



## 63rd Annual Conference

## 63rd Annual FSBPA Conference September 16-18, 2020 Hyatt Regency Coconut Point

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### We hope you are ready, we are!

The launch of our 63<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference in Bonita Springs and Zoom is just two weeks away, and we hope you are ready to join us for this very unique hybrid event. It will be an outstanding opportunity to hear more than 25 speakers discuss new and pressing policy, planning, and funding issues concerning Florida's sandy beaches and coastlines. Your health and safety are our top priority, and we are exceeding CDC guidelines for health and safety protocols.

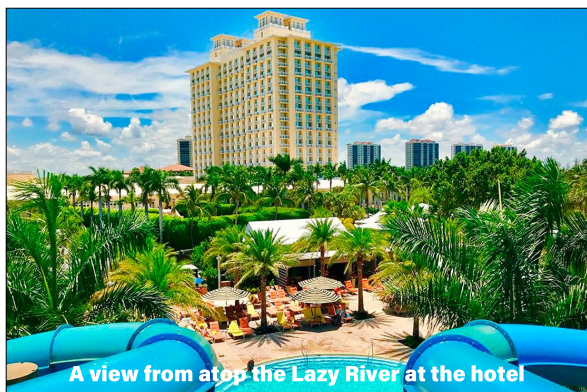
*Have you been cooped up with your beloved family for months? Are you missing face-to-face time with your professional connections? Did your summer vacation plans get cancelled by Covid? FSBPA staff have been working hard with the Bonita Springs Hyatt to make in-person conference attendance safe, meaningful, and a welcome escape from lock-down. Time to change out of the PJs and lounge pants and see if you still fit in your professional wardrobe. We hope you can join us for a conference to remember!*

Virginia Barker, Brevard County & FSBPA  
Chair

### Why you should attend?

There are many reasons to attend – learning, collaborating, and networking to name a few. And don't forget *fun*, especially if you can find time for a ride down the lazy river!

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A view from atop the Lazy River at the hotel

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## Notice of 2021 General Membership Dues

General Membership Dues invoices will be emailed early in September for the 2021 calendar year. Your membership is important to us and each member adds to the effectiveness of our organization and common goal – healthy beaches are vital to the state's economy, coastal environment, and quality of life. Thank you for your past support, and we hope you will renew.

## 2021 Tech Conference

**February 3-5**

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**Call for Abstracts**

**are now being accepted through**

**October 6, 2020.**



**2021  
National Conference  
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**Education:** We are excited about this year's program featuring a wide-range of topics and keynote presentations from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, and our host, Lee County. It will be a true pleasure to welcome Senator José Javier Rodríguez, District 37, for the policy keynote on climate change and resiliency. Other highlights include comprehensive sessions on coastal resiliency and the process of building a federal shore protection project. Attendees will learn from the experts about recent beach nourishment and inlet management projects, and there will be an exclusive presentation by Dr. Kevin Bodge on why the ocean moves in circles. This is the sequel to his Splendor of the Tides paper presented at last year's conference, designed to be a fun, interactive, and educational session.

**Collaboration and networking:** Opportunities for collaboration and networking are critical aspects of a conference. That is why we have embedded opportunities throughout the program for attendees to interact with the experts during Q&A's and with each other during professional exchange breaks and the Welcome Reception. Scheduled breaks are offered for in-person and virtual attendees; and in-person attendees can **crossover** into the virtual platform to meet with attendees who weren't able to join us in person.

*I am attending FSBPA this year in order to keep the organization strong. Covid-19 will impact future state budgets, and our group must band together in order to preserve the annual funding we worked so hard to receive; persistent advocacy and a unified front are prerequisites for our future success!*

Joshua Revord, St. Lucie County and FSBPA Board Member

There are nearly equal numbers of attendees registered in-person and on-line for this conference, and we hope that everyone will take advantage of the networking time scheduled throughout the program.

**Crossover into a virtual meeting by logging onto the registration site using your personal log-in credentials.** *(this will be emailed to you prior to the start of the conference)*

For those attending in person, social distancing and masks are a must while you are indoors. You will have easy access to walk outside and enjoy food and drink in nature's well-ventilated space. Our Welcome Reception sponsor, Garcia, is planning a soiree to remember, that includes refreshments that are sure to keep you chilled while you mingle outdoors. The Thursday evening banquet will be held in a casual, alfresco setting (Mother Nature dependent!), and we are truly thankful for the support of our dinner sponsors, Coastal Engineering Consultants, Gahagan & Bryant, and Olsen Associates.

