

FLMS LOVE YOUR LAKE COST-SHARE GUIDELINES

FLMS has created a cost-share program to fund lake, pond and shoreline projects that demonstrate beneficial management techniques that will help protect, preserve and restore Florida's aquatic resources. Each year FLMS solicits grant proposals which describe successful management projects. FLMS will provide matching funds for expenses incurred by the successful applicant. Expenditures by the applicant can be in the form of labor or monetary contributions. Proposals will be reviewed by a selection committee according to the criteria outlined below.

Criteria	Rating Points
1. Monetary or labor match - Community involvement strategy strongly recommended	0-20
2. Location - Project must be readily accessible to the public	0-20
3. Removal of invasive plants - Establishment of beneficial native plants	0-20
4. Educational signage to explain project	0-20
5. Water Quality Enhancements - Xeriscaping - Irrigation pumping from the lake - Use of environmental swale system - Erosion control methods used	5 points each

The application should include the following: the person or entity performing the project, a one-page description of the proposed project (must include a maintenance plan), address of project, budget for the project, drawing of proposed enhancements (including plants used), and telephone number. Applicants need to also agree to take plenty of before, during restoration and after photographs (digital preferred) to provide to FLMS. Deadline for submittal of project proposals is March 1. Projects must be completed by May 1 of the following year. Shoreline management projects may require permits from the Department of Environmental Protection and/or a Water Management District, as well as one from your local municipality. The applicant is responsible for obtaining all required permits before starting the project. If you have any questions, please email Chuck Hanlon (chanlon@sfwmd.gov). Please send Applicant Packet by March 1 to:

FLMS
PO Box 950701
Lake Mary, FL 32795-0701

This type of project will benefit many members of your community by showing them how they can keep their shorelines environmentally friendly. By enlisting the help of volunteers, your shoreline demonstration project will solidify ongoing efforts to preserve Florida's native habitats.

THANK YOU FOR MAKING A DIFFERENCE!

