

AGENDA

JOINT MEETING OF THE SOUTH FLORIDA ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION WORKING GROUP (WG) AND SCIENCE COORDINATION GROUP (SCG)

South Florida Water Management District
3301 Gun Club Road, West Palm Beach, FL
July 16 – 17, 2008

Working Group Duties: *To assist the Task Force in providing intergovernmental coordination, exchanging information, facilitating the resolution of conflict, assisting members, and promoting public participation.*

Science Coordination Group Duties: *To assist the Task Force in providing intergovernmental coordination of the programmatic scientific aspects of restoration of the South Florida ecosystem.*

Wednesday, July 16, 2008

WG/SCG Joint Session

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| 1:00 – 1:10 | Opening Remarks and Administrative Items | Ken Ammon
Rock Salt |
| 1:10 – 4:10* | Integrated Delivery Schedule (IDS) Workshop
<i>Purpose: To discuss and identify the optimum sequence of key hydrologic projects that deliver meaningful restoration benefits as early as possible consistent with law and available funding. This workshop builds upon previous Task Force and Working Group/Science Coordination Group workshops. The IDS includes CERP and non-CERP projects, to include Foundation Projects such as Kissimmee River Restoration and Modified Water Deliveries to Everglades National Park. It will also include system operating manuals which will be revised at key points.</i> | Stu Appelbaum |
| | *A break will be taken during the Workshop | |
| 4:10 – 6:00 | Project Implementation Report (PIR) Streamlining Workshop
<i>Purpose: To discuss the current PIR process and to develop recommendations to streamline or improve the current process for Task Force consideration. The PIR Workshop will include an overview of the current process and issues as well as case studies with opportunities to identify lessons learned to date. The Working Group and Science Coordination Group agreed at the April joint meeting to recommend a PIR Workshop to the Task Force. At its May meeting the Task Force approved the PIR Workshop recommendation from the Working Group and Science Coordination Group.</i> | Dennis Duke |
| 6:00 | Next Steps and Closing Comments | Ken Ammon
Rock Salt |
| 6:00 | Adjourn | |
| 6:30 | No Host Social | |

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Regular WG Meeting

8:30 – 8:40 **Welcome and Introductions** Ken Ammon
The April meeting minutes will be presented for approval.

8:40 – 9:00 **Member Whiparound and Current Events**
Each member has the option of providing brief introductory remarks during this time.

9:00 – 10:15 **Consultation Workshop**
***Purpose:** To be consulted on the Biscayne Coastal Wetlands Project and receive the ASR Interim Report in accordance with the Programmatic Regulations. Consultation normally takes place during three points in the development of a Project Implementation Report (PIR): Scoping phase, Alternative Development phase and Draft PIR. The Task Force has delegated scoping and alternative formulation consultation to the Working Group. Consultations with the Task Force and Working Group are supplemented with information updates at key points.*

- **Biscayne Bay Coastal Wetlands Alternative Formulation Briefing**

Matt Morrison

***Purpose:** The Working Group will be consulted on the Tentatively Selected Plan (TSP) and the first increment of construction. The TSP for the Biscayne Bay Coastal Wetlands project includes a recommendation for phased construction. The Deering Estate component includes a 100 cfs pump, spreader canal, culverts, and canal improvements. The Cutler Wetlands component includes a 400 cfs pump, culverts, a canal, and restoration of the Lennar Flowway. The L-31E Flowway/North Canal Flowway component includes pumps, a spreader canal, and several culvert structures to manage flow between C-102, L-31E, Military Canal, C-103 and the nearby restoration areas.*

- **Aquifer Storage and Recovery (ASR) Program Interim Report**

Bob Verrastro

***Purpose:** This CERF ASR Program Interim Report presents the first five years of scientific and engineering progress in conducting the ASR pilot projects and the ASR Regional Study. These projects have been developed in response to questions and comments posed by stakeholders, the ASR Issue Team, and the Committee on the Restoration of the Greater Everglades*

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Ecosystem. As the ASR Program nears the point of pilot project cycle testing, this is an opportune time to share the program's progress with interested stakeholders and the public. The Working Group will be provided an update on the ASR Program and Interim Report before Task Force consultation.

10:15 – 10:30

Break

10:30 – 11:30

Project Implementation Report (PIR) Streamlining Workshop – Continued

***Purpose:** This is a continuation of the PIR Streamlining Workshop from the previous day.*

11:30 – 12:00

Strategy and Biennial Report and Land Acquisition Strategy

***Purpose:** The Working Group members will discuss big picture issues concerning the current draft of the 2008 Strategy and Biennial Report and the Land Acquisition Strategy. These documents are scheduled to be presented to the Task Force at its September 2008 meeting.*

Staff will be available to discuss specific edits and detailed comments from 1:00 to 3:00 following the regular meeting.

Greg May

12:00 – 12:15

General Public Comment

12:15

Adjourn

Ken Ammon

Public Comment will be taken after each agenda item

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