March 2020 Upcoming Programs

**EcoBuggy - Tiger Bay State Forest**
March 5, 9:00 – 11:00 am Thursday
The Florida Forest Service will lead an informal tour of the Rima Ridge Tract on Tiger Bay State Forest. During this tour, guests will get to see and experience the forest through the eyes of the people who protect and manage the area and deal with its challenges. Guests will have the opportunity to get off the Eco Buggy and explore unique ecosystems. **Meet at the Indian Lake Recreation area. 638 Indian Lake Rd., Daytona Beach 32124.**

**Bike-About – Grand Avenue**
March 6, 9:00 am – 11:00 am Friday
Ride Grand Avenue trail and a segment of the spring-to-spring trail while participating in a photo scavenger hunt. During this program, participants will be encouraged to stop to take pictures of certain landmarks along the path. This photo scavenger hunt is meant to be fun and help to illustrate some of the wonderful history and environment of the area. Bicycle and helmets are required (cameras and/or camera phone suggested). **Meet at Beresford Park, 1991 W. Plymouth Ave., DeLand.**

**Eco Buggy Tour- Lyonia Environmental Center**
March 7, 9:00 am -11:30 am Saturday
Learn about the importance of scrub habitat as LEC and Explore Volusia staff guide you on this leisurely Eco-Buggy ride through Lyonia Preserve. Participants should dress appropriately for the weather, bring water and keep an eye out for scrub jays, gopher tortoises and other wildlife. After the ride, we’ll head inside the LEC to learn about a native animal while enjoying the brunch provided by The Friends of Lyonia Environmental Center. Please wear closed toe shoes and be prepared for the weather. **Meet at 2150 Eustace Ave. Deltona**

**Waterbody Paddle – Ponce Preserve**
March 12, 9:00 – 11:00 am Thursday
Bring a canoe, kayak, or SUP for a leisurely paddling trip to view local wildlife and beautiful scenery. Leaving from Ponce Preserve participants may encounter marine mammals while exploring the waters of the Halifax River. Must have Kayak/Canoe/SUP, life preserver and whistle. **Meet at 4401 South Peninsula Drive. Ponce Inlet, FL 32127.**
Guided Hike - Doris Leeper Preserve
March 13, 9:00 – 11:00 am Friday
Learn about the importance of estuaries while hiking through beautiful scenery. Participants will have the opportunity to seine net (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Seine_fishing). Fish, bird, and plant identification will be the focus of this adventure. Please wear closed toed shoes. Meet at 3251 N. Dixie Highway, NSB, FL 32168.

Waterbody Paddle - Bethune Park
March 17, 9:00 – 11:30 am Thursday
Bring a canoe, kayak, or SUP for a leisurely paddling trip to view local wildlife and beautiful scenery. Leaving from Mary McLeod Bethune Park participants may encounter marine mammals while exploring the waters of the Indian River Lagoon. Must have Kayak/Canoe/SUP, life preserver and whistle. Meet at 6656 S. Atlantic Ave., New Smyrna Beach (West side of road, heading south turn right on ladyfish Ave, first left and park in the dirt lot).

Bike-About – Green Springs
March 24, 9:00 - 11:00 am Tuesday
Participants will ride the first segment of the East Central Regional Rail Trail from Green Springs to State Road 415 and back while experiencing the natural world along the way. All ages and abilities are welcome, please note this is an 11.4 mile round trip. Bicycle and helmets are required. Meet at Green Springs Park, 994 Enterprise-Osteen Road, Enterprise.

Eco Buggy - Longleaf Lunch and learn “Bears”
March 26, 11:00 am -1:00 pm Thursday
Take a ride through Longleaf Pine Preserve while learning about its beautiful scenery, the importance of the lands and how they impact you in everyday life. The EcoBuggy will stop at the pavilion where participants will be able to eat lunch (not included) and learn about bears and their importance. Meet at West Entrance 3637 E. New York Ave. DeLand. Participants will need to walk approximately 1/10 of a mile to load onto the Ecobuggy (if you are not able to make the walk please let us know at registration and we can make other arrangements).