From: Patrick Painter
To: MVN Environmental;
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Sir,

I would just like to say that coconut beach is very important to me. I was headed down a bad road before I found it. I have been playing there since I was in my mid teenage years, and have met many friends that have played there. If it weren't for that place I would not be who I am today. It was through coconut beach that I became part of a team, I learned my bad attitude and no good ways would either have me thrown in jail, or even worse killed. I learned how to work together with others, and how to channel my anger and frustration through sports. I understand the need for a pumping station, but could the space at the parking lot a mere 50 feet away from the beach be used instead. I pray and hope that we can come up with a compromise, so the youth of today don't miss out on what I came very close to missing out on.

Thank you,

Patrick Painter