The Business Resources Committee of the Mobile Bay National Estuary Program (MBNEP) met on Tuesday, June 26, 2018 at the International Trade Center in Mobile, AL. The meeting was attended by: Co-chair Jennifer Denson, Partners for Environmental Progress; Don Bates, Thompson Engineering & Osprey Initiative; Eliska Morgan, Al. Dept. of Conservation and Natural Resources; Steve McClure, Hargrove; Graham Green, Smart Home America; John T. Bender, McFadden, Rouse, & Bender; Ben Stimpson, Canfor & Scotch Gulf Lumber; Chris Williams, Hand Arendall; Ron Wright, Golf Course Superintendents Assoc. of America; Scott Jackson, Thompson Engineering; Casey Williams, Eastern Shore Chamber of Commerce; Renie Kennemer, Thompson Engineering; Jack Conger, Stirling Properties; Mike Rogers, 3MC Partnership; W. Guy Hood, Osprey Initiative, Jack Bates, Osprey Initiative; MBNEP staff: Rick Frederick, Christian Miller, Jackie Wilson, and Bethany Dickey.

Mission of the BRC: To advocate for streamlined regulations and balanced business practices that are in the best interest of the region’s economic and environmental resources.

Meeting Summary:
- Reviewed accomplishment from the current 2013-2018 CCMP period.

I. WELCOME AND UPDATES
Meeting began at 8:33 am. Jennifer Denson opened the meeting with a welcome and members gave brief introductions.

II. Litter Gitter Update and Escaped Trash Assessment Protocol (ETAP) Report
Don Bates
III. 3MC Partnership: Overview and Opportunities on Three Mile Creek
Mike Rogers

IV. Update on Watershed Management Planning and Prioritizing Coastal Watersheds
Christian Miller took us through the process of re-prioritizing the remaining watersheds. Members did clicker voting to rate from 1 to 5 the priority of the remaining watersheds for completion of Watershed Management Plans. Each watershed was represented by a map with evaluation criteria – whether it has protected lands, impaired waters, and the percent of urbanization, etc. We hope to finish all the remaining plans within the next three years.

V. Wrap-up and Discussion

Meeting adjourned at 10:07 am.