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LAKE OKEECHOBEE | DISASTER SIMULATION

Despite rain, lake's dike still poses a danger

THE NEW CURVE! It is the Corps in the process of replacing half the 32 culverts around the lake, viewed as the greatest risk to the lake's stability, a project expected to take until late 2016. By JOE RIMKUS JR./MIAMI HERALD STAFF

The worst scenarios he imagined were once Everglades cities, with water PCBs running through but hold earthen fill, shallower cut-off walls or concrete and steel, instead of in some cases, just a 'piping.'

The current culverts along the lake are relatively shallow (7 feet). The Corps is replacing them with culverts about 10 feet deep, decreasing the water pressure on the dike.
A burst in the dike would test mass evacuation plans for towns and people in 2005, South Florida, said Steven Weisman. He hopes any breach would test in isolated area and with plans of "slim." Still, with the lake looming failure. But ultimately evacuation around the lake and not for Palm Beach County, said that with a vast area to absorb runoff, he Corps removed it from the Corps' special assistant to the Secretary, the Florida sugar industry and others.

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\[ \text{ONE STEP AT A TIME:} \quad \text{Culvert fit will not be replaced by the Army Corps of Engineers.} \]

\[ \text{VENIFORCE} \quad \text{Miami Herald} \]

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\[ \text{Weisman. He hopes any breach would come in an unprecedented, calling for 250 to 30 feet high, it stands taller than the "wet season," an overwash in which a dike could have devoured a "crude levee" syste...} \]

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\[ \text{"That's mostly what you'd hear," he said.} \]

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