

SAVE OUR LAKES



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2019 - TIME TO CLEANOUT "OUR" ALLIGATOR CREEK



Photo taken by Glenda Harper (1-2-19 at Immokalee Rd.)

First things first...Happy New Year everyone!

As 2018 was coming to a close, the staff at the City of Keystone Heights was busy talking about a clean out of Alligator Creek! At press time, we do not have details but should have more information by our February newsletter.

While getting the cleanout of Alligator Creek started is excellent news...the teamwork that is going on to get this moving is even better news! The City of Keystone Heights, Camp Blanding, Clay County and probably other entities will be needed to get this job done. The "original" permitting (done in the mid-1990s) allowed cleaning of Alligator Creek every two years. Hopefully, this is the beginning of a joint effort to "Keep Alligator Creek Flowing"!...our **RED SHIRT** LOGO!

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LOOKING FORWARD TO 2019!!!...



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This photo shows what seems to be happening in our lake community. Residence are, once again, enjoying the lakes! Fishing, boating, skiing, family gatherings and just enjoying the views! On page one, the property owner has put a great deal of effort into cleaning out their part of Alligator Creek! There are lots of examples of folks cleaning up their lake cabins in anticipation of the recovery of our lakes! What a difference! HOPEFULLY, the County will start doing a better job of keeping the roadway clean where Alligator Creek crosses Immokalee Road!

So, here we are in 2019...lake levels rising. While the lakes are not full, we can "SEE" the possibilities...what recovery can mean to our lake community! This is WHY we need to be vigilant and continue to press forward with recovery projects! In 2019, SOLO will be doing just that. We are expecting to meet with the St. Johns River Water Management District (SJRWMD) in late January for an update on the Black Creek Project. This Project was initially funded in 2017 (a 4-5 year project). A SJRWMD staff member made a projects update presentation in late 2018. At that time, the Black Creek Project was "on schedule". We do know that all permit applications have been submitted and are currently in process. We will be getting updated information at our January Water District meeting.

2019 is a "double whammy" year! In addition to the Black Creek Project, SOLO will be keeping a very watchful eye on the Lake Geneva and Lake Brooklyn MFL re-evaluation process. We should also be receiving more MFL information at our late January meeting with the SJRWMD staff.

SPECIAL NOTE - SOLO MEETING HAS BEEN MOVED TO TUES. JAN. 15th, 7pm, 1st Baptist Church. Since Jan. 8th is Inauguration Day in Tallahassee, the SJRWMD has moved their Governing Board meeting to Jan. 15th. We opted to do the same for January.

WATER FLOW!



GET INVOLVED IN 2019!!
JANUARY 2019 - Calendar

Please join us in our efforts to Save Our Lakes - Save The Aquifer!

*SJRWMD BOARD MEETING-JANUARY 15th, 11am -District Headquarters,Palatka

*CLAY COUNTY COM. MTG-JAN. 8th - 4pm (time change) - Green Cove Springs

*S.O.L.O. MEETING- JANUARY 15th!!!, 7pm-1st Baptist Church of K.H

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NEXT SOLO MEETING: JANUARY 15th!!! -7p.m. -FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF K.H.

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SOLO MEETING!!!

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