" in paragraph (13)(v) of this section.

(iii) From the Main Street Bridge to the Fuller Warren Bridge, a distance of approximately 1.6 kilometers (1.0 mile), shoreline to shoreline, watercraft are required to proceed at slow speed (channel included), year-round. See map of "St. Johns River Bridges Area" in paragraph (13)(v) of this section.

(iv) Upstream of the Fuller Warren Bridge, a 213-meter (700-foot) to 305-meter (1,000-foot) as-marked, watercraft are required to proceed at slow speed, year-round, shoreline buffer to the south bank of the mouth of Peter's Branch in

Clay County along the western shore (approximately 31.1 kilometers (19.3 miles)); and in Doctors Lake in Clay County, watercraft are required to proceed at slow speed, year-round, along a 213-meter (700-foot) to 274-meter (900-foot) as-marked, shoreline buffer (approximately 20.8 kilometers (12.9 miles)); and a 213-meter (700-foot) to 305-meter (1,000-foot) as-marked, watercraft are required to proceed at slow speed, year-round, shoreline buffer to the south bank of the mouth of Julington Creek in St. Johns County along the eastern shore (approximately 32.5 kilometers (20.2 miles)) to a line north of a western extension of the Nature's Hammock Road North. See map of "Lower St. Johns River" in paragraph (13)(v) of this section.

(v) Three maps of the Lower St. Johns River Manatee Refuge follow:

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