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September 23-25, 2015



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The 59th annual conference at Hawk's Cay is just over a month away and we look forward to seeing you there. With the meeting in the Keys this September, plan on a very relaxed, casual atmosphere which means t-shirts, polos, shorts, sandals, and bathing suits. Leave the business appropriate attire at home!

A few brief reminders; the deadline for early registration ends this Friday, **August 21**. Registration fees after this date increase by \$50. Be sure to **make your hotel reservations as soon as possible**. Group rates begin at \$169 and the hotel will honor these rates **as long as rooms remain in FSBPA's block** or by **August 21, 2015**, whichever occurs first. A list of overflow hotels is provided in this issue as well as on FSBPA's website.

The current program with times noted follows, and any future changes will be made online until the final program is printed for conference distribution.

We tried hard not to get into your space. This simply means nothing is formally scheduled for Thursday afternoon unlike in years past. We will be glad to facilitate a scuba diving, snorkeling or fishing trip. If you are interested, first look on the Hawks Cay site www.hawkscay.com/experience and then email Teri at teri@fsbpa.com for more details.



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"If you need a quick pick me up (and have 1.5 minutes), check out this cute video one of my staff shot on Jupiter Beach recently." Leanne Welch
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Sd0Xw5u_2DE

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Also be sure to take a look at the restaurant guide for those evenings you want to go somewhere offsite for fine-dining, incredible seafood and sunsets, or just sitting by the fishing docks, eating on picnic tables as your food is prepared.

Thursday evening we will forego the traditional awards banquet, weather permitting, and enjoy a luau by the water, and will celebrate a few worthy award winners for 2015 as part of an abbreviated program.

If you haven't already, please review the program and its distinguished speakers. We hope it convinces you to attend the conference, if you are not already planning to do so. You will have the opportunity to hear from the Department of Environmental Protection's entirely new leadership team responsible for the statewide beach management program.

Secretary Jon Steverson will start us off with the Keynote, followed by Division Directors Fred Aschauer and Trina Veilhauer. The Corps will be well-represented by the new Jacksonville District Commander, Colonel Jason Kirk, and we will again be the beneficiaries of a timely presentation by Jackie Keiser on the Army Corps of Engineers growing emphasis on Regional Sediment Management and a sustainable Federal beach program. There are a number of other informative and provocative topics, some taking us away from our traditional comfort zone. Individual presentations will highlight the realities vs, expectations of Amendment 1, revisit decades later hypocrisy in permitting, help us build skills to advocate on behalf of beaches, urge renewed focus on inlet management, and address the issues of project construction impacts, mitigation and monitoring. We will also continue FSBPA's recent attention to changing shorelines and opportunities to plan for community resilience as part of a panel discussion again lead by Jim Murley, supported by two separate and related presentations.

Lisa Armbruster, FSBPA Governmental Affairs, will lead a tribute to the legacy of Dr. Robert Dean on Friday morning, with speakers highlighting his contributions to the science of coastal engineering, the profession, the State of Florida and FSBPA. This segment will conclude with the infrequent formal presentation of the Bob Dean Coastal Research Award.

We will close the conference with three quite different presentations on sand management opportunities in Miami-Dade, beach architecture and minimizing bacteria in recreational waters, and state policy and practice relating to short-term erosion control projects.

You might notice, there is not a unifying theme, or our frequent program emphasis on specific beach projects or policy issues. A different type of venue and coastal ecosystem, no local government host, and a statewide beach management program facing a number of challenges that aren't ripe for casual discussion, lead to a conscious decision to challenge tradition a bit. We have tried to expand the opportunities to network, get to know new agency faces and association members, and to acknowledge one of the FSBPA's most beloved members, our Chair Emeritus, Dr. Dean, and to make sure those that didn't have the personal pleasure and benefit of knowing Bob can appreciate how much he has meant to coastal engineering and Florida's beach program.

Please plan to join us September 23-25!



