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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

URGENT NEED FOR VOLUNTEERS!!! “MEET AT THE RIVER” CLEANUP ON MAY 13

(TEMPLE TERRACE, FL – 05/04/06) The City of Temple Terrace Parks and Recreation Department and Temple Terrace Police Department Marine Unit have made an urgent call for volunteers for a “Meet at the River” shoreline cleanup, scheduled for **Saturday, May 13** from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. at the **Riverhills Park Boat Ramp**, located on Riverhills Drive, east of 56th Street.

“Due to this season’s lack of rain, we are experiencing extremely low water levels in the river,” explained Parks Planner Dana Carver. “We’d like to take advantage of these conditions in a positive way to clean up some of the debris along the shoreline that would not normally be exposed when water levels are more favorable.”

Volunteers are asked to bring the following items to assist with the cleanup efforts: a heavy-duty garbage bag; trash picker (broom stick with a nail on the end); gloves; sunblock; mosquito spray; shoes that can get dirty; and drinks and refreshments.

Crews will assemble at Riverhills Park at 7:00 a.m. then disburse to begin cleaning the west shoreline of the river of exposed cans, concrete block, fishing line, styrofoam, and other debris. Event organizers hope to recruit enough volunteers to cover the entire 4.5 mile stretch of the river during the 3-hour cleanup.

For more information or to volunteer, contact Parks Planner Dana Carver at (813) 989-7180 or e-mail dcarver@templeterrace.com.

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