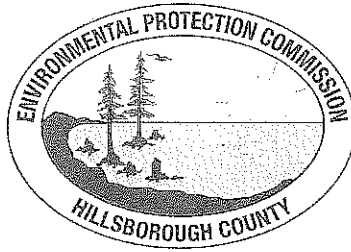


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Kevin Beckner
Ken Hagan
Al Higginbotham
Sandra L. Murman
Mark Sharpe



Richard Garrity, Ph.D.
Executive Director

Richard Tschantz, Esq.
General Counsel

EPC MEETING AGENDA
AUGUST 21, 2014

Meetings commence at 9:00 a.m.

601 East Kennedy Boulevard, Tampa, FL

County Center Board Room 2nd Floor

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

REMOVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS FOR QUESTIONS, COMMENTS, or SEPARATE VOTE

I. PUBLIC COMMENT

Three (3) Minutes Are Allowed for Each Speaker (unless the Commission directs differently)

II. CITIZENS' ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Summary of recent CEAC meeting by CEAC Chair

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Any person who might wish to appeal any decision made by the EPC regarding any matter considered at the forthcoming public hearing or meeting is hereby advised that they will need a record of the proceedings, and for such purpose they may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made which will include the testimony and evidence upon which such appeal is to be based.

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JUNE 19, 2014 - ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMISSION - DRAFT MINUTES

The Environmental Protection Commission (EPC), Hillsborough County, Florida, met in Regular Meeting scheduled for Thursday, June 19, 2014, at 9:00 a.m., in the Boardroom, Frederick B. Karl County Center, Tampa, Florida.

The following members were present: Chairman Lesley Miller Jr. and Commissioners Kevin Beckner, Victor Crist (arrived at 9:11 a.m.), Al Higginbotham, Sandra Murman, and Mark Sharpe (arrived at 9:07 a.m.).

The following member was absent: Commissioner Ken Hagan.

▶ Chairman Miller called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

▶ INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

▶ Dr. Richard Garrity, EPC Executive Director, reviewed the changes to the agenda. **Commissioner Beckner moved the changes, seconded by Commissioner Murman, and carried four to zero.** (Commissioners Crist and Sharpe had not arrived; Commissioner Hagan was absent.) ▶ Commissioner Higginbotham thanked Dr. Garrity for offering office space during the recent County Center flooding.

I. PUBLIC COMMENT - ▶ None.

II. CITIZENS ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CEAC)

Summary of recent CEAC meeting by CEAC Chairman

▶ Mr. Jeffrey Stewart, representing CEAC, highlighted the report.

III. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of Minutes: April 24, 2014.
- B. Monthly Activity Reports - April and May 2014.
- C. Pollution Recovery Fund Reports - April and May 2014.
- D. Legal Case Summaries, May and June 2014.
- E. Commissioner Requested Information on Hookah Bars. **Moved under Item VII., Air Management Division.**

▶ Chairman Miller sought removal of Consent Agenda items. **Commissioner Murman moved approval, seconded by Commissioner Beckner, and carried four to zero.** (Commissioners Crist and Sharpe had not arrived; Commissioner Hagan was absent.)

IV. PUBLIC HEARING - CONSIDER AMENDMENTS TO THE DELEGATION RULE, CHAPTER 1-13, RULES OF THE EPC

▶ EPC General Counsel Richard Tschantz made introductory remarks. Attorney Andrew Zodrow, EPC Legal Department, summarized background material. Chairman Miller called for public comment; there was no response. ▶ **Commissioner Murman moved approval, seconded by Commissioner Sharpe, and carried six to zero.** (Commissioner Hagan was absent.)

V. LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

A. Measuring Long-Term Goals and Benchmarking at EPC

▶ Attorney Tschantz acknowledged legal interns and gave a presentation, as shown in background material. ▶ Ms. Paula Noblitt, EPC, concluded the presentation.

B. Noise Pollution Litigation - WOB S. Tampa LLC vs. City of Tampa and EPC

▶ Attorney Rick Muratti, EPC Legal Department, summarized the item and responded to queries regarding County guidelines.

C. Summary of Environmental Bills at the 2004 Florida Legislature

▶ Attorney Muratti touched on legislative bills, as furnished in background material.

VI. WASTE MANAGEMENT DIVISION

A. Brownfields Annual Report Presentation

▶ Mr. Hooshang Boostani, Director, EPC Waste Management Division, introduced the item and Mr. Anthony Gilboy, EPC Brownfields Coordinator, who shared a presentation, as provided in background material.

B. Approval to Create an Environmental Specialist I Position

▶ Mr. Boostani presented the item. ▶ **Commissioner Murman made the motion to support the item** and inquired about Economic Development staff having

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the Brownfields map locations and incorporating those sites in the maps.

▶ **Commissioner Beckner seconded the motion, which carried six to zero.** (Commissioner Hagan was absent.)

VII. AIR MANAGEMENT DIVISION

A. Commissioner Requested Information on Hookah Bars

▶ Mr. Reginald Sanford, EPC, gave a presentation and replied to inquiries. Following remarks, ▶ **Commissioner Murman moved to ask the EPC Chairman to send a letter to the Hillsborough County Legislative Delegation (Legislative Delegation) with a copy of the report saying to include the item on the legislative agenda for consideration and to look at those places as not healthy at all, seconded by Commissioner Beckner, who asked about indoor smoking laws.** ▶ Commissioner Beckner suggested, as a friendly amendment, copying the two students who made a presentation at a previous Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) meeting and directing the students to the Legislative Delegation. **Commissioner Murman agreed.** ▶ **The motion carried six to zero.** (Commissioner Hagan was absent.)

B. Clean Air Month Update

▶ Mr. Jeff Sims, EPC, highlighted the 2014 Clean Air Fair, as provided in background material; showed a video; thanked Hillsborough Television staff and the community for support; and touched on partnering an environmental event with Ben and Jerry's.

VIII. WETLANDS MANAGEMENT DIVISION

A. Wetland Division Status Report

▶ Dr. Scott Emery, Director, EPC Wetlands Management Division, gave the report, as displayed in background material.

