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Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary
33 East Quay Road
Key West, FL 33040

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To Potential Sanctuary Advisory Council Applicants:

We are in the process of filling the following seats on the Sanctuary Advisory Council for the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary: Boating Industry (primary and alternate), Citizen At Large: Upper Keys (primary and alternate), Conservation and Environment: Seat 1 of 2 (alternate), Diving: Upper Keys (primary), Fishing: Charter Sport (primary and alternate), Fishing: Recreational (primary and alternate), Fishing: Commercial Shell/Scale (alternate) Research and Monitoring (primary and alternate).

Applications will be accepted through February 15, 2023. The Sanctuary Advisory Council for the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary was established pursuant to Federal law to ensure continued public participation in the management of the sanctuary.

Please review the associated application form for this appointment to the council, link to the council charter, and press release about the sanctuary seeking applicants for the Sanctuary Advisory Council. Per the charter, voting members and alternates are normally appointed for a term of three years, and may compete for reappointment. If necessary, terms of appointment may be changed to provide for staggered expiration dates or member resignation mid-term. Seats filled via this appointment will expire in June of 2026.

Please note that if you have been a federally registered lobbyist in the two-year period before your potential appointment date to the council, you will not be eligible to serve as a member of a sanctuary advisory council. Please contact Liz Trueblood at 305-434-9372 if you have any questions about this restriction.

We are looking forward to receiving completed applications via secure email to Elizabeth.Trueblood@noaa.gov. Applications will be reviewed by a preliminary review panel consisting of: myself, the Sanctuary Superintendent; the Chair; the Vice-Chair; the former Chair; and our state of Florida partner, Florida Department of Environmental Protection.

All applicants will be notified once decisions have been made regarding appointments for the positions to be filled. If at any point you have a change in circumstance that will prevent you from serving on the council, please notify Liz Trueblood at 305-434-9372. You may also contact her if you have any questions about the sanctuary, the advisory council or the advisory council selection process.

Sincerely,

Sarah Fangman
Sanctuary Superintendent

