

Save Our Indian River Lagoon Project Plan April 2019 Progress Report

WORK COMPLETED THIS MONTH:

- 2019 Plan Update –Citizens Oversight Committee's revised recommendations were adopted on 4/9
- Preparation for the 4/18 County Commission Workshop on the Indian River Lagoon and Utilities
- Education, Outreach and Public Engagement campaigns proposed by MTN to staff on 4/10
- Beaches Leaking Sewer Laterals –consultant went door-to-door once; 2nd visit scheduled this week
- Basin 1349 & 1409 Task orders completed for project design
- Grand Canal Muck Dredging Bid opening was 3/28. Protest period over. Financial review underway.
- Merritt Island Muck Dredging Federal and State permit applications submitted
- Mathers Bridge Area Muck Removal proposal for expansion of project area received
- University of Central Florida researchers conducted six-month monitoring at 1 oyster and 2 plant sites
- Derelict Vessels Additional \$450,000 approved to remove derelict vessels as fast as FWC clears them
- Melbourne Contract Amendments executed for Thrush, Cliff Creek, and Hoag time extensions
- Mid-Year Budget Adjustments completed and approved by the County Commission on 4/9
- Total Maximum Daily Load Credit Sharing Amendment signed by all cities, awaiting recording

WORK UNDERWAY THIS MONTH:

- Titusville South Street Baffle Boxes installation 50% complete, La Paloma and St Teresa construction to begin this quarter, Coleman Pond and Titusville High contracting underway
- Sykes Creek Zones N Septic-to-Sewer Final design and permit documents submitted to Utility Services
- South Central C Septic-to-Sewer Completed septic field survey and conversion design analysis
- Micco Sewer Ext. Awaiting final design submittal from the Engineer of Record
- Sykes Creek Zone M and T- design is using alternative construction techniques to reduce time and costs
- Melbourne Riverside Septic to Sewer 1 home connected, remaining homes over next several months
- Huntington Pond –easement negotiations needed for project continue
- Basin 989 Task order being drafted for project design
- Kingsmill Meeting with Florida Department of Transportation to start process of acquiring pond
- Cocoa Beach Muck Dredging contract is approximately 73% complete
- Cocoa Beach Water Treatment Facility Upgrade contract scope of work under review
- Eau Gallie Muck Dredging Bid documents underway. BV-52 repairs underway
- Sykes Creek Muck Dredging Phase 1 Phase I bid document revisions given to consultant
- Merritt Island Muck Dredging –dredge material management site acquisition underway
- Grand Canal Muck Dredging seeking dredge waivers to remove muck close to docks and seawalls
- Titusville Causeway Shoreline Stabilization Feasibility Study underway (Tourist Development grant)
- Brevard Zoo Gitlin Oyster Bar is contracted for construction in May. Site selection, success criteria and permit applications were submitted for Eden Isles, Marina Isles, Coconut Point, Wexford, and Oliver.
- University of Central Florida researchers conducting three-month monitoring at 1 oyster bar
- Contracting underway for 4 continuous water quality monitoring stations
- Filming videos Merritt Island Septic to Sewer II, Cocoa Beach Muck Dredging, and Lateral Line Repairs
- Preparing budget requests for fiscal year 2019-2020 based on Approved 2019 Plan Update



PRESENTATIONS THIS MONTH:

March 19 - Mims Community meeting with Florida Inland Navigation District: Walker

March 26 – Viera Lions Club speakers on Stormwater Pollution and Lagoon Restoration: Carlos and Jane

March 28 – Titusville Resiliency Workshop with East Coast Florida Regional Planning Council: Jane

April 8 - South Patrick Residents Association: Walker

April 10 - Titusville Chamber of Commerce Lunch Speaker on Lagoon Updates: Virginia& City of Titusville staff

April 13 & 14 – Viera Wetlands Festival Booth: Anthony and Brandon

April 18 – County Commission Workshop on the Indian River Lagoon and Utility Needs: Virginia

May 22 – Community Association Advisors for Management Professionals panel on Lagoon -Anthony

WEBSITE AND SOCIAL MEDIA LINKS:

Website: http://www.brevardfl.gov/SaveOurLagoon

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/BrevardCountySaveOurLagoon;

Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/saveourlagoon/

YouTube: https://goo.gl/GBh6xU

UPCOMING LAGOON SCIENCE FORUMS AND PUBLIC EVENTS:

Stormwater and Green Infrastructure Symposium, May 8-10, https://www.wef.org/events/conferences/
Brevard Zoo Living Shoreline Workshop, May 13, https://restoreourshores.org/volunteer-we-need-you/
Marine Resources Brown Bag Lunch Series - https://www.facebook.com/events/1977228952399676/

UPCOMING VOLUNTEER PARTICIPATION OPPORTUNITIES:

Brevard Zoo— Supply Moving for Gitlin Reef Build, 5/13 https://restoreourshores.org/volunteer-we-need-you/ Lagoon Friendly Lawns — contact Kaylyn Palmer of Keep Brevard Beautiful at 321-631-0501 Fish Kill Response Cleanup: contact Desiree Lesko of Keep Brevard Beautiful at 321-631-0501 Marine Resources Council Lagoon Watch, Mangrove, or Lagoon Literacy https://savetheirl.org/volunteer/

FUTURE TOPICS FOR SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:

- 1. Nutrient Sources and Cycling in the Lagoon Panel of University and Agency Research Scientists
- 2. Outreach and Engagement Opportunities Marine Resources Council and MTN Advertising
- 3. Scoping and Smoke Testing of Sewage Collection Systems and Lateral Lines
- 4. Project Monitoring Results
- 5. Ongoing Research on Charismatic Critters of the Lagoon Hubbs SeaWorld Research Institute
- 6. Indian River Lagoon Research News: TechCon, ShORE, and Harbor Branch Symposium Highlights
- 7. Completed and Ongoing Muck Research Florida Tech Research Initiative
- 8. Coordinating Spoil Management with Florida Inland Navigation District
- 9. Lagoon Fish Dr. Grant Gilmore, Dr. Jon Shenker, Captains Catino, Murphy, Ross, Rotne, and Wiggins
- 10. Water Technology Conference/Industry Day Economic Development and National Estuary Program
- 11. Re-use/Reclaimed Water Nutrient Loading Impacts and Opportunities
- 12. Surface Water Remediation Technologies
- 13. Oyster histories in Brevard County University of Central Florida
- 14. Harvesting of Aquatic Weeds Melbourne Tillman Water Control District, Patrick Air Force Base
- 15. Mosquito Control
- 16. Package Plants