B. Request for Board Action - Fee Reduction

▶ Dr. Emery detailed the item and ▶ asked to authorize EPC staff to request the County Administrator and the BOCC modify the County's fee schedule to delete the requirement that \$500 be collected for EPC for the first resubmittal of plans to the County, which was consistent with what the County was doing. After seeking clarification on duplicative charges and estimated impacts, ▶ **Commissioner Beckner moved staff recommendation,**

seconded by Commissioner Murman, and carried five to zero. (Commissioner Sharpe was out of the room; Commissioner Hagan was absent.)

C. Request for Board Input - Riparian Line Placement

▶ Dr. Emery summarized the item, as the provided in background material. Commissioner Murman welcomed a guideline that would help property owners resolve dock disputes. ▶ After questioning the riparian line process, dock applications, and costs, Commissioner Beckner suggested looking at fair fees and integrating those fees in a cost recovery system.

IX. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

▶ Dr. Garrity mentioned community outreach and environmental positions would be included in the EPC's upcoming budget, showed a photograph recognizing EPC for the 2014 Sterling Challenge, and talked about EPC customer service.

▶ There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:22 a.m.

READ AND APPROVED: _____

CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:
PAT FRANK, CLERK

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

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**FY 14 - MONTHLY ACTIVITIES REPORT
AIR MANAGEMENT DIVISION**

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A. Public Outreach/Education Assistance

1	Phone calls	172	178
2	Literature Distributed	10	120
3	Presentations	3	6
4	Media Contacts	1	1
5	Internet	38	36
6	Host/Sponsor Workshops, Meetings, Special Events	0	1

B. Industrial Air Pollution Permitting

1	Permit Applications received (Counted by Number of Fees Received)		
	a. Operating	5	5
	b. Construction	6	3
	c. Amendments / Transfers / Extensions	4	0
	d. Title V Operating:	0	0
	e. Permit Determinations	0	0
	f. General	1	1
2	Delegated Permits Issued by EPC and Non-delegated Permits Recommended		
	a. Operating ¹	8	2
	b. Construction ¹	5	6
	c. Amendments / Transfers / Extensions ¹	2	3
	d. Title V Operating ²	0	0
	e. Permit Determinations ²	0	0
	f. General	4	2
3	Intent to Deny Permit Issued	0	0

C. Administrative Enforcement

1	New cases received	2	0
2	On-going administrative cases		
	a. Pending	4	3
	b. Active	3	3
	c. Legal	1	1
	d. Tracking compliance (Administrative)	9	9
	e. Inactive/Referred cases	0	0
	TOTAL	17	16
3	NOIs issued	2	3
4	Citations issued	0	0
5	Consent Orders Signed	1	1
6	Contributions to the Pollution Recovery Fund	\$1,500.00	\$10,000.00
7	Cases Closed	1	1

D. Inspections

1	Industrial Facilities	8	13
2	Air Toxics Facilities		
	a. Area Sources (i.e. Drycleaners, Chrome Platers, etc.)	0	0
	b. Major Sources	4	9
3	Asbestos Demolition/Renovation Projects	24	21

E. Open Burning Permits Issued

F. Number of Division of Forestry Permits Monitored

4	2
307	281

G.	Total Citizen Complaints Received	38	44
H.	Total Citizen Complaints Closed	44	20
I.	Noise Complaints Received by EPC (Chapter 1-10)	4	18
J.	Noise Complaints Received by Sheriff's Office (County Ord. #12-12)	289	317
K.	Number of cases EPC is aware that both EPC & Sheriff responded	2	0
	a. World of Beers (Oct.)		
	b. Brass Mug (Dec.)		
	c. The Rack (Jan.)		
	d. Brass Mug (Feb.)		
L.	Noise Sources Monitored:	0	1
M.	Air Program's Input to Development Regional Impacts:	1	0
N.	Test Reports Reviewed:	35	33
O.	Compliance:		
1	Warning Notices Issued	13	3
2	Warning Notices Resolved	4	3
3	Advisory Letters Issued	0	2
P.	AOR'S Reviewed		86
Q.	Permits Reviewed for NESHAP Applicability	3	3
R.	Planning Documents coordinated for Agency Review	3	3

AIR DIVISION FEES COLLECTED
YEAR TO DATE SUMMARY OCTOBER 2013 THROUGH
July 2014

Fee Collected	Total
1. Non-delegated construction permit for an air pollution source	
(a) New Source Review or Prevention of Significant Deterioration sources	\$0.00
(b) all others	\$0.00
2. Non-delegated operation permit for an air pollution source	
(a) class B or smaller facility - 5 year permit	\$0.00
(b) class A2 facility - 5 year permit	\$0.00
(c) class A1 facility - 5 year permit	\$0.00
3. (a) Delegated Construction Permit for air pollution source (20% of the amount collected is forwarded to the DEP and not included here)	\$13,320.00
(b) Delegated operation permit for an air pollution source (20% of the amount collected is forwarded to the DEP and not included here)	\$54,880.00
(c) Delegated General Permit (20% is forwarded to DEP and not included here)	\$0.00
4. Non-delegated permit revision for an air pollution source	\$0.00
5. Non-delegated permit transfer of ownership, name change or extension	\$0.00
6. Notification for commercial demolition	
(a) for structure less than 50,000 sq ft	\$22,800.00
(b) for structure greater than 50,000 sq ft	\$2,400.00
7. Notification for asbestos abatement	
(a) renovation 160 to 1000 sq ft or 260 to 1000 linear feet of asbestos	\$3,900.00
(b) renovation greater than 1000 linear feet or 1000 sq ft	\$4,500.00
8. Open burning authorization	\$25,200.00
9. Enforcement Costs	\$6,601.63
Total	\$133,601.63

