

NOKOMIS CENTER REVITALIZATION

Project: LYONS BAY CANOE AND KAYAK ACCESS (RC-5)

Project Type: County Project

Project and Background Description:

Construct a canoe and kayak access at Lyons Bay including a dock, parking for 2-3 vehicles, and landscaping.

An existing half-acre County-owned property at Lyons Bay Road and Poinciana Road provides a good opportunity for canoe and kayak access to Lyons Bay. The site contains a broken wood dock, a drainage canal along the northern property line lined with mangroves that drains directly into the bay, several trees and palms, and direct access to Lyons Bay. The dock is currently unsafe for use and should have a “No Trespassing” sign erected on the dock.

Improvements to the property should include adding parking for approximately 2-3 cars, replacing the dock, trimming/cleaning up the existing trees and palms, screening the views to the residence on the south side, and adding trash receptacles and signage.

The canoe and kayak access will provide a better route to the natural areas within Lyons Bay, including Snake Island, which contains cultural and environmental resources. The West Coast Inland Navigation District (WCIND) in coordination with the County’s Community Services Business Center are protecting these resources.

Preliminary Cost Estimates:

• Replace dock (LF @ \$125/LF)	\$3,750
• Parking for 2-3 cars	\$1,200
• Trim/clean existing trees and palms, incl. removing pepper trees	\$ 700
• Additional landscaping for screening residence	\$2,500
<i>Total Estimated Cost</i>	<i>\$8,150</i>

Potential Funding Source(s):

Florida Boating Improvement Program, Transportation Operations maintenance, Public Works Operations

Implementation Time Frame: Short to Mid-term, one to five years.

Responsible Parties:

Transportation Planning, Resources Permitting, Parks and Recreation, Department of Environmental Services

Steps Required to Implement:

- Survey site and dock to document the size and location for future permitting.
- Change designation from roadway right-of-way to park.
- Remove unsafe dock. Clean-up existing vegetation.
- Design and engineering for parking and dock.
- Apply for building permit.

Issues Requiring Further Analysis/Action:

1. Coordinate maintenance with Bay Point Neighborhood Association.

