

# Save Our Indian River Lagoon Project Plan May 2019 Progress Report

## WORK COMPLETED THIS MONTH:

- \$500,000 Legislative Appropriation for Septic to Sewer match sent to Governor for approval
- Submitted Environmental Protection Agency 319(h) grant applications for septic-to-sewer projects totaling \$3,863,550.
- Fertilizer Notice to Consumers Ordinance adopted by the Board on May 7<sup>th</sup>. Distributing signs by June
- Education, Outreach and Public Engagement campaigns proposed by Marketing Talent Network to staff on 4/10
- Beaches Leaking Sewer Laterals 11 property owners on board after 1 mailing and 3 site visits
- Grand Canal Muck Dredging Selection committee recommended award to Gator Dredging
- Mathers Bridge Area Muck Removal Work order executed for expansion of the project area
- City Point Living Shoreline (Indian River Drive) Seagrass and mangrove surveys done, grant received
- University of Central Florida researchers conducted 3-month monitoring at Bettinger oyster site
- Derelict Vessels 3 additional derelict vessels removed
- Cocoa Contract Amendment executed for Church Street Cost-Share Adjustment
- Fiscal Year 19-20 budget drafted to implement approved 2019 Plan Update
- Total Maximum Daily Load Credit Sharing Amendment signed by all cities, awaiting recording

## WORK UNDERWAY THIS MONTH:

- Palm Bay Wastewater Treatment Facility Upgrade design complete, setback variance approved
- West Melbourne Sylvan Estates septic to sewer June permits, bid July/August bid, October 1 start
- Sykes Creek Zones N Septic-to-Sewer Permit application being revised
- South Central C Septic-to-Sewer Easement acquisition underway; working on 60% designs
- Micco Sewer Ext. Awaiting final design submittal, submitted 2 grant applications
- Sykes Creek Zone M and T- Starting land acquisition for construction easements and dewatering
- Melbourne Pennwood Septic to Sewer Forcemain 100% constructed, 1 home connected
- Melbourne Hoag Septic to Sewer Forcemain 100% constructed, permitting first home connection
- Melbourne Riverside Septic to Sewer Forcemain 50% constructed,1 home connected
- Florida Department of Health Memorandum of Understanding drafted to test drainfield media
- Titusville South Street Baffle Boxes installation 50% complete, La Paloma and St Teresa construction to begin this quarter, Coleman Pond and Titusville High contract going to Council May 14
- Water Management District M-1/Crane Creek Rediversion design 50% complete, finishing permitting
- Cocoa Beach Muck Dredging contract is approximately 73% complete
- Cocoa Beach Water Treatment Facility Upgrade and Muck Dredging Phase IIb contracts being signed
- Sykes Creek Muck Dredging Phase 1 Phase I bid document revisions underway
- Merritt Island Muck Dredging Response to Florida Department of Environmental Protection Request for Additional Information underway
- Grand Canal Muck Dredging seeking dredge waivers to remove muck close to docks and seawalls
- Brevard Zoo Gitlin Oyster Bar construction late May. Site selection, success criteria and permit applications submitted for Eden Isles, Marina Isles, Coconut Point, Wexford, and Oliver sites
- University of Central Florida researchers conducting 9-month monitoring at 1 oyster & 2 planting sites
- Filming videos Cocoa Beach Muck Dredging and Lateral Line Repairs
- Providing files for auditors to review capital project and municipal grant processes
- Fiscal Year 18-19 budget update to implement approved 2019 Plan Update



#### PRESENTATIONS THIS MONTH:

- May 15 Waterfest Safe Boating and Hook Kids on Fishing Carlos
- May 22 Titusville Causeway Shoreline Stabilization Feasibility Study stakeholder meeting Jane
- May 22 Community Association Advisors for Management Professionals (CAAMP) panel on Indian River
- Lagoon Anthony
- May 23 Brevard Oyster Gardening Workshop nutrient pollution, project plan and living shorelines Jane June 3 Lagoon Coalition Straight Talk Forum at Dixie Crossroads Virginia

#### WEBSITE AND SOCIAL MEDIA LINKS:

Website: <u>http://www.brevardfl.gov/SaveOurLagoon</u> Facebook: <u>https://www.facebook.com/BrevardCountySaveOurLagoon</u>; Instagram: <u>https://www.instagram.com/saveourlagoon/</u> YouTube: <u>https://goo.gl/GBh6xU</u>

### UPCOMING LAGOON SCIENCE FORUMS AND PUBLIC EVENTS:

Brevard Zoo Living Shoreline Workshop, 5/13, Oyster Gardening Workshop, 5/23, 6/8, 7/13, 7/20, & 8/22 https://restoreourshores.org/volunteer-we-need-you/

Marine Resources Council Brown Bag Lunch Series - https://www.facebook.com/events/1977228952399676/

#### UPCOMING VOLUNTEER PARTICIPATION OPPORTUNITIES:

Brevard Zoo– Supply Moving for Gitlin Reef Build, 5/15, Build 5/16 & 5/17; Youth Oyster Monitoring, 6/29 https://restoreourshores.org/volunteer-we-need-you/

Keep Brevard Beautiful Summer Series Cleanups, 6/15, 6/29, 7/13, & 7/27;

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