

Indian River County
Wetlands Resource Permit Application

Date Application Received: _____

Project Name & Number Assigned: _____

I. General Information

1. Applicant/Agent

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

2. Location where the proposed activity will occur:

Tax Parcel I.D. #: _____

Street Address: _____

U.S. Census Tract & Block: _____

II. Wetland Alteration Information

1. Reason(s) for Wetland Alteration

No activity shall be allowed that results in the alteration, degradation, or destruction of wetlands or deepwater habitats except when: **[check appropriate reason(s)]**

_____ The activity is necessary to prevent or eliminate a public hazard, provided wetland and deepwater habitat functional loss is unavoidable and minimized; or

_____ The activity will provide direct public benefit which will exceed the loss of values, provided there is a public need, and wetland and deepwater habitat functional loss is unavoidable and minimized; or

_____ The activity is proposed for wetlands or deepwater habitats in which the functions and values currently provided are significantly less than those typically associated with such habitats and cannot be reasonable restored, and preservation of the habitat is not in the public interest.

2. Type and area of wetlands to be altered:

Wetlands Type _____

Area Altered (Acres) _____

PLEASE ATTACH A WETLAND/DEEPWATER HABITAT BOUNDARY SURVEY, DEPICTING THE BOUNDARY OF THE WETLAND BASED ON REGULATORY AGENCIES BROADEST JURISDICTION (AS APPLICABLE)

3. Type of Mitigation Proposed: (Check as appropriate and attach Mitigation Plan)

- _____ Creation of new wetlands/deepwater habitat
- _____ Restoration of degraded habitat
- _____ Enhancement of functions and values provided by existing habitat
- _____ Wetland mitigation bank fee (requires proof that other mitigation alternatives are not feasible)

4. Person or Company to be responsible for Mitigation Plan:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

5. Date wetland/deepwater habitat alteration is proposed to begin _____

Date wetland/deepwater habitat mitigation is proposed to be completed _____

THE APPLICATION MUST BE SIGNED BY THE PERSON WHO DESIRES TO UNDERTAKE THE PROPOSED ACTIVITY, HOWEVER, THE APPLICATION MAY BE SIGNED BY A DULY AUTHORIZED AGENT IF ACCOMPANIED BY A STATEMENT BY THAT PERSON DESIGNATING THE AGENT AND AGREEING TO FURNISH UPON REQUEST, SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION IN SUPPORT OF THE APPLICATION.

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that I am familiar with Chapter 928 (Wetlands and Deepwater Habitat Protection) of the Land Development Regulations of Indian River County and that the information contained within this application, to the best of my knowledge and belief, is true complete and accurate. I agree to provide any additional information/data that may be necessary to fully process this application. I also agree to provide entry to the project site for inspectors from the Indian River County Planning and Zoning Division of an authorized agent for Indian River County for the purpose of allowing preliminary analysis of the site and for any subsequent monitoring of the project as may be required. I further certify that I possess the authority to undertake the proposed activities.

Signature of Applicant

Date

The following information is required for application completeness. Please check that the attachments are submitted to ensure promptly processing of your application.

- _____ Location Map
- _____ Wetland Boundary Survey
- _____ Wetland Mitigation Plan
- _____ Deed of Ownership
- _____ **\$300.00 Application Fee**

Office Use:

Application Complete: _____

Date

_____ Initials

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

ATTENTION: STATE PERMITS MAY BE REQUIRED FOR DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

This fact sheet has been developed to assist property owners by providing information on permit requirements and agencies to contact for further information.

Many properties in Indian River County include areas of regulated wetlands. Before proceeding with any work in or near a wetland or waterbody, it is advised that you check with the agencies listed below. You may be required to obtain permits from local, state and federal agencies. Unauthorized wetland alterations may result in agency enforcement actions requiring site restoration and payment of civil penalties.

Wetlands are a valuable resource that are protected by federal, state and in some cases, local regulation. Wetlands provide important economic and recreational values that are damaged by uncontrolled development and alteration. Wetlands filter pollutants from stormwater runoff. They protect shorelines from erosion and provide flood storage. Wetlands are nurseries for fish and shellfish and provide critical habitat to wildlife.

Vegetation, soils and hydrology are the major factors in determining if any area is considered a wetland. The following may be an indication of the presence of wetlands:

- Standing water after rain
- Adjacent waterbodies such as creeks, rivers, lakes and bays
- Ditches which connect to any waterbodies
- Dark mucky soils
- Plants such as cypress, mangrove, red maple, loblolly bay, willow, sweet bay, water oak, ash, dahoon holly, tupelo, ferns, rushes, sedges, and many types of grasses.
- Swollen tree bases
- Floodplains

These indicators are only a guide. You may still have wetlands even though you do not have any of the conditions listed above. Wetlands generally do not include longleaf or slash pine flatwoods with an understory of saw palmetto.

Activities in or near wetlands that may require a permit or site evaluation include:

- Clearing or grading
- Dredging or excavating
- Filling, the placement of sand, soil, debris or structures
- Septic system installations
- Building structures
- Boat docks or ramps
- Boardwalks
- Seawalls or revetments
- Mangrove trimming

The following agencies regulate activities within wetlands in Indian River County and should be contacted for further information:

Indian River County Environmental Planning Division	772-226-1258 or 772-226-1518
Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP)	561-681-6600 Southeast District
St. John's River Water Management District – Palm Bay Office	321-984-4940
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers – ACOE Regulatory – Cocoa Permits Section	321-504-3771