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A Milestone for the Wekiva Wild and Scenic River!

Sanford, Florida: The Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Orange, Lake and Seminole Counties, the cities of Longwood, Altamonte and Apopka, numerous project partners of the Wekiva River System Management Advisory Committee and the National Park Service are hosting an event and dedication ceremony for the unveiling of the Wekiva Wild and Scenic River Comprehensive Management Plan. The event will be held Thursday, May 17, 2012 from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon. at Katie's Landing. Katie's is located at 262 Wekiva Park Drive in Sanford, Florida. The public is invited and welcome to attend this most important event!

The speaking presentations and dedication ceremony will take place from 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. From 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon all participants are invited to enjoy a guided canoe and kayak trip along the beautiful Wekiva Wild and Scenic River. The event includes special guests: Secretary Herschel Vinyard, Florida Department of Environmental Protection; former Congressman and Florida Attorney General Bill McCullom sponsor of the original Wekiva Wild and Scenic River System legislation; former Florida Senator Lee Constantine, Chairman of the Wekiva River Basin Commission; and David Vela, Southeast Regional Director of the National Park Service.

On October 13, 2000, Congress designated the Wekiva River System, composed of the Wekiva River, Rock Springs Run, Wekiwa Springs Run, and Black Water Creek, as a Wild and Scenic River. The 41.6 Wekiva River System is located northwest of Orlando, Florida, within Orange, Seminole, and Lake Counties, and is one of only two rivers in the state granted this federal Wild and Scenic designation.

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