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**Gulfstream Distributes Environmental Grants**  
*2006 Awards Bring Six-Year Total to more than \$375,000*

TAMPA, Fla. - Gulfstream Natural Gas System, L.L.C. today announced the recipients of the 2006 Gulfstream Environmental & Recreational Trust program, distributing \$73,050 to assist in the development of unique environmental and/or recreational projects near the pipeline route and surrounding communities.

Since 2001, Gulfstream has distributed more than \$375,000 in grants. 2006 recipients include:

**Audubon of Florida** (Hillsborough County, Fla.) - Funding for the acquisition of a new work boat for bird survey monitoring, environmental education, and habitat restoration projects for the Florida Coastal Islands Sanctuaries Program. Grant award: \$18,000.

**SCUBA Scouts USA of Tampa Bay, Inc.** (Pinellas County, Fla.) - To assist with the purchase of two underwater digital cameras, one underwater video camera, scuba gear, safety equipment, data collection and scientific equipment. Grant award: \$13,000.

**Tampa Bay Watch.** (Pinellas County, Fla.) - To purchase and equip a set of 12 two-person canoe/kayaks, two one-person support kayaks and trailer in order to create an ecological canoe tour as part of an educational outreach program. Grant award: \$13,000.

**Friends of the Polk County Parks Foundation, Inc.** (Polk County, Fla.) - To create a screen shade house that will provide the STAR (Sheriff's Training and Respect) Agricultural Vocational Program with dedicated space for growing plants for use by the Friends of the Parks Adopt-A-Park Program. Grant award: \$10,000.

**Friends of Weedon Island, Inc.** (Pinellas County, Fla.) -The Cultural & Environmental Resource Center (CERC) at Weedon Island serves as an environmental and education resource library for the Tampa Bay region. Funding will allow purchase of books, as well as other resources to support this mission. Grant award: \$10,000.

**Learning Gate Community School** (Hillsborough County, Fla.) - Learning Gate Community School will enhance its teaching environment with native plant species and educational signage, and will fund the materials required for invasive plant species removal. Grant award: \$4,000.

**St. Petersburg Audubon Society & Eckert College** (Pinellas County, Fla.) - To provide spotting scopes with tripods to increase public education of beach nesting birds through programs such as Shore bird classes and Bird Stewards. Grant award: \$2,550.

**YMCA of West Central Florida.** (Polk County, Fla.) - To purchase trees for the continuation of the development of an upland environment at the YMCA Par 3 Golf Course. Grant award: \$2,500.

"We are excited about the opportunity to assist in funding this innovative, diverse collection of environmental projects," said Gulfstream Operations Vice President Al Taylor. "During the past six years, it's been a privilege to play a part in funding 49 great projects that have made our communities a better place to live."

Grant applications were submitted between January 1 and September 15, 2006. An Advisory Resource Network consisting of environmental experts met in October to determine which projects would receive funding and how the dollars would be distributed.

The 2006 awards are being made in the memory of an original member of the Gulfstream Advisory Resource Network, Rich Paul, who passed away in November 2005. Paul worked for the National Audubon Society for 31 years, working closely with Gulfstream during its 2001 restoration of Manbirtee Key near Port Manatee.

Placed into service in May 2002, Gulfstream Natural Gas System, L.L.C. is a 691-mile pipeline system with the capacity to deliver 1.1 billion cubic feet of natural gas each day to serve Florida's growing energy needs. The pipeline is a joint development between Williams (NYSE:WMB) and Duke Energy (NYSE:DUK).

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