



TURNING THE TIDE

Look for these signs along roads in the County!

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How are IRC citizens "Turning the Tide" of polluted water runoff from leaving their properties and reaching the Indian River Lagoon?

By learning and practicing proper property maintenance and disposal methods.

Before performing any activities involving water on a property, citizens observe the slope of the ground to determine the direction of runoff flow in order to identify where wash water can be contained for collection without the possibility of release of a pollutant into the waters of the state (swales and stormdrains).

Water quality and environmental protection begin in your yard.

Feel a Sense of Reward by Making A Difference:

Participate in the 3rd Annual
Treasure Coast Waterway Cleanup
Saturday, July, 24th, 2010



Landlubbers, you don't need a boat to participate! There are many ways to be involved as one of the 1,000 volunteers who will participate in cleaning up the waterways of Indian River, Martin, and St. Lucie Counties. As an individual or in assembling a clean-up team, come help collect and record over 13.8 tons of trash from the approximate 125 miles of waterways. On land, by boat or through underwater dive clean-ups, your participation is appreciated. To learn how you can be involved contact April Price (772) 285-1646 info@twaterwaycleanup.com.

Join your IRC neighbors in treating water as a resource, not as a waste product or garbage receptacle,
Diane Wilson, IRC Stormwater Education Coordinator, dwilson@ircgov.com

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Did you know.....

97% of the earth's water is salty or polluted,
2% is too far underground to reach.

That leaves only 1% for clean drinking water

.....and 50 -70 % of residential water is

consumed outside in landscaping.

With so little water available
we each need to
use it conservatively
and keep it clean.

Source:

http://www.gotwater.net/protect_water.htm



Need a speaker for your next meeting?



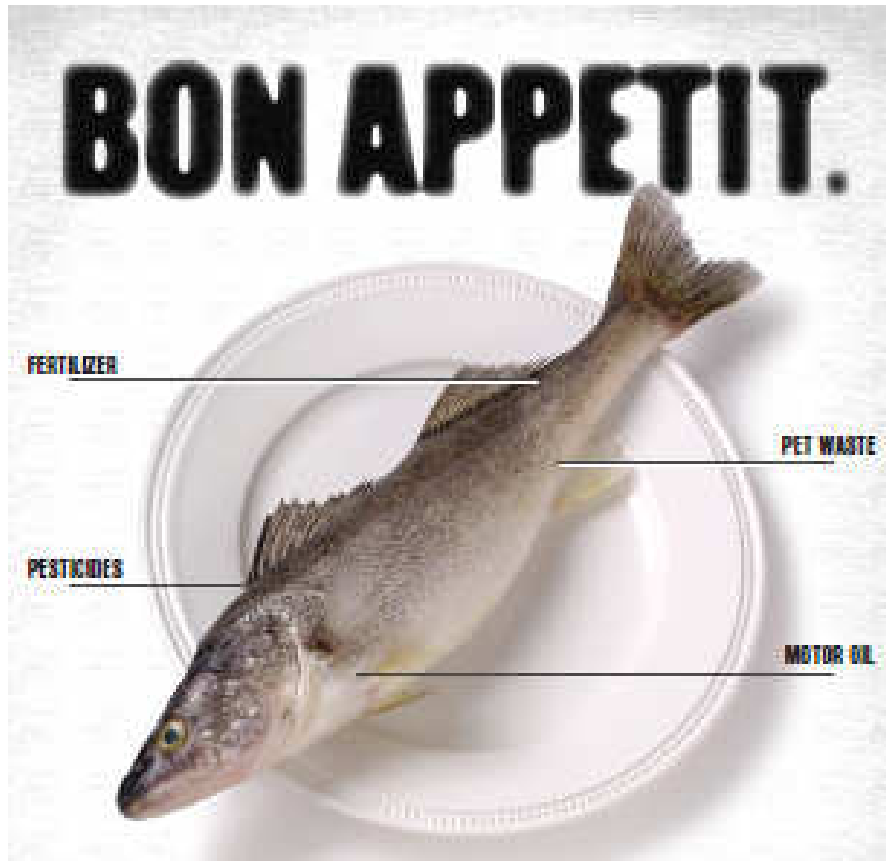
The EnviroScape, a portable interactive environmental model, is a great tool to educate youth about the sources of pollution and its prevention.

