

MANGROVES: Key to the Coast



They contribute up to
\$1 Billion 
per year toward
Florida's economy.

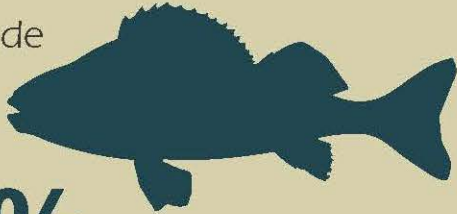


They provide habitat for threatened
and endangered species such as:

- Wood storks** ■
- Roseate spoonbills** ■

They provide
habitat
for up to

80% of commercially and
recreationally important fish species.



They **prevent
erosion** and
**stabilize
shorelines.**

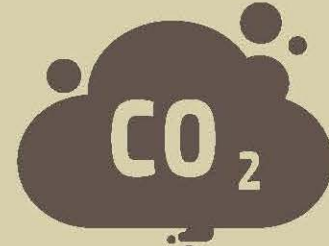


They **improve
water quality**
and **clarity.**



They reduce wave
height by up to

66%
during storm events.



They remove 6-8 times
more **CO₂** from the
atmosphere per acre
than a rainforest.

They provide **PRIVACY**
and **SHADE** for coastal
property owners.



For additional information about mangrove shoreline management or permit requirements in unincorporated Sarasota County, call the **Sarasota County Contact Center at 941-861-5000.**

For information pertaining to properties located in the Town of Longboat Key, City of Sarasota, City of Venice, or City of North Port contact **Florida Department of Environmental Protection at 239-344-5600.**