

Rivers Coalition

Meeting Minutes

Date: March 30, 2016

Called to Order: 6:05 pm

Attendance: Mark Perry, Jim Moir, Darrell Brand, Jill Pinkham, George Jones, Todd Weissing, Paul Gray, Charles Grande, George Jones, Shari Anker, Nic Mader, Richard Erth, Clint Starling, Marty Baum, Bob Voisinet, Frank Pryzbylski, Stan Giesey, Gayle Ryan, James Harter, Mike Littel.

StopFlowFromLakeO was introduced to encourage signing a petition for the White House regarding the discharges.

Special Vote:

Mark Perry called for a vote to support StopFlowFromLakeO; the vote seconded and unanimously passed.

Marty Baum was introduced and presented a power point covering water quality. See the Indian Riverkeeper photos on the following link: <https://www.facebook.com/Indian-Riverkeeper>

River Kidz of Martin County:

Nic Mader presented for River Kidz. She announced the River Kidz participation in Earth Day at the Environmental Studies Center on Saturday, April 16 at 10:00am.

Speakers Bureau: Todd Weissing gave an overview of the speaking engagements in the past month and encouraged members and organizations to request speaking engagements with the Rivers Coalition's.

Special Presentation: Shannon Estenoz and Bob Johnson gave a special presentation regarding Everglades Restoration. You can watch the presentation here:

<https://www.youtube.com/user/RiversCoalition>

Martin County: Diane Hughes presented a comprehensive update on Martin County and showed a tourism video: Go to www.riverscoalition.org/reports-info/local-updates/ for the full report.

WRAC: Mark Perry reported regarding water quality. There are still bacterial warnings. Oyster deployment will be coming up. Seagrass restoration is still being done. Mark acknowledged the work of Gary Goforth.

Federal and State Issues: Paul Gray presented. His complete report is available on: www.youtube.com/user/RiversCoalition

Indian Riverkeeper: To read Marty Baum's update, you can go to www.riverscoalition.org/reports-info/local-updates/ for the full report.

Announcements: WRAC meeting next Thursday. Everglades Day is April 7th. Press Conference by the Everglades Restoration at River Walk at 10/11 am. SFWMD meeting April 17th. C4CW announced Saturday Beach Clean up, Marty Baum and Mark Perry will be speaking.