

# Virginia Key Beach Park Trust

## Planning & Construction Committee

### Talking Points for the February 4, 2008 Board Meeting

- The Planning and Construction committee met jointly with the Nature and Environment committee January 15, 2008 and on January 28, 2008.
- The committees discussed construction project updates centering on the status of the environmental restoration relative to exotic removal, stump grinding, erosion control, replanting native shade tree canopies, sand placement on the shoreline.
- The start of phase two of the exotic removal project was discussed – the need for a landscape master plan or replanting strategy is needed. The committees took part in a joint site tour of the historic beach park shoreline and natural areas guided by Gary Milano, DERM. DERM is providing design assistance to the beach restoration project.
- A general update was given on the status of the DERM Virginia Key Restoration Project. The project is in its final stages and should conclude in mid February.
- The committee members agreed on the location of the future plant nursery and nature center on Historic Virginia Key Beach Park. The plant nursery project will begin in March 2008 and the nature center remains a largely unfunded mandate.