

# Living Shorelines

Think bulkheads  
and seawalls are  
your *only* options?

Wed, June 3, 2009

8:30-4:30

Rookery Bay Environmental Learning Center  
300 Tower Road  
Naples, FL

*Living shorelines* use plants and other natural materials to stabilize the shoreline, minimize coastal erosion, and maintain coastal processes while enhancing the natural shoreline habitat for the benefit of property owners as well as fish and other wildlife.

## Workshop Highlights

- Cost-benefit analysis comparing living shorelines with hardened shorelines
- Overview of the ecological purpose, benefit, and function of shoreline alternatives
- Case studies of living shoreline projects in Southwest Florida
- Guided discussion of the permitting process from a panel of state, federal, and local experts

## Who Should Attend?

Coastal Land Managers  
Natural Resource Staff  
Developers

Planning and Permitting Staff  
Environmental Scientists  
Contractors

Consultants  
Engineers

**FREE to attend, lunch provided. Space is limited, RSVP required to Collier County UF Extension Service by May 29. For additional information contact Bryan Fluech.**

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