

Natural Area Maintenance Policy

Purpose:

Our goal is to protect and maintain the natural areas of our community in an aesthetically pleasing and consistent manner while ensuring compliance with applicable environmental laws.

Definition of Natural Area:

Areas of land in the community where native plants, shrubs and trees grow naturally in the environment and are not designated as protected areas**. These areas may be adjacent to privately owned property, Association property, or the golf course.

Policies:

1. The maintenance of these areas is under the control of the Board of Governors as recommended by the Grounds Committee.
2. Individual homeowners or Associations are not permitted to invade any of these areas for clean-up or planting without prior authorization of the Grounds Committee in consultation with the Facilities & Grounds Manager and General Manager.

Procedures:

1. All requests should be in writing stating WHAT, WHERE, WHY, and WHO will do the maintenance before any work is started on a form available in the Administration office or the Stoneybrook website ("Resources" section).
2. The Grounds Committee, in consultation with the Facilities & Grounds Manager and General Manager, will review the requests for recommendations and decision. All requests will be responded to in writing in a timely manner.
3. If approved, the homeowner or Association will be responsible for all costs associated with the work, and all work will be under the supervision of the staff and monitored by the Grounds Committee.

****PROTECTED AREAS WHICH INCLUDE PRESERVES, WET LANDS AND WET LAND BUFFER AREAS** are owned by Stoneybrook Golf & Country Club but regulated by Sarasota County and the State of Florida. **Encroachment upon these areas is strictly prohibited.**

**Application for Maintenance
Work in Adjoining Natural Area**

_____ <i>Natural Area ID#</i>

To: Grounds Committee
Stoneybrook Golf & Country Club

I/We as owner(s)/Association of _____ hereby request permission to:

What: _____

Where _____

Why: _____

The person(s)/ company doing the work: _____

I/We will not undertake any work without prior written permission.

Signature: _____ Date _____

(Please print name here) _____
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Yes, I approve _____
Signature of Association President *Date*

No, I do not approve. Please explain _____

Yes, I approve _____
Signature of Chairman Grounds Committee *Date*

No, I do not approve. Please explain _____

