**JILL KING**

Jill King is currently a science supervisor in the Water Quality Treatment Technologies Section of the South Florida Water Management District. She leads one of the largest Restoration Strategies Science Plan Studies in the Stormwater Treatment Areas (STAs) with the objective of determining the sources, forms, and fluxes of Phosphorus that will help meet the Water Quality standards to send clean water to the Everglades. She was previously with the Department of Environmental Protection for 10 years as the

manager of the Environmental Resources Program, and worked as a Biologist with a private firm for 1.5 years prior to that. She has extensive experience working in both coastal and freshwater ecosystems. Her most recent focus has been on the role of vegetation in nutrient reduction in freshwater wetlands.

Jill has participated in the Treasure Coast Chapter of FAEP for the past 10 years (2007-2017) as a member taking part mainly as a participant in their monthly meetings and events. She would like to expand her participatory role and take on the challenge of contributing as an officer with FAEP. As a working professional and parent, a priority of hers has been to get more involved in Education and Outreach. FAEP has a great opportunity to enhance the education and participation of our younger generations who will become our future leaders. There are many critical environmental issues facing us in these times and by educating the next generation and reaching out to them, we will pass on the knowledge and important of protecting Florida’s natural resources. This could be accomplished with more outreach events to local schools and partnering with other environmental associations to get the word out (educational trips to the outdoors, beach cleanups, as examples).