**FY 14 - MONTHLY ACTIVITIES REPORT
WASTE MANAGEMENT DIVISION**

JUN JUL

A. ENFORCEMENT

1.	New cases received	-	-
2.	On-going administrative cases	52	49
	Pending	1	1
	Active	19	18
	Legal	3	3
	Tracking Compliance (Administrative)	27	26
	Inactive/Referred Cases	2	1
3.	NOI's issued	-	-
4.	Citations issued	-	-
5.	Consent Orders and Settlement Letter Signed	-	-
6.	Civil Contributions to the Pollution Recover Fund (\$)	\$ -	\$ -
7.	Enforcement Costs Collected (\$)	\$ -	\$ -
8.	Cases Closed	2	2

B. SOLID AND HAZARDOUS WASTE

1.	FDEP Permits Received	2	0
2.	FDEP Permits Reviewed	1	1
3.	EPC Authorization for Facilities NOT Requiring DEP Permit	1	1
4.	Other Permits and Reports		
	County Permits Received	3	14
	County Permits Reviewed	1	6
	Reports Received (SW/HW + SQG)	16	18
	Reports Reviewed (SW/HW + SQG)	18	17
5.	Inspections (Total)		
	Complaints (SW/HW + SQG)	18	16
	Compliance/Reinspections (SW/HW + SQG)	17	21
	Facility Compliance	21	27
	Small Quantity Generator Verifications	138	122
	P2 Audits	0	0
6.	Enforcement (SW/HW + SQG)		
	Complaints Received	19	17
	Complaints Closed	17	17
	Warning Notices Issued	0	0
	Warning Notices Closed	0	0
	Compliance Letters	86	100
	Letters of Agreement	0	0
	Agency Referrals	7	6
7.	Pamphlets, Rules and Material Distributed	142	102

C. STORAGE TANK COMPLIANCE

1.	Inspections		
	Compliance	53	46

	Installation	5	6
	Closure	8	5
	Compliance Re-Inspections	16	18
2.	Installation Plans Received	3	3
3.	Installation Plans Reviewed	3	2
4.	Closure Plans & Reports		
	Closure Plans Received	5	1
	Closure Plans Reviewed	5	1
	Closure Reports Received	1	2
	Closure Reports Reviewed	-	-
5.	Enforcement		
	Non-Compliance Letters Issued	52	33
	Warning Notices Issued	-	-
	Warning Notices Closed	-	-
	Cases Referred to Enforcement	-	-
	Complaints Received	1	1
	Complaints Investigated	1	1
	Complaints Referred	-	-
6.	Discharge Reporting Forms Received	-	-
7.	Incident Notification Forms Received	2	5
8.	Cleanup Notification Letters Issued	-	-

D. STORAGE TANK CLEANUP

1.	Inspections	110	4
2.	Reports Received	67	63
3.	Reports Reviewed	67	66
	Site Assessment Received	7	4
	Site Assessment Reviewed	8	7
	Source Removal Received	3	2
	Source Removal Reviewed	1	4
	Remedial Action Plans (RAP'S) Received	-	2
	Remedial Action Plans (RAP'S) Reviewed	-	1
	Site Rehabilitation Completion Order/No Further Action Rec'd	-	-
	Site Rehabilitation Completion Order/No Further Action Rev'd	2	-
	Active Remediation/Monitoring Received	26	21
	Active Remediation/Monitoring Reviewed	28	23
	Others Received	31	34
	Others Reviewed	28	31

E. RECORD REVIEWS

17	25
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F. LEGAL PIR'S

13	15
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WATER MANAGEMENT DIVISION**

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A. ENFORCEMENT			
1.	New Enforcement Cases Received	1	-
2.	Enforcement Cases Closed	3	2
3.	Enforcement Cases Outstanding	19	19
4.	Enforcement Documents Issued	-	1
5.	Recovered Costs to the General Fund	\$ 1,075	\$ 502
6.	Contributions to the Pollution Recovery Fund	\$ 13,050	\$ 3,000
B. PERMITTING/PROJECT REVIEW - DOMESTIC			
1.	Permit Applications Received	19	14
	a. Facility Permit	3	-
	(i) Types I and II	-	-
	(ii) Type III	3	-
	b. Collection Systems - General	9	2
	c. Collection systems-Dry Line/Wet Line	7	12
	d. Residuals Disposal	-	-
2.	Permit Applications Approved	31	23
	a. Facility Permit	5	-
	b. Collection Systems - General	8	3
	c. Collection systems-Dry Line/Wet Line	6	12
	d. Residuals Disposal	-	-
	e. Final Construction Approval	12	8
3.	Permit Applications Recommended for Disapproval	-	-
	a. Facility Permit	-	-
	b. Collection Systems - General	-	-
	c. Collection systems-Dry Line/Wet Line	-	-
	d. Residuals Disposal	-	-
4.	Permit Applications (Non-Delegated)	-	-
	a. Recommended for Approval	-	-
5.	Permits Withdrawn	-	-
	a. Facility Permit	-	-
	b. Collection Systems - General	-	-
	c. Collection systems-Dry Line/Wet Line	-	-
	d. Residuals Disposal	-	-
6.	Permit Applications Outstanding	18	17
	a. Facility Permit	7	7
	b. Collection Systems - General	2	1
	c. Collection systems-Dry Line/Wet Line	9	9
	d. Residuals Disposal	-	-
7.	Permit Determination	2	3

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8.	Special Project Reviews	-	-
	a. Reuse	-	-
	b. Residuals/AUPs	-	-
	c. Others	-	-
C. INSPECTIONS - DOMESTIC			
1.	Compliance Evaluation	15	14
	a. Inspection (CEI)	3	10
	b. Sampling Inspection (CSI)	12	4
	c. Toxics Sampling Inspection (XSI)		
	d. Performance Audit Inspection (PAI)		
2.	Reconnaissance	33	39
	a. Inspection (RI)	5	4
	b. Sample Inspection (SRI)	-	-
	c. Complaint Inspection (CRI)	27	35
	d. Enforcement Inspection (ERI)	1	-
3.	Engineering Inspections	16	13
	a. Reconnaissance Inspection (RI)	3	3
	b. Sample Reconnaissance Inspection (SRI)	-	-
	c. Residual Site Inspection (RSI)	-	-
	d. Preconstruction Inspection (PCI)	1	-
	e. Post Construction Inspection (XCI)	12	10
	f. On-site Engineering Evaluation	-	-
	g. Enforcement Reconnaissance Inspection (ERI)	-	-
D. PERMITTING/PROJECT REVIEW - INDUSTRIAL			
1.	Permit Applications Received	2	1
	a. Facility Permit	2	1
	(i) Types I and II	2	-
	(ii) Type III with Groundwater Monitoring	-	-
	(iii) Type III w/o Groundwater Monitoring	-	1
	b. General Permit	-	-
	c. Preliminary Design Report	-	-
	(i) Types I and II	-	-
	(ii) Type III with Groundwater Monitoring	-	-
	(iii) Type III w/o Groundwater Monitoring	-	-
2.	Permits Recommended to DEP for Approval	-	5
3.	Special Project Reviews	1	1
	a. Facility Permit	1	1
	b. General Permit	-	-

