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Application for Financial Assistance to Restore Shoreline on Lake Alexander

The Lake Alexander Property Owners Association(LAPOA) is sponsoring a program to incentivize shoreline owners to restore and maintain their shorelines in a natural state. The goal of the program is to establish a vegetative buffer zone 10 feet back from the waters edge, and a minimum length of 75% of your shoreline. Up to 25% of your shoreline can be maintained as a swimming beach, For lots less than 100 feet wide, 20 feet of cleared shoreline will be allowed with the rest buffered. Also considered for funding will be erosion control projects that protect the lake from run-off and erosion above the shoreline and buffer zone.

The following projects will be considered:

- Removal of structures within the shoreline impact zone (50 feet inland from the ordinary high water mark) i.e., foundations, retaining walls, rip rap, sheds, etc.
- Sod removal 10 feet from the waters edge
- Preparation of a buffer bed, i.e. soil preparations
- Purchase and planting of native plants or trees, aquatic or land based, within the 10 foot buffer zone
- Installation of a rain garden to control storm water run off
- Erosion control on slopes above the shoreline; native plantings

Purchase and installation of rip rap does not qualify for assistance

Steps to obtain approval:

1. Submit an application
2. A representative of the Association and the County Soil and Water Conservation District makes a site visit to discuss your project.
3. Approval of project by the Association

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4. Following project completion, field verification, and submission of receipts the landowner will be reimbursed 50% of the cost to a maximum of \$500 per project application.

Name: _____

Lake Address: _____

Phone:

Email:

What is your objective?

How will you achieve the objective? (remove turf grass, prepare a buffer zone bed, remove structures, purchase native plants, install biologs, install a rain garden, etc,)

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Rough sketch of your shoreline plan including the length of the shoreline:

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It would be helpful if you could attach or email current pictures of your shoreline.

If you don't know exactly how to achieve your goal, we can help you.

Eligible projects will be approved on a first come, first served basis. As there are limited of funds available, the sooner you apply the better chance you will have.

Send completed application to:

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