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HEALTH & SAFETY Scripps has still not disclosed the hazardous waste they will be disposing and what the associated risks would be. We know they deal with biological weapons such as Anthrax and industry diseases such as Mad Cow. The site is located directly west of two populated neighborhoods, San Michele and Legends at the Gardens. The water on the site drains into the regional canal system, emptying into the Intercoastal Waterway, potentially impacting all who live on the Lake Worth Lagoon.

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