

CHAIN OF LAKES
BLUEWAY
TRAIL PROJECT



LINKING OUR WATERWAYS



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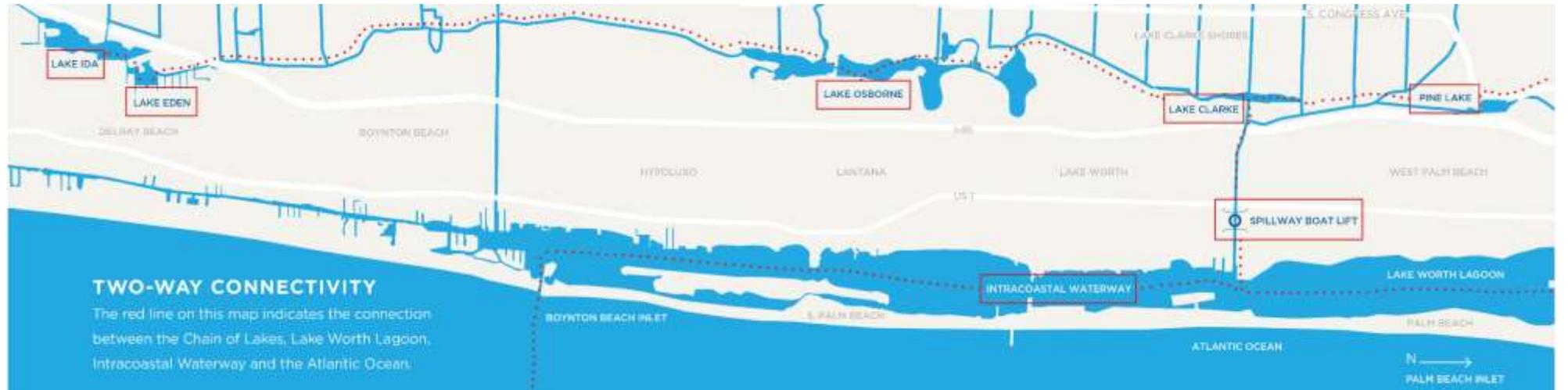
SOUTH FLORIDIANS LOVE LIFE ON THE WATER



- ✓ Boating
- ✓ Fishing
- ✓ Paddleboarding
- ✓ Kayaking
- ✓ Sculling
- ✓ Diving/Snorkeling
- ✓ Waterskiing



CHAIN OF LAKES – 26 MILES OF LAKES, CANALS & WATERWAYS



LAKE WORTH SPILLWAY



The Chain of Lakes cannot be accessed from the Intracoastal Waterway due to the spillway. The spillway is critical to flood control and preventing saltwater intrusion: however, it also prevents boat traffic in either direction.

There is a solution.



LINKING OUR WATERWAYS & CREATING ACCESS FOR ALL



The vision for the Chain of Lakes Blueway Trail experience is to finally link our waterways by providing two-way access for small boats and non-motorized watercraft between the Chain of Lakes, Lake Worth Lagoon and the Intracoastal Waterway, which is just a few hundred yards away.



THE BOAT LIFT & PORTAGE

Connecting our waterways can be accomplished through the installation of a boat lift and portage system.



FOR BOATS
NO HEAVIER
THAN **3.5** TONS
OF DRY
WEIGHT

FOR
BOATS
UP TO **25** FEET
IN
LENGTH

BOATS
MUST NOT
EXCEED **5.5** FEET HIGH
ABOVE THE
WATER LINE

In Palm Beach County,
80 PERCENT OF REGISTERED SMALL BOATS MEET THIS CRITERIA
– and that doesn't include the kayakers, paddleboarders, canoers and others who use the local waterways every year.

Source: Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles (1/5/2016)

ENHANCED QUALITY OF LIFE & INCREASED PROPERTY VALUES



The Intracoastal-Chain of Lakes' two-way access benefits all residents throughout the region.

The connection of multiple neighborhoods will increase the county's overall sense of community. Neighborhoods could see their property values improve by 20 to 40 percent.

The controlled nature of the linkage through 'no wake zones' ensures the protection of the surrounding wildlife and improves access to environmental education opportunities for the general public.



THE BLUEWAY TRAIL WILL ENSURE PROTECTION & PRESERVATION OF NATURAL HABITATS



An important part of this

ECOTOURISM

EXPERIENCE

**is the preservation
and enhancement of
local wildlife habitats**

and upgrading existing piers
for fishing enthusiasts.



ECOTOURISM MEANS NEW ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES



Linking our waterways will help drive the local economy, bringing more jobs and business to existing downtown retailers, as well as provide direct water access to two 18-hole golf courses, parks and other local waterfront attractions.

It will also create new job opportunities by expanding industry sectors such as:

- ✓ Ecotourism
- ✓ Boat service, maintenance and repair
- ✓ Bait, tackle and fishing supplies
- ✓ Waterfront dining



A VISION FOR THE FUTURE

Connecting our waterways is just the first step. The momentum of this project could also pave the way for new multi-use marinas, docks and boat ramps, providing additional access to our public waterways.

It will also enable the Blueway Trail to eventually become part of Palm Beach County's Greenway and Blueway Trail system, providing additional ecotourism opportunities that will benefit visitors and residents alike.



MOMENTUM FOR THE BLUEWAY TRAIL INITIATIVE CONTINUES TO BUILD FROM ALL SECTORS



- ✓ Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners
- ✓ Palm Beach County League of Cities
- ✓ Palm Beach Metropolitan Planning Organization
- ✓ Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council
- ✓ Tuppen's Marine and Tackle
- ✓ West Palm Beach Fishing Club
- ✓ Town of Cloud Lake
- ✓ Town of Glen Ridge
- ✓ City of Greenacres
- ✓ Town of Haverhill
- ✓ Town of Lake Clarke Shores
- ✓ Village of Palm Springs
- ✓ City of West Palm Beach
- ✓ Town of Lantana
- ✓ and others...



“Finally being able to connect the Chain of Lakes to the Intracoastal Waterway will be the most significant quality of life improvement to impact all of central Palm Beach County’s communities in decades.”

Shanon Materio
Commissioner, West Palm Beach

“Building a boat lift that allows recreational anglers and professional fishing guides like myself to have access to both fresh and saltwater fishing, as well as the ‘family fun boating’ experience is a win-win opportunity for both citizens and commerce.”

Capt. Danny Barrow
East Coast VP, Florida Guides Association,
Silver Lining Fish Charters

“More people on the water will help local businesses. From restaurants, convenience stores and gas stations, to people who sell boats and service them, providing access to our waterways adds to the local economy.”

Bill Bachman
Co-owner, Tuppens Marine and Tackle



LET'S CONNECT!

*Make the Chain of Lakes
Blueway Trail experience a reality!*

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