



You can easily install
stormdrain markers in your
neighborhood.

Call (727) 464-4425
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<http://pinellascounty.org/Environment/pagesHTML/waterResources/wr4000.html>



LIVING ON A LAKE: WHAT YOU MUST KNOW

**A Guide for Lakefront
Property Owners**



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Preserve the health of your lake...

WHAT IS RUNOFF?

On its way, rain water can pick up and carry many substances that pollute water.

Some of these harmful substances are:

- Pesticides and fertilizers
- Oil or other auto fluids
- Soap from residential car washing
- Sediment from construction or bare soil
- Pet waste
- Grass clippings and leaves
- Malfunctioning septic tanks

HOW TO HELP?

- Prevent erosion by planting shoreline vegetation. Native plants help remove chemicals running off your lawn.
- Landscape smart: mulch or bag your lawn clippings. Don't blow yard waste into the street, stormdrain, or lake
- Pick up after your pet
- Maintain your car properly to avoid leaks
- Use low phosphorous or phosphorous free fertilizer. Maintain a fertilizer free zone several feet from the water

What about vegetation removal?

Can I just rip out the cattails and other plants along my shoreline?

A State Permit is required for vegetation removal in lakes 10 acres and larger. For more information call:

John Rodgers: (813) 744-6163

and

Pinellas County

Development Review Services: (727) 464-3888

INVASIVE PLANTS INCLUDE:

- Brazilian Pepper
- Alligator Weed



Alligator Weed



Water Hyacinth

BENEFICIAL PLANTS INCLUDE:

- Pickerelweed
- Blue Flag Iris
- Bulrush
- Spikerush



Pickerelweed



Blue Flag Iris

Dock Permits, Seawalls, etc...

The Pinellas County Department of Environmental Management, Water & Navigation Section is responsible for permitting dock and seawall construction and repair activities. Call (727) 464-4761 for more information.

Proposed work in conservation areas or lakes less than 10 acres:

Pinellas County Development Review Services
(727) 464-3888

Other Contacts:

Native Plants & Proper Fertilization:

Florida Yards and Neighborhoods
(727) 582-2100

Native Aquatic Plant Brochures:

Pinellas County Environmental Management
Water Resources Management
(727) 464-4425

To report illegal dumping into a lake, road, stormdrain, etc:

Please contact:
Pinellas County Environmental Management
Water Resources Management
(727) 464-4425 M-F 8AM-5PM
Or
24 hour hotline (727) 464-5060
(voicemail)