59th FSBPA Annual Conference Program

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Wednesday, September 23, 2015

1:00 p.m.

Welcome/Opening Remarks

1:15 p.m.

The Keynote Address: Florida Department of Environmental Protection – Agency Update and Strategic Goals

Jonathan Steverson, Secretary, Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Tallahassee

1:40 p.m.

Joined in Purpose: Changes at the Department of Environmental Protection affecting Florida’s Beach Management Program

Frederick Aschauer, Jr., Director, Division of Water Resource Management and Trina Vielhauer, Director, Division of Water Restoration Assistance, Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Tallahassee

2:15 p.m.

Amendment 1 and Beaches: Expectations vs. Reality

Diana Ferguson, FSBPA Legislative Services, Rutledge-Ecena, Tallahassee

2:40 p.m.

A Renewed Focus on Inlet Management: Committing to the Contributions of Dr. Dean and Senator Jones

Thomas Pierro, P.E., D.CE, Director, CB&I, Boca Raton

3:10 p.m. **Professional Exchange Break**

3:40 p.m.

Regional Sediment Management for a Resilient Coast and Sustainable Federal Program

Jackie Keiser, PG, PMP, Dredging Program Manager, Jacksonville District Director, National Center for Regional Sediment Management, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

4:15 p.m.

Hypocrisy in the Permitting Process (1983): Has Anything Changed?

Allen Ten Broek, FSBPA Chair Emeritus and Principle, The Mariner Advisory Group, Fort Myers

4:40 p.m.

Building Skills to Preserve Florida’s Shores and Beaches: The Florida Natural Resources Leadership Institute

Jonathan Dain, Director, Florida Natural Resources Leadership Institute, IFAS Extension/Department of Food and Resource Economics, University of Florida, Gainesville

5:05 p.m.

Adjourn

6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

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Thursday September 24, 2015**7:45 a.m.****Professional Exchange Break****8:15 a.m.****The Federal Program in Florida, 2015 Update and Outlook**

Colonel Jason A. Kirk, Commander, Jacksonville District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

8:45 a.m.**Research Opportunities: Expanding Horizons on Fines in the Dredging Process**

Bill Hanson, Vice-President, Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Company, Oakbrook, IL

9:10 a.m.**The Future of Nearshore Hardbottom Mitigation in Florida: Alternative Mitigation Strategies for Temporary Impacts to Habitat Functions**

Lainie Edwards, Ph.D., Program Administrator, Beaches Mining and ERP Support Program, Division of Water Resource Management, Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Tallahassee and Cheryl Miller, President, Principal Scientist, Coastal Eco-Group Inc., Deerfield Beach

9:35 a.m.**Biological Monitoring: An Underwater Perspective**

Lauren Floyd, Senior Marine Biologist and Stacy Buck, Lead Biologist, CB&I, Boca Raton

10:00 a.m. Professional Exchange Break**10:30 a.m.****Coastal Policy and Sea Turtles in an Era of Rising Seas**

Gary Appelson, Policy Coordinator, Sea Turtle Conservancy, Gainesville

10:50 a.m.**Opportunities to Plan for Community Resilience**

Moderator: Jim Murley, Executive Director, South Florida Regional Planning Council • Jennifer Jurado, Director, Broward County Environmental Planning and Community Resilience Division • Rhonda Haag, Director, Monroe County Sustainability Program • Erin Deady, President, Erin Deady Law, P.A., Lantana

11:40 a.m.**The Moral and Economic Basis for Beach Restoration**

Michael Walther, P.E., D.CE, Vice-President, Coastal Tech - G.E.C., Inc., Vero Beach

12:05 p.m.**Adjourn****12:15 p.m. FSBPA Annual General Membership Meeting****6:00 p.m. Cash Bar****6:30 p.m. Luau**

Friday, September 25, 2015

8:00 a.m.

Professional Exchange Break

8:30 a.m.