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4.	Permitting Determination	1	
5.	Special Project Reviews	49	41
	a. Phosphate	13	11
	b. Industrial Wastewater	9	8
	c. Others	27	22
E. INSPECTIONS - INDUSTRIAL			
1.	Compliance Evaluation (Total)	13	7
	a. Inspection (CEI)	12	2
	b. Sampling Inspection (CSI)	1	5
	c. Toxics Sampling Inspection (XSI)	-	-
	d. Performance Audit Inspection (PAI)	-	-
2.	Reconnaissance (Total)	15	13
	a. Inspection (RI)	2	1
	b. Sample Inspection (SRI)	-	-
	c. Complaint Inspection (CRI)	13	12
	d. Enforcement Inspection (ERI)	-	-
3.	Engineering Inspections (Total)	7	6
	a. Compliance Evaluation (CEI)	7	6
	b. Sampling Inspection (CSI)	-	-
	c. Performance Audit Inspection (PAI)	-	-
	d. Complaint Inspection (CRI)	-	-
	e. Enforcement Reconnaissance Inspections (ERI)	-	-
F. INVESTIGATION/COMPLIANCE			
1.	Citizen Complaints		
	a. Domestic	43	27
	(i) Received	17	20
	(ii) Closed	26	7
	b. Industrial	19	19
	(i) Received	11	11
	(ii) Closed	8	8
2.	Warning Notices		
	a. Domestic	3	2
	(i) Issued	1	1
	(ii) Closed	2	1
	b. Industrial	1	2
	(i) Issued	-	2
	(ii) Closed	1	-
3.	Non-Compliance Advisory Letters	5	3

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4.	Environmental Compliance Reviews	103	116
	a. Industrial	2	13
	b. Domestic	101	103
5.	Special Project Reviews	10	22
G. RECORD REVIEWS			
1.	Permitting Determination	4	2
2.	Enforcement	1	-
H. ENVIRONMENTAL SAMPLES ANALYZED/REPORTS REVIEWED (LAB)			
1.	Air division	51	64
2.	Waste Division	-	-
3.	Water Division	17	14
4.	Wetlands Division	-	-
5.	ERM Division	164	177
6.	Biomonitoring Reports	1	1
7.	Outside Agency	23	27
I. SPECIAL PROJECT REVIEWS			
1.	DRIs	1	1
2.	ARs	-	-
3.	Technical Support	-	-
4.	Other	1	1

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WETLANDS MANAGEMENT DIVISION**

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ASSESSMENT REPORT

Agriculture Exemption Report

# Agricultural Exemptions Reviews	-	-
# Isolated Wetlands Impacted	-	-
# Acres of Isolated Wetlands Impacted	-	-
# Isolated Wetlands qualify for Mitigation Exemption	-	-
# Acres of Wetlands qualify for Mitigation Exemption	-	-

Development Services Reviews Performance Report

# of Reviews	68	96
Timeframes Met	97%	98%
Year to Date	98%	98%

Formal Wetland Delineation Surveys

Projects	9	14
Total Acres	146	93
Total Wetland Acres	48	25
# Isolated Wetlands < 1/2 Acre	1	-
Isolated Wetland Acreage	0.1	0

Construction Plans Approved

Projects	11	22
Total Wetland Acres	46	80
#Isolated Wetlands < 1/2 Acre	6	6
Isolated Wetland Acreage	1.64	0.92
Impacts Approved Acreage	1.64	10.95
Impacts Exempt Acreage	1.03	6.66

Mitigation Sites in Compliance

Ratio	15/17	28/29
Percentage	88%	97%

ENFORCEMENT REPORT

Measures taken to ensure the restoration or mitigation of wetland

Enforcement Actions

Acreage of Unauthorized Wetland Impacts		
Acres Restored		
Acres Mitigated		

Mitigation Sites in Compliance

Ratio		
Percentage		

Compliance Actions

Acreage of Unauthorized Wetland Impacts	0.70	1.40
Acreage of Water Quality Impacts	0.00	0.00
Acreage Restored	0.20	1.40

TPA Minor Work Permit

Permit Issued	21	39
Permits Issued Fiscal Year 2014	183	222
Cumulative Permits Issue Since TPA Delegation (07/09)	981	1,020

REVIEW TIMES

# of Reviews	354	391
% On Time	94%	96%
% Late	6%	4%

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WETLANDS MANAGEMENT DIVISION**

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A. General

1.	Telephone conferences	721	638
2.	Unscheduled Citizen Assistance	374	350
3.	Scheduled Meetings	472	370
4.	Correspondence	2,626	2,729
1/ 5.	Intergency Coordination	95	77
1/ 6.	Trainings	30	15
1/ 7.	Public Outreach/Education	1	4
1/ 8.	Quality Control	167	206

B. Assessment Reviews

1.	Wetland Delineations	26	25
2.	Surveys	13	14
3.	Miscellaneous Activities in Wetland	22	20
4.	Mangrove	8	13
5.	Notice of Exemption	2	-
6.	Impact/Mitigation Proposal	18	14
7.	Tampa Port Authority Reviews	111	111
8.	Wastewater Treatment Plants (FDEP)	-	-
9.	Development Regn'l Impact (DRJ) Annual Report	-	-
10.	On-Site Visits	148	118
11.	Phosphate Mining	-	1
12.	Comp Plan Amendment (CPA)	-	-
1/ 13.	AG SWM	-	4
	Sub-Total		