The stormwater division offers free seminars to nonprofit organizations, HOAs, schools and businesses. Many people think they know what pollution is. But unfortunately many people do not realize the Indian River Lagoon is seriously impaired and how pollution is reaching the Lagoon (and other surface waters) faster and more intensely than ever before.



Email Diane Wilson at dwilson@ircgov.com to schedule a speaker or learn more.

Stormwater Pollutants Find Their Way
into Where We Swim,
What We Drink,
and Where We Fish



Credits: NCDENR

Water from rain either seeps into the ground or “runs off” to lower areas.

On its way, this runoff water (referred to as stormwater runoff) can pick up and carry many substances that pollute water – grass clippings, soap, pesticides, pet waste, whatever – and make its way straight to our ponds, lakes, canals and Indian River Lagoon.

Stormwater pollution is our biggest source of water pollution.
It all adds up. It all comes back.

And you're the solution, now that you know where it goes.

Learn more at www.ircgov.com/stormwater

DO YOU KNOWWhat is in our canals? See page 9

NEWS

Everyone:

Guess what is **NEW** at the Indian River Mall....



Celebrating the Grand Opening of the KIRB Reuse and Exchange Center

(L – R): IRC Solid Waste Disposal Director Himanshu Mehta, KIRB Executive Director Kristy Sturdivant, County Commissioner Joseph Flescher, KIRB’s longest standing Board Member and very dedicated volunteer Elsbeth Eibs, and KIRB Board President and Treasure Coast Refuse’s Territory Representative Ashima Wild.

What is a Reuse and Exchange Center? Stop by Keep Indian River Beautiful’s (KIRB) new office and Reuse Exchange Center at the Indian River Mall by the entrance to Macy’s and find out! The KIRB Reuse Center’s business hours are Mondays and Thursdays 2 p.m. - 6 p.m. and Saturdays 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Come explore an ecological treasure trove of art & craft materials, educational supplies, home décor, paper goods, fabric, and much more. You will discover it is a place where residents can help divert literally tons of reusable (but not recyclable) materials from our landfill. **What is the difference between reusable and recyclable items?** **Reusable items** are those in their original state that can be used more than once. **Recyclable items** are used or waste materials which have to go through a conversion process to make them suitable for reuse. The public is welcome to contribute and select items (for small monetary donations) often used by teachers, students, artists, churches and other non-profit organizations. Accepted items and drop-off locations are listed at <http://www.kirb.org/uploads/reuseexchange.pdf> Keep Indian River Beautiful, Inc. is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization designed to empower individuals to take greater responsibility for community environments by involving volunteers in litter prevention, beautification, recycling and conservation education. To learn about volunteer opportunities or contribute monetarily call 226-7738 or visit www.kirb.org

Summer News:

- **July 31 – Deadline for lagoon-related photo submissions** for the Indian River Lagoon National Estuary Program's 2011 Indian River Lagoon Calendar
http://www.sjrwmd.com/itsyourlagoon/pdfs/2011_IRL_Calendar_Contest.pdf

Private Associations (HOAs, POAs, and Condo Associations):

Pollution Prevention Begins At Home - HOAs, POAs and Condo associations are encouraged to share information from this newsletter with their residents through their bulletins, association website, and/or e-mail system. Should you wish further information or request a presentation at your association meetings, contact Diane Wilson at 226-1565.

Email Addresses Wanted - If you have the email addresses of private homeowner associations (including Property owner and condominium associations) in Indian River County please forward them to dwilson@ircgov.com . Emails will help to enhance our education and outreach efforts in a timely manner while avoiding printing and postage costs.

Homeowners, Builders, Contractors

- **“Water quality and environmental protection begin in your yard!”** - When you are hiring a landscape maintenance, pest control or irrigation professional, select those professionals who have earned the UF/IFAS Florida-Friendly Landscaping Certification in environmentally safe landscaping practices. As a convenience to you, the UF Extension Office maintains a list of professionals who have accomplished the requirements to become certified in Green Industry Best Management Practices http://fyn.ifas.ufl.edu/professionals/certification_lists/cert_county_name.shtml.