Led by Lisa Armbruster, Director of Governmental Affairs, FSBPA, Tallahassee
The Legacy of Dr. Robert G. Dean, Emeritus Professor of Coastal and Oceanographic Engineering at the University of Florida – His Contributions to the Science of Coastal Engineering, the Profession, the State of Florida, and FSBPA

James Houston, Ph.D., Director Emeritus, U.S. Army Engineer Research and Development Center, Vicksburg, MS • Thomas Campbell, P.E., retired, CB&I, Boca Raton • Erik Olsen, P.E., President and Kevin Bodge, Ph.D., P.E., Senior Vice-President, Olsen Associates, Jacksonville • Michael Barnett, P.E., former Chief, Bureau of Beaches and Coastal Systems, and Senior Coastal Engineer, Tetra Tech, Mobile, AL • Debbie Flack, President, FSBPA, Tallahassee • Senator Dennis Jones

**Robert G. Dean**

November 1, 1930 – February 28, 2015
Emeritus Graduate Research Professor
College of Engineering, University of Florida
Chair Emeritus, Florida Beach & Shore
Preservation Association

9:45 a.m.

Presentation: The Bob Dean Coastal Research Award

10:00 a.m.

Professional Exchange Break

10:30 a.m.

Sand Management Opportunities and Challenges related to Current Real Estate Development Trends in Miami Dade County, FL

Nicholas Zwemer, P.E., Project Manager, Coastal Systems International, Inc., Coral Gables

11:00 a.m.

State Policy and Engineering Practice: Short Term Erosion Control Structures

Karyn Erickson, P.E., D.CE, President, Erickson Consulting Engineers, Inc., Sarasota

11:25 a.m.

Minimizing Bacteria in Recreational Waters through Appropriate Beach Architecture

Helena Solo-Gabriele, Ph.D., P.E., Professor, University of Miami Center for Oceans and Human Health and University of Miami Department of Civil, Architectural, and Environmental Engineering

11:50 a.m.

Conference Adjourns

Subject to change, any updates as necessary will be made online and presenters notified

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IN RECOGNITION OF FSBPA'S 2015 AWARD WINNERS

We hope you are planning to attend the 2015 Annual Conference at Hawks Cay and join us for a waterfront luau to celebrate this year's award winners.

Festivities will begin at 6:30 p.m., Thursday September 24. Knowing we would have limited sunlight and minimal lighting, our intention was to limit the number of awards given this year, and this year's Call specifically requested that nominations be time-specific and long-overdue. We greatly appreciate member cooperation, and plan to make up for it next year at our more traditional venue in Naples. The good news is we have a small but stellar group of 2015 Award Winners to recognize while enjoying tropical faire and frozen libations. Our generous "banquet" sponsors include Gold sponsor, Coastal Engineering Consultants and Silver sponsors CBI, Gahagan & Bryant and TetraTech. Also a special thanks to our Award Plaques sponsor Humiston & Moore Engineers.

Local Government Award



John "Jack" Holland, Chair, Hillsboro Inlet District, Hillsboro Beach – nominated by Laurence Gore, Vice-Chair, Hillsboro Inlet District. "Jack" Holland has served on the District's Commission for 29 years, and since 2003 as its Chair. Over these years he has contributed significantly to beach nourishment, inlet sand bypassing and citizen education.

Public Service Award

Charles Listowski, former Executive Director, West Coast Inland Navigation District, Venice – nominated by Brett Moore, Mohamed Dabees, and Ken Humiston, Humiston & Moore Engineers. Chuck is recognized for his dedicated public service on behalf of the four member counties in the WCIND for his efforts to improve navigation, promote public safety, and foster regional beach management.



Richard Bonner Award

Jerry Scarborough, Chief, Water Resources Branch, USACE Jacksonville District – nominated by Jackie Keiser, Chief, Coastal & Navigation Section, Programs and Project Management Division, USACE Jacksonville District. Jerry's ultimate oversight and responsibility for the federal coastal program on behalf of the Jacksonville District of the Corps of Engineers has provided an outstanding legacy in which Florida's coastal communities, FSBPA, and the Nation have benefited.



