

# Save Our Indian River Lagoon Project Plan July 2021 Progress Report

#### WORK COMPLETED THIS MONTH:

- Revenues are nearly \$2 million ahead of the forecast used for the 2021 Plan Update
- South Beaches O Septic-to-Sewer –Design complete; In permitting
- Micco Septic-to-Sewer All necessary permits received, final bid documents under review
- INRB Study First quarterly sampling complete
- Septic Upgrades 4 reimbursements processed
- Big Muddy Baffle Box construction complete
- Sunset Road/Serenity Park/Basin 26 and Johns Rd/Basin 62 Bids have been awarded to Contractor
- Eau Gallie Northeast Muck Project Additional information submitted to regulatory agencies
- Cocoa Beach Golf Muck Project Additional vibracore field collection complete
- Living Shoreline Performance University of Central Florida conducted 3-month monitoring at Wexford and found a 92.5% increase in live oysters since May while 24-month monitoring at Marina Isles found an 18.6% decrease from December, though still 55.6% above original deployment density. 1-year monitoring at Fisherman's Landing and Suntree Rotary Park found poor survival of spartina and mangroves, most likely due to shoreline erosion.
- Derelict Vessels 3 removed
- Fiscal Year 2020 audit found revenue and expense accounting to be in full compliance, no exceptions
- Video Oak Point Package Plant to Central Sewer and David Sherrer's My Lagoon Story complete

#### WORK UNDERWAY THIS MONTH:

- Brevard County Smoke Testing expected to start this fall and finish in December; finalizing code enforcement mechanism
- Beaches Leaking Sewer Laterals 63 of 280 repairs complete; 10 reimbursements processed to date
- Sylvan Estates Septic to Sewer all homes connected to sewer; all septic abandoned, replacing sod
- South Central C Septic-to-Sewer bid price reduced with value engineering but still over budget
- Sykes Creek T Septic-to-Sewer awaiting approve from the Girl's Scouts for property acquisition
- Sykes Creek N Septic-to-Sewer –60% design underway
- South Beaches P Septic-to-Sewer –corridor study complete; moving forward with preliminary design
- Septic Upgrades 75 in progress; 28 reimbursements completed
- Grand Canal Muck Dredging Approximately 87,000 cubic yards of muck dredged through May
- Sykes Creek Phase I Awaiting prequalification documents from contractor
- Contracts Melbourne Pennwood Septic to Sewer was executed, Oak Point Conversion to Sewer was amended to incorporate a grant, and Cocoa Beach Phase IIb Muck and Sherwood Park Stormwater improvements were extended
- Videos Underway Ray Bullard Stormwater Project, Jackson Court Stormwater Project, Convair Cove Low Impact Development and Susan Hodgers' My Lagoon Story
- Grants Seeking Tourism + Lagoon, state Wastewater Improvements and state Innovative funds



#### PRESENTATIONS THIS MONTH:

May 26 – Thinking Bigger for Brevard – Virginia June 1 – Fly Fishing Club – Virginia June 29 – Marine Resources Council Social Marketing Collaboration – Becky Clarkson July 14 – Brevard Soil and Water Board Presentation – Brandon July 21 – Permitting Summer School - Virginia August 24 – Sewalls Point City Council - Virginia

## UPCOMING LAGOON SCIENCE FORUMS AND PUBLIC EVENTS:

July 6 – Marine Resources Council Lunch and Learn Webinar: <u>FIT Bottle Cap Water Filtration Project</u> July 27 & 29 – Florida Fish and Wildlife Commission's Aquatic Habitat Workshop August 3 – Marine Resources Council Lunch and Learn Webinar: <u>Low Impact Development</u> October 21-22 – <u>Marine Resources Council Low Impact Development Conference</u>

## UPCOMING VOLUNTEER PARTICIPATION OPPORTUNITIES:

July 10 & 28 – Brevard Zoo <u>Restore Our Shores Oyster Gardening Training Workshop</u> July 11 – Keep Brevard Beautiful: Banana River/Kelly Park Cleanup – <u>email Amanda Muzaurieta for details</u> July 26 –Brevard Zoo <u>Restore Our Shores Oyster Reef Build</u> Brevard Zoo Restore Our Shores <u>Clam Restoration Project seeking volunteers</u> Rotary Park rain garden maintenance – <u>Email Carlos Cuevas for opportunities</u> Storm drain marking in Cocoa – <u>Email Carlos Cuevas for opportunities</u> Storm drain marking in Melbourne – <u>Email Nicole Broquet for opportunities</u> Merritt Island National Wildlife Refuge Trash Cleanups Tuesday & Saturdays – <u>Email Micah Thomas</u>

## WEBSITE AND SOCIAL MEDIA LINKS:

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## FUTURE TOPICS FOR SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:

- 1. Pollution and Algal Bloom Mapping via Satellite Imagery Interpretation
- 2. Lagoon projects managed and funded by other agencies, entities or grant programs
- 3. Low Impact Development/Resilience Local examples, efforts and potential opportunities
- 4. Wastewater Utility Asset Management Planning Todd Swingle
- 5. Re-use/Reclaimed Water Nutrient Loading Impacts and Opportunities
- 6. Surface Water Remediation Phosphorus Free, S.W.I.G., D.T.G., Chemical Tech, HABITATS
- 7. New Enhanced Ocean Inflow Research Florida Tech Research Initiative
- 8. Completed and Ongoing Muck Research Florida Tech Research Initiative
- 9. Indian River Lagoon Research News: TechCon, Shore, and Harbor Branch Symposium Highlights
- 10. Water Technology Conference/Industry Day Economic Development and National Estuary Program
- 11. Lagoon Fish and Fisheries Research Dr. Grant Gilmore
- 12. Project Monitoring Results