Ainger Creek Shoreline Preserved as Environmentally Sensitive

The 85-acre Joseph Parcel located along Ainger Creek in Englewood was acquired by the Sarasota County Environmentally Sensitive Lands Protection Program in February 2006. The site contains various natural habitats such as riverine wetland, hammock, and pine flatwoods that shelter a diversity of wildlife, especially wading birds.

The purchase of this land protects over 2,100 feet of the natural banks along both sides of Ainger Creek, an important tributary to Lemon Bay. Natural creek shorelines also protect water quality in the creek and in Lemon Bay. The property was purchased for \$3,500,000 in accordance with the Sarasota County Environmentally Sensitive Lands Protection Ordinance.

For more information about the Joseph Parcel call Chris Meyer of Sarasota County Natural Resources 941-861-6258.





