SERPPAS Principals Meeting  
November 17-18, 2014  
Keesler AFB, Biloxi, MS  
Agenda

Monday, November 17, 2014

9:00 – 12:00  Optional Tour of Keesler AFB

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1:00  Meeting Begins

1:00 – 1:05  Welcome to Keesler AFB
   COL Dennis Scarborough, Vice Commander, 81st Training Wing, Keesler Air Force Base

1:05 – 1:10  Opening Remarks
   Frank DiGiovanni, Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Readiness
   Robert Hosford, North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

1:10 – 1:20  Introductions

1:20 – 1:30  May 2014 Principals Meeting Review: Working with State Governments to Bring Landowners, Communities, and the Military Together for Action

1:30 – 3:30  November 2014 Theme Introduction and Discussion: Anticipating the Next “Megalopolis” in the Southeast—Looking Beyond 2014 to Advance Innovative Solutions and Impacts that Protect Working Lands, Species, and National Defense

   1:30 – 2:20  Theme Presentation: The Southern Megalopolis: Using the Past to Predict the Future of Urban Sprawl in the Southeast U.S. – Adam Terando, Research Ecologist, U.S. Geological Survey, and Adjunct Assistant Professor, North Carolina State University

   2:20 – 3:00  Group Activity and Discussion: Do the objectives of SERPPAS align with and respond to the scope and scale of the threats described by the study, and, if not, what are the gaps? What different actions or objectives are needed by SERPPAS to address the scope and scale of the threats described by the report?

   3:00 – 3:30  Recommendations and Discussion: How should SERPPAS effectively evaluate and organize its focus towards impactful actions beyond 2014?

3:30 – 3:45  Break

3:45 – 4:15  Gulf Restoration Opportunities

Last Updated: 11/5/14
3:45 – 4:05  Panel Presentation: Leveraging Gulf Restoration Funding Opportunities to Sustain Military Installations in the Region – Gib Owen, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works, and Bob Bendick, The Nature Conservancy

4:05 – 4:15  Recommendations and Discussion: What focused actions can SERPPAS advance beyond 2014? For each action, what is the desired end state and measure of success?

4:15 – 4:55  Sentinel Landscapes

4:15 – 4:30  Presentation: South Atlantic Landscape Conservation Cooperative – Rua Mordecai, Science Coordinator, South Atlantic Landscape Conservation Cooperative, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

4:30 – 4:45  Presentation: Mapping the Military Mission Footprint and Priorities in North Carolina – Dave Plummer, Regional Airspace Coordinator, Marine Corps Installations East

4:45 – 4:55  Recommendations and Discussion: What focused actions can SERPPAS advance beyond 2014? For each action, what is the desired end state and measure of success?

4:55 – 5:00  Day One Wrap Up

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7:00 – 9:00  Optional Group Dinner at Biloxi Lighthouse and Visitor Center

Tuesday, November 18, 2014

7:30 – 8:00  Coffee, Fruit, and Bagels

8:00 – 8:15  Day One Recap

8:15 – 9:00  Sentinel Landscapes (continued)

8:15 – 8:30  Project Opportunity: Sentinel Landscapes Finalists and Opportunities – Kristin Thomsgard-Spence, REPI Program Director, Office of the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Installations and Environment

8:30 – 8:45  Project Opportunity: Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP) – James Tillman, Southeast Regional Conservationist, Natural Resources Conservation Service
8:45 – 9:00  Recommendations and Discussion: What focused actions can SERPPAS advance beyond 2014? For each action, what is the desired end state and measure of success?

9:00 – 10:00  Threatened, Endangered, and At-Risk Species

9:00 – 9:15  Presentation: Conservation Agreements, Mitigation Strategies, and Information Transfer to USFWS – Mike Harris, At-Risk Coordinator, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Southeast Region


9:30 – 9:45  Project Opportunity: Exploring Innovative Methods to Protect Away Space: The Lentile Tract – Steve Friedman, Chief of Real Estate, Georgia Department of Natural Resources

9:45 – 10:00  Recommendations and Discussion: What focused actions can SERPPAS advance beyond 2014? For each action, what is the desired end state and measure of success?

