

FLORIDA KEYS NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY ADVISORY COUNCIL

Hyatt Place
1996 Overseas Highway
Marathon, FL 33050
Tuesday, June 16, 2015

DRAFT AGENDA

SANCTUARY ADVISORY COUNCIL MISSION STATEMENT

(adopted unanimously, December 6, 2005)

The Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council is an interactive liaison between the residents and visitors of the Florida Keys and the staff and management of the FKNMS. In this role, and with the understanding that a healthy ecosystem is essential to the economy and quality of life in the Florida Keys, the SAC will promote restoration and maintenance of biodiversity and ecological resiliency in the South Florida environment. We will strive to achieve a vibrant, ecologically sustainable ecosystem and economy through application of the best available science and balanced, conservation-based management.

- 9:00** **Call to Order**
 Pledge of Allegiance
 Roll Call
 Approve Minutes from April 21, 2015 Meeting
 Adopt Agenda for this Meeting
 Chairperson’s Comments
- 9:15** **Marine Events and Concentrated Uses: Challenges and Issues** (Presentations)
 9:15 – U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
 Nancy Finley, Florida Keys National Wildlife Refuge Complex
 9:30 – Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission
 Captain David Dipre, Division of Law Enforcement
 9:45 – Monroe County Sheriff’s Office
 Participant still to be determined
 10:00 – U.S. Coast Guard
 Lieutenant Commander Andrew Bender, Prevention Department
- 10:15** **Break**
- 10:30** **Marine Events and Concentrated Uses: Challenges and Issues** (Discussion
 and Potential Action)
- 11:30** **Public Comment for Items Not on the Agenda**

- 11:45** **Lunch**
- 1:00** **Reef Fish Visual Survey Monitoring** (Presentation and Discussion)
Jeremiah Blondeau, NOAA Southeast Fishery Science Center
- 1:30** **Coral Reef Ecosystem Monitoring** (Presentation and Discussion)
Rob Ruzicka, Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, Fish and Wildlife Research Institute
- 2:00** **Florida Reef Resilience Program’s Coral Bleaching Monitoring** (Presentation and Discussion)
Chris Bergh, The Nature Conservancy
- 2:30** **Coral Reef Genetics and Stress Response** (Presentation and Discussion)
Bill Fitt, University of Georgia
- 3:00** **Break**
- 3:15** **Public Comment for Items Not on the Agenda**
- 3:30** **Agency Reports: Superintendent's Report, Regional Director’s Report and Agency Report Highlights:** DEP, FWC-FWRI, FWC-LE, NOAA NMFS Southeast Region, NOAA OGCES, NOAA OLE, EPA, NPS, USCG, USEPA,USFWS, and U.S. Navy
- 4:00** **Upcoming Meeting and Closing Remarks**
Chair Ken Nedimyer, SAC Chair
- 4:10** **Adjourn**

Public Comment: Public comment will be taken for any agenda item prior to any council action. Any person who wishes to make public comment on items not on the agenda should do so at the designated time. The sign-up sheet for public comment is located on the information table at the entrance to the meeting room.