FSBPA's BOB DEAN COASTAL RESEARCH AWARD

Dr. William Dally, Associate Professor, University of North Florida, Jacksonville – nominated by Dr. James Houston, Director Emeritus, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Engineer Research and Development Center, Vicksburg, MS. This award will be presented as part of the Dr. Dean tribute, Friday morning, September 25.

Bill received his Ph.D. in Coastal and Ocean Engineering, University of Florida, under Bob Dean's direction. His dedicated career over three decades, and two universities, has promoted recognized advances in shore protection and the understanding of coastal processes. His contributions and focus truly represent a major part of Bob's lasting legacy.



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Key Dates to Remember

- **August 21**
last day Hotel Room Reservations guaranteed at group rates
(as long as rooms and/or villas are still available in FSBPA's block)
- **Through August 21**
Early Conference Registration
- **After August 21**
Regular Registration

Conference Registration

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Tallahassee, FL 32317-3146
3. **FAX or E-MAIL:** Form and credit card information to (850) 201-6782
or E-mail: mail@fsbpa.com

Print the conference registration form



If you would rather register by fax, e-mail, or mail, click on the link above to open the registration form in a pdf file format. Type your information directly into this pdf file and print. Then simply mail, e-mail, or fax your form to the address or number listed above.

Hotel Reservations

Hotel reservations should be made directly with the conference hotel, Hawks Cay Resort. Make your reservations as soon as possible. The hotel will honor the group rate as long as rooms remain in FSBPA's block or until August 21, whichever occurs first. For complete details on group room rates which begin at \$169 plus tax, visit www.fsbpa.com/annual-conference/hotel.html.

List of Overflow Hotels

Holiday Inn Express / Marathon

As of today, August 19, 2015, rates begin at \$144. [Click Here](#) to check rates and book a room at the Holiday Inn Express / Marathon . This hotel is 7.9 miles from Hawks Cay.

Hyatt Place

As of today, August 19, 2015, rates begin at \$159. [Click Here](#) to check rates and book a room at the Hyatt Place / Marathon. Hyatt Place is 13.3 miles from Hawks Cay.

2015 FSBPA RESTAURANT GUIDE

Surrounding areas

Sunset Bar and Grill

Marathon Address: 7 Knights Key Blvd

305-396-7235

Great setting to see the beautiful Keys' sunset! Good food – fresh local seafood, steaks, chicken, burgers, raw bar, sushi, salads and all the other many offerings. Located just before the 7 mile bridge.

Kings Seafood

Marathon Address: 10925 Overseas Hwy

305-735-4132

You have to try their lobster tacos! Casual eatery offering local seafood & Cuban sandwiches. Located Vaca Bridge

Keys Fisheries

Marathon Address: 3502 Gulfview Ave

305-743-4353

Serves fresh, local seafood for both lunch and dinner. The Lobster Reuben is a great choice! The restaurant is nestled around the Keys Fisheries Marina, with outdoors dining and a bar adjacent. Located just north of the 7 mile bridge.

Hideaway Cafe

Grassy Key Address: Mile Marker 58, Rainbow Bend Resort

305-289-1554

This restaurant was recommended by Hawks Cay and called a "Hidden Gem". To ensure you get to experience the ambiance and food, reservations are recommended. If you are looking for a good steak, this is where you go! Award winning cuisine coupled with a breathtaking view is served up every day in the casual atmosphere. Located at Mile Marker 58, Grassy Key, 3.8 miles south of Hawks Cay.

Key Colony Inn

Key Colony Beach Address: 700 West Ocean Drive

305-743-0100

A local and tourist favorite, serving only the finest Florida Keys seafood. Their menu is seasoned with delicious French and Italian favorites - from succulent lobster and shrimp over angel hair pasta to steak au poivre, veal cutlets, and fresh yellowtail snapper. Dine in or outside on the spacious patio, or enjoy live, nightly entertainment in our romantic lounge, while sipping on a vintage wine, frozen libation, or our famous "Espresso Martini". Located at Mile Marker 54 in Key Colony Beach, just a short drive south of Hawks Cay.

