



Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council

# Agency on Bay Management

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## MEMORANDUM

TO: (Via US Mail) Members, Agency on Bay Management  
(Via E-mail) Alternates, Committee Members, TBRPC Members,  
Interested Parties

FROM: Councilmember Bob Kersteen, Chair

SUBJECT: March 12, 2009 Full Agency on Bay Management Meeting

DATE: March 2, 2009

**The full Agency on Bay Management will meet from 9:00 a.m. until noon on Thursday, March 12th at the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council, 4000 Gateway Centre Blvd., Pinellas Park.**

On the Full Agency meeting agenda are:

- Approval of the January 8, 2009 Full Agency Meeting Summary
- Committee Updates
  - = Natural Resources/Environmental Impact Review - Habitat Restoration committees' joint meeting
  - = Legislative Review Committee, with recommended position on Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission 2009 Legislative proposals
- West Central Florida Area Contingency Plan
- Proposed Howard Frankland Bridge Rock Groin
- Florida Seagrass Conservation Information System
- Research efforts concerning the Federally-endangered Smalltooth Sawfish (*Pristis pectinata*)

Enclosed, or attached to the agenda package on-line, are the following items for your review prior to the meeting:

- Meeting agenda (see page 2) ([Notice](#))
- Summary of the January 8, 2009 Agency on Bay Management meeting ([Summary](#))
- Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission 2009 Legislative Proposals ([Legislative](#))
- Permit Application for Howard Frankland Bridge Rock Groin (in part) ([HFBRG](#))
- Information Sheet on the Florida Seagrass Conservation Information System ([Seagrass](#))
- Draft Smalltooth Sawfish Recovery Plan (in part) ([Sawfish](#))

I hope to see you on Thursday, March 12<sup>th</sup> at Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council. Please call Suzanne Cooper, Agency staff at 727-570-5151 Ext. 32, or e-mail [suzanne@tbrpc.org](mailto:suzanne@tbrpc.org) if you have any questions.



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## Meeting Agenda

March 12, 2009  
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### 9:00 a.m. MEETING OF THE FULL AGENCY ON BAY MANAGEMENT

Councilmember Bob Kersteen, Chair

- **Agenda Item #1**      **CALL TO ORDER / WELCOME**
- **Agenda Item #2**      **APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY 8, 2009 MEETING SUMMARY**
- **Agenda Item #3**      **ANNOUNCEMENTS**
- **Agenda Item #4**      **COMMITTEE UPDATES**
  - **Natural Resources/Environmental Impact Review - Habitat Restoration joint meeting**
  - **Legislative Review Committee**  
Recommended positions on FL Fish and Wildlife Conservation Comm. 2009 proposals
- **Agenda Item #5**      **WEST CENTRAL FLORIDA AREA CONTINGENCY PLAN**  
U.S. Coast Guard Lt. Commander Thomas Boyles will present this recently-updated plan, used to define roles, responsibilities and procedures necessary to respond to a myriad of oil and hazardous substance releases. Copies of the Plan on CD will be available.
- **Agenda Item #6**      **HOWARD FRANKLAND BRIDGE ROCK GROIN**  
Consultants for the FL Department of Transportation will present the project (previously presented to the ABM in October 2008) as it has been submitted for permitting. It is requested that the Agency provide input to TBRPC for the permit application review.
- **Agenda Item #7**      **FLORIDA SEAGRASS CONSERVATION INFORMATION SYSTEM AND WILDLIFE LEGACY PROGRAM**  
Ms. Andrea Barber, Wildlife Legacy Biologist with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, will describe this initiative, including an action plan for conserving all of the state's wildlife and vital natural areas for future generations.
- **Agenda Item #8**      **RESEARCH CONCERNING THE SMALLTOOTH SAWFISH IN FLORIDA**  
Mr. Gregg Poulakis, Marine Research Associate with the FL Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, will describe the current level of knowledge about the federally-endangered Smalltooth Sawfish (*Pistis pectinata*) and the research underway to improve it.
- **Agenda Item #9**      **OTHER ITEMS**
- **Agenda Item #10**     **ADJOURN**

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