



**ST. ANDREW &
ST. JOSEPH BAYS**
ESTUARY PROGRAM
at FSU PANAMA CITY



JOIN THE GROUPME

WELCOME, BAY AMBASSADORS!

PLEASE SIGN IN.

Introductions

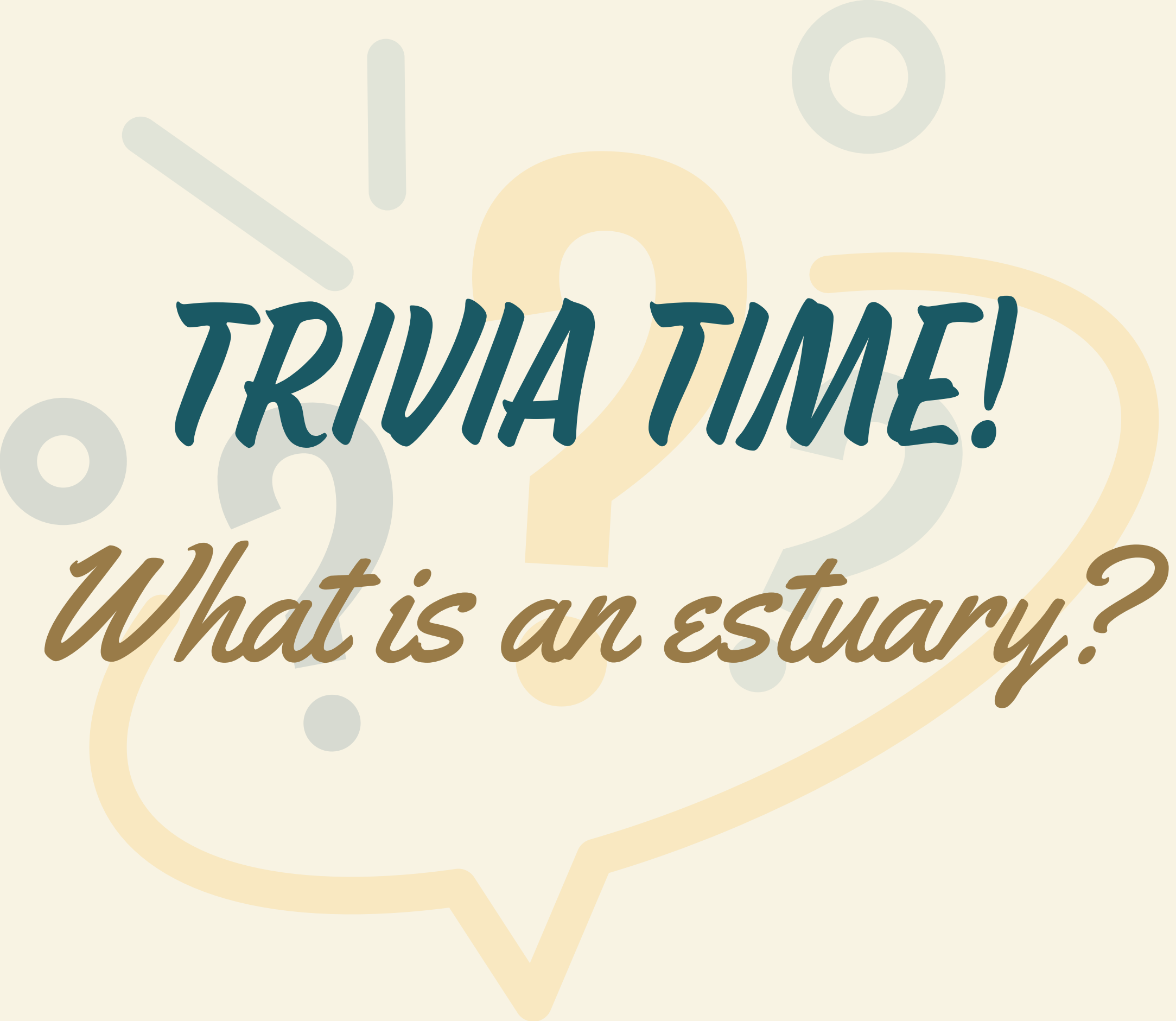
(sign in if you haven't yet!)

