The Jupiter Inlet District (JID), a special taxing district established in 1921 by the Florida Legislature, is the oldest local government in northern Palm Beach County. The Legislature requires the JID Board to maintain and preserve the Jupiter Inlet, with a specific emphasis on protecting and enhancing the area’s natural resources and estuarine environment.

JID operates and maintains the northernmost portion of Jupiter Beach Park. Additionally, JID built two parallel, 400-foot jetties at the inlet in 1922 and 1929. These jetties helped channel and maintain the entrance to Jupiter Inlet. This was a critical step in the development of the area, as it allowed for the creation of a deep-water harbor. The jetties were constructed using traditional techniques, including the use of large boulders and concrete, and they continue to serve as a vital part of the inlet's landscape.

After the construction of the jetties, the inlet was filled with sand from the nearby shores, and the area was covered with vegetation. This vegetation helped to stabilize the sand and prevent erosion. Over time, the area became a popular destination for fishing, boating, and other water-related activities.

In the early 1930s, the US Navy established a wireless telegraph station at the inlet. This station was used to communicate with warships at sea, but it also provided valuable service as a navigational aid. The station was later replaced by a beacon and aids to navigation, which helped to guide ships through the inlet.

The Loxahatchee River Historical Society collection includes a variety of historical photographs, including those of the Loxahatchee River. These photographs, made by William Henry Jackson (1843 - 1942), are from the Library of Congress. The works of Jackson in the late 1800s and early 1900s contributed to the establishment of Yellowstone and other early national parks. His extensive travels included working visits to many sites in Florida, including the vicinity of Jupiter.

In 1958, a German submarine torpedoed the ship "Camping and Cruising in Florida". This event is a reminder of the dangers of navigation in the area, and it serves as a lesson in the importance of safety and preparedness. Today, the area is home to a thriving community of fishermen and boaters, who enjoy the natural beauty and abundant wildlife of the Loxahatchee River.

Pollution from sewage and urban runoff has led to a decline in the quality of the Loxahatchee River. This has had a negative impact on the fish populations in the area. However, efforts are being made to improve the water quality and restore the river's health. These efforts include the implementation of stricter pollution control measures and the development of new technologies to monitor and manage the river's water quality.

In conclusion, the Loxahatchee River is a beautiful and important waterway in the state of Florida. Its natural beauty and abundant wildlife make it a popular destination for fishing, boating, and other water-related activities. However, like many other waterways in the United States, it faces challenges related to pollution and habitat degradation. Efforts are being made to address these challenges and protect this valuable resource for future generations.
**INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY BRIDGES**

- **From Norfolk**
  - Clearance in feet above mean high water (MHW), bridge closed
  - Juno Beach 1009.3
  - Donald Ross Road 35
  - Opens on the hour and half-hour
  - Jupiter 1006.2
  - SR 706, Indiantown Road 35
  - Opens on the hour and half-hour
  - Jupiter 1004.8
  - US 1, Jupiter Federal 26
  - Opens on demand
  - Jupiter Island 1004.1
  - SR 707, Jupiter Island 26
  - Opens on demand
  - Hobe Sound 995.9
  - SR 708, Hobe Sound
  - 25
  - Opens on demand

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**Location**

- ICW
  - Northwest Loxahatchee River Road
  - Fork
  - 16 Wake Bridge
  - Southwest Fork
  - Indiantown Road
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**Designated Marinas**

- Seasport (JIB) Club
  - Jupiter Rocks
  - 6
  - 5

- Jupiter Blowing Marina
  - 5
  - 5

- Jupiter 8 Jonathan’s
  - 6
  - 4
  - 2

- Dubois Park & Dubois Pioneer Home
  - 8

- Jupiter Lighthouse & Loxahatchee River Historical Society
  - 8

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**Map of Loxahatchee River**

- Note: SSMW = Slow Speed, Minimum Wake
- Oct 1–May 31: Normal, Safe Operation
- Apr 1–Oct 31: Slow Speed, Minimum Wake
- Inlet
  - Double Red X
  - Dubois Park & Dubois Pioneer Home
  - Jupiter Lighthouse & Loxahatchee River Historical Society

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**Nautical Information**

- Palm Beach County GIS Department
- For current navigational information, consult local knowledge for charts and sources of the most recent nautical charts and navigational information.

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**Legends**

- **SIGNS**
  - Advisory Buoys
  - Meridional Channel
  - Regulatory
  - Navigational

- **Depth**
  - Approx. 15 feet

- **Approach**
  - Approx. 12 feet

- **Designated Marinas**
  - May take extraordinary measures to help protect coastal waters. Only state recognizes a marina that takes extraordinary measures to help protect coastal waters. Only state recognizes a marina that takes extraordinary measures to help protect coastal waters.