Students & Teachers

- **Guess what is coming to Indian River County in 2011?**
The Indian River Lagoon EnviroThon Event will be hosted at the Environmental Learning Center February 25, 2011!! This is a great opportunity to network with other environmental educators and facilitators in our region and become familiar with what the EnviroThon Event. Not familiar with the EnviroThon Event? Check out this brief press release
http://www.pbsj.com/Press_Room/pressreleases/Pages/Envirothon_Competition.aspx

Marine

- **The 3rd Annual Treasure Coast Waterway Cleanup - Saturday, July, 24th, 2010.** Businesses are encouraged to add the logo from the cover of this newsletter to their signature lines to help promote the event.

Businesses:

- **Contractors and earth-moving subs:** check out educational webcasts regarding erosion and sediment controls which are easily accessible at <http://escn.tv/video/escn-may-26th-2010> . This bi-weekly webcast provides up to date coverage to the Erosion and Sediment industry, interviews with industry experts, and a library of informative videos.
- **Landscapers: GI-BMP certification training is now available** – look under the training column below. A team of UF / IFAS certified Green Industry BMP trainers are available to provide certification training classes to landscapers. To learn more visit http://fyn.ifas.ufl.edu/professionals/bmp_training_schedule.htm#Industry_2010 .

EVENTS & CONFERENCES

- **Turtle Walks**



Sebastian Inlet State Park – Walks are offered Friday – Wednesday nights in July. Call between 8 am to 4 pm 772-388-2750.

Archie Carr National Wildlife Refuge - Walks are offered Tuesdays and Wednesdays, in July at 9 p.m. Contact Donna Lee at the Barrier Island Center during office hours, Tuesday through Sunday, 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. 321-723-3556 for dates and availability.

- **July 21 (7 p.m.) Harbor Branch Ocean Science Lectures** -held in the auditorium of the Johnson Education Center on the Harbor Branch campus, 5600 U.S. 1 North, Fort Pierce Topic: *Seeing the World through a Shark's Eyes, and Other Sensory Systems of Elasmobranchs* - Stephen Kajiura, Ph.D., Department of Biological Sciences
- **July 24 - The 3rd Annual Treasure Coast Waterway Cleanup.** Sponsors, service organizations, boating clubs, students and individuals, both young and old are encouraged to participate to get make this year's cleanup a big success. For more information please contact April Price, 772-285-1646. Online registration is available on our web site www.tcwaterwaycleanup.com See newsletter cover article.
- **September 15 & 16 – 2010 St. Johns River Summit in Jacksonville.** Representatives from all 12 counties that share the banks of the St. Johns will discuss the river's future, health and use. Concerns and priorities for the river differ as it traverses northward along its 310 miles. Details available at <http://www.stjohnsriversummit.com/>

- **October – Date to Be Announced**, - “**Increasing Profits through Sustainable Investments**” as the kick-off of a “Green Bag Lunch” program to continue presentations on this topic. Hosted by ESARC (Environmental Sustainability Alliance of the Research Coast). For more information contact Karen M. Scott 407-256-7981, Karen@Asset-A-M.com
- **FREE Indian River Lagoon Topic Lectures** Tuesdays from noon to 1:00 p.m. at the Lagoon House, 3275 Dixie Hwy NE, Palm Bay, FL 32905. For details call the Marine Resources Council at 321-725-7775 <http://www.mrcirl.org>. Presentations target the layman and cover topics include ecology, aquatic life, history, and native plants.
- **ELC Noted Environmentalists Lecture Series** – Check out the ELC Website for monthly lectures www.info@discoverelc.org 589-5050 \$15/per lecture
- “**Ocean Motion**” events on the calendar at www.barrierislandcenter.com
- **SAVE THE DATE: November 3 – 5 “Renewable Ocean Energy and the Marine Environment: Responsible Stewardship for a Sustainable Future” Conference** at GPA National Resort in Palm Beach Gardens. Coordinated by Florida Atlantic University’s Center for Ocean Energy Technology. For details visit <http://www.ces.fau.edu/conferences/coet/>

TRAININGS

(BMPs = Best Management Practices)