There are professional exchange breaks scheduled with the jolts of Java, ice cream, popcorn, and treats that are a necessity to keep attendees sharp during the sessions, thanks to Taylor Engineering, Stewart Materials, and Earth Tech Enterprises. Those attending in person will also be treated to a full breakfast to finish off three days of collaboration and learning, thanks to Bill Hanson and GLDD. FSBPA has the most generous sponsors, and we are thankful for their support!

Your health and safety is our top priority. Please read about the [safety measures](#) implemented by the Hyatt, from the conference and hotel rooms, right down to the water slide. To ensure each attendee's total comfort as the situation changes day-to-day, you may convert your in-person registration to a virtual registration at any time.

### Professional credits available for registered attendees

- 12.75 Professional Development hours
- 10.5 hours of Continuing Education Credits for Coastal Floodplain Managers (pre-approved for in-person attendance)
- 11.5 General Continuing Legal Education credits

### We have an app for that!

For the 1<sup>st</sup> time, there will be a mobile app available to download the program and to find other attendees onsite, thanks to our Sponsor, Vulcan Materials.

The days of borrowing your neighbor's program are over.

## FSBPA Annual Meeting Notice

Dear Members,

The annual membership meeting will be held on September 17, 2020, at 12:25 p.m. Given the continued concerns over COVID-19, the membership meeting will be held both in the conference room at the Hyatt and online via Zoom. Annual Conference attendees will receive the meeting link through the on-line registration system. Members who would like to attend the annual meeting but not attending the conference, should email [mail@fsbpa.com](mailto:mail@fsbpa.com) to request a secure link to join the meeting. The meeting agenda is provided below and will be posted on our website in advance of the meeting.

**Florida Shore & Beach Preservation Association  
Annual Business Hybrid Meeting  
Hyatt Regency Bonita Springs and Zoom Meeting  
Thursday, September 17, 2020, 12:25 p.m.**

1. Call to Order of the 2020 Annual Meeting
2. Minutes of the September 19, 2019, Annual Meeting
3. Financial Overview
4. Election of Officers and Directors
5. Old business/New business

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## In Recognition of FSBPA's 2020 Annual Award Winners

FSBPA is honored to announce the 2020 Award Winners and their commendable contributions to Florida's beaches. Michael Poff, CEC, nominated a trio of beach preservation champions, Rachel Herman and Joseph Kraus from Sarasota County and Matthew Logan from Charlotte County, for the Public Service Award in recognition of their work on the Regional Manasota Key Beach Restoration Project. This is the first time a team of recipients was nominated for the Public Service Award, and the Awards Committee agreed wholeheartedly with the nomination.

The Manasota Key Beach Restoration Project was a true Regional Project as Charlotte and Sarasota joined forces to design, permit, and construct the first ever beach project on this developed shoreline. Mr. Logan served as the Project Manager for Charlotte County. Ms. Herman and Mr. Kraus served as the Project Managers for Sarasota County for the design/permitting and construction phases, respectively. The Project restored over 4.4 miles utilizing 880,000 cubic yards of sand from an offshore sand shoal. This incredible team persevered through every challenge thrown at them from navigating a compressed timeline, to negotiating easements, to executing a complex construction project during a pandemic. Thank you, Michael for nominating this amazing team.

We would also like to say thank you to our long-time Awards Plaque Sponsor, Brett Moore, Humiston & Moore Engineers, for his generous support of this endearing tradition.

Join us as we pay tribute to these deserving Public Service Award recipients, whose service reflects admirably on the governmental sector in the area of beach management.



### ***Matthew Logan, Project Manager***

Matthew has worked for Charlotte County for 15 years, and as a Project Manager for Erosion Control/Beach Nourishment projects for the last five years. Previously, he worked on Navigable Canal Maintenance and Coastal Projects as a Project Manager but recently transitioned to a position that allows him to focus more on the Beach Projects and Environmental Projects for Charlotte County Public Works. This indeed is very good news for Florida's beaches! Thank you, Matthew, for your inspired determination and perseverance to cross the finish line on this milestone achievement.