Lazy Days South

Marathon Address: 725 11th Street Ocean

305-289-0839

Lazy Days South offers fresh seafood, seafood pastas, vegetarian pastas, sandwiches, steaks and chicken at reasonable prices. They will also cook your catch! Fabulous desserts, kids menu and full service bar available. Dine on the outside patio overlooking the beautiful waters of the Atlantic and enjoy the Florida Keys sunset... or dine indoors in a cozy, yet spacious atmosphere. Large groups and families are always welcome! Located at Mile Marker 47.3 Oceanside.

Island Fish Company

Marathon Address: 12648 Overseas Hwy.

305-743-4191

Sunsets, Bay views and great food can be found all in one place at The Island Fish Company. Sit back and relax while enjoying locally inspired dishes, fresh seafood and cool tiki favorites that will quench your thirst. Located at Mile Marker 54 in Marathon.

Mile Marker 88

Islamorada Address: 88000 Overseas Highway

305-852-9315

40 year old landmark restaurant with indoor and bayside sunset dining. Award winning continental cuisine, fresh local seafood and the largest wine selection in the Keys. Live music at the Tiki Bar on the water. Feed the tarpon from the dock everyday at 4:30pm. Open for lunch and dinner - reservations preferable. Located at Mile Marker 88.

Green Turtle Inn

Islamorada Address: 81219 Overseas Highway

305-664 2006

Green Turtle Inn's ever-changing menu items offer something for those seeking inventive cuisine, southern-style fare or inspired Florida Keys favorites. Featuring a connoisseur's wine list and full service bar. The Green Turtle is open at 7 am for breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Located at Mile Marker 81.2.

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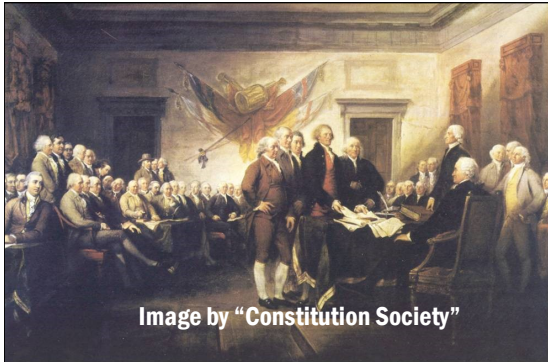
59th Annual Conference Exhibitors



A few exhibit spaces are still available!
Please visit www.fsbpa.com/annual-conference/exhibit.html for the floor plan and registration form.

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED BYLAWS AMENDMENTS (Debbie Flack)



The last formal changes to FSBPA's Bylaws were approved by the General Membership on September 23, 2010. That packet of changes was narrowly-defined and targeted to address structural and policy changes associated with our transition from a contract-managed to self-administered non-profit.

At the February 4, 2015, Board Meeting, the Chair, Richard Bouchard, appointed a Bylaws Review Committee made up of Don Donaldson (Chr.), Steve Boutelle, and the Chair. Its sole purpose was to undertake a periodic five-year bylaws review. The entire Board of Directors was given the opportunity to review existing bylaws as well as discuss and suggest changes at both the May and July Board Meetings. Two issues evolved and were discussed at these meetings. They addressed (1) the Executive Committee length of service sequence and possible conflict with terms of board members, and (2) designation of the voting member for general memberships with multiple votes.

The two proposed bylaws amendments were then reviewed by our legal counsel, Linda Shelley, and sent to the review committee for their consideration. On July 27, they were approved by the Bylaws Review Committee by formal motion. These two amendments were then distributed to the Board of Directors for vote on a motion to approve (unanimous, August 7) and instruction to record a procedural transmittal vote by the Board at our September 23 meeting, prior to the General Membership vote the following day at the Annual meeting.

