

FLORIDA KEYS NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY ADVISORY COUNCIL

Hyatt Place
1996 Overseas Highway
Marathon, FL 33050
Tuesday, December 8, 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 October 20, 2015 Meeting
 Adopt Agenda for this Meeting
 Chairperson’s Comments
- 9:15** **NOAA Recreational Fishing Strategic Plan** (Presentation and Discussion)
 Russ Dunn, NOAA National Marine Fisheries
- 10:00** **Florida Bay Seagrass Die-off** (Presentation and Potential Action)
 Jim Fourqurean, Florida International University
- 10:45** **Break**
- 11:00** **Water Quality Monitoring in South Florida** (Presentation and Potential Action)
 Chris Kelble, NOAA Atlantic Oceanographic & Meteorological Laboratory
- 11:45** **Water Quality Protection Program – Canal Demonstration Projects**
 (Presentation and Discussion)
 Rhonda Haag, Monroe County
- 12:30** **Lunch**

- 1:30** **Public Comment for Items Not on the Agenda**
- 1:45** **Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary 2016 Buoy Campaign** (Presentation and Discussion)
Sean Morton, Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary
- 2:00** **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
- 2:30** **Upcoming Meeting and Closing Remarks**
Chair Ken Nedimyer, SAC Chair
- 2:35** **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.