

FLORIDA KEYS NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY ADVISORY COUNCIL

**Monroe County Government Center
Emergency Operations Center/Board of County Commissioners Meeting Room
2798 Overseas Highway, Marathon, FL 33050
Tuesday, August 21, 2012**

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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 June 19, 2012 Meeting
 Adopt Agenda for this Meeting
 Chairperson's Comments
- 9:15** **Summary of Comments Received During Scoping for the FKNMS Marine Zoning/USFWS Backcountry Management Plan/Regulations Review: Sean Morton, FKNMS**
- 10:30** **Break**
- 10:45** **Public Comment**
- 11:00** **Marine Zoning Planning and Process Overview: Anne Walton, NOAA, Office of National Marine Sanctuaries**
- 12:00** **LUNCH – on your own**
- 1:00** **Biogeography Overview: Chris Jeffrey, NOAA, National Centers for Coastal Ocean Science, Biogeography Branch**
- 2:15** **Public Comment**

- 2:30** **Break**
- 2:45** **Key West National Wildlife Sea Turtle Project:** Michael Bresette, InWater Research Group
- 3:15** **Superintendent's Report, ONMS Regional Director's Report, and Agency Report Highlights:** DEP, FWC, NOAA NMFS Southeast Region, NOAA OLE, NPS, USCG, and USFWS
- 3:45** **Site Evaluation List:** Billy Causey, ONMS Southeast Atlantic, Gulf of Mexico and Caribbean Region
(possible SAC action)
- 4:15** **Upcoming Meeting and Closing Remarks:** Chair Ken Nedimyer, SAC
- 4:30** **Adjourn**