- **Master (Coastal) Naturalist Program**. Registration is now **on-line only** for the Coastal Module of the Florida Master Naturalist Program to be conducted at the ELC. **September 21-November 4, 2010** **Registration closes September 13, 2010**. Max of 16 students. <http://conference.ifas.ufl.edu/fmnp/cs10-20.htm>
- **Hazardous and Other Regulated Waste BMPs** – **August 18** (8 am – 5 pm) Associated Builders and Contractors Association is hosting a Construction Contractors’ Environmental Compliance class in Orlando. CEU Credit (transmitted before 8/31) CILB # Pending, 8 CEUs For information contact ABC at 407/628-2070 Register online: www.abccentralflorida.com
- **Green Industry BMP Certification**: All related Green Industry workers are encouraged to attend the UF/IFAS Green Industry BMP Certification Program held around the state all year long. By earning the GI-BMP certification your clients will receive the benefits of your enhanced, environmentally-safe landscaping practices. Property owners benefit by saving money, time, and effort; increase the beauty of their landscape; and protect the health of humans, pets, and the environment. The GI-BMP class, designed by the UF-IFAS Florida-Friendly Landscaping™ program, teaches proper fertilization, pest control, irrigation, and cultural practices for landscape and pest control professionals. Through learning these environmentally safe landscaping practices you can help conserve and protect Florida’s ground and

surface waters and in turn, better serve your clients. Upon successful completion of the post test, participants receive a certificate of completion from UF/IFAS and FDEP and a Green Industries BMP certification card. This card serves as an indication that you have earned the GI-BMP accreditation and possess the knowledge to help reduce non-point source pollution from entering our valuable water sources. All commercial fertilizer applicators, per Florida Senate Bill 494, must earn this certification to obtain the required license from the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (FDACS) by January 1, 2014. To find out about upcoming training dates & locations visit http://fyn.ifas.ufl.edu/professionals/bmp_training_schedule.htm#Industry_2010.

LOCAL upcoming Green Industry BMP Classes:

JULY 9 - Saint Lucie County 8 am – 3:30 pm

For more information call the Extension Office at (772) 462-1660. **Registration Fee:** \$20 Checks Payable to *SLC Extension Advisory Council* (includes continental breakfast, lunch, and snack) **Registration fee must be paid one week prior to attending the workshop** in order to guarantee a seat, as seats are limited.

July 14 - Brevard County - Contact: Elizabeth Melvin 321-633-2016 x 56721 or email: elizabeth.melvin@brevardcounty.us

- **Construction & Earth Moving BMPs: The FDEP Stormwater & Erosion Inspector Certification Classes** address proper installation, inspection and maintenance of Best Management Practices (BMPs) for use during and after construction to minimize erosion and sedimentation and to properly manage runoff for both stormwater quantity and quality. The exam is now closed book. A list of classes held year-round is available at <http://www.dep.state.fl.us/water/nonpoint/erosion.htm> . Class manual can be downloaded at **The Florida Stormwater, Erosion, and Sedimentation Control Inspector's Manual**
- **Pesticide BMPs** - To purchase or use pesticides classified as restricted-use by the U.S. EPA, pesticide applicators must pass a written examination to obtain the required license. Applicators must re-certify either by re-examination or by attending pesticide education programs to acquire continuing education credits.
Pesticide training program entitled “General Certification Core Training for Agricultural Pesticide Applicators” teaches participants about the laws, rules and regulations of pesticide application as well as methods that will enable applicators to apply pesticides in a manner that is safe for people and the environment. The next class will be August 4 at 9 am. Upon completion of the training, Ken Gioeli, Extension Agent/ Natural Resources, will be administering the first of two licensing exams. Pesticide licensing exams are offered on the **first and third Wednesdays of each month**. Advance registration is required. For more information on both the training program and the exams contact Ken Gioeli at the University of Florida / IFAS - St. Lucie County Extension office (772) 462-1660.
- **Landscape Architectural BMPs** Course title: Florida Yards and Neighborhoods – Florida Water Systems, Concepts and Practices, Protecting Water Systems through Ecologically Sound Maintenance/Irrigation for Landscapes and Turfgrass, Creating Wildlife Habitat in Home Landscapes. (BOLA 0007551) 4 CEH's. For details visit http://buildgreen.ufl.edu/continuing_education.htm
- **Landscape BMPs for Property Management Associations** –visit http://buildgreen.ufl.edu/continuing_education.htm

