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SFWMD to Help Celebrate National Estuaries Day

Fort Pierce event celebrates the great diversity of life in America's estuaries

WHAT: The Smithsonian Marine Station at Fort Pierce will celebrate National Estuaries Day on Saturday. The family event is a fun and informative way to learn about the cultural, recreational and environmental importance of the Indian River Lagoon, among the most biologically diverse estuaries in North America. The South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) – with informative and interactive displays on water management and conservation – will be among the exhibitors showcasing the Indian River Lagoon.

National Estuaries Day is an annual, nationwide celebration of America's estuaries, the productive and diverse coastal areas where rivers meet the sea. Celebrated on the last Saturday in September, National Estuaries Day is an opportunity to learn more about these important ecosystems and how citizens can help to protect them.

WHEN: Saturday, September 24, 2011

TIME: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

WHERE: Smithsonian Marine Station at Fort Pierce
420 Seaway Drive
Fort Pierce, FL 34949

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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.