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Check out our Fall Lake Restoration planting events!

ONGOING OPPORTUNITIES
Consider becoming a steward of our environment and community with these fun options!

FFL WORKSHOPS
Find out about upcoming Fertilizer Workshops, & Green Industry BMP training!

FEATURED VOLUNTEERS
Read about our "Inspiring Volunteer" of the season!

PHOTOS FROM THE SUMMER



Rolling Hills Ponds



LESA Pond

UPCOMING EVENTS

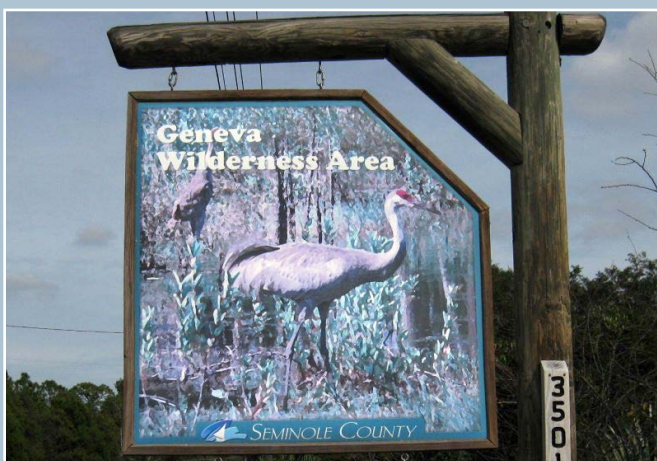


N HORSESHOE LAKE RESTORATION

Saturday, September 28th, 2019, 9 am - 12 pm: Seminole County Watershed Management & the SERV Program invite you to help us plant shoreline vegetation to improve ecosystem function, habitat, and water quality! RSVP: <http://bit.ly/NHorseshoe2019> or contact serv@seminolecountyfl.gov, 407-665-2457. Kick-off: 255 6th Street, Chuluota, FL 32766.

MIRROR LAKE RESTORATION

Saturday, October 12th, 2019, 9 am - 12 pm: Seminole County Watershed Management & the SERV Program invite you to help us plant shoreline vegetation to improve ecosystem function, habitat, and water quality! RSVP: <http://bit.ly/Mirror2019> or contact serv@seminolecountyfl.gov, 407-665-2457. Kick-off: 3644 Lake Shore Dr, Apopka, FL 32703.



INVASIVE PLANT REMOVAL

Saturday, November 2nd, 2019, 9 am - 11 am: Seminole County Natural Lands & the SERV Program invite you to help us remove invasive plants (air potato, tuberous sword fern, coral ardisia) from Geneva Wilderness Area to protect the biodiversity of this important habitat! RSVP: <http://bit.ly/InvasivePlantGWA> or contact serv@seminolecountyfl.gov, 407-665-2457.

ONGOING OPPORTUNITIES

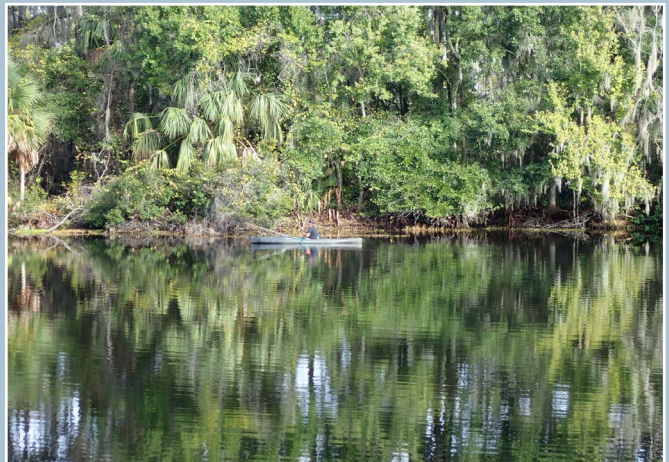


ADOPT-A-ROAD

Did you know that litter along our roadways can wash into nearby waterways, and harm wildlife? Make a difference by protecting our natural resources and beautifying your community! Adopt your own section of road in Seminole County (FREE sign!) and schedule clean-ups at your convenience (4 per year). Contact Elizabeth Stephens (407-665-2457; serv@seminolecountyfl.gov) for more information.

