

FLORIDA KEYS NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY ADVISORY COUNCIL

MEETING

Tuesday, August 15, 2023

Marathon City Council Chambers

Marathon, FL 33050

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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 resilience 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 with Roll Call

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call & SAC Mission Statement

Adopt agenda for this meeting

Adopt meeting notes from June 2023 meeting

Chairperson's Comments

9:20 SAC Member Recruitment

Liz Trueblood, Community Engagement Coordinator, FKNMS

9:25 Buoy Working Group Recommendations, Possible Action Item

Will Benson, SAC Member and Working Group Co-Chair

Lisa Mongelia, SAC Member and Working Group Co-Chair

10:25 Break

- 10:30 Seagrass Monitoring Program: Status and Trends**
Dr. Jim Fourqurean, Florida International University
- 11:05 Nearshore Community Research and Monitoring**
Tom Matthews, FWC Fish and Wildlife Research Institute
- 11:30 Lunch**
- 1:00 FKNMS Temperature Event Briefing**
Sarah Fangman, Superintendent, FKNMS
- 1:15 SAC Member Panel: Marine Heat Wave Response and Observations**
- 2:30 Best Practices for Communicating Climate Change**
Liz Trueblood, Community Engagement Coordinator, FKNMS
- 3:30 Break**
- 3:40 Public Comment Opportunity**
- 4:00 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, USFWS, and U.S. Navy
- 4:15 Closing Remarks**
Chairperson and Superintendent
- 4:20 Adjourn**