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TEAM REPORT
Natural Resources
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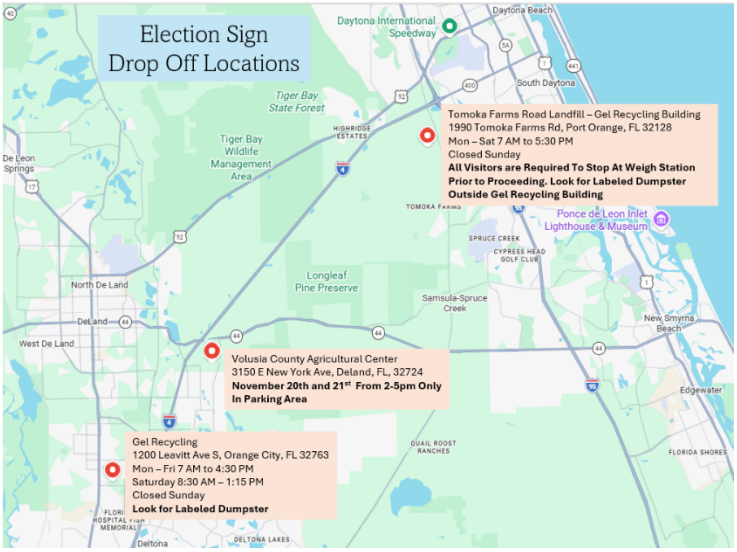
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Election Sign Recycling

Pattie is coordinating with the Daytona News-Journal to get a Good News story in the paper before the elections about Suze's work for the past 10 years developing a supply chain for recycling election signs. No promises, but they think they can run it in the October 28th edition. The hope is this will help get the word out about recycling the signs.

What can each of us do to help?

- Contact local political party offices to make sure they know how to and where to recycle (see map below).
- Offer to pick up signs from local code enforcement locations (ex: in Ormond Beach, when signs are picked up by code enforcement, they are brought to the police station. Ask your community where they store them and if you can pick them up). Bring the signs to the locations on the map below, or to the UF/IFAS Extension Office at the Volusia County Fairgrounds between 2 – 5pm on November 20th and 21st.
- Let Suze know if you can help load signs either Nov 20th or 21st.



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Upcoming meeting

LWVVC is hosting Speaker Mark Lane on November 14, 2026 10am at the Ormond Beach Regional Library to provide his insight into the election results. He is a perennial favorite for both his understanding of politics and his humor. Lunch for those interested will be at the Grind Kona Tiki Bar. The meeting should be posted soon for you to RSVP.

April 2027 Natural Resources Team Hot Topic

Our Hot Topic for April 2027 is Data Centers. Please think about possible speakers and send Pattie your ideas.

Field trip ideas

Do you have an idea for a Spring 2027 field trip? Ideas so far:

- The Thursby House at Blue Springs
- Port Orange Advanced Wastewater Treatment Plant

New Business

There are 3 State Constitutional Amendments and 5 Volusia County Charter Amendments on your November ballot. Some are straightforward, some can be confusing. Ann Smith and her Speakers Bureau have been educating numerous groups throughout the county about these amendments. If you have not been able to attend any of the LWVVC presentation, here are some websites where you can get information:

- Volusia County has a link for "Amendment 3 Property Tax Reform" posted on the front page of their website: www.volusia.org. It provides details about impacts to Volusia County services should Amendment 3 pass.
- Information on all the amendments (along with who is running in your area) is posted on the League's www.Vote411.org website. Simply put in your address to get information specific to your ballot, including explanations about each amendment and what a Yes Vote vs a No Vote means.
- On LWVVC website https://my.lwv.org/florida/volusia-county is a white paper that provides some additional information on the amendments. Scroll to bottom of page, click on Studies and White Papers, scroll to bottom and you will see link to the VoCo Charter Amendments white paper.
- On the justusvolusia Facebook page, the group posted our Speakers Bureau presentation. It was recorded by them during our presentation to their group at the Ormond Beach Library.

If you know of an organization in need of an Amendment Presentation, reach out to Ann or Nancy. Ann is working hard to meet all the requests for our speakers.