



**Mangrove Trimming and Regulations Workshop**  
Rookery Bay Reserve, 300 Tower Rd Naples, FL 34113  
October 30, 2018, 9 am to 1 pm

**Objective:**

This half-day course will provide landscape professionals with knowledge and skills related to mangrove maintenance. Upon completion of the course, attendees will understand the role and value of mangroves, understand the rules and laws that govern mangrove trimming, and learn mangrove pruning techniques. Attendees will also learn basic mangrove biology and identification. The course will consist of a combination of demonstrations, hands-on learning, discussion, and lecture.

**8:30AM**      **REGISTRATION**

**9:00 AM**      **WELCOME & ROOKERY BAY OVERVIEW**

Introduction to the class and Overview of Rookery Bay Research Reserve  
*Marissa Kelly, Coastal Training Program Specialist, Rookery Bay NERR*

**9:30 AM**      **ROTATING STATIONS**

**IMPORTANCE OF MANGROVES**

Ecosystem services, economics, and ecological importance  
*Joy Hazell, Sea Grant Agent, UF/IFAS Lee County*

**MANGROVE ID**

Species identification, adaptations, and biology  
*Jessica McIntosh, Coastal Training Coordinator, Rookery Bay NERR*

**PRUNING DEMONSTRATION**

Tools, PPE, site assessment, window cut, and tips  
*Kyle Sweet, Professional Certified Mangrove Trimmer and Cesar Peralta, Regional GIBMP Coordinator, UF/IFAS Lee County*

**11:15 AM**      **BREAK**

**11:30 AM**      **REGULATIONS AND CERTIFICATION**

Explanation of the mangrove trimming and preservation act of 1996  
*Daniel Sensi, Permitting Program Manager, Florida Department of Environmental Protection Agency (South District, Fort Myers)*

**12:30 AM**      **QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS SESSION & CLASS EVALUATION**

**1:00 PM**      **ADJOURN**