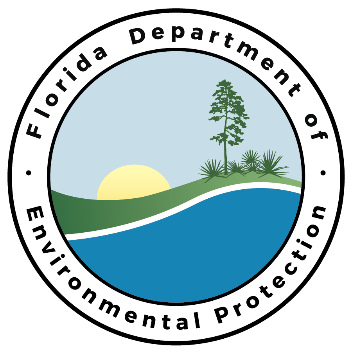
**March 26, 2025**

**FDEP Stream Biological Assessment Methods Training**



**When: Wednesday, March 26, 2025, 8:30-4:30 PM EDT**

**Where: Starkey Environmental Education Center, in J.B. Starkey Wilderness Park**

10500 Wilderness Park Rd. New Port Richey, FL 34655 (see map below)

**To Register:** [**Click here**](https://survey.alchemer.com/s3/8143823/DEP-Stream-Biological-Assessment-Methods-Training-3-26-2025)

**What to bring**: Chest waders, rain gear, clipboard with appropriate forms and SOPs (see table below), dipnet and long-handled brush (if you have them), lunch, and water.

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| **Method** | **SOP** [**s**](http://www.dep.state.fl.us/water/sas/qa/62-160-drafts.htm)**ections (**[**click**](https://floridadep.gov/dear/quality-assurance/content/dep-sops) **to access most current SOP)** | **Form** [**(**](http://www.dep.state.fl.us/water/sas/qa/forms.htm)[**click**](https://floridadep.gov/dear/quality-assurance/content/sop-forms) **for current versions)** |
| Stream Condition Index (SCI) | SCI 1000 | None |
| Stream Habitat Assessment (HA) and  Phys/Chem | FT 3000 and FT 3100 | FD 9000-03  FD 9000-04  FD 9000-05 |
| Rapid Periphyton Survey (RPS) | FS 7230 | FD 9000-25 |
| Linear Vegetation Survey (LVS) | FS 7320 | FD 9000-32 |

**Course Schedule (times may be approximate):**

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| 8:30-9:30 a.m. | Introductions and Overview |
| 9:30-10:00 a.m. | Break and Field Preparation |
| 10:00-10:30 a.m. | Physical-Chemical Characterization |
| 10:30-11:45 a.m. | Habitat Assessment |
| 11:45-1:00 p.m. | Lunch (We suggest you bring a lunch) |
| 1:00-2:30 p.m. | Field Prep and Stream Condition Index |
| 2:30-3:30 p.m. | Rapid Periphyton and Linear Vegetation Survey |
| 3:30-3:45 p.m. | Break |
| 3:45-4:15 p.m. | Habitat Assessment Examples |
| 4:15-4:30 p.m. | Evaluations and Wrap-Up |

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