Planning and Growth Management Review

14.	Land Alteration/Landscaping	3	1
15.	Land Excavation	1	2
16.	Rezoning Reviews	16	18
17.	Site Development	21	26
18.	Subdivision	43	42
19.	Wetland Setback Encroachment	2	2
20.	Easement/Access-Vacating	-	-
21.	Pre-Applications	32	23
1/ 22.	Agriculture Exemption	-	-
	Sub-Total		
	Total Assessment Review Activities		

C. Investigation and Compliance

1.	Warning Notices Issued	17	6
2.	Warning Notices Closed	15	16
1/ 3.	Complaints Closed	26	41
4.	Complaint Inspections	28	36

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5. Return Compliance Inspections for Open Cases	41	27
6. Mitigation Monitoring Reports	5	8
7. Mitigation Compliance Inspections	22	30
8. Erosion Control Inspections	3	-
9. MAIW Compliance Site Inspections	9	4
10. TPA Compliance Site Inspections	13	16
2/ # Mangrove Compliance Site Inspections	-	-
1/ # Conservation Easement Inspection	3	8

D. Enforcement

1. Active Cases	11	9
2. Legal Cases	3	3
3. Number of "Notice of Intent to Initiate Enforcement"	5	2
4. Number of Citations Issued	-	-
5. Number of Consent Orders Signed	5	3
6. Administrative - Civil Cases Closed	8	6
7. Cases Referred to Legal Department	3	3
8. Contributions to Pollution Recovery	\$2,000	\$ 900
9. Enforcement Costs Collected	\$ 549	\$ 490

E. Ombudsman

1. Agriculture		5
2. Permitting Process & Rule Assistance		3
3. Staff Assistance		9
4. Citizen Assistance		4

**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMISSION
OF HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY
FY 14 POLLUTION RECOVERY FUND
10/1/2013 through 6/30/2014**

REVENUE		EXPENDITURES		RESERVES		NET PRF
EST. Beginning Balan	\$ 553,605	Artificial Reef	\$ 24,439	Minimum Balance	\$ 120,000	
Interest	\$ 2,607	Project Monitoring	\$ 179	PROJ. FY 15 Budgets	\$ 24,618	
Deposits	\$ 85,450	FY 14 Projects	\$ 109,200	Asbestos Removal	\$ 5,000	
Refunds	\$ 22					
Total	\$ 641,684	Total	\$ 133,818	Total	\$ 149,618	\$ 358,248

PROJECT		Project Amount	Project Balance
FY 12 Projects			
Bahia Beach Mangrove Enhancement	10132.102063.581990.5370.1187	\$ 56,700	\$ 56,700
USGS Partnership	10132.102063.581990.5370.1188	\$ 25,000	\$ 18,750
		\$ 81,700	\$ 75,450
FY 13 Projects			
USF Fertilizer Study Peer Review	10132.102063.581990.5370.1189	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000
Community Partnering Program	10132.102073.582990.5370.0000	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000
		\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000
FY 14 Projects			
Mercury Collection Public Education	10132.102063.581990.5370.1176	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000
Electric Car Charging Station Softwar	10132.102063.581990.5370.1175	\$ 4,200	\$ 2,800
Audubon Oyster Bar Restoration	10132.102063.582990.5370.1177	\$ 50,000	\$ 33,230
Lake Magdalene Outfall	10132.102063.582990.5370.1178	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000
		\$ 109,200	\$ 91,030
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**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMISSION
OF HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY
FY 14 POLLUTION RECOVERY FUND
10/1/2013 through 7/31/2014**

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMISSION

AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Date of EPC Meeting: August 21, 2014

Subject: Monthly Legal Case Summary

Agenda Section: Consent Agenda

Item: Legal and Administrative Services Division

Recommendation: None, informational update.

Brief Summary: The EPC Legal Department provides a monthly summary of its ongoing civil, appellate and administrative matters.

Financial Impact: No Financial Impact anticipated; information update only.

Background: In an effort to provide the Commission with timely information regarding legal challenges, the EPC staff provides this monthly summary. The update serves not only to inform the Commission of current litigation but may also be used as a tool to check for any conflicts they may have in the event a legal matter is discussed by the Commission. The summary provides general details as to the status of the civil and administrative cases. There is also a listing of cases where parties have asked for additional time in order to allow them to decide whether they will file an administrative challenge to an agency action (e.g. – permitting decision or enforcement order), while concurrently attempting to seek resolution of the agency action.

EPC LEGAL DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REPORT
July & August 2014

I. ADMINISTRATIVE CASES

Thomas J. Singletary [14-EPC-009]: The Appellant filed a Notice of Appeal on July 17, 2014 challenging the issuance of the TPA Minor Work Permit No. 56663. The Appeal was deemed to be insufficient and untimely and the EPC issued an Order Dismissing the Appeal with Leave to Amend to address the deficiencies. The Appellant was given until August 4, 2014 to file an Amended Notice of Appeal in this matter. The Appellant filed an Amended Notice of Appeal on July 30, 2014. The Amended Notice of Appeal failed to address the timeliness issue and an Order Dismissing the Amended Notice of Appeal with Prejudice was issued on August 8, 2014. The Appellant has 30 days in which to file a petition to appeal the Order in the Circuit Court. (AZ)..

