

BENEFITS

to boaters & residents

SMOOTH SAILING!

here's why

- Direct, two-way connectivity between the Chain of Lakes, Lake Worth Lagoon, Intracoastal Waterway and the Atlantic Ocean
 - Restoration and preservation of wildlife habitats
 - Improvements to existing fishing piers
 - Economic driver for the entire region
 - Increased property values
 - Increased commerce and job opportunities
 - Potential for additional forms of ecotourism by linking our Greenways and Blueways
 - More people enjoying our waterways
 - Better quality of life

From residents and boaters to the marine industry and local municipalities - everyone agrees: THIS PROJECT BENEFITS THE ENTIRE REGION.

Let's CONNECT!

Make the Chain of Lakes Blueway Trail experience a reality!

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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.

REFURBISHMENT OF EXISTING INFRASTRUCTURE

An important part of this ecotourism experience is the preservation and enhancement of local wildlife habitats and upgrading existing piers for fishing enthusiasts.



LIFE ON OUR PICTURESQUE WATERWAYS

From the Atlantic Ocean and Lake Worth Lagoon to the Chain of Lakes, residents and visitors enjoy a wide array of water activities. Boating ... paddling ... kayaking ... fishing - the list goes on. And now, local residents and marine enthusiasts are teaming up to link our waterways and make them more accessible for all!



Connecting our waterways can be accomplished through the installation of a boat lift and portage system. For thousands of residents and visitors, this means they will be able to use their small boats, kayaks, paddleboards or canoes to experience more of Florida's precious ecosystem, including the Lake Worth Lagoon and the Atlantic Ocean.

CHAIN OF LAKES

linking our waterways



THE BOAT LIFT & PORTAGE BY THE NUMBERS:

- 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

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. In Palm Beach County, 80 percent of registered small boats meet this criteria – and that doesn't include the thousands of kayakers, paddleboarders, canoers and others who use the local waterways every year.

ECONOMIC BENEFITS

new 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 industries such as:

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



OUR COMMUNITY

vision for the future

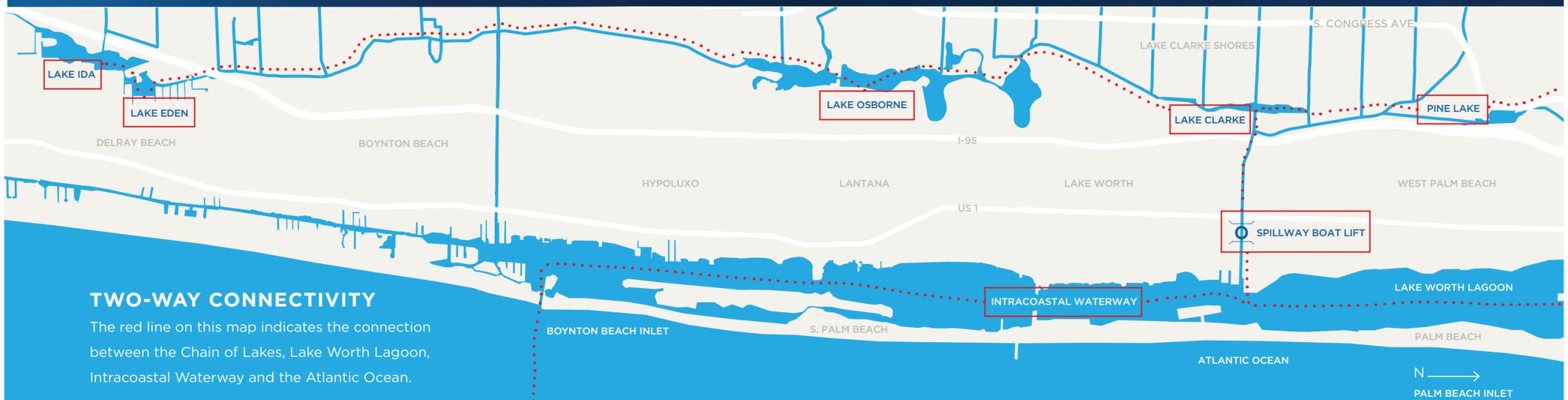
Connectivity is just the first step.

The momentum of this project could pave the way for new multi-use marinas, docks and boat ramps, providing even more access to our public waterways.

It could also lead to additional forms of ecotourism by linking our Greenways and Blueways.

TWO-WAY CONNECTIVITY

The red line on this map indicates the connection between the Chain of Lakes, Lake Worth Lagoon, Intracoastal Waterway and the Atlantic Ocean.



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AMONG THE PARTNERS WHO SUPPORT CONNECTING OUR WATERWAYS:



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

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“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



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