

AGENCY SUMMIT



April 18 & 19, 2024 | Key West, FL

REGISTRATION BROCHURE

FRPA's Annual Agency Summit is a time for Park and Recreation Department Directors and Assistant Directors to come together for learning, networking, and connecting on relative and timely topics in the field. Registration is only open to those at the level of Director or Assistant/Deputy Director unless otherwise arranged.

ACCOMMODATIONS

**Key West
Beachside Hotel**
3841 N Roosevelt Blvd
Key West, FL 33040

Deadline for
hotel reservations:
March 25, 2024
Classes will begin at
8:00am on the 18th so
keep that in mind when
booking your hotel dates.

\$279 + tax
call: 305-296-8100 ext 6128
(Kate) and identify yourself
as being with Florida Parks
and Beaches.

2024 SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17, 2024

Early Evening Welcome Reception at Hotel
(included with registration)

THURSDAY, APRIL 18, 2024

7:30 a.m.

Breakfast and Vendor Visits – Hotel

8:30 a.m.

FRPA Welcome

Welcome to the Keys

9:00 a.m.

Restoring Florida's Coral Reef

10:15 a.m.

NOAA Station Tour

Working with Your Veterans Affairs Department

1:00 p.m.

Lunch at Hotel

2:15 p.m.

Emergency Management in the Keys

3:15 p.m.

Roundtable Discussions

4:15 p.m.

Wrap Up for the Day and Plans for the Evening

5:00 p.m.

Evening Event Departure from Hotel: After boat
ride, participants on own for remainder of night
and return to hotel

FRIDAY, APRIL 19, 2024

7:30 a.m.

Breakfast and Vendor Visits – Hotel

Coffee Break throughout

8:45 a.m.

Turtle Nesting

9:45 a.m.

Rising Waters and Resiliency Planning for Natural
Resources and Green Assets

11:00 a.m.

Wrap Up and Departures

Total CEUs: 0.7

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Restoring Florida's Coral Reef: From Banking to Breeding and everything in Between (CEUs: 0.1)

An overview of Mote's science-based coral reef restoration framework and how its scientists are developing and implementing novel interventions for safeguarding the future of Florida's Coral Reef

Learning Objectives:

- ◇ Discuss coral reproduction and propagation.
- ◇ Learn about implementing novel intervention techniques.
- ◇ Explore coral reef research and restoration.

Dr. Hanna R. Koch, Scientist with Mote Marine | Dr. Koch is a coral reproduction scientist and established the Coral Reproduction Research Program at Mote Marine Laboratory's Elizabeth Moore International Center for Coral Reef Research & Restoration on Summerland Key. Her team breeds coral in the lab for creating more stress-tolerant offspring that will be used for active restoration in Florida, for adding fresh genetics to Mote's asexual coral propagation pipelines, and for carrying out assisted sexual reproduction research to more efficiently and effectively produce large numbers of genetically diverse offspring of various species.

Florida Keys National Weather Service Forecast Office Tour (CEUs: 0.1)

The session consists of a visit to the Florida Keys Office of the National Weather Service, one of 122 weather forecast operational field offices of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. Attendees will learn of the history of national weather warning and forecast services in the Florida Keys in the office multi-media and reception lobby, the operations floor where forecasts and warnings are prepared and disseminated, and the upper-air observation program's weather balloon launch facility.

Learning Objectives:

- ◇ Learn about the mission and operational forecast and warning objectives of a National Weather Service field office.
- ◇ Introduction to weather observation tools and their importance in National Weather Service operations.
- ◇ Meet the core partners the Florida Keys National Weather

er Service Office that help the NWS in its mission to protect life and property in the Florida Keys and its adjacent coastal waters.

Jonathan Rizzo, Warning Coordination Meteorologist | Jon Rizzo has served as the Warning Coordination Meteorologist (WCM), leading the weather decision support and preparedness programs for the National Weather Service Forecast Office in the Florida Keys since 2002. As WCM, Jon is the primary deployment-ready meteorologist serving Monroe County Emergency Management during tropical storm and hurricane events. Jon's 24-year running NWS career began at the Key West office in 1999, before a promotion to general forecaster for the NWS office in Spokane, Washington in early 2001. Jon is originally from Southern Maryland, and earned a Bachelors of Science Degree in Meteorology from Florida State University in 1995.