Jeffrey Willis and Terri Willis [14-EPC-008]: The Appellants filed a Notice of Appeal on July 3, 2014 challenging the issuance of the TPA Minor Work Permit No. 56663. On July 22, 2014 a Hearing Officer was appointed and the appeal was transferred to the Hearing Officer to conduct an administrative hearing in this matter. On July 25, 2014, the Hearing Officer issued an Order of Consolidation joining this appeal with two other appeals that challenge the same Agency decision; 14-EPC-005; 14-EPC-006; and 14-EPC-008.. (AZ)

Larry Kent and Julia Vincent Kent [14-EPC-006]: The Appellants filed a Notice of Appeal on July 3, 2014 challenging the issuance of the TPA Minor Work Permit No. 56663. On July 22, 2014 a Hearing Officer was appointed and the appeal was transferred to the Hearing Officer to conduct an administrative hearing in this matter. On July 25, 2014, the Hearing Officer issued an Order of Consolidation joining this appeal with two other appeals that challenge the same Agency decision; 14-EPC-005; 14-EPC-006; and 14-EPC-008.. (AZ)

Randy Ogden and Mindy Ogden [14-EPC-005]: The Appellants filed a Notice of Appeal on July 1, 2014 challenging the issuance of the TPA Minor Work Permit No. 56663. On July 22, 2014 a Hearing Officer was appointed and the appeal was transferred to the Hearing Officer to conduct an administrative hearing in this matter. On July 25, 2014, the Hearing Officer issued an Order of Consolidation joining this appeal with two other appeals that challenge the same Agency decision; 14-EPC-005; 14-EPC-006; and 14-EPC-008.. (AZ)

Lillian Tambasco [14-EPC-004]: On June 6, 2014 the Appellant, Lillian Tambasco, filed a Notice of Appeal challenging the issuance of the TPA Minor Work Permit #56813 for the extension of a dock. The Appeal was withdrawn and a request for an extension of time was submitted. The Appellant was given until July 28, 2014 to file a Notice of Appeal in this matter. No Notice of Appeal was timely filed and this case is closed.. (AZ)

J.E. McLean, III and RaceTrac Petroleum, Inc. [12-EPC-014]: On October 24, 2012, the Appellants, RaceTrac Petroleum, Inc. and the property owner, filed a request for an extension of time to file an Appeal challenging the Executive Director's denial for wetland impacts on the corner of Lumsden and Kings Avenue. The extension was granted and the Appellants filed an appeal in this matter on December 7, 2012. A Hearing Officer has been assigned and conducted a case management conference. This matter has been placed in abeyance as the parties are discussing options.(AZ)

Tampa Electric Company, Polk Power Station, Polk 2-5 Combined Cycle Conversion Project: [12-EPC-016]: EPC is a commenting agency and potential administrative party to this DEP power station siting certification permit application and hearing. (RT)

Joseph and Jennifer Ferrante [12-EPC-006]: On May 7, 2012 the EPC received a Request for Variance or Waiver from Joseph and Jennifer Ferrante. The Applicant is requesting a waiver from a provision within the Submerged Lands Management Rules of the Tampa Port Authority regarding setback encroachments. A public hearing is scheduled for September 20, 2012 to consider the variance. The hearing was continued until further notice. (AZ)

II. CIVIL CASES

WOB S. Tampa, LLC [14-EPC-003]: On May 15, 2014, the World of Beer in South Tampa filed a Complaint in Civil Court for declaratory and injunctive relief against the City of Tampa and EPC regarding noise pollution issues. (RM)

Gregory S. Hart and Karin Hart [13-EPC-008]: On October 9, 2013, the Plaintiffs filed a Complaint in Civil Court against the EPC alleging defamation. The EPC filed a Motion to Dismiss. Subsequently the Plaintiffs filed a Motion for Default Judgment. A Motion Hearing was held on March 31, 2014 in which the Court heard both the Plaintiffs' Motion for Default and the EPC's Motion to Dismiss. The EPC's Motion to Dismiss was granted with leave to amend and the Plaintiff's Motion for Default was denied. The Plaintiff re-filed an amended complaint and the EPC answered it. A hearing will be held August 14, 2014 in an effort to dismiss the case. (RT).

PATCO Transports, LLC and Chip Investment 2: On July 28, 2011, the EPC staff received authority to take legal action for various solid waste/landfill violations, specifically unauthorized construction on a historic landfill. The parties entered into a Consent Order on August 25, 2011 to address the violations; however, the Respondent has not complied with the terms of the Consent Order. The Respondent has, among other things, failed to perform landfill gas monitoring and submit monitoring reports. The EPC Legal Department is attempting to resolve the matter but the Respondent has failed to respond in any way. A lawsuit is being prepared. (AZ)

Oak Hammock Ranch, LLC, James P. Gill, III, as Custodian [12-EPC-018]: On December 28, 2012 EPC was served a lawsuit regarding the Upper Tampa Bay Trail Wetland Impact Approval. The EPC has filed its Answer and affirmative defenses to the lawsuit. The Plaintiff has filed a voluntary dismissal and the Order Dismissing Without Prejudice was entered on April 21, 2014. The case is closed. (AZ)

Greg and Karin Hart [LEPC10-004]: On March 18, 2010 the Commission granted authority to take legal action against the Defendants Mr. and Mrs. Greg Hart for various impacts to wetlands that are violations of the EPC Act, Chapter 1-11 (Wetland Rule), and a conservation easement encumbering the Defendants' property. On March 29, 2010, the EPC filed a civil lawsuit in Circuit Court. The case was consolidated with a related Hillsborough County case seeking an injunction to remove fill from a drainage canal. A second mediation on January 21, 2011, resulted in a very limited partial settlement with EPC and full settlement with the County. A jury trial was held the week of September 19, 2011. The jury returned a verdict in favor of the EPC. Defendants filed a motion for new trial and an appeal of the jury verdict. The appeal was dismissed as premature and the request for a new trial was denied. The Defendants then appealed the denial of a new trial, which was dismissed. A Final Judgment Against Defendants was entered on March 5, 2012, requiring Defendants to restore the wetland and pay penalties. Defendants filed a Motion for Relief from Judgment dated May 22, 2012 and the court denied the motion on July 30, 2012. On July 31, 2012, the court awarded the EPC reasonable trial costs. The Harts moved for re-consideration of the Motion for Relief from Judgment denial and it was denied. An appeal of the denial was dismissed. The EPC moved for contempt for failure to restore the wetland, but the Court ordered the EPC to conduct the wetland remediation and charge the Harts. (RM)

