Stakeholder Involvement

Challenges to Large-Scale Ecosystem Restoration Programs

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Importance of Stakeholder Engagement for CERP

- **Build better understanding of issues and science**

- **Promote relationships, communication and trust**

- **Provides forums to promptly identify and address issues**

- **Maintenance of stakeholder support critical for CERP success**

Stakeholder Engagement for CERP

- **FACA**
  - Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972
  - FACA and Everglades Restoration
- **Public Information**
  - Evergladesplan.org
  - CERPZone.org
- **Meetings**
  - Meetings with public access
  - Public Workshops
- **Document Review**

What is FACA?

- **Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972**
  - Regulates the formation of federal advisory committees, established or used to obtain advice or recommendations for the President or the Federal government

  - Created to enhance public accountability and reduce wasteful expenditures

  - Establishes procedural requirements for creation and operation of committees

  - The law has special emphasis on open meetings, chartering, public involvement and reporting

CERP Teams

- Interagency CERP Teams are not and do not function as FACA advisory committees (i.e., are not advisory or decision-making bodies)

- CERP Teams support the implementing agencies by performing technical functions (information gathering, technical analysis, etc.) that support decision making

- Examples of CERP Teams include: Project Delivery Teams (PDTs) and RECOVER Teams

- The USACE Jacksonville District established guidance governing the conduct of CERP meetings

Evergladesplan.org

- **Public information webpage for activities related to CERP**

- **Access to all publicly available CERP Documents**

- **Access to the CERP public meeting calendar**

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This toll-free line gives free and easy access to the latest CERP information.

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Time Magazine featured Everglades restoration in their recent Earth Day issue of Time for Kids... VIEW THE ARTICLE

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Browse the Everglades Reading List
The Everglades Reading List is a great place to learn about the Greater Everglades Ecosystem and related topics.

IDS Timetable Info Sheet
View the Draft* 2010 Integrated Delivery Schedule (IDS) South Florida Ecosystem Restoration Timetable Information Sheet *pending Quarterly Review Board approval!

Desktop Calendar August 2011
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Download our free monthly desktop calendar!

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FEATURED PROJECT: Indian River Lagoon South

View the Indian River Lagoon South Project page and the two 2 new virtual tours!

→ What's New

15 Jul 2011
PRESS RELEASE
Corps Awards Contract for Construction of C-44 Reservoir and Stormwater Treatment Area

30 Jun 2011
The updated final Information & Data Management (IDM) Program Management Plan is available.

30 Jun 2011
The updated final Quality Assurance Oversight Team (QAOT) Program Management Plan is available.

27 Jun 2011
E-NOTICE
Public Workshop for the Combined Operational Plan (COP) Tomorrow (PDF)

24 Jun 2011
The Corps of Engineers invites the public to provided

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CERPZone

- **Web portal maintained by CERP Information Data Management**

- **Accessible to anyone with a CERPZone ID and password (1000+ users)**

- **28 Federal, State, Local, and Tribal agencies**

- **IDs available to all Stakeholder agency/tribal personnel and contractors**

- **Collaborative working area for CERP**

- **Includes areas for data, documents, applications, tools, etc.**

https://www.cerpzone.org/

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CERPZone
The Collaboration Tool for Everglades Restoration

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CERP Calendar
View the CERP calendar for a list of all events - both public and internal.

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Search the CERP directory or view full directory list by agency.

Project Contact Directory
Contact information for Project Managers and Team Rooms.

CGM Contact Directory
Contact information for roles found in the CGM.

CERPZone Newsletters
Archive of past *CERPZone Newsletters*.

NEWS

**30 Mar 2011
New process for requesting EvergladesPlan.org Website Updates!!!**

**29 Mar 2011
Morpho 1.9 Upgrade Announcement**

Business Applications

CITIF | HELP
CERP Information Technology Initiation Form

Citrix Applications
DASR | HELP
GIS Access Point
Morpho
MS Office Standard
Office Accelerator
EndNote | HELP
Password Update (Non-Federal)

Documentum North | HELP
For optimal access to Jacksonville docbases

Documentum South | HELP
For optimal access to West Palm Beach docbases

EDCat Application | HELP
Electronic Data Catalog

EDCat (with Spatial Capability) | HELP
Electronic Data Catalog using MetaCarta

GIS Applications | HELP

Monitoring Locator
Find out what Monitoring Activities are happening in South Florida

