

**Ecosystem Protection: Ecological Reserves / Preservation Areas and  
Wildlife Protection Working Group**  
Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary Marine Zoning and Regulatory Review  
*Eco-Discovery Center, Key West – May 13-14, 2014*

**DRAFT AGENDA**

**~ Working Group Charge ~**

Recommend new or modified marine zones to ensure protection of a diversity of resources, including spawning aggregations and the full suite of marine flora and fauna.

**~ Meeting Objectives ~**

- Review available ecological and human use data for the Lower Keys Region.
- Discuss working group members' local knowledge of the region.
- Consider the extent to which ecological diversity and abundance are protected by the location and extent of current marine zones in the region.
- Discuss human use of marine resources in the region.
- Consider the spectrum of management options that can be applied to marine zones.
- Propose and discuss ecosystem protection recommendations for the region, providing a rationale for proposed recommendations as well as for opposition to recommendations.
- Make preliminary recommendations for the Lower Keys region, and as needed identify areas of agreement as well as any irresolvable differences that need to be documented.

**~ Tuesday, May 13<sup>th</sup> ~**

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| 9:00 – 9:30am   | Check-in, Coffee, and Continental Breakfast   |
| 9:30 – 10:00am  | Welcome, Review of Agenda, and Check-in On Overall Process  |
| 10:00 – 10:30am | Discussion: Considerations for the Lower Keys Region  |
| 10:30 – 10:45am | Orientation to the Region   |
| 10:45 – 11:00am | Break   |
| 11:00 – 11:45am | Human Use Data / Analysis for the Lower Keys Region, and Sharing of Additional Local Knowledge        |
| 11:45 – 12:15pm | Public Input Opportunity  |
| 12:15 – 1:00pm  | Lunch (provided for Working Group members)  |
| 1:00 – 2:15pm   | Natural Resource Data / Analysis for the Lower Keys Region, and Sharing of Additional Local Knowledge |
| 2:15 – 3:30pm   | Small Group Discussion: Using the Data and Queries  |
| 3:30 – 3:45pm   | Report Out  |
| 3:45 – 4:00pm   | Public comment  |

**~ Wednesday, May 14<sup>th</sup> ~**

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| 9:00 – 9:30am   | Check-in, Coffee, and Continental Breakfast   |
| 9:30 – 9:40am   | Welcome Back, Review Agenda for Day 2   |
| 9:40 – 10:15am  | Small Group Discussion: Management Possibilities  |
| 10:15 – 11:15am | Breakout Groups Report Out, and Round-Robin: Suggestions for the Lower Keys Region  |
| 11:15 – 11:45am | Public Input Opportunity  |
| 11:45 – 12:30pm | Lunch (provided for Working Group members)  |
| 12:30 – 2:00pm  | Discussion of Suggestions   |
| 2:00 – 2:15pm   | Break   |
| 2:15 – 3:40pm   | Discussion: Settling on Preliminary Recommendations for the Lower Keys Region – Areas of Consensus, Areas of Majority Agreement, and Concerns to Document |
| 3:40 – 3:55pm   | Public Comment  |
| 3:55 – 4:00pm   | Next Steps, Wrap-up   |