

STOP THE FDEP DREDGING ON THE INDIAN RIVER!

SAVE THE MANATEES. SAVE THE SEAGRASS. SAVE THE BIRDS AND ENDANGERED FISH.
SAVE OUR 1991 "IN PERPETUITY" RIVERWATCH CONSERVATION EASEMENT PRESERVE.

Join Conservation Alliance of St. Lucie Co and Hutchinson Island Preservation Initiative

WHAT: **SAVE OUR SANCTUARY RALLY**
Where: **NE Side of the Jensen Beach Causeway**
3472 NE Causeway Blvd., Jensen Beach
When: **Sunday, December 15, 2024 1-4 PM**



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Please help stop the FDEP from removing the Riverwatch Conservation Easement and its deeded restrictions "in perpetuity" on dredging and gasoline engines which will set a dangerous precedent. This 12.9-acre mangrove forest CE was deeded by the FDEP in 1991 as mitigation for the illegal dredging of protected wetlands. This beautiful, thriving ecosystem is located on the Indian River Lagoon at the Martin /St. Lucie Co. border and is exploding with colorful birds and a wealth of Endangered Fish and marine animals. Peaceful manatees migrate to this protected harbor to give birth, and this CE is acknowledged by the Save the Manatee Club as a manatee birthing area. It is a National Marine Fishery Service Essential Fish Habitat and nursery- an essential provider of fish to our IRL and oceans. The FDEP documented a substantial presence of protected Johnson seagrass growing directly adjacent to the proposed 19,000 sq. ft. dredging site. This CE mangrove forest helps to cleanse the IRL from carbon and pollutants. Please email FDEP Permit Processor John Tracey- FDEP SE District- at: john.tracey@floridadep.gov regarding FDEP Permit Application:0173825-005-E1 to dredge 19,000 ft. of the Riverwatch CE and FDEP Permit Application 0433560-001-EE to allow gasoline vessels on the CE and loss of manatees, seagrass, mangroves, endangered fish and wildlife due to the dredging of 19,000 ft. of a "Forever Wild" mangrove forest, manatee birthing harbor and Essential Fish Habitat.

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