

Business Meeting Agenda

U.S. Coral Reef Task Force Meeting
Washington, D.C.
U.S. Department of Commerce
1401 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230
May 4, 2006

- 8:00 – 8:30** **Registration**
- 8:30 – 9:00** **Opening Remarks**
Task Force Introductions
- 9:00 – 10:00** **Steering Committee Update**
Legislative Update (5P, 10D)
Action Item Updates (5P, 5 D)
 Enforcement Training Initiative (5P, 5D)
 2008 International Coral Year Proposal (5P, 10D)
- 10:00 – 10:20** **Break**
- 10:20-11:15** **Hold for additional timely topics and discussion**
- 11:15 – 12:00** **Caribbean Coral Bleaching Response Interim Report**
- Initial survey results and spatial assessment – *Mark Eakin - NOAA* (10P)
 - Case Study: Impact on USVI National Parks - Long term monitoring of bleaching rates, recovery and mortality – *Jeff Miller - NPS, Dr. Caroline Rogers - USGS* (10P)
 - Management approach to coral reef ecosystem resiliency, Florida Reef Resiliency Program – *Phil Kramer - The Nature Conservancy* (10P)
 - Discussion (15D)
- 12:00 – 1:00** **Lunch**
- 1:00 – 1:40** **Keynote presentation (30P/10D)**
Dr. Drew Harvell – Cornell University
- 1:40-2:20** **Coral Reef Local Action Strategies: Progress Report and Next Steps**
- 2:20-2:40** **Break**
- 2:40-3:40** **Public Comment**
- 3:40-3:50** **All Islands Committee report**
- 3:50 – 4:50** **U.S. Coral Reef Task Force Member Key Issues & Opportunities**
FY04 – FY05 Accomplishment Report Highlights (10P)
Decision Items & Task Force Discussion
- 4:50 – 5:00** **Closing Remarks**
- 5:00 – 6:00** **Open House – Exhibit Viewing**