1. Your name
2. What school you go to
3. Your grade
4. 1 fun fact about yourself
5. Is water wet?



ALEIGHSA SCHWINN
OUTREACH SPECIALIST, ESTUARY PROGRAM
LEARNED TO SURFSKATE THIS YEAR

What connects you to the bays?



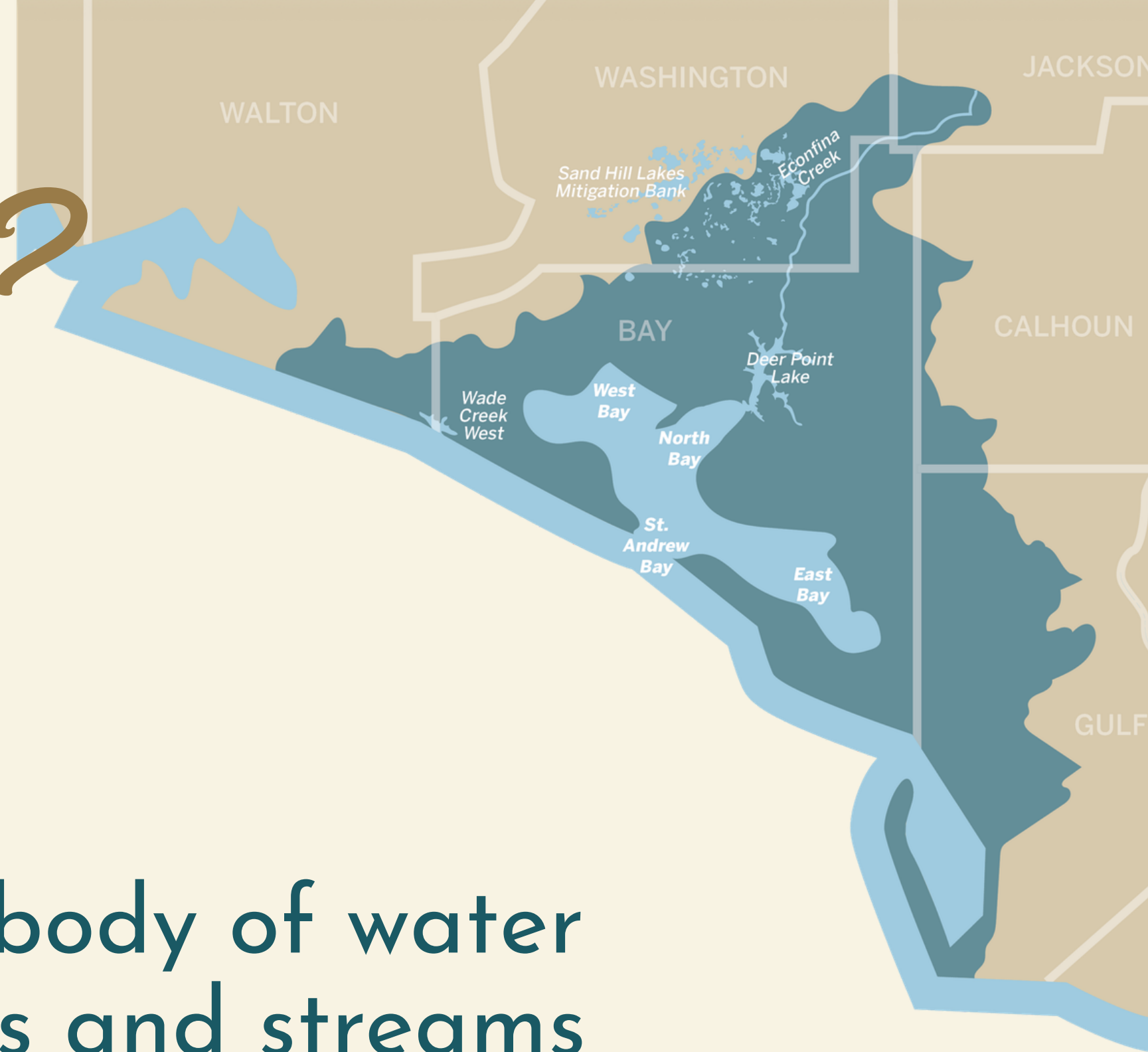
TRIVIA TIME!

