



36th U.S. Coral Reef Task Force Meeting
BUSINESS MEETING
September 22 and 23, 2016

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Day 1. Thursday, September 22, 2016 (Hibiscus Hall, Fiesta Saipan)

- 10:00-10:30 Registration
- 10:30-10:50 Host Welcome and Remarks
- *Honorable Governor Ralph Deleon Guerrero Torres, CNMI*
- 10:50-11:00 Co-Chair Introductions and Remarks
- *Department of the Interior – Lori Faeth, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy and International Affairs*
 - *Department of Commerce-NOAA – Eileen Sobeck, Assistant Administrator for the NOAA National Marine Fisheries Service*
- 11:00-11:15 U.S. Coral Reef Task Force Member Introductions
- 11:15-12:15 CNMI and Guam Watershed Projects
- *Talakhaya Watershed- Dr. Lyza Johnston and Autumn Poisson, CNMI Bureau of Environmental and Coastal Quality*
 - *Garapan Watershed- Kathryn Graziano, CNMI Bureau of Environmental and Coastal Quality*
 - *Manell-Geus Watershed- Anna Simeon, Guam Bureau of Statistics and Plans*
 - *Humåtak Watershed- Dr. Austin Shelton, University of Guam Sea Grant Program*
- 12:15-12:30 U.S. All Islands Coral Reef Committee Chair's Report
- *Fran Castro, AIC Chair, CNMI*
- 12:30-2:00 Lunch and Poster Session at Fiesta Saipan, Hibiscus Hall
- Executive Session at World Café (Principal Members & invited staff only)
- 2:00-2:15 Steering Committee Update by SC Co-Chairs
- *Liza Johnson, DOI*
 - *Jennifer Koss, NOAA*
- 2:15-2:30 Development of Coral Reef Assessment and Coral Mitigation Tools
Pacific Interagency Coral Function Assessment Team

- 2:30-3:00 Public Comment
- 3:00-3:15 Break
- 3:15-3:45 The future of corals and coral reefs with climate and ocean chemistry changes
 - *Dr. Charles Birkeland, University of Hawaii at Mānoa*
- 3:45-4:00 Update on Reimaanlok
 - *Don Hess- (retired) formerly Vice President of Academic and Student Affairs, College of the Marshall Islands*
 - *Mark Stege- Executive Director Marshall Islands Conservation Society*
 - *Emma Kabua-Tibon - Coastal Fisheries Conservation Officer*
 - *Benedict Yamamura - Coastal Fisheries Information Officer*
- 4:00-4:15 Watershed Workshop Report
- 4:15-4:30 Member Discussion and Summary of Action Items
- 4:30 Ceremony Transferring Submerged Lands to the CNMI and Closing

Day 2. Friday, September 23, 2016 (Grand Ballroom, Hyatt Regency Guam)

- 10:00-10:30 Registration
- 10:30-10:50 Host Welcome and Remarks
 - *Honorable Governor Eddie Baza Calvo, Guam*
- 10:50-11:00 Co-Chair Introductions and Remarks
 - *Department of the Interior – Lori Faeth, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy and International Affairs*
 - *Department of Commerce-NOAA – Eileen Sobeck, Assistant Administrator for the NOAA National Marine Fisheries Service*
- 11:00-11:15 Governor's Remarks, Discussion and Q&A
 - *Honorable Governor Ralph Deleon Guerrero Torres, CNMI*
- 11:15-11:30 U.S. Coral Reef Task Force Member Introductions
- 11:30-12:30 Status of Micronesia Coral Reefs
 - *David Burdick- Guam Coral Reef Monitoring Program*
 - *Marlowe Sabater- Western Pacific Regional Fishery Management Council*
 - *Dr. Peter Houk, University of Guam Marine Laboratory*

- 12:30-2:00 Lunch Session (Grand Ballroom, Hyatt)
- Protecting our islands and building a sustainable future
Dr. Robert A. Underwood, President of the University of Guam
- Climate Change and Coral Reefs
- *Dr. Mark Eakin, NOAA Satellite Oceanography & Climatology Division*
 - *Dr. Laurie Raymundo, University of Guam Marine Laboratory*
 - *Dr. Rusty Brainard, NOAA Coral Reef Ecosystem Division*
- 2:00-2:30 Public Comment
- 2:30-3:30 Highlights of the Micronesia Challenge (MC): A Decade of Implementing and Inspiring Conservation
- *Jennifer Koss, NOAA CRCP*
 - *Vangie Lujan, Guam Micronesia Challenge Focal Point*
 - *Trina Leberer, The Nature Conservancy, Pacific Division*
 - *Lt. Mark Aguon, Guam Department of Agriculture-Enforcement*
 - *William Kostka, Micronesia Conservation Trust*
 - *Michael Lameier-NOAA PIMPAC*
- 3:30-3:45 Break
- 3:45-4:00 Manell-Geus Habitat Blue Print Area
Valerie Brown, NOAA National Marine Fisheries Service- Guam
- 4:00-4:15 Enforcement Working Group Report
- 4:15-4:30 Member Discussion and Summary of Action Items
- 4:30 Closing