

FLORIDA KEYS NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY ADVISORY COUNCIL

**Marathon Garden Club, Marathon
Tuesday, February 16, 2010**

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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 December 8, 2009 Meeting
Adopt Agenda for this Meeting
Chairperson's Comments, Introductions
- 9:20** **Superintendent's Report and Agency Report Highlights:** FKNMS, Southeast ONMS Region, NOAA OLE, NOAA General Counsel Southeast Region, FDEP, FWC, SFWMD, USCG, USEPA, and USFWS
- 10:05** **Public Comment**
- 10:20** **Break**
- 10:30** **SAC Working Group Report:** Martin Moe, SAC Education and Outreach Working Group
- 10:45** **SAC Working Group Report:** Chris Bergh, Ecosystem Restoration Working Group
- 11:00** **Report on Recent Water Quality Protection Program Meeting:** Bruce Popham, SAC and Sean Morton, FKNMS
- 11:20** **Management Plan Implementation - Proposed Marine Sanitation Device Discharge Rule:** Sean Morton, FKNMS; SAC (possible SAC action)
- 11:40** **Discussion of SAC Officer Election in April 2010, Amendment to SAC Charter, and Nomination of Candidates for Chair and Vice-Chair for the Ballot:** Sean Morton and Lilli Ferguson, FKNMS; SAC

- 12:00** **LUNCH** on your own
- 1:00** **Summary of Current Legislative Efforts Regarding Opening Waters Offshore of Florida to Oil Drilling:** Megan Tinsley, Audubon of Florida
- 1:30** **Ocean Currents and Circulation of the West Florida Shelf/Gulf of Mexico:** Villy Kourafalou, University of Miami Rosenstiel School of Marine and Atmospheric Science
- 2:00** **Statement of Opposition to Opening Waters Offshore of Florida to Oil Drilling:** Adam Rivera, Environment Florida
- 2:30** **Break**
- 2:45** **Statement of Support for Opening Florida Waters to Oil Drilling:** David Mica, Florida Petroleum Council
- 3:15** **Public Comment**
- 3:30** **SAC Discussion:** SAC
(possible SAC action)
- 4:00** **Adjourn**