- **OSHA Refresher Courses ongoing year long around the state.** Nearest class 8-Hour Refresher will be offered in Orlando October 15, 2010, contact: Janine Kraemer (407) 893-3323. For details and request the schedule of 24/40 Hour OSHA Hazwoper and 8-Hour OSHA Refresher classes, contact Glen Perrigan at the FDEP (850) 245-8749 glen.perrigan@dep.state.fl.us
- **All levels of Stormwater Training** are available through the Florida Stormwater Association Call for more information at 888-221-3124 or visit the FSA Training Center Online or email stormwater@ksanet.net or visit the [FSA Training Center Online](#).
- **Local gardening education programs** are held at McKee Botanical Garden www.mckeegarden.org, Heathcote Botanical Garden www.heathcotebotanicalgardens.org , and the UF/IRC Extension Service <http://indian.ifas.ufl.edu/>

BMPs and Things Worth Knowing

BMPs = Best Management Practices: methods to prevent pollutant discharges to storm drain systems. BMPs are listed by category at www.ircgov.com/stormwater

Answer to DO YOU KNOW? This is what is in our canals....



Photo taken by IRC Stormwater Inspector/Enforcement Coordinator, Todd Tardif on June 7, 2010 in the Main Relief Canal.

Nonpoint source (NPS) pollution,

.....unlike pollution from industrial and sewage treatment plants, comes from many diffuse sources. NPS pollution is caused by rainfall moving over and through the ground. As the runoff moves, it picks up and carries away natural and human-made pollutants, finally depositing them into lakes, rivers, wetlands, coastal waters and ground waters. Learn how to prevent pollution from leaving your property <http://www.epa.gov/nps/>

Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill in the Gulf

Help get the word out that FAU and Harbor Branch are taking an active role in this disaster and everybody's participation can make a difference – see article under the “Volunteer Opportunities” information further down within newsletter.

Information Sources

- The Florida Information Line is available from 8am-6pm EDT daily at (888) 337-3569. www.dep.state.fl.us/deepwaterhorizon
- Mobile Unified Command has established two public hotline numbers for oil spill investigation and cleanup:
 - o Impacted Wildlife: (866) 557-1401
 - o Oiled Shoreline: (866) 448-5816

Indian River County Department of Emergency Management will act as the lead support for all agencies working within the County. For more information about volunteering and information contact IRC Emergency Management Coordinator Brian Nolan and/or visit http://www.irces.com/Emergency_Management_Division/Index.htm

Synthetic aperture radar (SAR) imagery from the NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory can be seen at <http://www.roffs.com/deepwaterhorizon.html>, provided by Roffer's Ocean Fishing Forecasting Service, Inc.

Lights out for Sea Turtles - March 1st through October 31st

Sea turtle nesting season is here! Prevent disorientation of nesting female and hatchling sea turtles by turning off all indoor and outdoor lighting visible from the beach after dark.

Landscape Irrigation Restrictions in IRC Only 2 Days/week - as required by St. John's River Water Management District.

For details visit <http://www.sjrwmd.com/wateringrestrictions/index.html> or call their **24-hour “Irrigation Line” at 1-800-232-0904**

**No watering
10 a.m. to 4 p.m.**



Landscaping the Florida-Friendly way

....means using low maintenance plants and environmentally sustainable practices. Learn how you can have a beautiful landscape that could **save you time, energy and money** while protecting our future. Great resources to do it yourself:

- **Redesign your yard** at www.floridayards.org - This online tool will take you through the steps needed to transform a yard dominated by lawn into one featuring beautiful beds with Florida-friendly plants and Florida native plants that require little or no fertilizer or irrigation. You'll also learn about features like micro-irrigation, compost bins, and rain barrels that make a yard environmentally friendly. Your yard and lawn will be the envy of the neighborhood and Indian River Community!
- **Florida Yards and Neighborhoods Handbook** at http://fyn.ifas.ufl.edu/materials/2009_FYN_Handbook_non-508_web_vSept09.pdf
- **DEP's 2008 Landscaping BMP Handbook** at <http://fyn.ifas.ufl.edu/pdf/grn-ind-bmp-en-12-2008.pdf>

(this is a good resource for landscaping industry professionals)

- **Indian River County Florida Yards Program** at <http://fyn.ifas.ufl.edu/counties/indianrivercontact.htm>

6th Florida Friendly Principle



Florida has a diverse wildlife population, but rapid growth throughout Florida is destroying native wildlife habitat. We notice the loss of birds, butterflies and other wildlife in our communities but do not realize that our landscapes and maintenance practices can be part of the problem.