Working with Your Veterans Affairs Department (CEUs: 0.1)

Join us for an informative session where we explore the dynamic partnership between Veterans Affairs and Parks and Beaches. Discover the wide range of benefits offered to veterans, delve into the exciting special events organized, and gain insight into the seamless operations that make it all possible.

Learning Objectives:

- ◇ Discuss how Veterans Affairs can team up with Parks and Recreation to benefit the community and vets.
- ◇ Learn about special events particular to veterans
- ◇ Explore Veterans Affairs: Monroe County operations

Cathy Crane, Director of Monroe County Veterans Affairs | Cathy Crane serves all Veterans and Military Service Members and their dependents and survivors as the Director of Monroe County Veterans Affairs. Cathy moved to the Keys 20 years ago with her husband and daughter. Previously, she served as the Director of Operations and Finance for the Monroe County Tax Collector and was Chief Deputy Clerk for the Monroe County Clerk. She has a bachelor's in business administration and a master's in forensic accounting. Cathy's military career includes serving a hardship tour in Korea and serving as the NCOIC of a Medical Section for an Enemy Prisoner of War Camp in Iraq. Her 11 years of US Army military service include, among other Awards and Medals, the Army Com-

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commendation Medal with “V” Device for Valor with 1 Oak Leaf Cluster. In 2023, Cathy was recognized as a Woman of Integrity for Military and Veterans Advocacy. As an active community member, she is the NACVSO Florida Legislative Delegate, Wounded Warrior Project Soldier Ride Committee Chair, and Florida CVSO Member & Past South Area Vice President.

Emergency Management in the Keys (CEUs: 0.1)

The Deputy Director of Emergency Management in Monroe County will provide an overview of Emergency Management in the Florida Keys. The presentation will cover the four phases of emergency management and the organizational structure, evacuation requirements, shelter information, and residential re-entry requirements before and after a declared disaster in the county. Additionally, we will explore how Florida Recreation and Parks can assist in the response and recovery efforts after a natural disaster impacts Monroe County.

Learning Objectives:

- ◇ Gain an overview of emergency management in the Keys.
- ◇ Talk about the four phases of emergency management.
- ◇ Learn how Florida Recreation and Parks can assist in the response and recovery efforts.

Cory Schwisow, Deputy Director Monroe Co Emergency |

Cory Schwisow is a retired United States Navy veteran with over 23 years of experience in leadership, management, and emergency response. Currently, he serves as the Deputy Director of Emergency Management for Monroe County, where he leverages his expertise to ensure the safety and well-being of the County. Cory's experience in emergency response is extensive, having served as the Emergency Manager for NAS Key West, FL during Hurricane Irma in 2017. His ability to make quick decisions under pressure and lead teams through complex situations was critical to the success of many operations. Throughout his career, Cory has been recognized for his outstanding leadership skills, having been awarded two Commander, US Naval Air Forces Leadership Awards, and multiple personal and command awards. He is a proud graduate of American Military University, where he earned a bachelor's degree in Applied Science, with a con-

centration in Project Management.

Nesting Season (CEUs: 0.1)

Learn about and discuss the nesting habits of sea turtles native to the area. The speaker will touch on the challenges with keeping nests safe during the season and how we as park and recreation professionals can help.

Learning Objectives:

- ◇ Learn about nesting habits.
- ◇ Look at the human impacts on sea turtle nests.
- ◇ Participants will walk away knowing the five species of Sea Turtles in Florida.

Carla Siciliani, Turtle Hospital | *Employed at the Turtle Hospital for 3 years and often does educational outreaches.*

Rising Waters and Resiliency Planning for Natural Resources and Green Assets (CEUs: 0.1)

Erin L. Deady, P.A.

Planning for rising waters in on everyone's minds.

Learning Objectives:

- ◇ Learn why conducting a vulnerability assessment is a good idea.
- ◇ Talk about how and why local governments should include their green assets in a vulnerability assessment.
- ◇ Discuss how a vulnerability assessment helps plan for future climate risk.

