



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY
DIVISION OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Spring Program Meeting
May 30th & 31st, 2013

City of Ft. Myers & San Carlos Island

DAY ONE: Thursday, May 30th, 2013

San Carlos Island: 700 Fisherman's Wharf, Fort Myers Beach, FL 33931

10:00 AM	Welcome	Joanne Semmer, San Carlos Island
10:20AM	Introduction	Julie Dennis, DEO
10:30 AM	Sustainable Working Waterfronts Toolkit and Demonstration	Bob Swett, Florida Sea Grant
11:30 AM	Using Partnerships to Facilitate Oyster Restoration	Judy Ott, Charlotte Harbor National Estuary Program
12:00 PM	Networking Lunch at Bonita Bill's Waterfront Café - Dutch treat at restaurant next door	702 Fisherman's Wharf Fort Myers Beach, FL 33931
1:00 PM	Guided Tour of San Carlos Island	Joanne Semmer, San Carlos Island
2: 30 PM	Tax-Increment Financing and Working Waterfronts	Ralf Brookes, Attorney Tom Ankersen, UF Law Conservation Clinic & Florida Sea Grant
3:00 PM	Clean & Resilient Marinas	Mike Spranger, University of Florida
3:30 PM	Community Roundtable Discussion	Julie Dennis, DEO

Evening Activities

5:30 PM **Happy Hour at the Ostego Bay Marine Sciences Center**

6:15 PM **Group Dinner and *Ocean Frontiers* Screening on San Carlos Island**

Please plan to join us for dinner in the evening -- an all-inclusive buffet for the discounted rate of \$15/per person. We will view an award winning short film (approx. 20 minutes) on neat partnerships in coastal communities followed by discussion among all guests led by Florida Sea Grant. Beer and wine will be available for purchase.





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DAY TWO: Friday, May 31st, 2013

City of Ft. Myers: Harborside Event Center
1375 Monroe Street, Ft. Myers, FL 33901

8:15 AM	Welcome	Rose Rundle, City of Ft. Myers Waterfronts Chair Mayor Randy Henderson Jr., City of Ft. Myers
8:30 AM	Introduction to the City of Ft. Myers	Leigh Scrabis, Deputy Director, Ft. Myers Redevelopment Agency
9:00 AM	City of Ft. Myers Tour	Leigh Scrabis, Ft. Myers
10:30 AM	Involving your Local Businesses in the Community	Michael Piggott, President of the River District Alliance (RDA); Suzy Lewis, Events Chair of RDA
11:00 AM	Planning and Hosting Community Festivals	Sharon McAllister, ArtFest Executive Director
11:30 AM	How to Increase Tourism through Marketing	Bud Nocera, President of Ft. Myers Beach Chamber of Commerce
12:00 PM	Punta Gorda Adaptation Planning	Jim Beever, Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council
12:30 PM	Wrap-up and Adjourn	Julie Dennis, DEO



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