



**PALM BEACH COUNTY
LOCAL MITIGATION STRATEGY
WORKING GROUP
AGENDA**



**June 21, 2023
9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.**

Palm Beach County EOC – Broadcast Studio

- 1. Call to Order – Welcome and Introductions – Ralph Wall, Chairperson**
 - Meeting called to order at 9:05 a.m. by Jerri L. Clairday for Ralph Wall who was not present.
- 2. LMS PPL Project Spring 2023 – Jerri L. Clairday, LMS/CRS Coordinator**
 - PPL Spring 2023 – The Prioritized Project List was posted to the web. Jerri will email to the LMS Working Group per request.
 - 21 new projects submitted - \$83,752,983
 - 106 total projects - \$386,787,283
 - The LMS Steering Committee approved the Spring 2023 PPL on May 25, 2023
- 3. LMS Revisions – Jerri L. Clairday, LMS/CRS Coordinator**
 - **Current LMS Expires 10/25/24**
 - Final draft must be submitted to FDEM no later than 4/1/24.
 - LMS Revisions Sub-Committee has been assigned sections.
 - A request was made to send out the assigned sections to the LMS Revisions Sub-Committee. Jerri will resend.
 - First draft must be completed by 9/1/23 to allow for public comment.
 - A Public Forum has been scheduled for 9/13/23 at 6:00pm in PBC EOC OPS room.
 - Final revisions are targeted for December 2023.
 - A second Public Forum is targeted for January or February 2024.
- 4. Jurisdictional Implications of the New LMS – Ralph Wall, Chairperson**
 - Ralph Wall was not present. Jerri shared that as she is new to the position, she is unaware of previous Crosswalk requirements. However, she has found that:
 - The new PPL must be included in the appendices.
 - PPL must include:
 - Jurisdiction
 - Office/Department
 - Title
 - Timeframe
 - Jerri is in process of updating the Spring 2023 PPL to include the required information and will email to the LMS Working Group as well as post to web.



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5. Watershed Master Plan Initiative Program – Dr. Fred Bloetscher – FAU

- Dr. Bloetscher’s PowerPoint presentation provided information on the current Watershed Master Plan Initiative program. Key points included:
 - Focus is primarily on the 452b requirements that total 315 points.
 - FAU submitted a template document that outlines Watershed Characterization, Policy Framework, Assessment, Inventory of Potential Solutions, and an Action Plan.
 - HUC 12 maps are all GIS based.
 - Policy Framework requires existing storm water management plans from all municipalities and capital plans from local entities. These should to be shared with FAU for documentation.
 - GIS based phase one model used all data combined to address potential future flooding areas.

Questions from the LMS Working Group

- Question: Were all 39 municipalities in Palm Beach County included in research? Answer: All were included with the exception of the Village of Golf. A representative of the Village of Golf stated that they have a water plant and would like to be included. Dr. Bloetscher will work with the Village of Golf directly.
- Question: The projections show a 5 foot level of sea rise but what is the actual sea rise level? Answer: The actual sea rise level since 1929 is 15 inches.
- Question: Will all of the GIS information be available? Answer: Any information created will be available to all. Due to the size of the data, the method will have to be determined.
- Question: How are special districts being handled and does the Watershed Plan need their information? Answer: Yes, this information is needed. GIS data is needed from everyone.
- Question: How can municipal information be shared with Dr. Bloetscher for The Watershed initiative? Answer: A Dropbox can be created or information can be provided however the municipality is willing to share. ArcGIS preferred.
- Question: When the final plan will be completed? Answer: The deadline is 9/30/2023.
- Question: For which city with the Watershed Master Plan Initiative be submitted for CRS credit? Answer: The plan will be submitted for the whole county.
- Question: Has the data been calibrated? Answer: Yes, the data has been calibrated.
- Question: What is the predicted sea level rise? Answer: Dr. Bloetscher was unable to give a precise prediction.
- Questions: Is FAU providing maps to assist with the LMS since the timeline for this plan is in alignment with the LMS revisions. Answer: They will provide any information requested to assist with the LMS.



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- Question: Has the plan/outline been approved by the head hydrologist? Answer: Yes, the plan/outline was approved.

Requests from Dr. Bloetscher

- If anyone has storm water GIS information, please share with Dr. Bloetscher.
- The Watershed Plans should merge with any current plans/models. Therefore, each municipality's CIP is needed.

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6. Questions/Comments

- Jerri asked if anyone has information or articles for publication in the LMS Times quarterly newsletter. If so, please submit to Jerri.

7. Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m. by Jerri L. Clairday.



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