

BENEFITS

to boaters & residents



INCREASE IN PROPERTY VALUES & QUALITY OF LIFE

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, and the controlled nature of the linkage through 'no wake zones' ensures the protection of the surrounding wildlife and provides further environmental education opportunities for the general public.

REFURBISHMENT OF EXISTING INFRASTRUCTURE

An important part of this eco-experience is the preservation and enhancements of local wildlife habitats, and upgrading existing piers for fishing enthusiasts.



SMOOTH SAILING!

here's why

- Direct, two-way connectivity between the chain of inland lakes, Intracoastal 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
- Potential for additional forms of eco-connectivity by linking our "Greenways" and our "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 EVERYONE.

Let's CONNECT!

Let's make the Chain of Lakes Blueway Trail experience a reality!

CHAIN OF LAKES BLUEWAY TRAIL PROJECT



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LINKING OUR WATERWAYS

...
**CREATING ACCESS
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 finally be able to use their small boats, kayaks, paddle boards or canoes to experience one of Florida's most precious eco-systems.



LIFE ON OUR PICTURESQUE WATERWAYS

From the Atlantic and Intracoastal to the chain of 23 inland lakes, residents and visitors enjoy a wide array of water activities. Boating ... kayaking ... paddleboarding ... 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!



CHAIN OF LAKES

linking our waterways



CREATING ACCESS FOR ALL

The vision for the Chain of Lakes Blueway Trail experience is to provide two-way access for small boats and non-motorized watercrafts between the Atlantic Ocean, Intracoastal and the chain of 23 inland lakes that run throughout Palm Beach County.

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

PALM BEACH COUNTY HAS OVER **30,000** REGISTERED SMALL BOATS LIKE THIS

ECONOMIC BENEFITS

new opportunities

Linking our waterways will help drive the local economy, bringing more business to existing retailers, as well as provide direct water access to West Palm Beach's championship 18-hole golf course and other local destinations. **It will also create new opportunities in industries such as:**

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

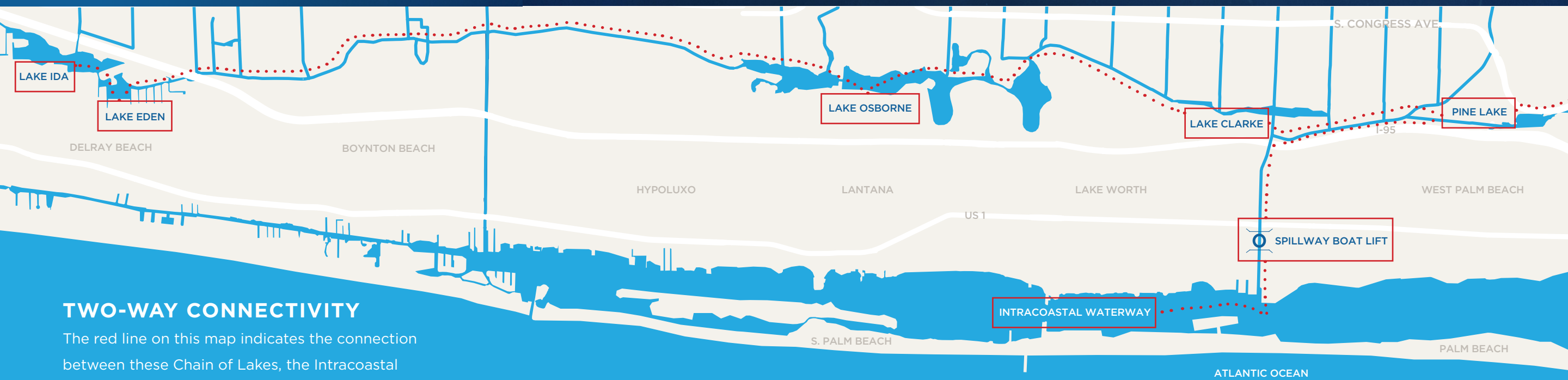


OUR COMMUNITY

vision for the future

Connectivity is just the first step.

The momentum of this project could pave the way for a multi-use marina with docks and a boat ramp. And could even lead to additional forms of eco-connectivity by linking our "Greenways" (trails, paths, parks, etc.) and our "Blueways."



TWO-WAY CONNECTIVITY

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

AMONG THE PARTNERS
WHO SUPPORT CONNECTING
OUR WATERWAYS:

- Palm Beach County Board of County Commission
 - Palm Beach County League of Cities
- Palm Beach Metropolitan Planning Organization
- Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council
- South Florida Water Management District
- Marine Industries Assoc. of Palm Beach County
- West Palm Beach Fishing Club
 - Town of Cloud Lake
 - Town of Glen Ridge
 - Town of Haverhill
- Town of Lake Clarke Shores
- City of West Palm Beach



CHAIN OF LAKES
BLUEWAY
TRAIL PROJECT



“ 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



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