



AGENCY ON BAY MANAGEMENT

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MEETING AGENDA

April 10, 2014

9:00 AM

NATURAL RESOURCES/ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REVIEW SUBCOMMITTEE

Mr. Tom Ash, Chair

1. CALL TO ORDER / WELCOME
2. PUBLIC COMMENT
3. APPROVAL OF THE DECEMBER 12TH SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING SUMMARY
4. ANNOUNCEMENTS
5. WETLANDS MAPPING IN TAMPA BAY

Mr. Matt McCarthy and Ms. Elizabeth Merton, USF College of Marine Science, will present the preliminary results of a research project on wetlands mapping in Tampa Bay.

6. COMPENSATORY WETLAND MITIGATION

Ms. Lindsay Cross, Tampa Bay Estuary Program, will apprise members of the status of an effort to develop a coordinated approach for directing mitigation of freshwater wetlands in the Tampa Bay watershed with the habitat restoration and protection goals included in the Tampa Bay Habitat Master Plan.

7. NOAA COASTAL RESILIENCE NETWORKS GRANT OPPORTUNITY

Ms. Maya Burke, Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council, will request that the Agency support the Council's application for funding to establish a coastal resilience network in the region.

8. OTHER ITEMS
9. ADJOURN

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MEETING SUMMARY

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DECEMBER 12, 2013

The Natural Resources/Environmental Impact Review subcommittee of the Agency on Bay Management met on December 12, 2013 in the Council conference room located at 4000 Gateway Centre Boulevard, Pinellas Park, FL. Mr. Tom Ash chaired the meeting.

Members/alternates present included the following:

Peter Clark, Tampa Bay Watch
Randy Runnels, DEP - Aquatic Preserves
Mayor Bob Minning, Treasure Island/TBRPC
Eric Raymond, Gulfstream Natural Gas
Jim Spangler, Egmont Key Alliance
Mark Sramek, NOAA/NMFS
Mike Estigo, City of Largo
Roger Johansson, Aquatic Biologist
Ronn Ginn, Commercial Interests

Shawn Colledge, Hillsborough Planning Comm
Tom Ash, EPC of Hillsborough County
Ann Paul, Audubon Florida
Heather Maggio, City of Tampa
Jan Platt, Recreational Interests
Libby Carnahan, UF IFAS/Florida Sea Grant
Lindsay Cross, TBEP
Terrie Weeks, Suncoast Sierra Club

Other individuals present:

A L Thompson, Tampa Bay Pilots Assoc
Mike Buffington, Tampa Bay Pilots Assoc
Brandt Henningsen, SWFWMD
Avera Wynne, TBRPC
Brady Smith, TBRPC
Don Conn, TBRPC
Ed Sherwood, TBEP
George Henderson, Pinellas County Citizen
Glenn Bailey, Pinellas County
Mike Meidel, Pinellas Co Economic Dev
Patrick O'Neil, TBRPC
Rob Brown, Manatee County
Walter Miller, Port of St. Petersburg

Yassert Gonzalez, SWFWMD
Barbara Poore, USGS
Catherine Quindiagan, TBEP CAC
Holly Greening, TBEP
Jennette Seachrist, SWFWMD
Lucy Trimarco, DECF
Maya Burke, ABM Staff
Melissa Harrison, Pinellas County
Nanette O'Hara, TBEP
Nicole Selvy, DEP Aquatic Preserves
Serra Herndon, Tampa Bay Watch
Suzanne Cooper, ABM Staff
Vicki Parsons, Bay Soundings

Agenda Item 1- Call to Order/Welcome

The meeting was called to order at 9:06 a.m. by Mr. Tom Ash.

Agenda Item 2 - Public Comments

No public comments were made.

Agenda Item 3 - Approval of the September 12, 2013 Meeting Summary

Upon a motion by Mr. Clark and a second by Mr. Sramek, the meeting summary was approved unanimously.

Agenda Item 4 - Announcements

Suzanne Cooper announced that this will be her last ABM meeting and introduced Ms. Maya Burke as the new Senior Environmental Planner for Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council and her replacement as ABM staff.

Mr. Minning recognized Ms. Cooper's many accomplishments over the span of her career with the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council. Mr. Ash also expressed his respect and gratitude for Ms. Cooper's comprehensive knowledge, professionalism and calm, even-handed approach to addressing issues in the region.

Agenda Item 5 - Economic Valuation of Tampa Bay Workshop

Mr. Patrick O'Neil, Principal Economic Planner, explained that the purpose of workshop is to find out ABM committee member perceptions of the extent to which different local industries rely on Tampa Bay. This information, along with research and survey data collected from other groups, will be used to create a bay-dependent coefficient that will establish the portion of the \$1.4 trillion economy that is attributable to Tampa Bay.

Discussion focused on the manner in which environmental quality would be incorporated, whether or not ecosystem services would be accounted for in the valuation and the potential moral hazard of putting a dollar value on the bay. There was also considerable discussion regarding the geographic extent of the study area, with the plurality of the group recommending using the Tampa Bay Estuary watershed (Option 1).

Using an interactive PowerPoint presentation and electronic voting response keypads, committee members proceeded to provide feedback on the percentage of each industry cluster that is dependent upon Tampa Bay and, more specifically, a healthy Tampa Bay.

Agenda Item 6 - Other Items

Ms. Carnahan reminded everyone of the Interagency Sea Level Rise Project Inventory Meeting, scheduled for January 13th at Weedon Island Preserve.

Dr. Runnels introduced Nicole Selvy, a new environmental scientist with the Tampa Bay Aquatic Preserves.

Agenda Item 7 - Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

Tom Ash, Chair

Recording Secretary