

Mobile Area Water and Sewer System (MAWSS) News Advisory

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ACF Offers Free Workshop on Septic System Care; Kids Activities Too



Photo: Randy Shaneyfelt with ADEM discusses septic tank care at Semmes Library.



Photo: MAWSS mascot Willie Water teaches children about water quality.

Alabama Coastal Foundation (ACF) teamed up with the Mobile County Health Department and the Alabama Department of Environmental Management (ADEM) to offer a free workshop on septic system care, May 27, at the Semmes Public Library located at 9150 Moffett Rd. The program, made possible by a grant from Royal Bank of Canada's (RBC) Blue Water Project, explained the importance of properly maintaining septic tanks, and how a failing septic tank can affect water quality. Kids' activities that focused on learning about water quality ran concurrently with the workshop.

ACF designed the workshops in partnership with Mobile Area Water and Sewer System (MAWSS) and the Coastal Alabama Clean Water Partnership as part of a watershed protection plan for Big Creek Lake, the source of Mobile's drinking water.

Failing septic tanks can be a source of water pollution. Maintenance is critical in making sure your septic system works well and is effectively treating household waste water.

For more information, contact the Alabama Coastal Foundation at 251 990-6002 or www.joinacf.org.