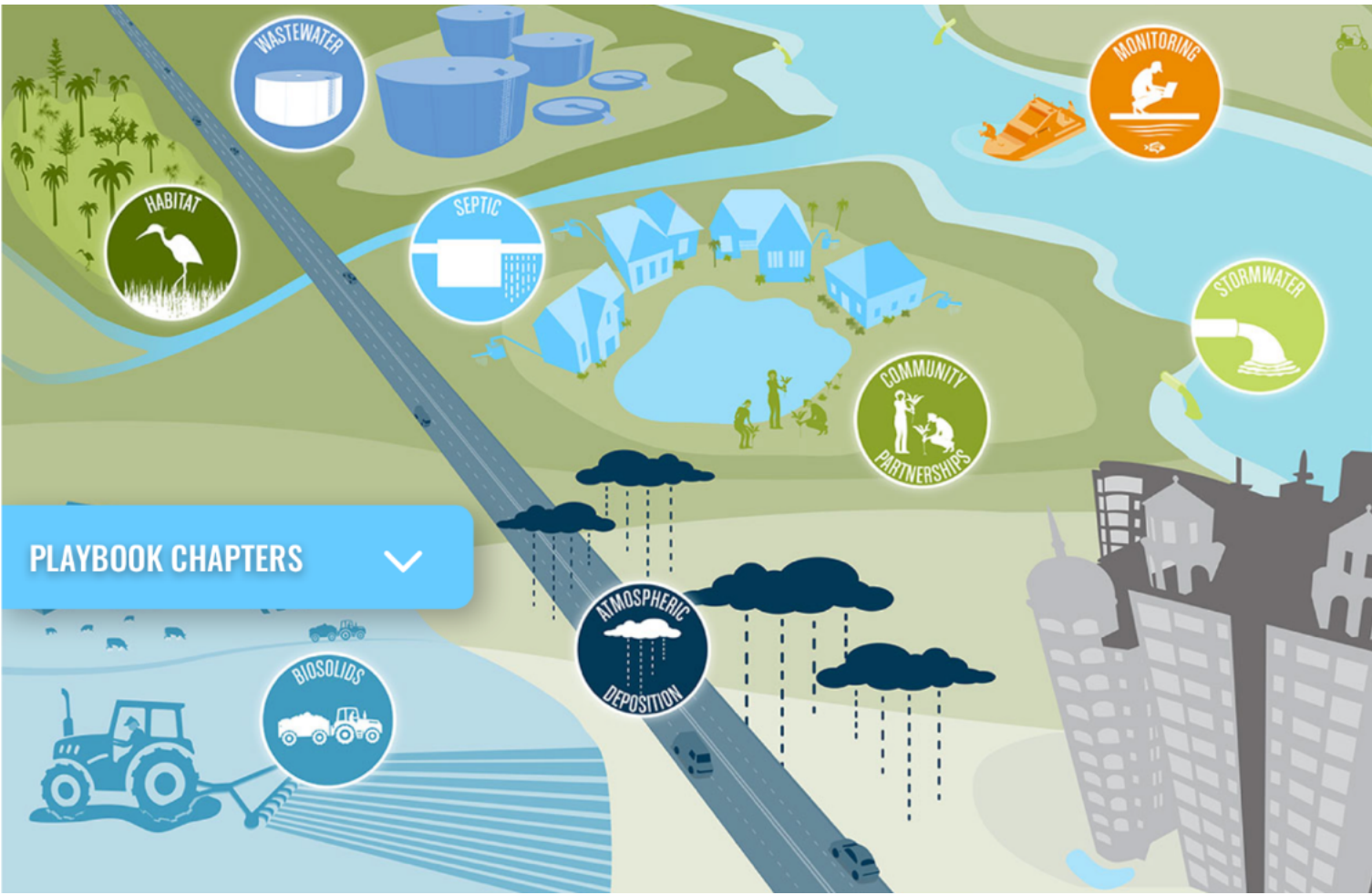




News from Serenoa Chapter

Our Zoom meeting this month is on Monday February 15 and the following Saturday field trip will be February 20 at the Old Myakka Preserve and then Florida Native Plants, Inc. in Sarasota. FNPS members are required to wear masks and follow CDC guidelines for social distancing.

~ Serenoa Board of Directors



Community Playbook for Clean Waterways

~ Dr. Jennifer Shafer, Science & Environment Council of SW Florida
February 15, 2021 at 7:00pm via Zoom

The Clean Water Playbook is a digital tool aimed toward Community Leaders to coordinate, design and fund water quality improvements to reduce and remove excess nutrients from natural systems. Groups and governments can use this tool to decrease their impact on local waterways leading to Sarasota Bay and ultimately the Gulf of Mexico.

[Register here](#) Once you have registered you will receive a confirmation with the link from Zoom.
***If you want to practice with Karen Willey on connecting to Zoom, [Contact Karen](#) for a quick practice session

Old Myakka Preserve + Florida Native Plants, Inc

Field Trip, Sat. February 20

Join Environmental Specialist Jeff Weber with Sarasota County as we explore longleaf pine and scrub habitats at [Old Myakka Preserve](#) with its new addition of 40 acres. Along the way we'll look for spring wildflowers and have a chance of seeing Florida endemic plants. Participation limited [Register Here](#)



After the Field Trip join us for lunch at nearby Florida Native Plants Nursery
Annie & Laurel Schiller will host us, and you can purchase native plants for yourself if you wish!



A Verdant Botanical Animation Takes a Macro View of Nature's Cycles

Spanning from day to night and from sunshine to rain and wind, "Story of Flowers" shows the various stages of botanical growth and the help plants get along the way in less than 4 minutes! Turn on the volume, [click the link](#) and enjoy!



Screen shot of the new Florida Native Plant Society Website

Next month March Serenoa Program

Lost Old-growth Forests:
When Will we see the Forest and the Trees?
Kate Borduas, Florida Master Naturalist & Certified Interpretive Guide

Previous Programs on YouTube:

- Oct. 19, 2020: [Conservation Lands with Debi Osborne](#)
- Nov. 16, 2020: [Florida Native Gardening with Tom Heitzman](#)
- Jan. 11, 2021: [Climate Change with Tim Ramage & Karen Willey](#)
- Jan. 18, 2021: [Aquatic Gardening with Sean Patton](#)

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