

Biscayne Bay

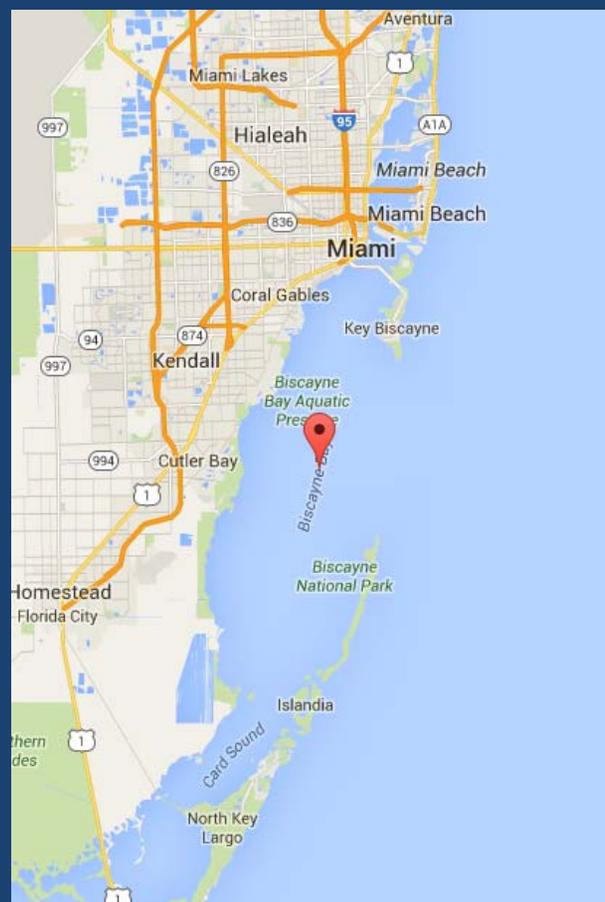
Litter Prevention Summit

Addressing potential solutions to Biscayne Bay pollution!

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DESCRIPTION

The Biscayne Bay Litter Prevention Summit aims to bring together a diverse group of Biscayne Bay stakeholders in order to address the complex and ongoing problem of marine debris in Biscayne Bay.



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SUMMIT'S GOALS

1. Identify the main sources of marine debris in Biscayne Bay;
2. Identify strategies that will proactively reduce the volume of marine debris flowing into the Bay.
3. Share with and coordinate resources from all involved stakeholders in order to work on effective marine debris prevention solutions;

4. Create a comprehensive Action Plan, to include:
 - a. **Specific Objectives**
 - b. **Expected Outcomes**
 - c. **Commitment Timelines** for each stakeholder group, that will address, for the next 25 years, the health concerns of Biscayne Bay due to the impact of marine debris
 - d. **Regular Meetings** to discuss achievements and set new priorities.
 - e. **Funding Sources** to realize the Action Plan

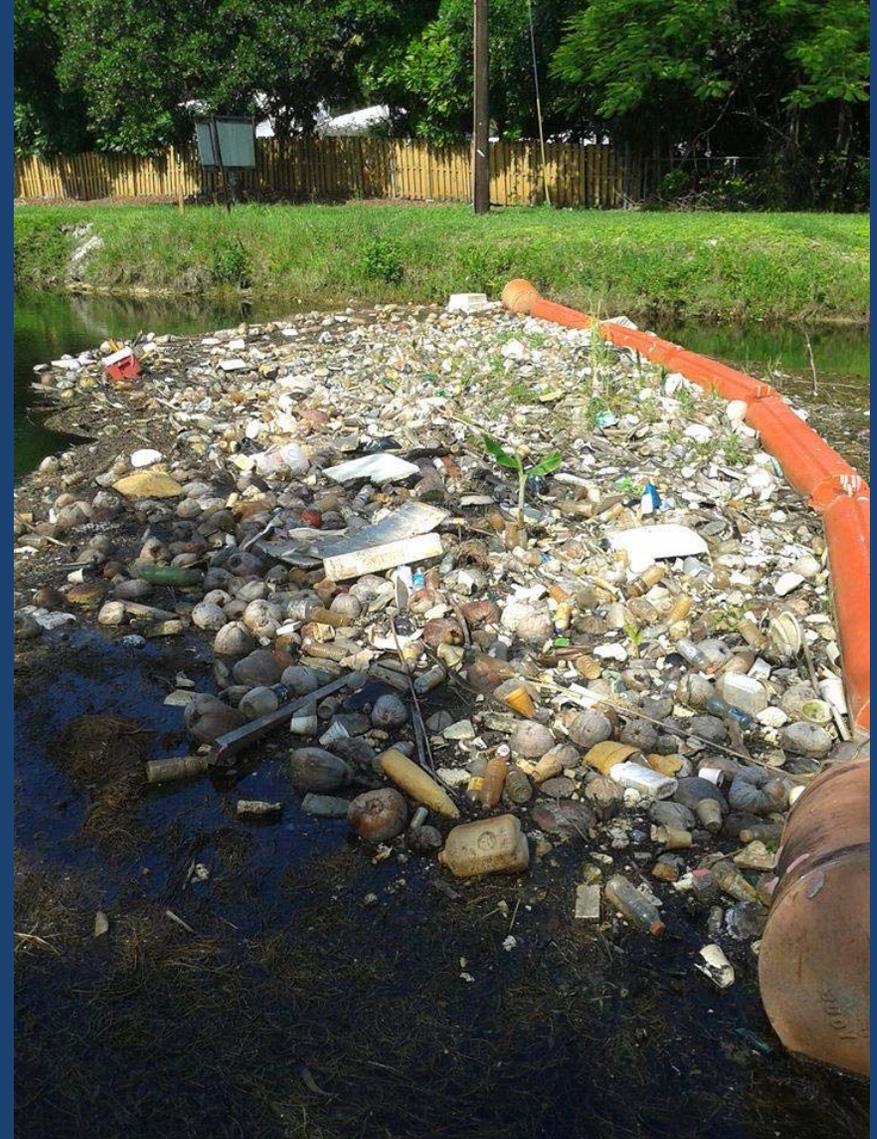
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MacArthur Causeway / Port of Miami



