



WATERSOUND NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS
 THE TOWN OF WATERSOUND, FLORIDA
 CLIENT: THE ST. JOE COMPANY

The Watersound neighborhood parks system is a series of small public parks providing an 'outdoor classroom' environment that connects conservation areas and open spaces within the community. The parks are also key features in the overall management of storm-water and water quality. Parks and open spaces within the community employ a strict all native plant palette, which is consistently used throughout the sites. Supplemental planting of native plant materials were used with detail attention to indigenous vegetative association and plant species. Prior to the development of parks, the landscape architect developed a management plan, and conducted a removal of invasive species. Soft surface path alignments were meticulously staked and laid out amongst existing trees to be preserved, to ensure survival of the existing trees. The gravel paths also provide linkages to the various community amenities. As a result, these parks are passive open spaces with a majority of natural vegetation preserved; minimizing maintenance and irrigation requirements.

This project represents Leung's experience prior to forming LPD.