

**COUNTY & STATE ORDINANCES AGAINST DUMPING YARD WASTE**

**TO ALL RESIDENTS OF ERIN PARK & LITTLE LAKE JACKSON**

RECENTLY SEVERAL FRIENDS OF ERIN PARK MET & REMOVED A LOT OF DEBRIS, GARBAGE, YARD WASTE, ETC. ILLEGALLY THROWN INTO OUR CANALS & LITTLE LAKE JACKSON. IN AN EFFORT TO KEEP OUR CANALS & LITTLE LAKE JACKSON CLEANER & FOR ANYONE NOT INFORMED, THESE ARE THE EXISTING STATE & COUNTY STATUES.

**DEP'S RULES AGAINST DUMPING YARD WASTE.**

YARD WASTE IS CONSIDERED SOLID WASTE BY THE DEPT. & NEEDS TO BE DISPOSED OF IN AN APPROVED FACILITY. ALSO, DUMPING MATERIAL INTO WATER BODIES IS CONSIDERED & IS "FILLING OF WETLANDS & OTHER SURFACE WATERS." THESE RULES ARE FOUND IN 373, FL STATUES & 62-302, & 62-343, FL ADMINISTRATIVE CODE. IF WE RECEIVE A COMPLAINT ABOUT THIS ACTIVITY, & FOUND IT VALID, WE WOULD ISSUE A COMPLIANCE WITHOUT ENFORCEMENT LETTER, ASKING THE LANDOWNER TO REMOVE MATERIAL WITHIN A CERTAIN NUMBER OF DAYS.

**SEC.8.5-32(a) PROHIBITED ACTS**

NO PERSON SHALL PLACE, DEPOSIT, OR DISPOSE OF ANY MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE OR EXTRAORDINARY WASTE, EXCEPT AT THE COUNTY LANDFILL. NO PERSON SHALL PLACE , DEPOSIT, OR DISPOSE OF ANY CONSTRUCTION & DEMOLITION DEBRIS OR HORTICULTURAL TRASH, EXCEPT AT A LANDFILL HAVING ALL PERMITS REQUIRED BY THE COUNTY & FDEP. THE DEFINITION OF HORTICULTURAL TRASH FITS YARD WASTE. "YARD TRASH" MEANS VEGETATIVE MATTER RUSULTING FROM LANDSCAPING MAINTENANCE OR LAND CLEARING OPERATIONS & INCLUDES MATERIALS SUCH AS TREES & SHRUB TRIMMINGS, GRASS CLIPPINGS, PALM FRONDS, TREES & TREE STUMPS, & ASSOCIATED ROCKS & SOILS. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS CHAPTER, IT ALSO INCLUDES CLEAN WOOD.

**SEC. 8.5-33 PENALTIES**

ANY PERSON FOUND GUILTY OF VIOLATING ANY PROVISIONS OF THIS CHAPTER SHALL BE PUNISHED BY A FINE NOT EXCEEDING \$500.00 OR BY IMPRISONMENT IN THE COUNTY JAIL FOR NOT MORE THAN 60 DAYS, OR BY BOTH SUCH FINE OR IMPRISONMENT.

YOUR YARD TRASH IS COLLECTED TWICE A MONTH. IN THE ERIN PARK AREA, ON THE SECOND & FOURTH WEDNESDAY OF EVERY MONTH. GARBAGE IS COLLECTED TWICE A WEEK. THERE IS NO REASON FOR ANYONE TO DUMP, BURN, OR HAUL ANYTHING!

PLEASE HELP KEEP OUR CANALS & LITTLE LAKE JACKSON CLEANER!!!!!!!