



Steering Committee Agenda
Little Lagoon/Perdido Pass
Watershed Management Plan

City of Orange Beach Community Development Office
4101 Orange Beach Boulevard, Orange Beach, AL 36561

October 9, 2019

1:00 PM to 2:30 PM

- I. Agenda
- II. Roll Call
- III. Approval of 09/09/2019 meeting minutes
- IV. Team Update
- V. Steering Committee Member Highlight
- VI. Action Item #1: Identify any Steering Committee Gaps
- VII. Action Item #2: Steering Committee Organization
 - Establish sub-committees
 1. NGO
 2. Community Engagement
 3. Public Officials
- VIII. Action Item #3: Define Steering Committee Mission
 - Defined as: A formal statement of the aims and values of an organization.
 - The mission of the Mobile Bay National Estuary Program is to promote wise stewardship of water quality and living resources of the Mobile Bay and Tensaw Delta.
- IX. Action Item #4: Public Engagement Meetings
 - Large community meeting
 - Small meeting with public officials
 - Shrimp Boil with local business owners
 - Booth to inform and survey at Orange Beach Art Fest, Wolf Bay Watershed Watch Fishing Tournament, etc.
- X. Upcoming Events
 - October 19, 2019 - Wolf Bay Watershed Watch Fishing Tournament - Barber Marina
- XI. Adjournment or additional topics



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Gulf Shores Welcome Center

September 9, 2019

1:00 pm to 2:30 pm

Steering Committee Attendance

Acreman	Mark	City of Gulf Shores
Blancher	Don	Moffat & Nichol*
Bond	Dan	City of Gulf Shores
Burcham	Wade	Geosyntec*
Day	Tim	Escambia County
Fulford	Casey	Baldwin County Soil and Water Conservation District
Hatfield	Dennis	Little Lagoon Preservation Society
Hinesley	Phillip	MS-AL Sea Grant - Orange Beach/Gulf Shores Tourism
Holiday	Tracy	Holiday Communications & Advocacy*
Jefferies	Bill	Islands of Perdido - City of Orange Beach
Krupnick	Charles	Perdido Key Association
Lawrenz	David	Lawrenz Properties Inc.
McGlynn	Shannon	Alabama Department of Environmental Management
Miller	Christian	Mobile Bay National Estuary Program
Phelps	Ron	Little Lagoon Preservation Society
Posner	Matt	Escambia County
Reetz	Kelly	Gulf State Park
Servold	Kari	Moffat & Nichol*
Speed	Woody	City of Orange Beach
Taylor	Mollie	Geosyntec*
Trifilio	Jim	Pensacola and Perdido Bay Estuary Program
West	Phillip	City of Orange Beach

*Indicates planning team

I. Agenda

II. Introductions

- Watershed Management Plan Introduction - Wade Burcham gave a brief overview of the Little Lagoon/Perdido Pass watershed management planning



efforts including introductions of the support team, watershed boundaries, goals of the steering committee, and timeline of the project.

- Steering Committee Introductions - Steering committee introduced themselves and their role in the watershed.
- III. What are common responsibilities of a steering committee?
- Wade went over the responsibilities of the steering committee and the time commitment that will be expected.
- IV. Your steering committee
- Discussed the importance of the steering committee members ownership of the committee.
 - Will plan to identify structure of subcommittees at next committee meeting.
- V. Progress Update
- Wade and Mollie provided a progress update to the committee on the behind the scenes efforts that have been occurring since the beginning of the project.
 - Data gathering for watershed characterization and conditions chapters
 - Social media campaign
 - Promotional video in progress
- VI. Establish future meetings
- Steering committee host
 - Individual committee members signed up to host future meetings. Mollie and Tracy will be reaching out to those volunteers to coordinate which meetings they can host.
 - Time commitment
 - Monthly steering committee meetings have been established to occur the second Wednesday of every month from 1:00 to 2:30pm. The next steering committee meeting will occur on October 9th.
 - Meeting invitation for all future meetings has been sent out.
- VII. Upcoming Events
- September 19th at the Escambia County Central Office Complex (3363 West Park Place, Pensacola, Florida 32505)
 - 1:30pm: Pensacola and Perdido Bay Estuary Program (PPBEP) Technical Committee meeting
 - 4:00pm: PPBEP Education Committee meeting
 - 6:00pm: Science Hour: UFIFAS Agricultural specialist will be discussing GMOs
 - October 17th at 5:30pm - Little Lagoon Preservation Society quarterly meeting: Guest speaker on Fisheries
- VIII. Adjournment or additional topics



