

**FLORIDA KEYS NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY ADVISORY COUNCIL**

*Ocean Reef Cultural Center  
200 Anchor Drive,  
Ocean Reef Club, Key Largo, FL 33037  
Tuesday, October 18, 2016*

**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.*

- 9:30**            **Call to Order**  
                    **Pledge of Allegiance**  
                    **Roll Call**  
                    **Approve Minutes from August 16, 2016 Meeting**  
                    **Adopt Agenda for this Meeting**  
                    **Chairperson's Comments**
- 9:45**            **Florida Reef Resilience Program Outcomes** (Presentation and Discussion)  
                    *Chris Bergh, The Nature Conservancy*
- 10:15**            **Photo-Mosaic Coral Bleaching Analysis at Cheeca Rocks** (Presentation and Discussion)  
                    *Brooke Gintert, University of Miami Rosenstiel School of Marine Science*
- 11:00**            **Break**
- 11:20**            **Community Observations in the Florida Keys: Bleachwatch** (Presentation and Discussion)  
                    *Cory Walters, Mote Marine Laboratory*
- 11:40**            **Community Observations in the Florida Keys: C-Ocean** (Presentation and Discussion)  
                    *Cory Walters, Mote Marine Laboratory*

- 12:00**            **Lunch**
- 1:15**            **Update and Next Steps on Advisory Council Working Group to Develop a Voluntary Education and Recognition Program for Charter Fishing Operators** (Discussion and Potential Action)  
*Nicole Uibel, Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary*  
*Will Benson, Sanctuary Advisory Council Fishing – Charter Fishing Flats Guide Member*
- 2:00**            **Water Quality Protection Program – Update on Activities** (Presentation and Discussion)  
*Chris Bergh, FKNMS Advisory Council Representative to the WQPP*
- 2:15**            **Boater Education in the Florida Keys** (Discussion and Potential Action)  
*Ed Lindelof, Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary*
- 2:45**            **Public Comment for Items Not on the Agenda**
- 3:00**            **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
- 3:15**            **Upcoming Meeting and Closing Remarks**  
*Chair Ken Nedimyer, SAC Chair*
- 3:20**            **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.