AGENDA

SOUTH FLORIDA ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION
WORKING GROUP (WG) AND SCIENCE COORDINATION GROUP (SCG)
South Florida Water Management District
3301 Gun Club Road
Building B-1, Governing Board Auditorium
West Palm Beach, FL 33406
January 31, 2013

Thursday, January 31, 2013

Joint WG and SCG Meeting

10:00 – 10:15 **1. Welcome and Introductions** — Barry Rosen, Susan Markley, Nick Aumen

Purpose: *To present the goals for the meeting. The goals include conducting regular business (approval of draft minutes from the September 2012 meeting) and providing updates on current and planned WG/SCG activities.*

10:15 – 10:30 **2. Leadership Discussion for the WG and SCG** — Shannon Estenoz

Purpose: *The goal is for the members to identify potential candidates for the Chair leadership position for the WG.*

10:30 – 12:00 **3. Central Everglades Planning Project (CEPP)**

- Working Group Sponsored Public Workshops — Barry Rosen, Allyn Childress

Purpose: *The Working Group will have sponsored three public workshops since the last Joint WG/SCG meeting. Public participation is a major component of the CEPP and the workshops are being sponsored to receive input from the public and keep them informed and engaged as active participants. A report on the workshops will be provided.*

- Project Delivery Team (PDT) — Kim Taplin, Matt Morrison

Purpose: *The CEPP was announced at the October 27, 2011 Task Force meeting. The CEPP will incorporate updated science and maximize the use of publicly owned lands to focus the next phase of Everglades restoration on the Central Everglades. The Corps and the SFWMD will brief the members on the CEPP.*

- Adaptive Management — Kelly Keefe

Purpose: *Goal is to introduce the WG/SCG to the CEPP Monitoring and Adaptive Management Plan and the process by which it is being developed. Discussion may include feedback and suggestions for WG/SCG involvement in the process.*

12:00 – 12:15 **Public Comment**

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12:15 – 1:15	**Lunch Break**	
1:15 – 2:15	**4. Invasive Exotics Workshop** ***Purpose:*** *The Task Force, at its December 2012 meeting, directed the Office of Ecosystem Restoration Initiatives (OERI), Working Group and Science Coordination Group to conduct a comprehensive review of current efforts to combat invasive exotics and, at the next regular meeting of the Task Force, present an updated set of recommendations for how to improve our efforts and boost our effectiveness. An initial analysis of current ongoing efforts will be presented and discussed.*	Shannon Estenoz
2:15 – 2:45	**5. Corps Project Update** ***Purpose:*** *The Corps will provide a status update of efforts on ongoing construction of CERP projects: Picayune Strand, Melaleuca Eradication, IRL-S, C-44, and Site 1.*	Howie Gonzales
2:45 – 3:00	**Public Comment**	
3:00	**Next Steps, Closing Comments and Adjourn**	Barry Rosen Susan Markley Nick Aumen

Notes:

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.*

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