

Lake Apopka Restoration Projects Update July 30, 2013

On-going projects for Lake Apopka Restoration

1. **Planting desirable aquatic plants:** Approximately 317,000 bulrush and 29,000 spatterdock (water lilies) planted to date and additional spatterdock planting will occur this fall. Estimated encumbered to date is \$230,000.
2. **Fish attractors:** This spring and summer, 31, 1/4 acre fish attractors have been installed and an additional 10 fish attractors are scheduled to be installed in next 60 days. Total encumbered to date is \$123,500.

Projects under development

1. **North Shore habitat creation:** Create desirable depth and substrate to support submersed aquatic vegetation along the North Shore.
2. **Wave attenuators:** Utilize structures attenuate wave energy to increase plant survival and expansion at the north shore habitat project.
3. **Largemouth bass stocking:** Dr. Mike Allen (IFAS) will evaluate current information and collect additional data to determine timing for stocking largemouth bass at Lake Apopka.

Detailed project explanation will be provided @ September Council Meeting.