What is an estuary?

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ANSWER:

a partially enclosed coastal body of water where fresh water from rivers and streams mixes with salt water from the ocean.



INTRODUCTION -

St. Andrew and St. Joseph Bays Estuary Program

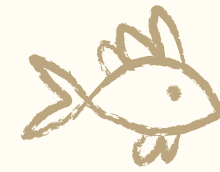
The St. Andrew and St. Joseph Bays Estuary Program is a **collaborative, community-driven initiative** dedicated to protecting and restoring the vital estuarine and coastal resources in the St. Andrew Bay watershed.

Centered around the unique and ecologically rich waters of **St. Andrew and St. Joseph Bays**, the program brings together local stakeholders, scientists, government agencies, and residents to develop and implement a **science-based, consensus-driven Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan (CCMP)**.

The SASJBEP strives to ensure our iconic bays remain healthy productive and resilient for generations to come set forth by these **desired outcomes**:



Desired Outcomes



Clean, swimmable, fishable water

that supports the local community and wildlife.



Functioning ecosystems

that support resilient communities and wildlife.



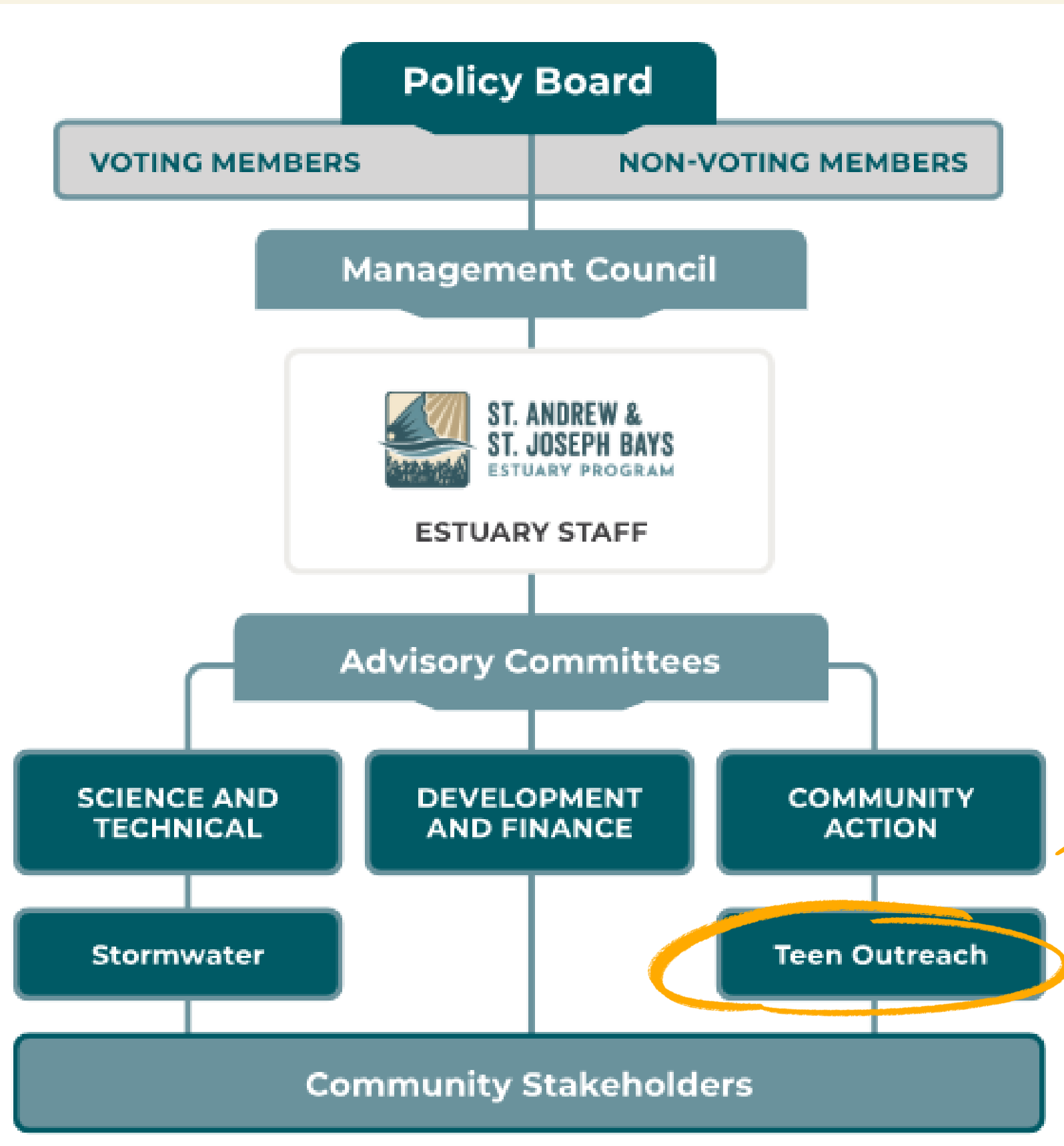
Stronger, more resilient communities

and ecosystems through comprehensive long-term and integrated nature-based solutions (NBS).



