



**SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT**

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# **MEDIA ADVISORY**

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## **High School Students Learning, Building Legacy at DuPuis**

*New SFWMD education program gives students hands-on experience on public lands*



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**WHAT:** Students from Clark Advanced Learning Center will hike among the pine flatwoods of DuPuis Management Area and collect plant data to help the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) kick off a new hands-on environmental education program.

Known as Legacy, the program connects water resource and environmental education with land management activities. Legacy partners local high schools with public lands managed by the District to provide outdoor learning experiences for teachers and students.

The 22,000-acre DuPuis Management Area in western Martin County is one of four sites around the 16-county District that will be part of the program in 2010-2011. The multi-use natural area is interspersed with numerous ponds, wet prairies, cypress domes, pine flatwoods and remnant Everglades marsh.

For more information on the Legacy program, please visit the District's Educational Programs [website](#).

**WHEN:** Friday, November 19, 2010

**TIME:** 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

**WHERE:** DuPuis Management Area Visitors' Center  
23500 S.W. Kanner Highway  
Canal Point, FL 33438

**WHO:** SFWMD Governing Board member Kevin Powers and District staff will join Clark Advanced Learning Center students and teachers at this event.

**DIRECTIONS:**

The DuPuis visitors' center entrance is located on Kanner Highway (State Road 76) in Martin County, two miles east of Port Mayaca or seven miles west of the intersection with State Road 710.

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**About the South Florida Water Management District**

*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.*