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South Florida Ecosystem Restoration Task Force

Event Title: Joint Working Group (WG)/Science Coordination Group (SCG) Meeting

Date: Wednesday, May 16, 2012

Times: 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Background: The South Florida Ecosystem Restoration Task Force (Task Force) was established by Congress in 1996 to ensure consistent strategies among all the partners working towards Everglades restoration.

On October 27, 2011, the Task Force convened a meeting in West Palm Beach, FL. At this meeting, senior policy officials from the Department of the Army, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps), the Department of the Interior, the Environmental Protection Agency, and the State of Florida, including the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) announced a fast-track planning effort for the next generation of Everglades restoration. This effort, called the Central Everglades Planning Project (CEPP), when authorized by Congress, will improve the Central and Southern Everglades by putting more fresh and clean water into the River of Grass.

Description and General Purpose of the Meeting: The Corps and the SFWMD will provide a briefing on CEPP. The members will receive a report on the most recent WG Sponsored Public Workshops which have been held. EPA will provide a presentation on the Regional Environmental Monitoring and Assessment Program (REMAP) effort.

Public Comment: Agenda under development

Meeting and Lodging: Coral Springs Marriott
11775 Heron Bay Blvd., Great Cypress Room
Coral Springs, FL 33076
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There is no block of rooms associated with this meeting

Driving Directions: <http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/filmc-coral-springs-marriott-hotel-golf-club-and-convention-center/>

- From Ft. Lauderdale/Hollywood Airport: Exit Airport to I-595 West to Sawgrass Expressway (FL-869) North to Coral Ridge Drive (Exit 14). Turn left on Coral Ridge Drive, go approx. ¼ mile to Heron Bay Blvd. and turn left. Hotel is ahead on the right.
- From Miami International Airport: Exit Airport to Expressway 836 West to Expressway 826 North, to I-75 North to Sawgrass Expressway (FL-869) North to Coral Ridge Drive (Exit 14). Turn left on Coral Ridge Drive, go approx. ¼ mile to Heron Bay Blvd. and turn left. Hotel is ahead on the right.

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- From Palm Beach Airport: I-95 South to SW 10th Street Exit. Go right (West) on SW 10th Street which turns into the Sawgrass Expressway. Follow Sawgrass Expressway (FL-869) to Coral Ridge Drive (Exit 14). Turn right on Coral Ridge Drive, go approx. ¼ mile to Heron Bay Blvd. and turn left. Hotel is ahead on the right.

Parking Complimentary onsite parking

Directions:

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Agenda: Agenda under development