

DEAR ADOPT-A-POND MEMBERS:

It's that time of year again! Spruce up your ponds and pick up trash, because the Adopt-A-Pond judging is coming soon. Your ponds will be judged on several criteria, including general appearance, health of the pond, and meeting of program objectives. One pond will be declared the "2011 Adopt-A-Pond Best Maintained Pond." But you must send in the application to be considered.

We must receive your application by October 14, 2011, so fill it out and send it in today!

THE WINNER WILL RECEIVE A TURTLE PLATFORM FOR THE POND. TURTLES AND BIRDS LOVE TO REST ON THEM AND YOUR GROUP WILL ENJOY WATCHING THE WILDLIFE!

The competition is open to all Adopt-A-Pond Groups. Ponds will be judged by the Adopt-A-Pond Committee on criteria including, but not limited to, overall appearance, trash control, and percentage of native plants. You do not need to be present for the judging. The winner will be notified in November.

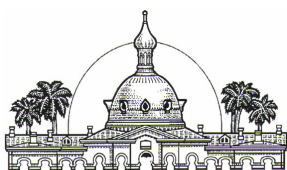
We are looking forward to your applications, and encourage you to include photos of your pond maintenance efforts and successes. **GOOD LUCK!**

Send your application to:

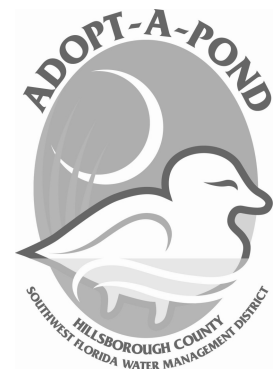
**Hillsborough County Adopt-A-Pond
2420 N. Falkenburg Rd.
Tampa, FL 33619**

Or fax to (813) 744-5674

**Any questions call (813) 744-5671
or e-mail
aragonj@hillsboroughcounty.org**



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2011 Adopt-A-Pond “Best Maintained Pond” Competition Application

Please take the time to fill out this application and send it in to include your pond in the judging.

**WE MUST RECEIVE THE COMPLETED APPLICATION BY
October 14, 2011.**

Pond Group Name: _____

Pond Representative: _____

Address of Representative: _____

Location of Pond: _____

Describe the improvements you and your group have seen in your pond since you adopted it:

Why should your pond be the 2011 Adopt-A-Pond “Best Maintained Pond”:

Please include any photos that show your pond group’s efforts and successes. These photos may be “before & after”, wildlife usage, people enjoying the pond, etc. Send to:

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