Dubliner North, Inc. [LEPC09-015]: On September 17, 2009 the Commission granted authority to take legal action against Respondent for violations of the EPC Act and EPC Rules, Chapter 1-10 (Noise). A Citation to Cease and Order to Correct Violation was issued on July 24, 2009, the Respondent failed to appeal the citation and it became a final order of the Agency enforceable in court. On May 5, 2010 the EPC filed a civil lawsuit in Circuit Court. The Defendant did not respond to the complaint, thus a default was issued on September 30, 2010. A trial was set for the week of May 9, 2011. The parties attended court-ordered mediation on April 22, 2011. A Mediation Settlement Agreement was entered on April 22, 2011. On August 8, 2011, the EPC filed a Notice of Voluntary Dismissal. Defendant has not complied with the terms of the settlement, EPC filed a motion to enforce the Settlement and a hearing was held on August 2, 2012 and a Judgment Against Defendant was entered. The Defendant paid the negotiated penalty, but corrective actions are pending. (RM)

U.S. Bankruptcy Court in re Jerry A. Lewis [LEPC09-011]: On May 1, 2009 the U.S. Bankruptcy Court Middle District of Florida filed a Notice of Chapter 13 Bankruptcy Case regarding Jerry A. Lewis. On May 26, 2009, the EPC filed a Proof of Claim with the Court. The EPC's basis for the claim is a recorded judgment lien awarded in Civil Court against Mr. Lewis concerning unauthorized disposal of solid waste. The EPC is preparing to seek relief from the bankruptcy stay to get an award of stipulated penalties from the state court. The site remains out of compliance with applicable EPC solid waste regulations. (AZ)

Grace E. Poole and Michael Rissell [LEPC08-015]: Authority to take appropriate legal action against Grace E. Poole and Michael Rissell for failure to properly assess petroleum contamination in accordance with EPC and State regulations was granted on June 19, 2008. The property owner and/or other responsible party are required to initiate a site assessment and submit a Site Assessment Report. They have failed to do the required work and the EPC is attempting to obtain appropriate corrective actions. (AZ)

Petrol Mart, Inc. [LEPC07-018]: Authority to take appropriate action against Petrol Mart, Inc. to seek corrective action, appropriate penalties and recover administrative costs for improperly abandoned underground storage tanks and failure to address petroleum contamination was granted on June 21, 2007. The owner of the property is insolvent and the corporation inactive; however, the Waste Management Division intends on obtaining a judgment and lien on the property for the

appropriate corrective actions. The Legal Department filed a civil lawsuit on September 26, 2007. The defendant was served with the lawsuit on October 12, 2007. The Court entered a default on November 9, 2007 for the Defendant's failure to respond. The EPC Legal Department set this matter for trial on March 26, 2008. The Court ruled in favor of EPC and entered a Default Judgment against the Defendant awarding all corrective actions, penalties of \$116,000 and costs of \$1,780. In the event the corrective actions are not completed the court also authorized the EPC to contract to have the site cleaned and to add those costs to the lien on the property. PRF monies were allocated in November 2008 to assist in remediating the site. (AZ)

Boyce E. Slusmeyer [LEPC10-019]: On Sept 20, 2001 the EPC staff received authority to take legal action for failure to comply with an Executive Director's Citation and Order to Correct Violation for the failure to initiate a cleanup of a petroleum-contaminated property. The Court entered a Consent Final Judgment on March 13, 2003. The Defendant has failed to perform the appropriate remedial actions for petroleum contamination on the property. The EPC filed a lawsuit on October 7, 2010 seeking injunctive relief and recovery of costs and penalties. The EPC is waiting for the lawsuit to be served. (AZ)

III. PENDING ADMINISTRATIVE CHALLENGES

The following is a list of cases assigned to the EPC Legal Department that are not in litigation, but a party has asked for an extension of time to file for administrative litigation in an effort to negotiate a settlement prior to forwarding the case to a Hearing Officer. The below list may also include waiver or variance requests.

Aaron and Barbara Hendry [14-EPC-007]: On July 3, 2014 the Appellants requested an extension of time to file a Notice of Appeal challenging the issuance of the TPA Minor Work Permit No. 56663. The extension was granted and the Appellants had until July 14, 2014 to file a Notice of Appeal in this matter. No timely Notice of Appeal was filed and this case has been closed. (AZ)



ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMISSION

AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Date of EPC Meeting: August 21, 2014

Subject: Continuous Improvement at EPC

Agenda Section: Regular Agenda

Item: Executive Director Report

Recommendation: Receive informational report and give direction as needed.

Brief Summary: EPC staff has invited John Pieno, the President of the Florida Sterling Council, and the Honorable Doug Belden, Hillsborough County Tax Collector, to make a brief presentation on the advantages of the Sterling management system. The EPC is preparing to submit an application for the Governor's Sterling Award next spring, and we are looking for the Board's continuing support.

Financial Impact: Financial Impact to the General Fund is approximately \$30,000 and is included in the Agency's FY 15 budget request.

Background: At the request of the Board, EPC staff studied the Sterling Management process and decided to use it to pursue continuous improvement at the Agency. For the past four years, staff has worked diligently with our consultant to measure how we provide services and to systematically survey our customers. This has given us objective measures to set goals both short term as well as long term.

This past fall EPC submitted a Challenge Application to the Sterling Council and received invaluable feedback. Although the ratings they gave us were encouraging and reflected a well-run organization, we saw that we could do more. The examiners identified a number of opportunities for improvement. As a result the Agency has initiated eighteen new action plans for this year alone. Once these action plans mature, we will be seeking to complete an application for the Governor's Sterling Award similar to the journey that led to the Tax Collector's well documented success.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMISSION

AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Date of EPC Meeting: August 21, 2014

Subject: Community Climate Adaptation and Sea Level Rise

Agenda Section: Regular Agenda

Item: Executive Director Report

Recommendation: Informational report and provide guidance as needed.

Brief Summary: This presentation will give the Board an update on climate adaptation and sea level rise related activities in our County and region. In addition, guest speaker Dr. Charles Paxton, will present on several of the latest findings from NOAA data concerning climate and weather patterns on both a local and world level.

