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Public Invited to USFWS Earth Day “Open House” April 17

VERO BEACH, Fla. – The general public is invited to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service’s office in downtown Vero Beach on Saturday, April 17 from 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. for an “open house” to celebrate the 40th anniversary of Earth Day.

The event will include kids’ activities, wildlife displays, presentations by local biologists and an exhibit of illegal wildlife products seized by law enforcement officials.

“This is an opportunity to meet our biologists and learn about endangered species, habitat conservation programs, Everglades restoration and more,” said Sandy Cardenas, open house coordinator. “This is an event for the entire family. We’re hoping folks attending the Hibiscus Festival will stop in and visit us.”

The office is at 1339 20th Street across from the U.S. Post Office. For more information, contact Ken Warren at ken_warren@fws.gov or (772) 562-3909, extension 323. The mission of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is working with others to conserve, protect and enhance fish, wildlife, plants and their habitats for the continuing benefit of the American people.

Earth Day is an annual observance designed to inspire awareness and appreciation for the Earth’s environment. Founded by U.S. Senator Gaylord Nelson, the first Earth Day was held as a symposium April 22, 1970 and has been celebrated on that date ever since.

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