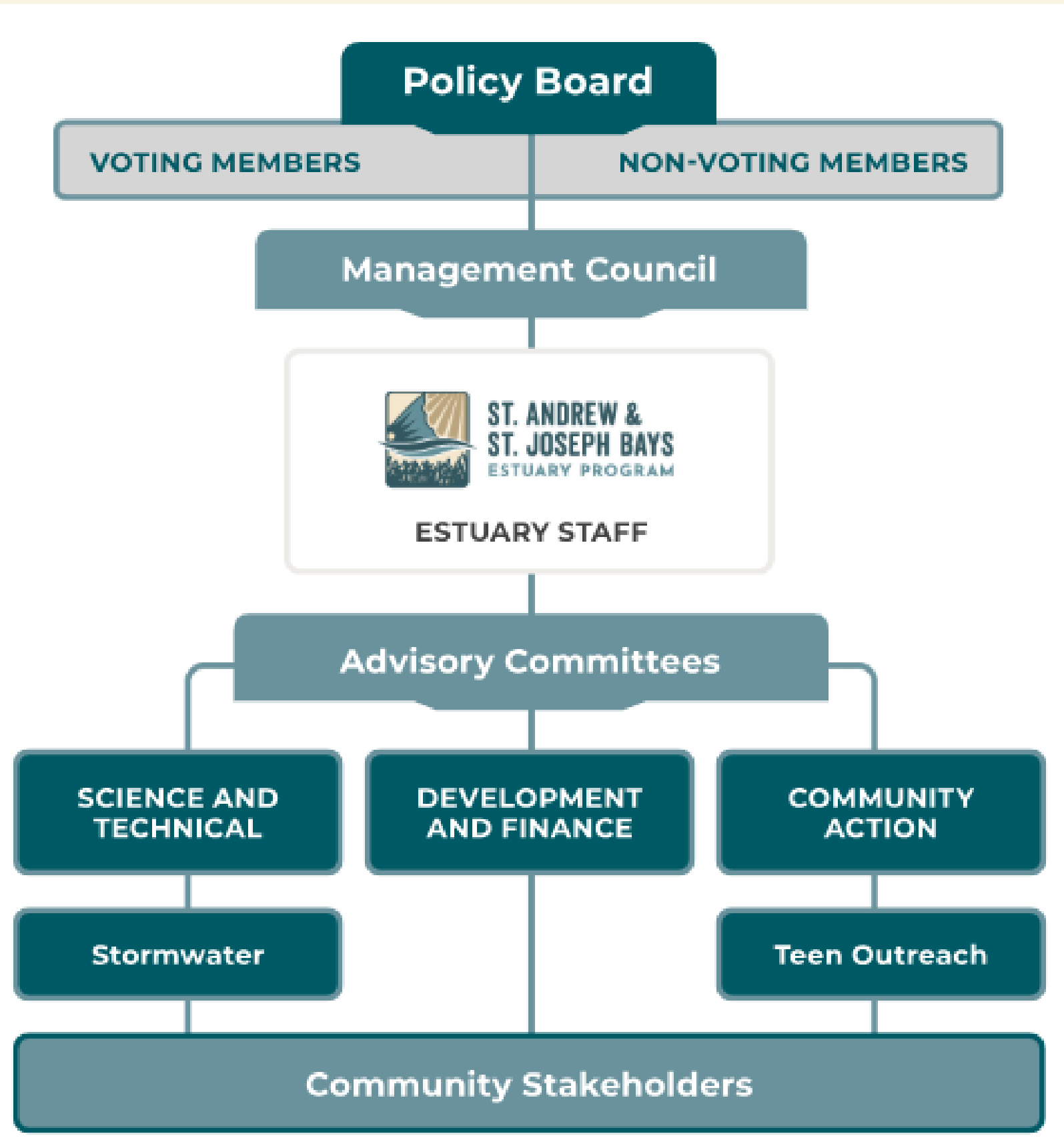
A responsible community

working together to protect and restore our bays.



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- **Goal of the Bay Ambassadors Club:**
Take on projects to help meet desired outcomes and raise program awareness



Assembling Vertical Oyster Gardens



Earth Day Outreach



"Turtle Talk" Guest Speaker



Making Marsh Grass Nursery Boxes



Learning Enviroscope Demonstration

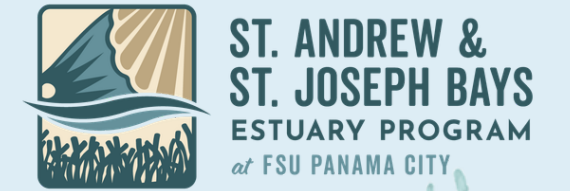


Winter Cleanup at Public Park

What's Next



TENTATIVE MEETING SCHEDULE



AUGUST

Date: August 22

Topic: Kickoff Meeting

SEPTEMBER

Date: Sept. 19

Topic: International Coastal Cleanup

Event: Sept. 26 Race for the Bays

OCTOBER

Date: TBD

Topic: Ask A Scientist Panel

NOVEMBER

Date: TBD

Topic: Oyster Ornament Decorating

DECEMBER

Date: TBD

Topic: TBD

Event: Boat Parade of Lights (Date TBD)

JANUARY

Date: TBD

Topic: TBD

Event: Beach/Park Cleanup (Date TBD)

FEBRUARY

Date: TBD

Topic: Field Trip (Wastewater Treatment Plant?)

Event: Bay Day PSJ (Date TBD)

MARCH

Date: TBD

Topic: Pollinator Garden Planting

Event: Emerald Coast Boat Show (Date TBD)

APRIL

Date: TBD

Topic: TBD

Event: Earth Day Cleanup (Date TBD)

MAY

Date: TBD

Topic: TBD

NOTES

- Interest in wastewater treatment field trip?
- December admissions panel interest?
- Additional outreach events and volunteer opportunities throughout the year!
- Preferred days and times for meetings

Other ideas?



*What would make you want to come back
each month?*

SEPTEMBER:

Saturday, September 19th:
International Coastal Cleanup
Day

Location?

Saturday, September 26th:
Race for the Bays 2026

Volunteers Needed!!



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or FSU PANAMA CITY

SEPTEMBER 26, 2026
PANAMA CITY BEACH CONSERVATION PARK
100 CONSERVATION DRIVE, PANAMA CITY BEACH, FL

10K & 5K - 7:30am start - \$35
Fun Run - 8:30am start - \$25

Run or walk to show your support for the bays!

This trail run will take you over the marsh and through the woods of **Panama City Beach Conservation Park**.

All proceeds will go to benefit the **St. Andrew and St. Joseph Bays Estuary Program**.

REGISTER BEFORE 8/28 TO GET A T-SHIRT!

10K - 5K - FUN RUN

Register to run, volunteer, or become a sponsor at:
WWW.SASJBEP.ORG/RACEFORTHEBAYS





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THANK YOU!