Florida Department of Environmental Protection



Administration of the Florida Coastal Management Program

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- The Florida Coastal Management Act (Part II of Chapter 380, Fla. Stat.) put into effect in 1978; federally-approved in 1981 after completion of EIS
- Lead agency is currently the Department of Environmental Protection
- Entire state is the coastal zone under effectsbased test; however, for certain purposes, the 35 coastal counties are the only considered portion



Coastal Zone





Administers annual cooperative award in addition to enhancement funding and competitive funding made available from NOAA pursuant to the Coastal Zone Management Act.

Responsible for maintenance of federallyapproved coastal management program, based on a network of 24 Florida Statutes administered by 9 state agencies and the 5 WMDs.

By state law also responsible for coordinating uniform warning and safety flag program for public beaches.





Network Agencies

Lead Agency:

Department of Environmental Protection

FCMP Agencies:

- Department of Agriculture and Consumer Affairs
- Department of Economic Opportunity
- Department of Health
- Department of State
- Department of Transportation
- Division of Emergency Management
- Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission
- Florida Building Commission
- St. Johns River Water Management District
- Southwest Florida Water Management District
- Suwannee River Water Management District
- South Florida Water Management District
- Northwest Florida Water Management District



Presently portions of 24 chapters of Florida Statutes:

Chapter 161 Beach and Shore Preservation

Chapter 163, Part II Intergovernmental Programs: Growth Policy; County and Municipal Planning; Land Development

Chapter 186 State and Regional Planning

Chapter 252 Emergency Management

Chapter 253 State Lands

Chapter 258 State Parks and Preserves

Chapter 259 Land Acquisitions for Conservation or Recreation

Chapter 260 Florida Greenways and Trails Act

Chapter 267 Historical Resources

Chapter 288 Commercial Development and Capital Improvements

Chapter 334 Transportation Administration

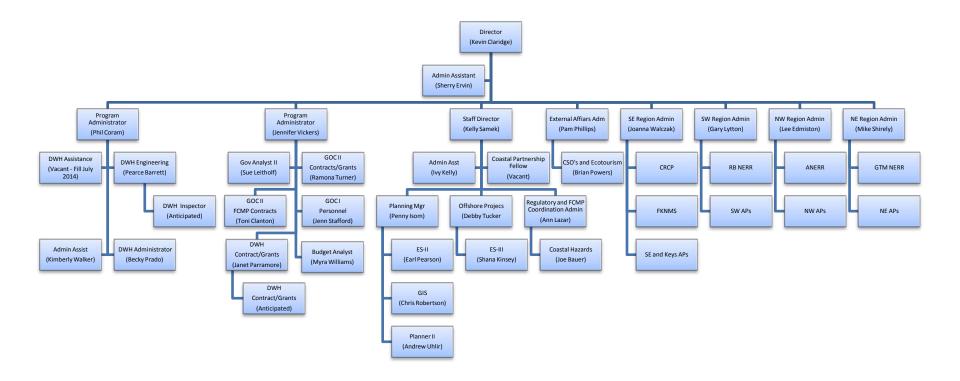
Chapter 339 Transportation Finance and Planning



Chapter 373 Water Resources Chapter 375 Outdoor Recreation and Conservation Lands Chapter 376 Pollutant Discharge Prevention and Removal Chapter 377 Energy Resources Chapter 379 Fish and Wildlife Conservation Chapter 380 Land and Water Management Chapter 381 Public Health: General Provisions **Chapter 388 Mosquito Control** Chapter 403 Environmental Control **Chapter 553 Building and Construction Standards** Chapter 582 Soil and Water Conservation Chapter 597 Aquaculture



Florida Coastal Office





Includes:

- Florida Coastal Management Program
 Aquatic Preserves
- National Estuarine Research Reserves
 - Coral Reef Conservation Program
- Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary
 - Outer Continental Shelf
 - Deepwater Horizon Restoration



Annual cooperative award funds administration of the program; Aquatic Preserves; and the Coastal Partnership Initiative (CPI), a competitive grant opportunity for local governments and NGO partners to support projects promoting resilient communities, public access, working waterfronts, and coastal stewardship.



REEF RELIEF

Success story: CPI funds helped Reef Relief teach Monroe County 4th graders the importance of keeping the sea litter-free

Managed Areas



- 41 Aquatic Preserves
- 3 National Estuarine Research Reserves
- Coral Reef Conservation Program
- Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary



Section 309

- Community Resiliency: Planning for Sea Level Rise (DEO)*
- Coordinated Coral and Hardbottom Ecosystem Mapping, Monitoring, and Management Program (FWC)*
- Florida Estuarine Habitat Restoration: Creating and Testing Statewide Planning and Guidance (SJRWMD)
- Special Area Management Planning for FWC's Critical Wildlife Areas (FWC)
- Marine Debris and Aquaculture Use Zones (DACS)
- Aquatic Preserve Management Plan Updates (DEP)

*=Has associated Project of Special Merit



Success story: the Department of Economic Opportunity's Community Resiliency Initiative integrates adaptation to potential sea level rise into current planning mechanisms



Fellowship

- <u>https://www.flseagrant.org/students/scholarships/florida-coastal-officeflorida-sea-grant-fellowship/</u>
- Working closely with the FCO's Director and Coastal Program Administrator, the Sea Grant Fellow will have the opportunity to work at the nexus of natural resources and coastal and ocean management. This year in particular, the Sea Grant Fellow with assist directly with FCO activity and coordination in two Regional Ocean Partnerships (ROPs) – the Governor's South Atlantic Alliance (GSAA) and the Gulf of Mexico Alliance (GOMA). In addition, Florida can benefit from and possibly assist the efforts of the Caribbean Regional Ocean Partnership (CROP). These ROPs are networks of state, federal, and non-governmental partners working together on shared ocean and coastal challenges and opportunities.





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