- Next steps discussed for the next meeting
 - Define the Steering Committee Vision
 - Establish sub-committees
 - Decide on the organizational structure
 - Address gaps in the steering committee



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3:00 pm to 4:30 pm

Attendees

Blandford	Jacob	The Nature Conservancy
Boudreau	Darryl	The Nature Conservancy
Brown	Mary Kate	The Nature Conservancy
Burcham*	Wade	Geosyntec
Byron	Dottie	Dauphin Island Sea Lab
Eldridge	Cassie	The Nature Conservancy
Fulford	Casey	Baldwin County Soil and Water Conservation District
Hatfield	Dennis	Little Lagoon Preservation Society
Hinesley	Phillip	MS-AL Sea Grant
Holiday*	Tracy	Holiday Communications & Advocacy
Martin	Sara	Mississippi State University
McGlynn	Shannon	Alabama Department of Environmental Management
Miller	Christian	Mobile Bay National Estuary Program
Phelps	Ron	Little Lagoon Preservation Society
Posner	Matt	Escambia County
Reetz	Kelly	Gulf State Park
Servold*	Kari	Moffat & Nichol
Sparks	Eric	Mississippi State University
Speed	Woody	City of Orange Beach
Taylor*	Mollie	Geosyntec
Temple	Nigel	Mississippi State University
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Dennis Hatfield- Oyster farming, removing septic tanks, living shoreline projects, purchase property for conservation, education, citizen science, characterization of Little Lagoon for shellfish harvest

Darryl Boudreau- Creating Perdido paddle trail with Phillip Hinesley and Phillip West (second week of April 2020)

Casey Fulford - Currently helps to implement the projects that came out of the Weeks Bay WMP and will do the same for future WMPs

Shannon McGlynn- Manages 319 grants for implementing BMPs

Phillip Hinesley- Nature tourism specialist, implementing the Clean Marina program in AL, Coordinating Paddle the Gulf event in 2020

Dottie Byron- Seagrass restoration around the islands of Perdido with bird stakes, water quality monitoring program, understanding the road blocks to seagrass recovery, SAV mapping for the state (bucket 2), Drone surveys: flights, followed by ground truthing those flights, status and trends analysis, prop scar studies: boater education with signs at launches, sensitive seagrass signs

Sarah (Eric Sparks) - community outreach and project implementation

Mary Kate Brown- Fort Morgan Road, DISL, leveraging projects and helping municipalities with living shorelines and property acquisitions

Kari Servold- connecting coastal waters and improving tidal exchange, habitat mapping project (google earth engine), enhancing headwater land protection

Eric Sparks - Living shoreline outreach, design and implementation of 2,000 linear foot living shoreline in Little Lagoon with TNC, citizen science, marine debris

Jacob Blanchard - TNC work on the Perdido Islands, living shorelines in Little Lagoon, wants their work to align with the WMP

Jim Trifilio - Wants to model the beginning stages of the PPBEP based on the work that we are doing here with the WMP

Matt Posner- RESTORE, partner with MBNEP, County has a habitat conservation plan for Perdido Key, building an Education Center on Perdido Key, several water quality and habitat improvement projects upcoming and underway, coastal access project on Perdido Key, met with EPA (Brandon Jarvis) to discuss water quality model for Perdido Bay.

Nigel Temple (Eric Sparks) - Wave data in Mobile Bay, can facilitate living shoreline permitting

Phillip West - projects to identify other beneficial reuse of dredge material for north of the Perdido Pass bridge as well as habitat restoration alternatives, working with Audubon birding trail, Auburn research center, large property acquisitions, Paddle the Gulf, gulf coast center for ecotourism, The Lodge received the unique lodging of the world designation through National Geographic.

Kelly Reetz - Lake management plan to include use, plant growth, input, educational platform



Casey Eldridge - Perdido Islands, human and wildlife use

Bret Webb - Hydrodynamic model including groundwater of Little Lagoon

PJ Waters - Lead on oyster gardening

III. Recap of WMP

IV. Maps Exercise

A. Maps were collected after the meeting and will be digitized

V. Group discussion

VI. Adjourn



Steering Committee Schedule
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2nd Wednesday 1:00 to 2:30 PM

Locations TBD

October 9, 2019

November 13, 2019

December 11, 2019

January 8, 2020

February 12, 2020

March 11, 2020

April 8, 2020

May 13, 2020

June 10, 2020

July 8, 2020

August 12, 2020

September 9, 2020

October 14, 2020

November 11, 2020

December 9, 2020

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