You can create a habitat that encourages wildlife by:

- * Increasing the variety of plants in your landscape design
- * Creating natural corridors with bordering properties to allow wildlife to move through the larger neighborhoods.
- * Following Florida Friendly landscape maintenance practices.

To view the **new** e-Learning Articulate Flash Module on this and the other 8 principles, visit http://fyn.ifas.ufl.edu/Nine_principles/9principles_player.html. Local gardening education programs are listed in the “Trainings” section of this newsletter.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

HBOI Responds to Oil Spill

*From Dr. Megan Davis
HBOI Associate Executive Director*

For the past four decades, Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institute at FAU has been conducting research in the Florida marine ecosystems that are at risk for damage from the Deepwater Horizon oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico, making Harbor Branch an exceptionally valuable resource in the drive to understand and address this ecological tragedy. Through this work, we have amassed a wealth of data on species likely to be affected, from microscopic phytoplankton and sea grasses to dolphins and whales, providing a record of what life was like before the disaster. The data can be used to help us understand the effects of exposure on these species, as well as the potential outcomes as the contamination is relayed up the food chain.

Along with historic data, Harbor Branch scientists and engineers can bring current understanding and capabilities to bear on this evolving situation. Beyond the ability to assess the immediate effects of the spill on water quality and organisms in the open ocean, our expertise at depths both shallow and great provides a unique understanding of the coral reefs and other species that populate the ocean floor. Our ocean engineering and technology capabilities, which include development of sensors and undersea imaging techniques, enable us to characterize and monitor the affected environments.

As part of a marine mammal stranding network, we can respond when affected dolphins and whales are encountered, and act to help the sick or determine what happened to those that die. If the oil reaches our estuaries and shores, our work with oyster reefs, sea grasses, mangroves and salt marshes will help us gauge impact on those marine species. When the time comes for restoration of environments and stock enhancement of species, our aquaculture expertise can support the natural recovery processes.

How You Can Help

Here are three ways you can help us respond to the environmental crisis:

Donate – <http://fauf.fau.edu/HBOIfund> make a gift in support of FAU Harbor Branch research and support research efforts to study the complex impact of the spill and the long-term restoration work required in Florida.

Volunteer – www.volunteerfloridadisaster.org

The Florida Wildlife Commission is coordinating volunteer interest for wildlife rehabilitation. Please see the guidelines for becoming an oiled-wildlife rehabilitator.

Spread the Message – Forward This Message!

FAU Harbor Branch Research Toolbox: www.fau.edu/hboi/oilspill.php

Connect to FAU websites to get the latest updates on FAU efforts. Use e-mail, Facebook and Twitter to help us get the word out that FAU and Harbor Branch are taking an active role in this disaster and everybody's participation can make a difference.

FAU Harbor Branch on Facebook www.facebook.com/HarborBranch

FAU Harbor Branch on Twitter

<http://twitter.com/HarborBranch>

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS needed to volunteer for the summer.

Keep Indian River Beautiful (KIRB) is seeking volunteer students to help run the new Reuse Exchange Center in the Indian River Mall in Vero Beach for the summer months. Hours of operation are:

Mondays: 2-6pm

Thursdays: 2-6pm

Saturdays: 11-2pm

Interested students/individuals are welcome to contact KIRB's Executive Director, Kristy Sturdivant at keepirbeautiful@gmail.com or by phone at (772) 226-7738

Adopt-A-Road Program

The **Adopt-A-Road Program** is a litter-reduction campaign designed to remove litter debris from county roads and improve the quality of the environment. The program establishes a partnership between volunteer groups and the County's Traffic Engineering Division. The program's success has improved the appearance of local roadways throughout the County while reducing the cost of litter removal. The County provides guidance and equipment to foster safe and effective cleanups and the volunteers do the work of gathering the litter along County-designated roads (residential and private roadways are not adoptable). County maintenance crews follow-up by picking up and disposing the collected trash. Volunteer groups contract to "adopt" a one mile stretch of road and commit to performing 4 clean-ups per year within that 1-mile segment. For more information contact the IRC Traffic Engineering (772) 226-1637 or traffic@ircgov.com.

