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Greater Everglades Ecosystem Restoration

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About GEER 2015

Restoration of the Greater Everglades has advanced significantly since the last GEER conference held in conjunction with INTECOL in 2012, and science in support of restoration has become even more important to achieve restoration results. Significant challenges face society's vision for restoration – altered hydrology, degraded water quality, invasions by non-native plants and animals, human development placing pressure on our remaining natural systems, and climate change. Despite these challenges, major restoration projects are planned and/or underway, including increased water storage, bridges on Tamiami Trail to restore flow, water quality improvement, and others. High-quality science relevant to these challenges and the restoration efforts are required to provide resource managers and policy-makers with the best information possible. GEER 2015 will provide a valuable forum for scientists and engineers to showcase and communicate the latest scientific developments, and to facilitate information exchange that builds shared understanding among federal, state, local, and tribal scientists and decision-makers, academia, non-governmental organizations, the private sector, and private citizens.

Given the present fiscal and policy constraints, GEER 2015 will be slightly shorter than past GEER conferences and have a simplified meeting structure to keep costs for participants as low as possible. The conference organizers have worked hard to provide an excellent location and conference venue, three full days of plenary and contributed sessions, and opportunities for valuable interaction – all while minimizing travel, lodging, and meeting costs. Please join us to by supporting GEER 2015 and being part of the dialogue to better understand and inform Everglades restoration!



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Complimentary registrations	3	2	1
Acknowledgement signage as refreshment break sponsor	✓		
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Pre-conference and post-conference list of attendees	✓		
Recognition on the back cover of the Printed Program Book	✓	✓	
Recognition in the Conference Internet Cafe	✓	✓	
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Recognition on slide show in session rooms	✓	✓	✓
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Recognition during the opening plenary session	✓	✓	✓
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Table Top Rental Package

A limited number of 6 ft. table top displays are available at no charge for non-profit educational displays only. To reserve a table, please email Beth Miller-Tipton at bmt@ufl.edu.

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To lock in your sponsorship, please complete the Sponsorship Commitment Form located in the Sponsors & Exhibitors section of the conference website - or - contact Beth Miller-Tipton at bmt@ufl.edu.

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GEER Testimonials

“There’s no other place where I can get a consensus of what the science is saying about Everglades Restoration. GEER is a model for how these things need to be done.”

Terrence “Rock” Salt

Former Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army (Ret.)

“The GEER conference is a wonderful forum to present and to understand all of the science different agencies are incorporating into their Restoration efforts. GEER is the highlight of the science program for the Greater Everglades.”

Robert Johnson

National Park Service

“Many restoration professionals use the GEER conference as a place to test out new ideas and share some of the results when we look at impacts. GEER brings all of that expertise together in one place over a short period of time and allows us to understand much more. If you’re involved in Everglades Restoration, you should be at this conference.”

Nick Aumen

GEER 2015 Conference Co-Chair
US Geological Survey

“GEER provides a near perfect environment for discussing the issues. The working environment is great and the out of session discussions are a very effective way of accomplishing new goals.”

Erik Stabenau

National Park Service

“Instead of looking at the broad picture, people often find themselves oriented around just what their job entails. GEER’s wide spectrum of information from different sectors broadens my perspective on what is going on within the Greater Everglades as a whole.”

“As an undergraduate student, GEER is a great opportunity to network with professors and graduate students from outside of my university. Their unique perspectives and feedback regarding my poster presentation were invaluable. The information I learned and the connections I made set the stage for my graduate program.”

“GEER is the most important conference we have for Everglades Restoration. It is my favorite conference!”

Paul Souza

US Fish & Wildlife Service

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Attendee Snapshot



Who Attends GEER?

- federal, state and local agency personnel
- academic faculty, staff, graduate, and undergraduate students
- tribal governments and members
- educators and outreach practitioners
- scientists
- engineers
- hydrologists
- modelers
- managers
- planners
- policy makers
- politicians
- environmental consultants
- natural resource managers
- environmental groups
- industry groups
- hunters and fisherman
- private citizens

Topical Focus

- Adaptive Management
- Agriculture & Urban Landuse- BMPs
- Agriculture in the Context of Everglades Restoration
- Biogeochemistry, Contaminants, & Water Quality
- C-111 Spreader Canal Project Progress
- Carbon Sequestration
- Carbon, Peat, & Soil Dynamics
- Climate Change, Sea Level Rise & Natural Hazards (hurricanes, freezes, droughts, floods)
- Coastal and Estuarine Science
- Ecosystem Connectivity and Function
- Ecosystem Services and Sustainability
- Effects of Sea Level Rise and Salt Water Intrusion on Everglades System's Soils
- Hydrology (Flow, Depth, Duration, etc.)
- Everglades Science-Decision Making
- Greenhouse Gas Emissions
- Human Influence Change
- Hydrogeology & Seepage Management
- Interactions of Hydrologic & Phosphorus Biogeochemical Dynamics
- Invasive Species Large-Scale Modeling Progress & Developments
- Legacy Phosphorus-Implications to Everglades Restoration
- Lessons Learned from Stormwater Treatment Areas
- Mangrove Systems Role in the Everglades System
- Mercury Cycling, Transport and Effects
- Paleocology & Historical Hydrology
- Patterns of Long-Term Change in the Everglades System
- Potential Adaptations to Climate Change & Sea Level Rise
- Program Management & Project Implementation
- Regional Planning – Coastal Ocean & Upstream Communities
- Restoration & Coastal Water Quality
- Sampling Tools & Technologies
- Science Behind CEPP
- Science Contributions to Restoration Planning
- Sea Level Rise Coupled Biogeochemical Cycles
- South Florida's Ecological Economics & Ecosystem Services
- Stormwater Treatment Areas
- System-Wide Science
- Tracking Restoration Performance
- Tree Islands
- Unifying Concepts for Interdisciplinary Planning
- Urban Development in the Context of Everglades Restoration
- Water Sustainability in South Florida

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Attendee Organizations

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AMEC Environment & Infrastructure
America's WETLAND Foundation
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DHI
DOE Joint Genome Institute
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