10:00 – 10:15  Break

10:15 – 11:30  Working Lands

10:15 – 10:30  Presentation: America’s Longleaf Restoration Initiative: Engaging Private Landowners to Accelerate Results Over the Next 5 Years – Glen Gaines, Regional Longleaf Restoration Coordinator, U.S. Forest Service, Southern Region

10:30 – 10:45  Presentation: Prescribed Burning Training Opportunities – Jennifer Evans, North Carolina State University

10:45 – 11:00  Project Opportunity: Coastal Headwaters Project – Jimmy Bullock, Forest Sustainability, Resource Management Service, LLC

11:00 – 11:15  Project Opportunity: Exploring Innovative Approaches and Pilot Projects to Protect Water Security – Kristin Thomasgard-Spence, REPI Program Director, Office of the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Installations and Environment, and MAJ Kenneth Bradley, Director of Environmental Programs, Mississippi National Guard

11:15 – 11:30  Recommendations and Discussion: What focused actions can SERPPAS advance beyond 2014? For each action, what is the desired end state and measure of success?

11:30 – 1:00  Lunch

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1:00 – 1:30  Climate Resilience and Risk Management

1:00 – 1:20  Presentation: DoD’s Climate Adaptation Roadmap – Becky Patton, Office of the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Installations and Environment

1:20 – 1:30  Recommendations and Discussion: What focused actions can SERPPAS advance beyond 2014? For each action, what is the desired end state and measure of success?

1:30 – 1:50  Marine and Coastal

1:30 – 1:45  Project Opportunity: Removing Barriers for Living Shorelines – Bill Cary, Former General Counsel of the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources

1:45 – 1:50  Recommendations and Discussion: What focused actions can SERPPAS advance beyond 2014? For each action, what is the desired end state and measure of success?

1:50 – 2:40  Group Activity and Discussion: How should SERPPAS effectively evaluate and organize its focus towards impactful actions beyond 2014?

2:40 – 2:55  Next Principals Meeting Planning

2:55 – 3:00  Closing Remarks

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Meeting Location:
The Bay Breeze Event Center
500 Ploesti Drive, Building 6732
Keesler AFB, MS 39534
(228) 377-1690
http://www.keesler81fss.us/BBComCtr.html

Lodging:
Inns of Keesler
Check-in at Tyer House
301 Fisher Street, Building 0470
Keesler AFB, MS 39534
(228) 374-0088
http://www.keesler81fss.us/Lodging2.html

Room Reservations:
A block of rooms is being held at the Inns at Keesler, Keesler Air Force Base, at the standard rate of $60/night on the nights of Sunday, November 16, and Monday, November 17. Check-in is after 2:00pm CT and check-out is before 11:00am CT. Extensions to 12:00pm CT are allowed by request only.

Please call (228) 374-0088 and request a room under “SERPPAS – Group Number 20590095715” by Friday, November 7. If you are civilian, state “civilian” when asked for rank.

Meeting Schedule, Webinar Option, and Dress Code:
The meeting will take place at the Bay Breeze Event Center on Keesler Air Force Base:
• Monday, November 17: 1:00pm – 5:00pm CT
• Tuesday, November 18: 8:00am – 3:00pm CT

For those not attending in person, you may participate in the meeting remotely via our Adobe Connect online webinar. Instructions to join the webinar:
1. Please select the following link: https://bah16f18.adobeconnect.com/r775yxfrwey/
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Dress code for the meeting: Business Professional (or equivalent military attire).

**Monday Morning Optional Tour of Keesler Air Force Base:**
An optional tour of Keesler Air Force Base is being scheduled on Monday morning at 9:00am-12:00pm CT. Tour sites and discussion include impact and restoration activities from Hurricane Katrina as well as the mission of the WC-130 Hurricane Hunter used to analyze the movement, size, and intensity of severe storms. Please plan to meet at the lobby of the Shaw House lodging facilities at 8:45am CT to shuttle as a group. Dress code: Casual (or equivalent military attire).

