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Jim Maher Program Administrator Florida Department of Environmental Protection 7825 Baymeadows Way, Suite B200 Jacksonville, Florida 32256

> Re: Application for Letter of Consent to Use Sovereignty Submerged Lands Omni Amelia Island Plantation, Nassau County, Florida

Dear Mr. Maher:

Omni Amelia Island, LLC ("Omni") and the Nassau County Board of County Commissioners hereby file this application for a Letter of Consent to utilize sovereignty submerged lands (the "Subject State Lands") for temporary recreational activities in Nassau County, Florida (the "Proposed Activities"). Omni is currently undertaking substantial renovations to its facility, located at 6800 First Coast Highway, Amelia Island (Section 18, Township 2 North, Range 28 East), resulting in a lack of amenities for its guests during the peak tourist season. The requested Letter of Consent will facilitate access to and use of the beaches of the Atlantic Ocean while providing limited recreational activities. As the Proposed Activities will be removed in their entirety following Labor Day 2012, the proposed use of the Subject State Lands is temporary and will cease by September 7, 2012.

The Proposed Activities will be located as close to the erosion control line as possible while ensuring that no damage will occur to the dune system. The attached Exhibit A depicts the Proposed Activities and their approximate location on the Subject State Lands. Florida Department of Environmental Protection staff will oversee placement of the Proposed Activities. The Proposed Activities, as depicted in the attached Exhibit B, consist of the following:

- Two (2) twenty (20) foot by thirty (30) foot shade tents;
- Two (2) volleyball nets;
- One (1) seventy (70) foot long by seventeen (17) foot wide bounce-house style wet slide; and
- One (1) twenty (20) foot long by fifteen (15) foot wide bounce-house style dry/white combination slide.

The Subject State Lands will remain open to the public and no alcohol will be served on the Subject State Lands. To ensure that protected species will not be affected by the Proposed

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Activities, Omni will remove both bounce-house style slides from the Subject State Lands every evening. Although the Proposed Activities do not include any lighting that may have attracted sea turtles, the applicants recognize that location of a sea turtle nest during the duration of the Letter of Consent will require re-configuration of the Proposed Activities so as not to impact the nest. In such an instance, the Omni will notify Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission immediately.

We appreciate your attention to this matter. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Trey Mills at (904) 346-5902.

OMNI AMELIA ISLAND, LLC

NASSAU COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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Enclosures

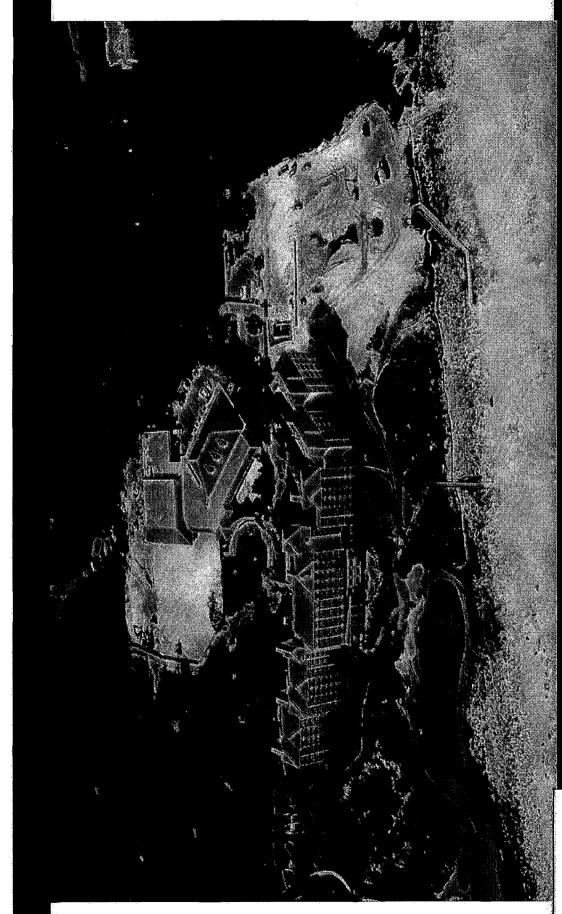
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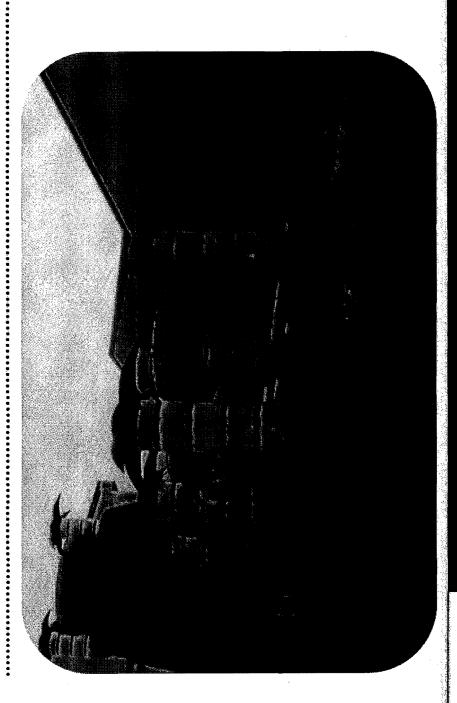
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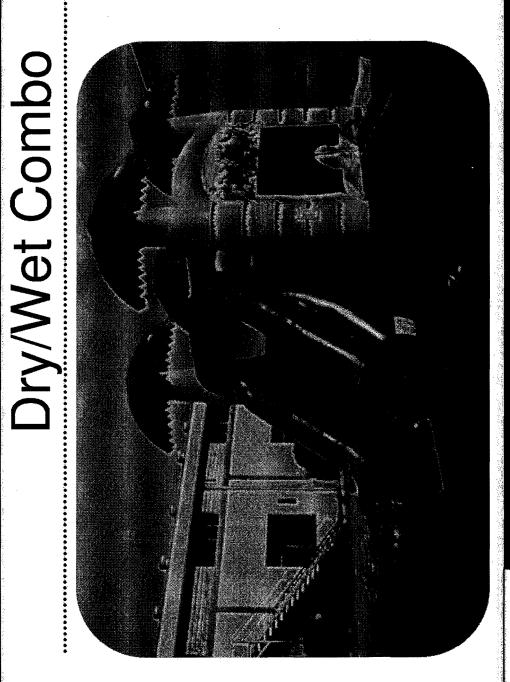


Water Slide



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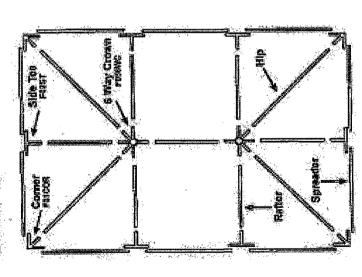
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Shade Tent Diagram

20' x 30' Frame Tent Directions



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