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SOUTH FLORIDA AND TREASURE COAST REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCILS ANNOUNCE JOINT MEETING

HOLLYWOOD, FL – The South Florida and Treasure Coast Regional Planning Councils will meet this Friday, February 17th from 10:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in Broward County at the Long Key Natural Area and Nature Center located at 3501 SW 130th Avenue, in Davie, Florida. The meeting will be co-chaired by The Honorable Steve Geller, Broward County Commissioner and Chair of the South Florida Regional Planning Council (SFRPC), and The Honorable Doug Bournique, Gubernatorial Appointee and Chair of the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council (TCRPC). The South Florida and Treasure Coast Regional Planning Councils represent the seven-county Southeast Florida region of Monroe through Indian River counties.

At this meeting the Councilmembers will hear from state and local experts on a variety of topics including the upcoming Florida Legislative Session; Florida's Coral Reef Protection and Restoration initiatives and federal coral reef legislation; the Marine Research Hub; Southeast Florida Restoration and Flood Control Planning and Projects; proposed state affordable housing legislation; and statewide water infrastructure challenges and opportunities. Special guests include Ron L. Book, Founder, President & CEO of Ron L Book, P.A.; Joanna C. Walczak, Administrator, Coral Protection and Restoration Program, Florida Department of Environmental Protection Office of Resilience and Coastal Protection; Katherine O'Fallon, Executive Director of the Marine Research Hub; Kody Glazer, Esq., Legal & Policy Director of the Florida Housing Coalition; Drew Bartlett, SFWMD Executive Director; Ana Carolina Coelho Marán, P.E., Ph.D., SFWMD Resiliency Officer; E. Timothy Gysan, P.E., PMP, Army Corps of Engineers Resilience Senior Project Manager; and Frank Bernardino, Founding Partner of Anfield Consulting.

The Councils welcome elected officials and members of the public to be part of this conversation. Please join us this Friday, February 17th at 10:00 a.m. The draft agenda and meeting materials are available at the SFRPC and TCRPC websites:

- South Florida Regional Planning Council | Joint Meeting
- Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council | Joint Meeting

This meeting has been Publicly Noticed. This is an in-person meeting. Participation is also available by Zoom.

Join Zoom Meeting

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Meeting ID: 833 6381 5357 | Passcode: 631757

If attending in person, please RSVP to facilitate meeting logistics by <u>clicking here</u>.

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The membership of the Regional Planning Councils consist of county and municipal elected officials, gubernatorial appointees, and ex-officio members from the Florida of Department of Economic Opportunity, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, the Florida Department of Transportation, South Florida Regional Transportation Authority, and the South Florida Water Management District. The South Florida RPC represents Monroe, Miami-Dade, and Broward counties. The Treasure Coast RPC represents Palm Beach, Martin, St. Lucie, and Indian River counties. The Councils support the region's elected leaders and public, private, and nonprofit stakeholders through regional, collaborative planning and the development and implementation of programs and strategies which create a better future for Southeast Florida.