Erin L. Deady, P.A. | Erin Deady, is a licensed attorney in Florida, a certified land planner by the American Institute of Certified Planners (“AICP”) and a LEED AP. Ms. Deady's practice is primarily focused on public sector government representation but also includes numerous private sector and agricultural clients. Ms. Deady's practice includes environmental restoration initiatives, water, energy, climate, local government, administrative law and land use issues.

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EVENING EVENT

**April 18 | 5:00—8:00 PM | Shuttle Provided to Boat;
participants on their own to get back to hotel**

Join us for a Sunset Cruise on a giant catamaran!
Drinks and food included. Spouse/Partner ticket available.

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Agency Summit Registration

Early Registration Deadline—March 29

Full Registration Packages - includes both days, breakfast and lunch on Thursday, breakfast on Friday, and Evening Event (CIRCLE BELOW)

Member Rate (received on/before 3/29)	\$350
Member Rate (received on/after 3/30)	\$375
Non-Member Rate (received on/before 3/29)	\$400
Non-Member Rate (received on/after 3/30)	\$425

I will attend the Evening Event included with my Full Registration:

YES NO

(see pricing below for guests)

Daily Registration Packages— includes selected day, and all breaks; April 18 includes lunch on day one. (CIRCLE BELOW)

Circle Day You Will be Attending: April 18 OR April 19

Member received on/before 3/29	\$200
Member received on/after 3/30	\$225
Non-Member received on/before 3/29	\$225
Non-Member received on/after 3/30	\$250

Guest Ticket for Evening Event (only required for daily registration if you plan to attend Thur eve event)
Included with Full Registrations. Because this event is sponsored, it is open ONLY to parks and recreation professionals and their spouses/guests.

\$70

TOTAL FEES DUE \$ _____

YOUR INFORMATION

Name _____

Title _____

Agency _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone w/area code _____

Email _____

Method of Payment—circle one

Check# _____
VISA MASTER CARD DISCOVER AMEX

Credit Card #: _____

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Signature: _____

Accessibility and Dietary Needs FRPA is dedicated to ensuring that all meetings are accessible. If you require any special assistance, please contact the FRPA Executive Office by March 29, 2024. If you have special **dietary needs** please notify the FRPA Executive Office by March 29, 2024. | **Registration Policy** A Registration form must be completed for each individual registrant. A Meeting Receipt will be emailed to each individual registrant. Please print the receipt for your records and return to your finance department if required to do so. You can also log onto www.frpa.org and generate receipts under your profile. We are unable to generate receipts after the meeting has occurred. | **Cancellation Policy** All refund requests must be made in writing. Full refunds will be made for Requests received prior to the early rate cutoff date. Requests received between the regular rate date and one week prior to the workshop date will be eligible for a 50% refund. No refunds will be available for requests made within one week of the workshop or after the workshop occurs. Refunds will not be available for weather related cancellation. | **Other Policies** The Florida Recreation and Park Association recognizes the diversity that exists within our profession, our membership, and those attending FRPA events. As a participant, we want you to enjoy your time at this event. We ask that you join us in encouraging and maintaining the highest professional standards possible at all functions within this event. Attendees, presenters, vendors, and staff at FRPA events are expected to conduct themselves at all times in a courteous, professional, and respectful manner. Attendees are required to abstain from behavior that reflects poorly on their agency, the Florida Recreation and Park Association, and the membership. Such conduct includes, but is not limited to, actions disrupting the businesslike atmosphere, harassment, discrimination, inappropriate language, failing to comply with all local, state, and federal laws, and activities that endanger self and others. While we do not anticipate these challenges, we do want to be transparent regarding our commitment to assuring a safe and enjoyable environment for all event participants and let you know that misconduct will be addressed with you individually and/or with your employer. Attendees, presenters, vendors, and staff who do not comply with this code of conduct at any event may be removed from said event and barred from attending all future FRPA sponsored or co-sponsored events. For more information please review the following webpage: frpa.org/conduct. **Photographs** By registering for this event/activity/workshop, I give permission and consent to allow photographs and video to be taken during activities sponsored by the Florida Recreation and Park Association (FRPA). I further give permission and consent that any such media may be published and used by FRPA and its agents, to illustrate and promote the association and its programs. I understand that it is my responsibility to communicate with FRPA if I do not wish to be photographed or videoed.

Email completed form to: charla@frpa.org. Registration is not complete without payment.