Adopt a Canal or Shoreline

Are you or your HOA/POA interested in committing to clean a canal and/or shore 4 times per year? If so, contact Keep Indian River Beautiful's Executive Director, Kristy Sturdivant keepirbeautiful@gmail.com (772) 388-5472 (after June 7 Phone: 772-226-7738). If the canal/shore is available she'll send you a two-year contract, there is no cost, and all supplies are provided by Keep Indian River Beautiful (KIRB). You or your group are asked to maintain a data sheet with volunteer hours and the amount of collected garbage. To educate your neighbors on ways they can prevent water pollution you can print and hang the following brochures on their doorknobs as part of the project: http://www.epa.gov/npdes/pubs/cu_door_hanger.pdf

Indian River Lagoon Aquatic Preserves

If environmental enhancement projects spoil island bird surveys, planting native plant species, and removing exotics/debris interest you then read on! Indian River Lagoon Shoreline Restoration Projects, Spoil Island Enhancement, and Eagle Scout opportunities are coordinated by a local division of the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP). Activities in Mosquito Lagoon, Banana River, and Indian River Lagoon - Malabar to Vero Beach, are now being managed by FDEP's Southeast Aquatic Preserves Field Offices in Sebastian and Fort Pierce. The new combined offices are now referred to as the Indian River Lagoon Aquatic Preserves and host events from Northern Brevard County south to Martin County.

<http://www.spoilislandproject.org/> . Interested? Call Marc Virgilio at the Sebastian Office (321) 953-5008
Marc.Virgilio@dep.state.fl.us.

Give A Day of Community Service Get a Day of Fun at Disney!

Walt Disney Corporation wants to inspire one million people to volunteer a day of service to a participating organization in their communities. So we're celebrating these volunteers' good works by giving each of them a 1-day, 1-theme park ticket to the Disneyland® Resort or Walt Disney World® Resort, free. There's no better time to make a dream come true for others and let us make a few come true for you.

Visit http://disneyparks.disney.go.com/disneyparks/en_US/WhatWillYouCelebrate/index?name=Give-A-Day-Get-A-Disney-Day

Hook Kids on Fishing events....are great events to cultivate environmental stewards. Volunteers are needed to assist with teaching kids casting, fishing techniques, habitat restoration, conservation, fishing safety, knot tying, and catch and release tactics. Please share this message with local fishing clubs and other anglers who may be interested in becoming involved with our programs. Learn more about volunteering by calling Capt. Rodney Smith at 321-750-3374; or e-mail rodney@coastalanglermagazine.com.

Recycling and Beautification Projects - KIRB is the acronym for Keep Indian River Beautiful. It promotes livable neighborhoods by empowering individuals to take greater responsibility for enhancing their community through beautification projects, neighborhood cleanups and school cleanup clubs. Visit www.kirb.org and learn how you can enhance your environmental stewardship knowledge and/or contribute your time and talents. Call KIRB's executive director, Kristy Sturdivant 772-226-7738 or email keepirbeautiful@gmail.com

JOB NETWORK....

Treasure Coast Workforce Solution's Green Collar Jobs Apprenticeship Programs focus on labor opportunities for green building projects, including energy efficiency, the reduction of pollution, retrofitting, protection of natural resources, and utilization of renewable power sources. Training opportunities are open to all Treasure Coast residents. For more information regarding this program call the Workforce Solutions office at 1-866-4-U-2-HIRE

IRC Environmental Event Calendars

INDIAN RIVER COMMUNITY EVENT CALENDAR

Community, non-profits and governmental agencies are welcome to list all their environmental events and activities on the Indian River County Cultural Arts Calendar in the “Community & Special Events Category” at www.cultural-council.org. To have your event listed email the information to Sharon at info@cultural-council.org.

UF/IRC Extension Service Calendar - http://indian.ifas.ufl.edu/Calendar/2009/aug_09.htm

GRANT DEADLINES