Financial Impact: No financial impact

Background: This presentation will update the Board on the latest activities in our County and region on climate adaptation, especially in respect to sea level rise. Following a brief introduction of the issue by EPC staff, Dr. Charles Paxton, Science Operations Officer of the Ruskin NOAA Weather Station, will present some recent findings on climate issues and sea level rise.

Initiating climate adaptation planning is one of the Agency's eight long term goals in our Strategic Plan. By presenting material in a factual setting, EPC hopes to help local officials to make well informed decisions when planning for the future of the region. Issues on climate adaption include everything from natural habitat for wildlife to infrastructure that keeps our communities safe.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMISSION

AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Date of EPC Meeting: August 21, 2014

Subject: Contract Amendment with FDEP to Perform Petroleum Cleanup Oversight for Manatee County

Agenda Section: Regular Agenda

Item: Waste Management Division

Recommendation: Approval to Negotiate with FDEP and Sign Contract Amendment

Brief Summary: The Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) approached EPC requesting EPC perform petroleum cleanup oversight for non-enforcement, program sites in Manatee County. The work is currently performed in Tallahassee and FDEP would like the work performed more regionally.

Financial Impact: The amendment and work would likely add approximately \$130,000 additional Grant dollars provided by the State to EPC with no net impact to the General fund.

Background: EPC has administered the Cleanup Program in Hillsborough County for the Florida Department of Environmental Protection since 1988. The Program is funded entirely through a Grant with renewed task assignments. The proposed amendment, if approved, will contract EPC to perform technical and administrative oversight for petroleum contaminated funded "Program" sites within Manatee County. This work is currently performed in Tallahassee and contracting with EPC is part of a regional plan by FDEP to move oversight geographically closer, where site managers are often more familiar with geological conditions and more proximal to site locations, property owners, and the private contractors performing the site work. FDEP's District office will continue to address "non-program" and enforcement cases in Manatee County, but all Program work Statewide is handled either from Tallahassee or contracted programs such as EPC. FDEP has already contracted with a number of local programs to address surrounding Counties as part of their Regional Plan. FDEP stated their desire to have EPC address Manatee is based on EPC's technical and administrative abilities, location, and our existing contract and Interlocal Agreement with Manatee County that addresses the petroleum Tanks Compliance Inspection Program in Manatee County. EPC has contacted our key local government counterparts in Manatee and they have provided their support of the concept as well. Acceptance of the contract amendment is premised on limiting oversight to only use State funding with no Hillsborough County tax dollars to be spent. The contract monies must support sufficient full time equivalent man hours with administrative oversight to remain viable.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMISSION

AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Date of EPC Meeting: August 21, 2014

Subject: EPC Staff's 2014 Customer Satisfaction Survey

Agenda Section: Regular Agenda

Item: Legal and Administrative Services Division

Recommendation: Receive report and provide guidance as necessary.

Brief Summary: As part of the Agency's Sterling culture, we conduct regular surveys of our various customer groups. This is the fourth such survey and it is now done on a biennial basis. However in addition to surveying our typical customers, this year we added a separate survey of the EPC's legal services. Outside attorneys involved in transactional matters and litigation with the Agency, were anonymously surveyed by a third party to rate EPC's legal department. Staff will present a brief summary of both.

Financial Impact: The two surveys cost a total of six thousand dollars and were paid out of existing General Fund monies.

Background: As the EPC began implementing the Sterling Management process, we realized we needed to understand who our customers were and how they felt about us. The first anonymous survey conducted by a third party on behalf the EPC was done in 2010. We conducted two more surveys in 2011 and 2012 before deciding to go to an every other year schedule. This allows us more time to implement changes identified in the preceding survey before we ask our customers again.

The 2014 survey results are not statistically different than our 2012 numbers. Some 98% of the regulated industry customers gave the Agency a 3 or 4 on a scale of 1 to 4 when rating their overall satisfaction with EPC. Still our lowest marks came from citizen complainants. Staff has already launched a pilot project to do a better timelier job addressing their concerns.

For the first time, EPC surveyed outside attorneys and ask them to rate our legal team. These are attorneys who have had transactional work or litigation with the Agency. The survey results were very favorable with all areas coming in at 3.69 or better on a scale of 1 to 4. Eighty-eight percent of all the responses were a four.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMISSION

AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Date of EPC Meeting: August 21, 2014

Subject: New Apollo Beach Air Monitoring Station

Agenda Section: Regular Agenda

Item: Air Management Division

Recommendation: Informational Report

Brief Summary: A new air monitoring station is opening in the Apollo Beach community to monitor the air quality for local citizens.

Financial Impact: No additional funds required.

Background: About eight years ago, citizens in the Apollo Beach community expressed concerns regarding particulate emissions and air quality. The EPC setup a temporary particulate monitor at the Apollo Beach Elementary School which ran from 2006 through 2012. The monitoring results showed an improvement in air quality during that time.

This month, the EPC will be opening a more permanent station nearer the residents of Apollo Beach and include instruments for monitoring sulfur dioxide levels and meteorological conditions.

This agenda item is an informational report to the EPC Board.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMISSION

AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Date of EPC Meeting: August 21, 2014

Subject: Artificial Reef Program Update

Agenda Section: Regular Agenda

Item: Water Management Division

Recommendation: Informational Report

Brief Summary: Update and Summary of Recent Improvements Related to the Artificial Reef Program.

Financial Impact: No Financial Impact

Background:

The Artificial Reef Program staff has been modernizing program objectives, developing enhancements, and updating the agency's Artificial Reef Management Plan. Staff has revisited the objectives for the reef program and surveyed stakeholders to target program enhancements. Some of these improvements include: new interactive reef location maps, social media interaction with fishermen, a Tampa Bay reef video channel to further increase engagement with the citizens and sport fishing community, and we are testing an app to allow fishermen to report what they are catching on the reefs. An updated brochure and increased presence at stakeholder events such as fishing and boating shows are among the other, more traditional, outreach opportunities that are being enhanced.

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