

**Caloosahatchee River
August Community Forum
Meeting Agenda**

Friday, August 8, 2014
1:00 to 5:00 PM
Riverside Community Center, Fort Myers, FL

Goals and Objectives

- Identify a comprehensive list of potential projects that would help improve water quality and quantity in the Caloosahatchee River watershed, primarily in the near- to medium-term
- Develop a shared set of evaluation metrics to evaluate the identified projects
- Identify next steps for moving from project identification to prioritization

Forum Ground Rules

- Stay on track with the agenda
- Participate actively
- Allow others a chance to express their views and concerns
- Stay focused on projects and programs
- A meeting summary, without attribution, will be prepared and posted on the project website
- Note that local, regional, state and federal policies are important components of watershed restoration, but are not a focus of this particular prioritization process
- Projects need to be able to reach final design and construction within the specified short- to medium-term timeframe

General Overview

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| 12:30 | Registration and Gathering |
| 1:00 | Welcome and Introductions <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Welcome, SFWMD• Introductions• Agenda and Meeting Ground Rules |
| 1:15 | General Overview <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Purpose of this Effort: SFWMD, FL DEP, FL DACS, and Lee County (5 minutes)• Questions and Discussion (10 minutes) |

Topic 1: Science Workshop Review

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| 1:30 | Findings from the 2013 Caloosahatchee River Science Workshop <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dr. Michael Parsons, Florida Gulf Coast University (15 minutes)• Questions (10 minutes) |
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Topic 2: Caloosahatchee River Action Plan

- 2:00 Review of Projects Completed to Date Benefiting the River
- Brief Presentation (8 minutes)
 - Questions and Discussion (7 minutes)
- 2:15 Overview of Potential Projects by Category
- Sources of the Projects (WPP, BMAP, DACS BMPs, local governments, others) (2 to 3 minutes)
 - Brief presentation of key categories and kinds of projects (2 to 3 minutes)
 - Brief descriptions of select projects (20 minutes)
 - Questions for understanding and clarification about the project listing: What's not clear?, What's missing?, and What needs additional detail? (15 minutes)
- 3:00 Review of Projects
- At tables (or in small groups), participants discuss draft projects (40 minutes):
 - Any key projects that are missing?
 - What key information is needed that may not be currently available to understand the projects?
 - Which projects would be of greatest priority to you and why?
 - Prepare to report out to full group (5 minutes)
- Please note:** Resource people will be available to answer questions, to the extent possible. Each table will identify a volunteer to keep detailed notes and report out on the range of ideas and comments expressed based on the provided report-out sheets.*
- 3:45 Break
- 4:00 Rapid report outs to full group and discussion (15 minutes)
- 4:15 Key Evaluation Criteria
- What are the key evaluation criteria that we might jointly use to prioritize projects in a systematic fashion? (5 minutes) -- CBI
 - At tables, participants review and provide comments on the evaluation criteria drafted by implementing agencies (10 minutes)
 - Full group questions and discussion (15 minutes)

Next Steps

- 4:45 Next Steps
- 5:00 Adjourn