Details on time and location of the general membership vote on Proposed Bylaws Amendments follow:

**2015 FSBPA Annual Conference
Annual Business Meeting
12:15 p.m.
Thursday, September 24, 2015
Overseas Ballroom
Hawks Cay**



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Discussion: Amendments to Article IV, section 4.3 and Article VI, section 6.1:

Article IV, section 4.3, of the current bylaws states members with multiple votes shall appoint one voting delegate who is authorized to cast the ballot of said member. FSBPA has never requested voting members to formally designate a voting delegate but should for accountability. The following proposed language is the least burdensome administrative approach:

“Annual membership renewals shall include notice that the individual receiving the membership invoice is the designated voting member unless another individual is formally identified with payment of dues.”

To address the frequently noted disconnect between the limitation on two consecutive 3-year board terms, and the four-member Executive Committee and its limiting impact on officer availability and demonstrated experience, after the first sentence of 6.1, insert:

“There may be one additional Director on the Board for a period of one year in the event that the immediate past chair position on the Executive Committee, as set forth in Section 7.4 herein, requires a one-year extension of the second consecutive term of the person filling that position.”

[Go to Existing Bylaws \(9/23/10\) with Two Proposed Changes \(for vote on 9/24/2015\)](#)

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2015-16 Legislative Calendar Update

The Florida Legislature convened for **Special Session B August 10** and it goes **through August 21** to amend several Congressional Districts. The Florida Legislature will conduct **Special Session 2015 C** from **October 19 through November 6** to enact a new map for Florida's Senate districts. **Special Session C** was arranged to coincide with two previously scheduled interim committee weeks to reduce additional time and expense associated with travel to Tallahassee. Additionally, **interim committee weeks** will take place **September 16-18, October 5-9, November 16-20, and November 30-December 4.**

The **2016 Regular Session** will convene **January 12, 2016** rather than the traditional March start, and is scheduled to conclude **March 11, 2016.**

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Construction of the Venice Beach Segment - Sarasota County Beach Erosion Control Project – August 2015

By Milan Mora and Sirisha Rayaprolu



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Nourishment of the Venice Beach Segment Sarasota County Shore Protection Project began in January 2015. The work is in accordance to the anticipated 10 year cycle of nourishment for the Venice Beach Segment, and is cost share 65.8% Federal and 34.2% non-Federal.



Figure 1: Flamingo Ditch outfall.

Great Lakes Dredge & Dock (GLDD) mobilized the Hopper Dredge Liberty Island and began delivering sand to the beach on Sunday, January 18, 2015. Work began immediately-south of Granada Avenue (middle of Venice Beach) and progressed northward to Venice Inlet. GLDD placed approximately 750,000 cubic-yards of beach quality sand at an estimated cost of \$15.9 million.

Sand for the beach nourishment has come from four offshore borrow areas (8O, 8P, 8R, 8S), located 9.4 nautical miles southwest of Venice, FL. A series of screens were used to remove any foreign objects from the sand such rocks and old shell casings.

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Figure 2: Photos of the ongoing construction of the Venice Beach Segment, Sarasota County Shore Protection Project.

The project was successfully completed in May 2015. The City of Venice, subsequently, organized the “Celebrate the Sand” ceremony on June 5, 2015 to commemorate completion of the beach nourishment project. Congressman Vern Buchanan was the keynote speaker of this ceremony. He commended the Corps of Engineers on the excellent work done on the project. The Corps of Engineers, in partnership with the City of Venice, achieved successful execution of beach nourishment at Venice Beach, Sarasota County, FL.

