



TBRPC AGENCY ON BAY MANAGEMENT HABITAT RESTORATION COMMITTEE

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HABITAT RESTORATION COMMITTEE AGENDA

November 10, 2016
9:00 AM

Peter Clark, Habitat Restoration Committee Chair

1. CALL TO ORDER / WELCOME
2. PUBLIC COMMENT/ ANNOUNCEMENTS
3. DREDGED HOLE ASSESSMENT PROJECT

Gary Raulerson- TBEP

Overview of the background and research that will assess fisheries and benthos usage of 11 dredged holes, building on work from a decade ago, trying to assess them for habitat use and if any restoration is necessary.

Action: None, information only

4. VISUALIZING DREDGING IN FLORIDA

Rob Holmes- Auburn University

Historically, dredging was central to the urbanization of Florida: canals were dredged through the Everglades to drain land for development; spoil islands reflect the dredging of intracoastal waterways; and beach nourishment has sustained the beaches that draw both tourists and residents. Today, navigational dredging can be understood as an infrastructure supporting urban life.

Historic and contemporary sources have been mined to represent the geography of dredging and dredged material placement in a way that can inform decision-makers and the public, looking for synergies between ecological goals like habitat creation, economic goals like maintenance of channel depths, public goals like recreation, and long-term environmental priorities such as adaptation to sea-level rise.

Action: None, information only

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