

SOUTH FLORIDA ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION
WORKING GROUP MEETING AGENDA
Westin Key Largo
September 24 - 25, 2001

Updated September 21, 2001

Note: The Corps and the local sponsors will have its scheduled Program Management Team meeting at the same location from 11:00 am - 12:30 pm.

September 24, 2001 (1:00 PM to 6:00 PM)

- 1:00 – 1:10 Welcome, Opening Remarks, Review and Ratification of Agenda, Administrative Announcements and Introduction of July Minutes, Wayne Daltry
- Meat and Potatoes**
- Approval Items***
- 1:10 – 1:25 • Biscayne Bay Watershed Team Charter, Rock Salt (5 p, 10 d, a)
Approval needed on team Charter with non government representatives named to date.
- 1:25 – 1:40 • SW Florida Issue Team Charter, 2nd Reading, Rock Salt (5 p, 10 d, a)
Approval on the Team Charter is being requested.
- 1:40 – 1:55 • Kissimmee Valley Issue Team Charter, 2nd Reading, Rock Salt (5 p, 10 d, a)
Approval of the Team Charter is being requested.
- 1:55 – 2:15 • Dispute Resolution Protocol, 2nd Reading, Joan Lawrence (10 p, 10 d, a)
Team will present the proposed protocol for Working Group interim approval and forwarding to the Task Force for final action.
- Get the Water Right***
- 2:15 – 2:30 • Phosphorus Standards/Process, Jennifer Fitzwater (10 p, 5 d)
DEP will explain the process used to develop the phosphorus numeric standard required under the Everglades Forever Act.
- 2:30 – 3:10 • Report on Water Projects and Initiatives, Dennis Duke (30 p, 10 d)
 o Keys Related Projects, Cheryl Ulrich
This will be a review of key issues identified at the PMT meeting as well as a status update on the Keys Carrying Capacity Study, FL Bay, FL Keys Feasibility Study and FL Keys Tidal Restoration.
- 3:10 – 3:35 • RECOVER, John Ogden (10 p, 15 d)
 o Update on RECOVER Partnership Agreement, Organization and Participation
 o Support to Programmatic Regulations Effort
 o Introduction of RECOVER Operating Procedures “White Papers”
 ▪ Adaptive Assessment
 ▪ Interim Goals
 ▪ Report Card
This is an update of the RECOVER activities to date.
- 3:35 – 3:50 • Aquifer Storage and Recovery (ASR) Team Update, Richard Harvey (5 p, 10 d)

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- 3:50 – 3:55 • Water Shortage and Water Levels, Joan Lawrence (5 p)

This is the status update requested by the Working Group.

- 3:55 – 4:15 • Break

4:15 – 4:35 ***Restore, Preserve, and Protect the Natural Habitats and Species***

- FWS Update, Jay Slack (10 p, 10 d)
 - Safe Harbor Agreement
 - Endangered Species in the Keys

An update will be provided by the FWS.

- 4:35 – 4:40 • NE Shark Slough Land Acquisition, Elaine Hall (2 p)

This will be a status update.

Foster Compatibility of the Built and Natural System

- 4:40 – 5:10 • Goal 3 Steering Committee Update and Discussion, Linda Friar (10 p, 20 d, **a**)

Action Item *Update on Goal 3 Steering Committee's work to date on refining the sub-goals.*

5:10 – 5:40 **Updates and Discussion**

- Museum of Discovery and Science, Ron Smola (5 p, 5 d)

- Public Information Initiative, Rock Salt and Brenda Brown (5 p, 5 d)

- Environmental Justice Outreach and Coordination Team, Thaddeus Hamilton (5 p, 5 d)

Team Charter is being presented for a first reading.

5:40 – 6:00 Public Comment

6:00 Adjourn

6:00 – 8:30 Sunset Cruise co-hosted by FKNMS and Everglades National Park

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8:30 – 8:35 Welcome, Administrative Announcements and Approval of July Minutes, Wayne Daltry

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8:35 – 9:35

- Programmatic Regulations (Water Resources Development Act – WRDA 2000), Stu Appelbaum (20 p, 20 d)

This is a presentation and discussion on the programmatic regulations required by WRDA 2000 as well as the proposed process for developing the regulations/ next steps.

- Outreach Efforts, Nanciann Regalado (10 p, 10 d)

This presentation will review Corps and WMD initiatives that respond to the outreach requirements of WRDA 2000.

9:35 – 11:35

Continuation of Working Group Discussion

- Discussion on the Working Group Role, Wayne Daltry
 - *What is the role of the Working Group? It's mission?*
 - *How does the Working Group best carry out its mission?*
 - *Coordinate science*
 - *Public involvement*
 - *Facilitate conflict resolution*

11:35 – 11:55

Break

11:55 – 12:15

Updates and Discussion

- Science Coordination Team (SCT) Update
 - CROGEE Update, Brad Brown (5 p)
- Federal Litigation Update, Neal McAliley (5 p)
- Governing Board Water Resources Advisory Commission (WRAC) Update, Julio Fanjul (5 p)
- Everglades Education Consortium/EXPO, Ronnie Best (5 p)

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12:15– 12:30 • Executive Director's Report, Rock Salt (15 p)

Documents on the following are included in the read-ahead and will be summarized briefly. Working Group members should read the materials for a full update.

- 2001 Working Group Workplan
- Strategic Plan Revision Steering Committee
- Actions/Issues Tracking Chart
- Issue Team Tracking Chart
- Joint Meeting Water Resources Advisory Commission
- Cross Cut Budget
- Lessons Learned Event
- 2001/2002 Meeting Schedules
- Update on Task Force Meeting

12:30 – 12:45 Public Comment

12:45 – 12:50 Review Working Group Requests/Follow-up Action Items

Rafaela Monchek will review for Working Group concurrence new actions resulting from this meeting.

12:50 – 1:00 Open Discussion

1:00 Adjourn

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