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SFWMD to Host Ribbon Cutting for Allapattah Equestrian Trail



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WHAT:

The South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) will host a ribbon-cutting event to celebrate the opening of the Allapattah Equestrian Trail on Fox Brown Road in western Martin County. Allapattah Flats is a passive recreation area that provides opportunities for horseback riding, hiking, biking, primitive camping and seasonal hunting.

The District is committed to providing recreational access to public lands, while continuing to manage them effectively to meet environmental restoration, water supply, water quality and flood control missions. For more information on recreational opportunities,

please visit www.sfwmd.gov/recreation.

WHEN: Wednesday, May 20, 2009

TIME: 9 a.m.

WHERE: Allapattah Equestrian Trailhead parking on Fox Brown Road

DIRECTIONS: Heading west on C.R. 714: Go through the intersection at C.R. 609,

drive approximately 4.5 miles, and turn left onto Fox Brown Road. Drive about 1.35 miles to the parking area. Look for the big wooden platform on the right-hand side of the road, and turn left into the

parking area.

RSVP: For more information or to RSVP, contact Gardenia Long at (772)

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About the South Florida Water Management District — Celebrating 60 Years (1949-2009)

The South Florida Water Management District is a regional, governmental agency that oversees the water resources in the southern half of the state – 16 counties from Orlando to the Keys. It is the oldest and largest of the state's five water management districts. The agency mission is to manage and protect water resources of the region by balancing and improving water quality, flood control, natural systems and water supply. A key initiative is cleanup and restoration of the Everglades.