ADOPT-A-RIVER

Do you have your own canoe or kayak? Help protect our water resources and reduce pollution by joining our Adopt-A-River Program! Adopt your own section of river in Seminole County and schedule clean-ups at your convenience (2 per year). Contact Elizabeth Stephens (407-665-2457; serv@seminolecountyfl.gov) for more information.



ADOPT-A-PARK

The Adopt-A-Park Program facilitates the monitoring, clean-up and enhancement of parks, natural lands, trails, and trailheads maintained in Seminole County. For more information and to join this great program, contact Seminole County Leisure Services at 407-665-2001.

ONGOING OPPORTUNITIES



STORMDRAIN MARKING

Are you looking for an independent project to help protect the environment? Stormdrain marking is a wonderful way for volunteers to help educate the public about water quality, and protect our local waterbodies! Volunteers are trained, given a map and supplies, and then can track their progress over time. Contact Elizabeth Stephens (407-665-2457; serv@seminolecountyfl.gov) for more information.

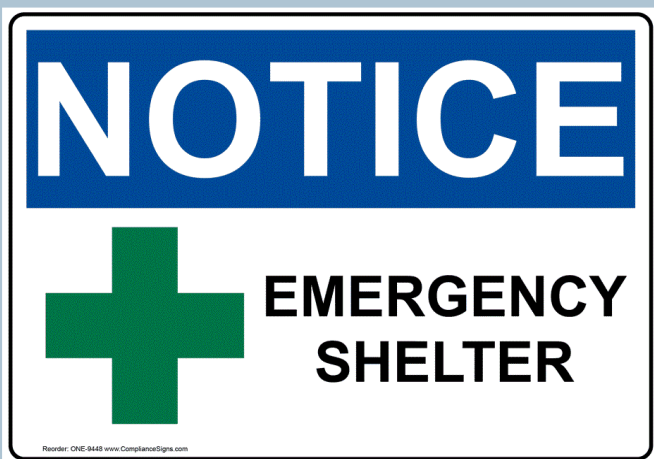
LAKEWATCH

Do you live on a lake? If so, consider joining LAKEWATCH! This citizen volunteer lake monitoring program facilitates “hands-on” participation in the management of FL lakes, rivers, & coastal sites through monthly monitoring activities. For more information, please visit <http://lakewatch.ifas.ufl.edu/>, or contact Elizabeth Stephens (serv@seminolecountyfl.gov; 407-665-2457).



ADOPT-A-SHELTER

This Program is an opportunity for any non-profit, faith-based, or private organization to demonstrate community involvement and support for the County’s emergency shelters and citizens in a disaster. The American Red Cross and the Office of Emergency Management will provide free training for all volunteers wanting to assist in a shelter. For more information, click [HERE](#) or contact 407-665-5102



FALL FEATURE



FLORIDA FRIENDLY LANDSCAPING

FERTILIZER WORKSHOPS: Join UF/IFAS Extension in Seminole County for bimonthly workshops offered at various locations about “Fertilizing Effectively in Sandy Florida Soils.” Workshops will be held on Tuesday, Sept 17th, 1-3pm, and Tuesday, Sept 24th, 1-3pm. Details are posted on Eventbrite: <http://www.seminolecountyfl.gov/fertworkshop>

GI-BMP TRAINING: Oct. 11th, 2019, from 7:45 am - 4:30 pm, Seminole County Extension Auditorium, 250 West County Home Rd, Sanford. The Green Industry Best Management Practices (GI-BMP) training is a science-based educational program for Green Industry workers (lawn-care and landscape maintenance professionals). This training teaches environmentally safe landscaping practices that help conserve and protect Florida’s ground and surface waters. CEUs Available! Cost: \$30.00. Seating is limited, pre-registration is required: https://gibmp_seminole.eventbrite.com



INSPIRING VOLUNTEER

HAILEY HAZELWOOD

SERV HISTORY

Hailey, pictured above on far right, has been a SERV volunteer since 2018. She has attended many SERV shoreline restoration events, and has acted as an assistant SERV Site Captain during that time.

HER STORY

Haily writes “I love volunteering at SERV events because it is the most hands on way to positively impact my local ecosystems and introduce native plants while also teaching younger generations how to help plants thrive.”

BACKGROUND

Hailey has lived in Florida for about five years. She grew up in the military community, moving frequently around the country, which she feels has exposed her to “diverse cultures and environments that have taught me a lot about life and how things work.” Hailey has learned about the environment through summer camps, and her High School Internship with the Seminole County Watershed Management Division in Summer 2018. She plans on studying Environmental Engineering in college.