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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

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January 14, 2026

Dear Members of the Mediterra Community Development District (CDD),

The Board of Supervisors wishes to inform Members of the District of the following:

Wildfire Detection System

Previous work to reduce wildfire fuel loads in the preserves had exceeded \$1 million last year. The Board became interested in pursuing a wildfire monitoring system because continuing large-scale cleanups may not be feasible given the high costs of manual debris removal and limited contractor interest in bidding. Last year, there was only one bidder out of ten contractors asked to bid. On November 19, 2025, after Johnson Engineering, the District's engineers completed their due diligence; the Board approved the proposal to install Dryad Networks' Silvanet Wildfire Monitoring System (www.Dryad.net) in the preserves. Dryad uses an AI based mesh network of solar-powered sensors to constantly monitor the preserve's atmosphere and alert a central station monitoring company at the early stage of a wildfire. The central station will then contact fire authorities and the Mediterra Community Association with the GPS coordinates of the fire. The contract was approved at a not to exceed cost of \$350,000 and was signed in late December. The system is projected to arrive from Germany in the second half of March and will take approximately two weeks to install. It should be active in early April.

Lake Conditions: Our lakes (storm water ponds) are at unusually low levels this early in the dry season, due to the significant lack of rainfall. Exposed lake

banks and visible inlet and outlet structures are a consequence of the low water levels, and the levels will go lower until significant rain events occur. The lakes are an essential part of the community's stormwater management system. When water levels are high and reach what is called the control level (usually in the summer and early fall), water flows by gravity from one lake to another until it leaves the system through five outfall pipes around the community's perimeter. Because our system operates by gravity, the CDD has no way of adding or removing water to control lake levels. Once the water levels drop below the control level, no water leaves the lake system.

Safety Reminder: Please keep in mind that although the lakes are attractive for fishing or other activities (swimming and boating are not allowed), some lake banks are steep and wildlife (including alligators) may be present. Please use caution around the lakes, especially with young children. **If you have any concerns about an alligator, contact the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission at (866)-392-4286 or visit their website at www.myfwc.com/alligator.**

Thank you for your continued support. The Board welcomes residents to attend meetings which are held at the Mediterra Clubhouse. The schedule of upcoming meetings can be found on the CDD website: www.mediterracdd.net. If you have questions or comments, please contact any Board member or District staff at (877) 276-0889.

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If you have any questions, please call the CDD office at (877) 276-0889, or email at info@mediterracdd.net.

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