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***Rachel Herman, Division Manager***

Rachel began working with Sarasota County Government in 2002. Since then, she has had the opportunity to work on a number of projects related to natural resources protection in several different roles since being named the Environmental Protection Division Manager in 2017. When asked, Rachel said that she finds coastal projects to be some of the most challenging and rewarding given the importance of our shorelines to the community. She is also appreciative for the opportunity to be a part of this project and work alongside such a distinguished team. FSBPA appreciates your leadership and vision that helped this uniquely, regional project be a success!



***Joseph Kraus, Environmental Project Coordinator***

Joseph has been with Sarasota County since 1999, working in various positions relating to the environment. He is currently working in the Environmental Protection Division of Planning and Development Services as an Environmental Project Coordinator. Aside from beach restoration, some of his other responsibilities include serving as the staff liaison to the West Coast Inland Navigation District (WCIND); acting as the County's Alternate to the Gulf Consortium (RESTORE Act Pot 3) and helping to coordinate the County's RESTORE Act Pot 1 project application; and working to revise the County's Post-Disaster Redevelopment Plan and representing the department as liaison to Emergency Management. Joseph, you certainly have your hands full! Thank you for your tireless service and dedication on this project. Truly, it was a job well done in spectacular fashion.

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## USACE Jacksonville District

# Manatee County Shore Protection Project 2020 Nourishment Ongoing



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The Manatee County Shore Protection Project (SPP), Anna Maria Island Segment in Manatee County, Florida is being nourished by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Jacksonville District. The USACE awarded a \$17.3 million contract to Marinex Construction for the nourishment. The federal cost share for the project is \$8 million, while the State of Florida is contributing \$4.6 million, and the County contributing \$4.6 million.

Beach construction began on July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020 and is expected to continue until November 2020. The project will place approximately 1.1 million cubic yards of sand on the beach. Figure 1 shows the 2020 project extents.

This nourishment event includes 5.5 miles of shoreline from 78<sup>th</sup> Street North in Holmes Beach to Longboat Pass at the southern tip of Coquina Beach. This is the 5<sup>th</sup> time that Holmes beach has been nourished (1993, 2002, 2006, 2014, and 2020) and the 3<sup>rd</sup> time Coquina Beach has been nourished (2011, 2014, and 2020).

This nourishment event is a combination of both Federal and Non-Federal projects in the area. The Federal SPP extends from 78<sup>th</sup> Street North to approximately 13<sup>th</sup> Street South, while the Non-Federal project (Coquina Beach) extends from 13<sup>th</sup> Street South to the end of Anna Maria Island. The two projects were combined into one contract to save on dredge mobilization costs.

Updates on the project progress will be provided on the Jacksonville District's project website, facebook page, and on the Manatee County website located here: <https://www.mymanatee.org/beachproject>

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Figure 1: 2020 Beach Nourishment Extents

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## Call for Presentations - Deadline is October 6, 2020

We welcome abstracts on the topics listed below:

- Shore Protection Projects and Coastal Management
- Coastal Research and Environmental Science
- Additional Topics
  - ◆ Sea level rise
  - ◆ Beach and nearshore hydrographic surveying technology
  - ◆ Dredging technology
  - ◆ Coastal management policy decisions and lessons learned
  - ◆ Living shorelines, seagrass and habitat creation
  - ◆ Coastal Pier Construction Projects
  - ◆ Storm surge modeling
  - ◆ Beach operations and maintenance

### Who Should Submit?

- Public and private sector engineers
- Environmental scientists
- Coastal geologists
- Marine scientists and biologists
- Academic researchers
- Coastal surveyors
- Coastal managers and local government representatives

For complete information on the abstract topics and the submittal process, visit [www.fsbpa.com/tech-conference/presentations.html](http://www.fsbpa.com/tech-conference/presentations.html)

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**CALENDAR OF EVENTS****FSBPA Conferences**

**September 16-18, 2020**

**FSBPA Annual Conference**

**Hyatt Regency Coconut Point, Bonita Springs, Florida**

**February 3-5, 2021**

**34th Annual Tech Conference**

**Embassy Suites by Hilton, St. Augustine Beach, Florida**

**Other Dates of Interest**

**October 13-16, 2020**

**ASBPA National Coastal Conference**

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