CERP GIS Services Overview
What the CERP GIS Team can do

CERP GIS Request Form
GIS services request

CERP GIS Data Catalog
Catalog of available GIS layers

CERP MMS Application
Locate CERP projects and related models

EDEN Applications
Run EDEN Water surface tools from CITRIX

Map Library
Search and download maps

Upcoming Events

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DECOMP Staff Huddle

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Meeting Types

- **Meetings with Public Access**
  - Primary purpose is exchange of technical information, not to obtain stakeholder input
  - Examples: PDT meetings, RECOVER meetings, etc.
- **Public Workshops**
  - Primary purpose is to obtain stakeholder input
  - No distinct comment periods, open for public input at any point
  - Noticed via CERP listserv to over 2,000 interested parties
  - Example: Scientific Knowledge Gained workshops

Conducting Meetings with Public Access

- **Post meeting information on Evergladesplan.org calendar**

- **Keep attendance sheets that reflect agency representation**

- **Meetings are amongst Federal, state, local, and Tribal representatives**

- **Hold public comment periods at specifically designated times with upfront announcements**

- **Document meeting minutes, including public comment**

Preparation for Public Workshops

- **Find location central to attendees with conference phone and internet access**
- **Publicly announce meetings/teleconferences involving 3 or more agencies on the CERP Web Calendar**
  - Submit meeting details (e.g., subject, description, date, time, location, call-in number, web meeting address, and point of contact) 2 weeks in advance
  - Provide agenda and read-aheads 2 weeks in advance
  - Open for public input at any time

CERP Web Calendar

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August 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9 ■ RECOVER Independent Scientific Review of Extreme Hydrological Events Workshop - DAY 1 ■ DECOMP Staff Huddle	10 ■ RECOVER Independent Scientific Review of Extreme Hydrological Events Workshop - DAY 2	11 ■ Decomp PIR 1 PDT Meeting	12	13
14	15 ■ Decomp PIR 1 Eco/WQ Sub Team Meeting - DAY 1	16 ■ Decomp PIR 1 Eco/WQ Sub Team Meeting - DAY 2	17	18	19	20
21	22	23 ■ DECOMP Staff Huddle	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

http://www.evergladesplan.org/Calendar/

Monitoring Optimization - Lake Okeechobee Regional Workshop

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Monitoring Optimization - Lake Okeechobee Regional Workshop

This workshop will optimize monitoring in the Lake Okeechobee Region.

Date:	Monday, 11 Jul 2011
Time:	8:00 AM-5:00 PM (ET)
Location:	South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) Okeechobee Service Center Fisheating Bay Conference Room 205 N. Parrott Avenue Okeechobee, FL 34972
Meeting Documents:	Agenda (36 KB, .PDF) Read Ahead: Map & Directions - Okeechobee (30 KB, PDF) Homework Spreadsheet (18 KB, .PDF) Monitoring Optim. Process (26 KB, .PDF) Monitoring Information Matrix (19 KB, .PDF)
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Southern Coastal Systems Salinity Target Setting Meeting

- Limited participation to 1-2 representatives from 14 Federal, State, Local agencies and Native American Tribes
- Reach agreement on:
  - Tools used to set targets
  - Goal of target
  - Path forward for Regional Coordinators
- Meeting posted to Evergladesplan.org and SCS Regional Team informed via e-mail
- All read-aheads and agenda posted linked to calendar entry on Evergladesplan.org
- All working documents posted in a team room on the CERPZone
- All final meeting documents and presentations posted to the public area on the CERPZone
- Meeting topic was potentially controversial
  - Utilized facilitator
  - Detailed meeting notes
  - Task list for RCs
- Continued updates on task status

Venues for Dialogue with Stakeholders

- **Public workshops**
- **One-on-one meetings with stakeholder groups**
- **Local sponsor input based on stakeholder dialogue**
- **South Florida Ecosystem Restoration Task Force input based on stakeholder dialogue**

Document Preparation & Review

- **Develop draft document**

- **Conduct internal review and comment period**

- **Post document for 30-day public review and comment period**

- **Develop comment-response matrix that documents all comments and how they were addressed**

- **Examples of recent documents: MAP 2009, SSR 2009, AMIG**

Effective Stakeholder Engagement

- **Articulate limitations to stakeholders to promote understanding**
- **Build an atmosphere of trust and mutual respect**
- **Announce opportunities for stakeholder input**
- **Create opportunities within imposed limits**

Questions