

Martin County's wetlands protections are at risk. A professional land planner wants to change the Martin County Comprehensive Growth Management Plan to allow wetlands that are one-half acre or smaller in urban areas to be paved over by developers.

Why are small wetlands critical? Wetlands provide clean drinking water, a healthy habitat for wading birds, sustainable native vegetation, help prevent flooding in our neighborhoods and keep our rivers pollution free. Martin County has led the way in recognizing the environmental, social, and economic value of wetlands in South Florida and ensuring their protection.

### What Can You Do?

Attend the "Wetlands Workshop" on February 23rd, and learn how your quality of life could be jeopardized. The proposed amendment removing the wetlands protections is scheduled to go before the Local Planning Agency on Thursday, March 2, 2017, as the first step required in the approval process. Please attend the LPA meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the Martin County Commission Chambers, 2600 SE Monterey Road, Stuart, to add your voice to those who oppose this amendment.

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Concerned Advocates from across Martin County

# Speakers

Gary Goforth, Ph.D.: Water Resources

Engineer

**Tom Van Lent: Everglades Foundation** 

Greg Braun: Wetlands Expert Maggy Hurchalla: Wetlands & Comprehensive Plan Expert

Jason Totoiu: Everglades Law Center

## No Cost: Free Admission

### Date & Time

February 23, 2017, 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

#### Location

Wolf Technology Center on the Indian River State College campus on Salerno Road

IRSC Chastain Campus 2400 SE Salerno Road

Stuart. FL 34997

Phone: (772) 419-5700

\* We advise parking on the side of the building near Morgade Public Library for easy access to the auditorium.

Scan the QR code with your mobile device to get directions.

