

# Save Our Indian River Lagoon Project Plan September 2022 Progress Report

#### **WORK COMPLETED THIS MONTH:**

- Septic Upgrades 3 more reimbursements processed for a total of 86 completed to date; 218 homeowner cost-share agreements executed
- Brevard Zoo constructed 2,240 square feet of oyster bars in the Central Indian River Lagoon
- University of Central Florida completed the 24-month monitoring of the MacNeill-Pitner oyster bar and found an average of 45 oysters per bag. Bridging indicates development of a three-dimensional reef.
- Riveredge Shoreline Planting At three months post-deployment, red mangrove survival in mangrove anchors is 57% with growth of surviving trees. Spartina and muhly survival was about 66-75%.
- Derelict Vessels removed this month 2
- Contracts Executed Rockledge Equalization Basin Project, Satellite Beach Lori Laine Project, and Cocoa Beach Maritime Hammock Vegetation Harvesting and Muck Dredging Phase IIb Amendment
- Video Completed Smoke Testing

## **WORK UNDERWAY THIS MONTH:**

- 2023 Application Portal Open August 1 to September 30
- Smoke Testing complete Homeowner grant requests arriving in response to code enforcement letters
- South Central C Septic-to-Sewer Construction 58% complete; 140 of 147 homeowner connection grants contracted. Construction started on north subdivision.
- Micco Septic-to-Sewer Finalizing shop drawings before breaking ground
- Sykes Creek N Septic-to-Sewer Incorporating Right-of-Way permit comments in engineering plans
- Sykes Creek M & T Septic-to-Sewer Re-design commencing
- Brevard County Septic-to-Sewer Survey, design, and engineering continue for 13 projects; finalizing site selection for Land Acquisition
- Plumbing Services Request for Qualifications approved by Risk, Legal, and Purchasing
- Basin 79/Scottsmoor C & Basin 89/Scottsmoor I Stormwater Treatments Land clearing and mobilization completed, adding a stabilized roadway for maintenance purposes
- Basin 958 Pioneer Rd Updating plans to add erosion protection, working on Army Corps permitting
- Basin 1066 Angel Ave Updated task order under review
- Basin 1398 Sand Dollar Task order received and under review
- Basin 1387 Kingsmill-Aurora Phase II Preliminary layout has been prepared for the multi-pond treatment train along with cross-sections
- Basin 1280B Flamingo Denitrification and Basin 1304B W Arlington Denitrification 60% plans have been reviewed and comments submitted, 90% plans are currently underway
- Grand Canal Muck Dredging Removed a total of 231,000 cubic yards to date
- Sykes Creek Muck Dredging Removed a total of 4,400 cubic yards to date
- Canaveral South Muck Dredging Draft scope for vibracore sampling received. Task order in progress.
- Video progress Melbourne Tillman Canal Vegetation Harvesting filmed and awaiting editing
- Contracts: Satellite Beach Hedgecock/Grabowsky Fields, Melbourne Kent/Villa Espana, and Melbourne South-Central F Septic to Sewer contracts in draft
- Providing documents, as requested, for the 2022 Audit



#### PRESENTATIONS THIS MONTH:

September 19 – South Beaches A Sewer Project Community Meeting – Anthony

September 20 – Cocoa Library - Terri

September 24 – Rotary Park Back to Nature - Terri

October 29 - Merritt Island Wildlife Association - Terri

# **UPCOMING LAGOON SCIENCE FORUMS AND PUBLIC EVENTS:**

September 7 – Ocean Research and Conservation Association – Lab Technique Training: Particle Analysis

September 8 – Ocean Research and Conservation Association – Introduction to One Health Fish Monitoring

September 13 – Ocean Research and Conservation Association – Introduction to Citizen Science Projects

September 22 – Ocean Research and Conservation Association – <u>Lab Technique Training: Pipetting & Dilutions</u>

September 27 – Ocean Research and Conservation Association – Land to Sea Laboratory Techniques

October 6 – Ocean Research and Conservation Association – A Day in the Life of the Indian River Lagoon

October 20-21 – Marine Resources Council – Low Impact Development Conference

# **UPCOMING VOLUNTEER PARTICIPATION OPPORTUNITIES:**

September 8 – Ocean Research and Conservation Association – Fish Processing, email Bridget to register

September 15 – Ocean Research and Conservation Association – One Health Fish Monitoring Survey Training

September 16 - Ocean Research and Conservation Association - Fish Extractions, email Bridget to register

September 17 – International Coastal Cleanup – <u>Marine Resources Council</u>, <u>Keep Brevard Beautiful</u>, and <u>City of Melbourne</u>

September 20 – Ocean Research and Conservation Association – Fish Processing, email Bridget to register

October 1 – Marine Resources Council – Mangrove Workshop

October 1 – Keep Brevard Beautiful – Battle of the Causeways Clean-up

Marine Resources Council super clam monitoring, storm drain marking in Melbourne, and Concrete Creations Program seeking volunteers – <u>Email Caity Savoia to register</u>

Rotary Park rain garden maintenance or storm drain marking in Cocoa – Email Carlos Cuevas for opportunities

## **WEBSITE AND SOCIAL MEDIA LINKS:**

Lagoon Loyal Outreach and Engagement Landing Page

Save Our Indian River Lagoon Website

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### **FUTURE TOPICS FOR SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:**

- 1. At Risk Vessel Removal Program
- 2. Project Performance Measurements and Cost-Effectiveness Results
- 3. Shoreline Armor and Living Shoreline Permitting Authorities, Rules, and Opportunities
- 4. Surface Water Remediation Technologies
- 5. Nutrient Loading Impacts of Reclaimed Water
- 6. Lagoon Projects managed and funded by other agencies, entities or grant programs
- 7. Indian River Lagoon Research News: Conference, Symposium or Assembly Highlights
- 8. Lagoon Fish and Fisheries Research Dr. Grant Gilmore
- 9. Clam Restoration and Aquaculture Stimulus Projects