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Date: January 5, 2012
Rabies Alert # 0001/12

SUBJECT: DECLARATION OF RABIES ALERT

Dear Director,

Pursuant to Section 381, Florida Statutes and Chapter 64D-3, Florida Administrative Code, the Marion County Health Department Director has issued a rabies alert for a location within Marion County, Florida. All citizens, especially the ones within the depicted area shown on page two of this document, are asked to maintain a heightened awareness that rabies is active in this county. The alert is in response to a positive laboratory result from a RACCOON. The rabies alert commenced on the day of the incident, which was January 2, 2012.

Residents in the depicted area are advised to:

- Avoid contact with free roaming domestic or any wild animals.
- Not leave pet food outside and secure outside garbage in covered containers to avoid attracting wild animals.
- Contact your veterinarian to make sure your dog(s), cat(s), horse(s) or ferret(s) have current rabies vaccination.

Law enforcement and animal control officials are requested to assist in enforcement of the following requirements:

- All dogs, cats and captive wild mammals shall be confined to their owner's premises. Confinement shall be by fence, cage, on a leash under control of a responsible person, or inside the living quarters or related building.
- All dogs and cats roaming at large will be impounded and may be released to their owners upon payment of any fee(s) assessed by Marion County Animal Services. No dogs or cats will be released from the Animal Shelter except to the owner upon proof of current vaccination issued by a licensed veterinarian.

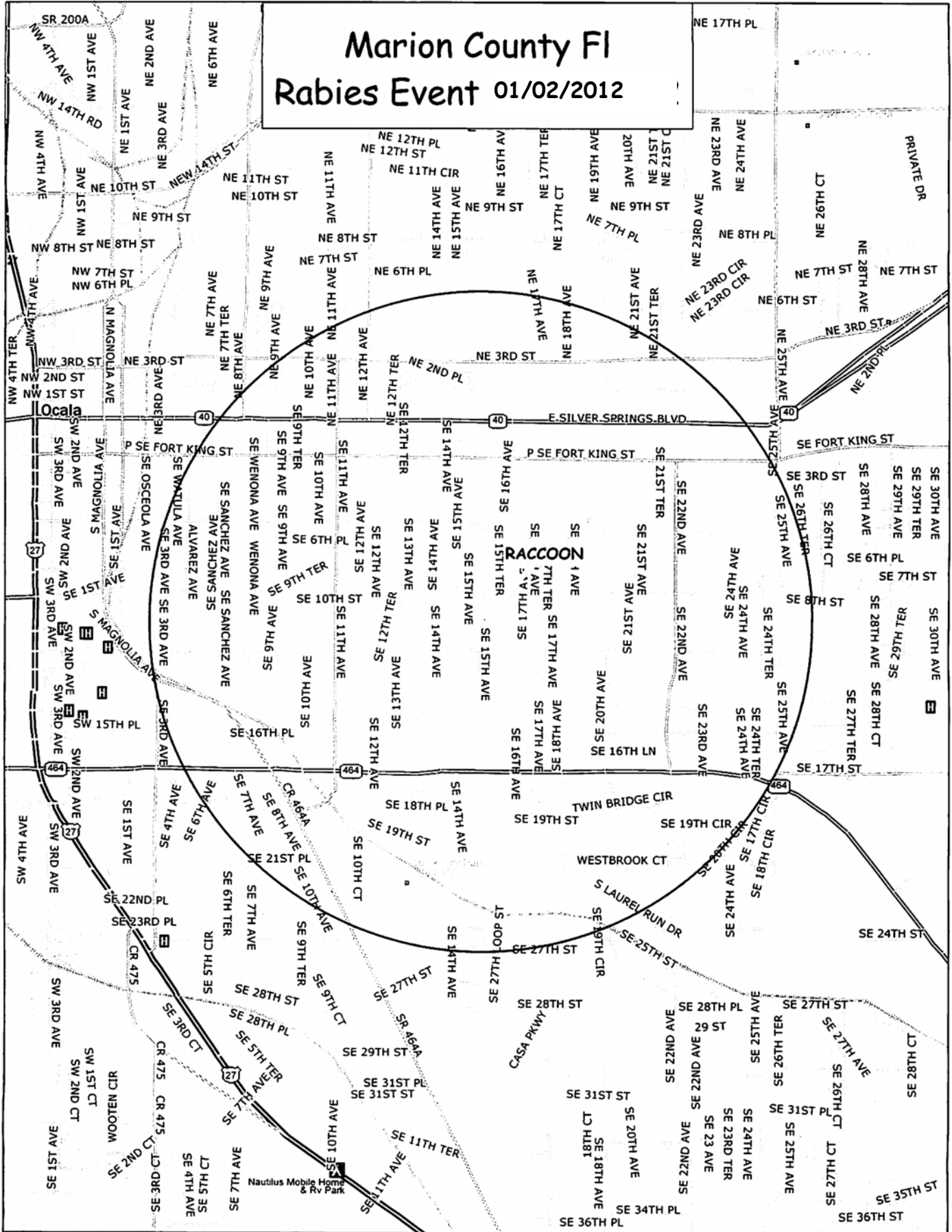
Please be advised that we now have three active alerts in the area, #0005/11 on 11/20/11, #0006/11 on 12/07/11 and #0007/11 on 12/20/11. All of these alerts will end in 60 days from those dates unless another incident occurs within the alert area. Please contact a local veterinarian for questions regarding the health of an animal.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dan Dooley".

Daniel O. Dooley
Environmental Administrator

Marion County Fl Rabies Event 01/02/2012



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1" = 2,083.3 ft Data Zoom 13-0