Canal Systems



Bird Key



PROJECT SCOPE

The Summit aims to include all Miami-Dade County municipalities surrounding Biscayne Bay, including inland communities along canals and Miami River

stakeholders

- Public & private school system
- Elected Officials: municipal, county, state
- Government staff: municipal, county, state (DEP, NOAA)
- EPA
- State Parks
- SF Water Management District
- National Park Service
- Law Enforcement
- NGOs
- Universities
- Retail Federation
- Real Estate Association
- Fishing Industry
- National Marine Manufacturers Association (Boat Show)
- Waste & Recycling Contractors
- Engineering Firms

COMMITTEES

STAKEHOLDERS

- Biscayne Bay Fellow / Biscayne Bay Coalition / Tropical Audubon
- ECOMB
- Freehand Miami Hotel
- Biscayne Aquatic Preserve – DEP
- MDC Regulatory and Economic Resources Dept.
- Debris Free Ocean
- / Tropical Audubon
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- VounteerCleanup.org

SUMMIT LOCATION

- Eco-Logical Solutions
- MDC Regulatory and Economic Resources Dept.
- Biscayne Bay Fellow / Biscayne Bay Coalition / Tropical Audubon

SPONSORSHIP

- MDC Regulatory and Economic Resources Dept.
- Biscayne Bay Fellow / Biscayne Bay Coalition

PROGRAM

- Miami Science Museum - MUVE
- CMB Environmental Department
- VounteerCleanup.org
- ECOMB
- MDC Regulatory and Economic Resources Dept.

LOGISTICS COMMITTEE

- MDC Regulatory and Economic Resources Dept.
- Freehand Miami Hotel
- Eco-Logical Solutions
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PRESENT MEMBERS

- Eco-Logical Solutions
- Miami Dade County
- State of Florida
- City of Miami Beach
- City of Miami
- City of North Bay Village
- Environmental Coalition of Miami & the Beaches (ECOMB)
- Biscayne Bay Aquatic Preserve
- Miami Science Museum – MuVE
- Tropical Audubon Society
- Miami Water Keepers
- Surfrider Foundation
 - Florida International University
- Biscayne Bay Coalition
- Debris Free Ocean
- Volunteer Cleanup
- AmeriCaribe
- Cleanup Miami Beach
- Miami River Commission
- Shoreline Foundation Inc.
- Biscayne Bay Regional Restoration and Coordination Team (BBRRCT)
- Biscayne National Park Marine Debris Program

SUMMIT FORMAT

TWO DAY EVENT:

- 1st Day – Half Day: activities such as tours around the Bay/Miami River/Canals/Island, Cleanups.
- 2nd Day - Full Day: the Summit
- Expected Attendance: between 150 to 300
- Special Feature: Summit Vendors' Exhibit
- Evening of 1st Day: Sustainable Cocktail Reception
- Proposed Date: June 2016
- Location: to be determined
- Waste Free Event



80% of the trash
found in the ocean is
land-based,
the remaining 20%
is from ships



LET'S KEEP OUR BAY & OCEANS CLEAN!



BISCAYNE BAY LITTER PREVENTION SUMMIT

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