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**From:** CEER@brevardfl.gov  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 29, 2026 10:12 AM  
**To:** Horst, Rachel  
**Subject:** A new CEER Recommendation has been submitted as ID #2026039

### Recommendation # 2026039

Dear CEER Administrator,

Speak Up Brevard Recommendation ID #2026039 has been submitted. Please login to the CEER Application to start the recommendation evaluation workflow.

#### Contact Information:

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#### Recommendation Information:

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| <b>Recommendation ID</b>    | 2026039  |
| <b>Recommendation Title</b> | Fishing Line Recycling Tubes   |
| <b>Areas Affected</b>       | Popular Fishing and Recreational locations   |
| <b>Department Affected</b>  | Parks And Recreation Department  |
| <b>Current problem</b>      | Currently fishing lines (monofilament) are often disposed of onto the ground or water. These lines contain pollutants (forever chemicals) and cause harm to wildlife and marine equipment and water intake units.                          |
| <b>Recommendation</b>       | Install standard monofilament line collection tubes. Collection tubes have been used successfully for many years, and recreational fishermen have used them extensively. It is a low-cost solution that yields positive long-term results. |
| <b>Attachments</b>          | No Documents were attached.  |

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BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

**TO:** James P. Liesenfelt, County Manager  
**FROM:** Ian Golden, Director  
Parks and Recreation Department  
**SUBJ:** Citizen Efficiency and Effectiveness Recommendation #2026039

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CEER #2026039, titled Fishing Line Recycling Tubes, was received by the County from William A. Zoby.

**Citizen Statement:**

“Currently fishing lines (monofilament) are often disposed of onto the ground or water. These lines contain pollutants (forever chemicals) and cause harm to wildlife and marine equipment and water intake units.”

**Citizen Recommendation:**

“Install standard monofilament line collection tubes. Collection tubes have been used successfully for many years, and recreational fishermen have used them extensively. It is a low-cost solution that yields positive long-term results.”

**Staff Analysis:**

Fishing line recycling tubes are excellent for reducing environmental pollution and are installed at numerous Parks and Recreation Department (P&R) locations on the rivers and at beach crossovers. However, their effectiveness is limited by:

- Improper Disposal of Trash: Users often dump broken fishing equipment (hooks, lures, or lead weights) and garbage into the tubes, which can harm people or animals.
- Overflow: Tubes can become overfilled, which creates a hazard when fishing line falls or sticks out of the tube, creating the same pollution they are meant to prevent.
- Maintenance: Every additional tube has a negative impact on already overextended maintenance workers who are responsible for emptying, repairing, and replacing them.

It is for these reasons; P&R is exploring a partnership with the Waterway Warriors. This partnership would seek to add additional locations for collection tubes, which would be obtained, installed, emptied, and maintained by their volunteers.

**Staff Recommended Action:**

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners accept CEER #2026039 with revisions because the County already utilizes collection tubes and is exploring ways to expand the program.