



MAITLAND FLORIDA

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Dear Lakefront Resident,

The City of Maitland has 21 lakes within its borders and these lakes are the jewels of the city. They provide recreational opportunities, relaxing aesthetics and natural beauty. The quality of the lakes is exceptional for being within an urban environment. The City is monitoring the water quality and working to keep the lakes clean and healthy. We are asking those who live along the shores of the lakes to help us in preserving this high quality by maintaining and improving the shorelines in front of their properties.

Native aquatic plants are very beneficial to the lake's health and longevity. They provide a habitat for fish and wildlife, capture and remove excess nutrients from the water, and provide a buffer to the shoreline reducing erosion. Each lakefront homeowner is encouraged to manage the aquatic plants along their property. An "Access Corridor" of 50 feet or 50% of the shoreline length, whichever is less, is allowed to be completely cleared of vegetation from the shoreline to open water. This can be done without a permit being issued.

To clear more than the allowed access corridor, a "Shoreline Alteration Permit" is required. This will provide a plan for removing any exotic or invasive plant species and re-planting the shoreline with native species that will benefit the lake. The City website provides a link to the permit application and additional information to assist you in maintaining your shoreline as a natural habitat. The information shows a basic plan for an access corridor and a vegetation removal and replanting plan. Also included is a list of some of the native plant species that can be used to enhance the look and value of your lakefront. In addition, a permit from Florida Wildlife Commission is also required. To apply for this permit visit:
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Sincerely,

Paul Ritter
Stormwater & Lakes Management Coordinator
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Links to Attachments:

<http://www.itsmymaitland.com/myJSSImages/file/ShorelineAlterationPermitApplication.pdf>

- City of Maitland Codes and Ordinances: Chapter 8: Landscape, Streetscape, Treescape; Article V: Specific Landscaping Requirements; Section 8-14: Shoreline Alteration and landscaping.
- "Plants for Shoreline Revegetation"
- "Shoreline Diagrams- Access Corridor, Removal & Revegetation"

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