Join us for another exciting workshop in a series presented by the Peel Waterways Centre.

The session will offer informative, practical, hands-on information about responsible outdoor recreation using minimal impact skills.

As cities grow and populations encroach upon surrounding bush, it is critical that we endeavour to maintain the diverse and beautiful natural and cultural heritage in their original states.

Although our recreational experiences can be personally satisfying, they can have a negative impact on the environments we visit and the animals we observe.

Polluted waterways, displaced wildlife, eroded soils, invasive species and trampled vegetation are just some of the results linked directly to recreational activities or just simply, human presence.

Cameron Crowe from Leave No Trace Australia will discuss how local communities can minimise their recreational impacts on the environment.

Public education and awareness of minimal impact skills through the Leave No Trace Australia skills and ethics program promotes attitudinal change and the empowerment of individuals to accept responsibility for their recreational impacts on the environment.

Leave No Trace concepts can be applied anywhere - in the remote outback and wilderness, in urban parks, or in our own backyards.

Leave No Trace Australia is a national non-profit organisation dedicated to promoting and inspiring responsible outdoor travel and recreation through education, research and partnerships.

Leave No Trace builds awareness, appreciation and respect for our natural and cultural heritage and is dedicated to creating a nationally recognised and accepted outdoor ethic that promotes personal responsibility and land stewardship. It encourages all outdoor enthusiasts to do their part to maintain public lands for the benefit of fragile ecosystems and for future generations.

This is a fantastic opportunity to learn about what you can do for the conservation of the natural environment.

**Date:** Thursday, 7 August 2008

**Time:** 5 – 7 pm

Enjoy a light supper on your arrival.

**Where:** The Peel Waterways Centre, Suite 6, 21 Sholl Street, Mandurah

**RSVP:** Contact Michelle on 9550 4228 by 6 August or email pwc@water.wa.gov.au (RSVPs are essential as numbers are limited)

Stay tuned for Session Nine: Living Smart Program, offering information on how to reduce greenhouse gas emissions at home and in daily travel, presented by the Department for Planning and Infrastructure, Thursday 18 September.