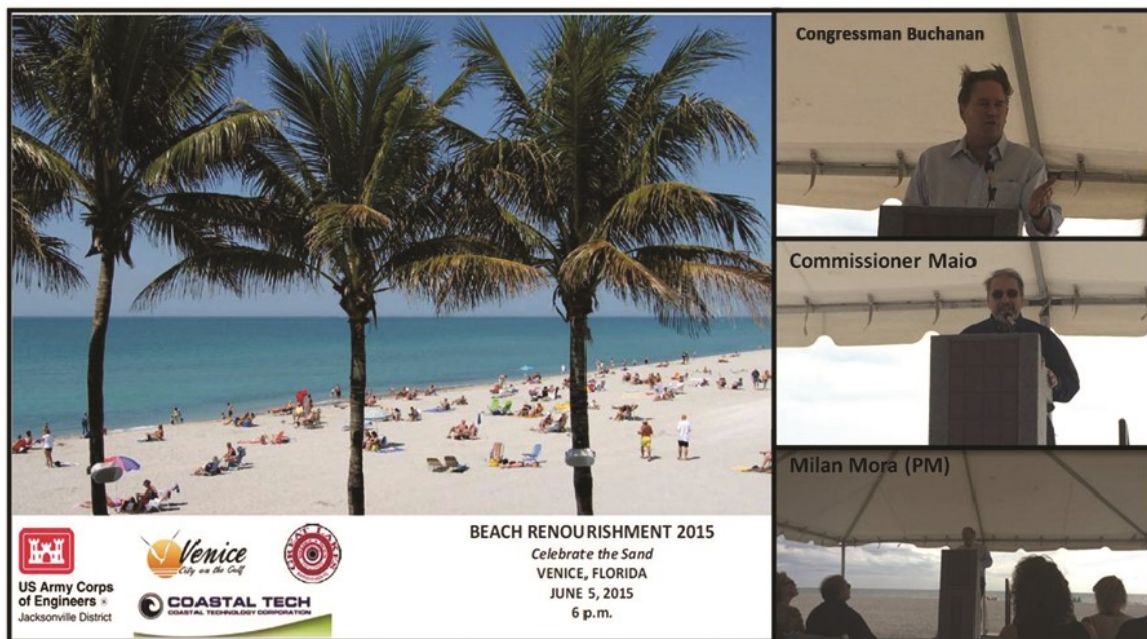


Figure 3: “Celebrate the Sand” invite and speakers at the event.

FDEP Division of Water Resource Management Agency Updates



Workshop 5: Program Policy Change Regarding Conflicts of Interest

The Florida Auditor General's operational audit recommended that "Department management establish a standardized review process and develop Program guidance for local sponsors addressing the selection of contractors. The review process and guidance should address the identification of potential conflicts of interest and require that project monitors be independent of the Program project phases they are to monitor."

The Beach Management Funding Assistance program has hosted a series of webinars to define conflicts of interest and develop a policy to mitigate potential conflicts of interest to maintain compliance with statutory authority in Chapter 287, Florida Statutes. The policy change addresses conflicts of interest through transparency when state funding is used to cost share in permit-required monitoring for beach and inlet management projects. To be eligible for state cost sharing, monitoring activities will require:

- Direct and concurrent submittal of raw data and statistical analysis from the monitor to DEP/engineer/sponsor
- Draft reports from the monitor can be submitted along with final reports
- Multidisciplinary engineering firms and subcontractors working in support of the local sponsor must demonstrate the ability to provide organizational/physical/electronic separation

Department staff will hold a 5th Webinar on August 20, 2015, from 10 AM to noon to discuss implementation of this policy. You may register for the webinar at the link below: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2938350634985777665>

Beach Management Funding Requests for FY16/17 are In!

The Legislature is starting early this year, so the application deadline for next year's funding was July 31st. The initial requested amount was \$119.2 M, with sponsors of fifty-seven beach projects requesting \$92.5M, and sponsors of eighteen inlet projects asking for \$26.7M. Program staff are now reviewing these applications for eligibility and reductions due to funding remaining in existing contracts. All funding requests can be viewed at: <http://dep.state.fl.us/beaches/programs/becp/fund-req.htm>

Draft Project Assessments will be posted to the website August 31st for review.

