



AGENCY ON BAY MANAGEMENT

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MEETING AGENDA

December 11, 2014

9:00 AM

Natural Resources/Environmental Impact Review Committee

Mr. Tom Ash, Chair

1. CALL TO ORDER / WELCOME
2. PUBLIC COMMENT/ ANNOUNCEMENTS
3. APPROVAL OF APRIL 10, 2014 MEETING SUMMARY
4. FLORIDA SEA GRANT OIL SPILL SCIENCE OUTREACH PROGRAM

Monica Wilson, Florida Sea Grant, will provide an overview of the [Gulf of Mexico Research Initiative](#) (GoMRI) whose primary goals are to share emerging oil spill science with target audiences and collect input from those audiences to inform outreach efforts and direct investments in related research.

Action: None. Information only.

5. ST. PETERSBURG DOWNTOWN WATERFRONT MASTER PLAN

Sharon Wright, Planning and Economic Development, will share the City's progress toward developing an updated [Downtown Waterfront Master Plan](#).

Action: None. Information only.

6. EPC HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY SURFACE WATER QUALITY REPORT (2001-2010)

Dave Karlen, EPC, will present the results of the [Surface Water Quality Report \(2001-2010\)](#), which includes a proposed Water Quality Index based on seven parameters: fecal coliform, dissolved oxygen, chlorophyll a, Secchi depth, turbidity, total nitrogen and total phosphorus.

Action: Provide feedback on proposed Water Quality Index

7. OTHER ITEMS

- Boyd Hill Nature Preserve Future Land Use Map Amendment Public Hearing (12/18/14 6:00 PM)
- Cockroach Bay Unit Management Plan [DRAFT](#) (1/6/15)

8. ADJOURN

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MEETING SUMMARY

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APRIL 10, 2014

The Natural Resources/Environmental Impact Review Committee met on April 10, 2014 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:

Tom Ash, NR/EIR Chair
George Henderson, Citizen
Jan Platt, Recreational Fishing
Shawn College, Hillsborough Planning Commission

Lindsay Cross, TBEP
Randy Runnels, FDEP TBAP
Mark Sramek, NOAA
Lizanne Garcia, SWFWMD

Other individuals present:

Liza Merton, USF
Sara Bergera, FDEP TBAP
Mike Thompson, HCEPC
Martha Gruber, TBW
CJ Reynolds, USF

Matt McCarthy, USF
Shelby Butts, Birkitt Environmental Services
Vicki Parsons, Bay Soundings
Beverly Birkitt, Birkitt Environmental Services
Maya Burke, TBRPC/ABM Staff

Agenda Item 1 - Call to Order/Welcome

Chair Ash called the meeting to order at 9:17 a.m.

Agenda Item 2 - Public Comment

No public comments were made.

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

Upon a motion by Ms. Platt and a second by Mr. Henderson, the meeting summary was approved unanimously.

Agenda Item 4 - Announcements

No announcements were made.

Agenda Item 5 - Wetlands Mapping in Tampa Bay

Mr. McCarthy and Ms. Merton presented the preliminary results of their research project on wetlands mapping in Tampa Bay. Members discussed the inclusion of freshwater wetlands, methods for ground truthing, additional assessments using hyper and multi-spectral imagery.

Agenda Item 6 - Compensatory Wetland Mitigation

Ms. Cross explained the status of an effort to map freshwater wetlands within the Tampa Bay watershed and a companion attempt to integrate that information into applicable regulatory frameworks. Members discussed protection strategies in lieu of mitigation, whether the current "Restore the Balance" habitat targets are appropriate and programmatic quality assurance.

Agenda Item 7 - NOAA Coastal Resilience Networks Grant Opportunity

Ms. Burke summarized the TBRPC's grant proposal to establish a regional network of planners, emergency managers and others focused on sea level rise impacts to the built environment and requested a letter of support from the Agency. Upon a motion by Mr. Henderson, the Committee unanimously decided to provide a letter of

support from the Natural Resources/Environmental Impact Review Committee of the Agency on Bay Management.

Agenda Item 8 · Other Items

No other items were brought before the Agency.

Agenda Item 9 · Adjourn

Chair Minning adjourned the meeting at 10:52 a.m.

Recording Secretary

Tom Ash, Natural Resources/
Environmental Impact Review Chair