**When you RSVP, please indicate whether you plan to attend this event. There is no fee required to participate in this activity.**

**Monday Night Optional Dinner Event:**
An optional dinner will be held at the Biloxi Visitors Center and Lighthouse on Monday night. The private evening dinner will include a buffet prepared by Southern Flavor Catering. The Biloxi Visitors Center, which opened in July 2011 in the shadow of the Biloxi Lighthouse along the Gulf coast, fuses the city’s architectural heritage with multi-media exhibits to give visitors a feel for the city of Biloxi of yesterday and today. The new center resembles the Dantzler House, a two-story city-owned structure that stood on the site until August 29, 2005, when it was destroyed by Hurricane Katrina. Please meet in the hotel lobby at 6:30pm CT to board a shuttle bus to the center. The dinner will occur at 7:00-9:00pm CT. Dress code: Business Casual (or equivalent military attire).

** When you RSVP, please indicate whether you plan to attend this event. An additional fee, which can be paid onsite at the meeting, is required for this activity.**

**RSVP, Security, and Payments:**
Please RSVP by Friday, November 7 to Luda Palei at (703) 412-7827 or palei_luda@bah.com. For security purposes, you must provide your middle name, driver’s license number and state, and citizenship status when you RSVP; this information is required to enter Keesler AFB gate.

We will collect $30 from each attendee to cover the cost of all day coffee and beverages on Monday, November 17, and Tuesday, November 18, and breakfast and lunch on Tuesday, November 18. An additional fee of $30 will be collected for the optional Monday night
dinner. Payment will be accepted in check (made out to Booz Allen Hamilton) or cash, and can be paid onsite at the meeting.

**Transportation and Parking on Base:**
- **Taxi:** For those without rental cars, the base recommends traveling by taxi from the airport. The estimated travel distance is 14 miles (approximately 30 minutes) and the estimated fare is $35 one-way. **To enter the gate, it’s critical that you’ve provided your security information to Luda Palei when you RSVP.** Once you arrive on-base and check-in at Tyer House, it’s advised that you **ask the taxi to wait outside since your actual room at the Shaw House (main lodging facility) is several blocks away** (see map on page 4).
- **Shuttle:** Bus transportation will be provided to travel from the Inns at Keesler’s Shaw House to the Bay Breeze Event Center for the meeting and related events. Please meet in the lobby of the Shaw House 30 minutes prior to meeting/event start time to board shuttle.
- **Parking:** Free parking is available at the Inns at Keesler and the Bay Breeze Event Center. Please be mindful to not park in reserved parking spaces.

**Directions:**

**From Gulfport/Biloxi International Airport to Inns of Keesler (Tyer House)**
- Take I-10 E from Airport Rd and US-49N toward Biloxi.
- Exit 46A to I-110/MS-15S toward Biloxi/Keesler AFB.
- Exit 1B to merge onto US 90W/Beach BLVD toward Keesler AFB.
- Turn Right onto White Ave.
- Continue onto Larcher Blvd.
- Enter Keesler AFB gate via White Ave./Larcher Blvd. **Have ID ready at the gate, your name is on a list with the gate security.**
- Proceed straight on Larcher Blvd. to Fisher St. and turn left (west).
- Tyer House, Building 0470, will be on the right (north) side of Fisher St.
- **Check-in at the Tyer House.** Once checked in, most visitors will be directed to rooms at the Shaw House (reception should provide directions or see map on page 4).
From Inns of Keesler (Shaw House) to Bay Breeze Event Center

- From the Shaw House (where most visitors will be staying), head South toward A St.
- Turn right onto A St.
- Take 1st left onto Larcher Blvd.
- Turn right toward S St.
- Continue onto S St.
- Turn right onto T St.
- Continue onto M St.
- Continue onto Ploesti Dr.