

## Regional MLS adds "Status Change Date"

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Regional MLS, who serves the greater Palm Beach County, has added recently released 1 public fields to IDX for web sites. It is as follows:

- Status Change Date = the date the status was changed on the listing.

REGIONAL MLS RECENTLY ADDED 1 FIELD I'm not certain why this field was added to be made publicly available.

The Regional MLS (and other MLS's across the country) have a terrible habit of changing items without notifying their constituents. This causes issues with web sites that use IDX, or direct feeds from the MLS. These changes caught us off-guard and caused a few hiccups with our IDX web sites.

Since there is no forewarning of changes happening, the issue becomes that we don't know there is a change until it actually happens. In our experience, Regional MLS usually has issues implementing these changes causing a disconnect between MLS and the IDX. The Regional MLS RETS server becomes unavailable for various reasons. It usually takes Regional MLS a few days to hammer out these types of additions.

In this case, there was no downtime.