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Rule Revisions to Chapter 62B-49, F.A.C. Almost Final

After two public workshops and two public hearings, revisions to Chapter 62B-49, F.A.C., Joint Coastal Permits and Concurrent Processing of Proprietary Authorizations are nearing completion. These revisions address legislation passed in 2012 providing for adoption of guidelines as rule, allowing expedited permitting for maintenance projects, and the extending the duration of JCP permits. The revisions address reorganizational changes, revise the permit application form, and promote electronic submittals.

Application submittal guidelines are incorporated into Section 62B-49.005, F.A.C., Application Requirements and Processing Procedures.

Section 62B-49.0055, F.A.C., is entirely new. It establishes the procedures for expedited processing of Joint Coastal Permit applications for maintenance projects. Beach and inlet management projects with no substantial change to the project scope are eligible, provided that:

- Site conditions have not changed
- Physical monitoring demonstrated that the project performed according to design expectations
- The design interval was maintained
- Biological monitoring detected no additional adverse impacts resulting in compliance and enforcement action, and
- All reporting and mitigation requirements have been met.

If a project qualifies for the expedited process, nineteen application items would no longer be required for submittal, unless the use of a new borrow source is proposed, in which case fourteen items would no longer be required.

Time limits on permits and authorizations are explained in Section 62B-49.011, F.A.C. Fifteen year permits will be issued for projects, allowing multiple events, with an administrative modification available if two maintenance or dredging disposal events have not yet been conducted. Permit extensions are available for those with current permits issued for less than fifteen years.

Copies of all revisions, hearing and workshop presentations, and other materials are available at <http://dep.state.fl.us/beaches/rule-dev.htm>

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FWC Notice of Proposed Revisions to 68E-1, the Marine Turtle Permit Rule, Including Workshop/Webinar Dates.

FWC has announced that the revised guidelines will be posted later this week on the FWC website. These amendments are proposed to clarify and update existing rule language to reflect current procedures for review and approval of applications, to add definitions for terms in the existing Rule and to clarify criteria and timelines for review and approval of applications. Many of the proposed changes in the rule and guidelines reflect comments and suggestions from our stakeholder meetings last year. Many parts of the rule are not being changed, others were rearranged for clarity but overall the language is the same as the existing rule (<http://www.myfwc.com/license/wildlife/marine-turtle-permit/>).

This is an open process, we want to hear from you about the proposed changes – how will they affect what you do? Are there other changes not currently included that should be, or clarifications needed? At this point, the rule is a draft document, and we are open to suggestions and changes provided the language is consistent with the underlying statutes and federal requirements. You will have time after the workshops/webinars to submit comments – the webinars are to go over new language in the rule and guidelines and to answer questions as time permits. We plan for all four webinars to include the same content.

As noted in the previous email, there will be four webinars/workshops for all stakeholders over the first few weeks of September. The dates and locations are as follows:

DATE AND TIME: September 3, 2015, 3:00 p.m. (ET)

PLACE: The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, Ferris Bryant Building, Room 272, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee FL 32399. This workshop will also be broadcast via webinar. Parties must register in order to attend the webinar by emailing MTPRule@myfwc.com. Participation in the webinar will require access to a computer AND access to a telephone.

DATE AND TIME: September 8, 2015, 2:00 p.m. (ET)

PLACE: The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, Atkins Building, Suite 101, 1320 Executive Center Drive, Tallahassee FL 32301. This workshop will also be broadcast via webinar. Parties must register in order to attend the webinar by emailing MTPRule@myfwc.com. Participation in the webinar will require access to a computer AND access to a telephone.

DATE AND TIME: September 10, 2015, 5:30 p.m. (ET)

PLACE: The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, Atkins Building, Suite 101, 1320 Executive Center Drive, Tallahassee FL 32301. This workshop will also be broadcast via webinar. Parties must register in order to attend the webinar by emailing MTPRule@myfwc.com. Participation in the webinar will require access to a computer AND access to a telephone.

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