

2023 SERPPAS Principals Meeting

May 18-19, 2023

Naval Station Mayport, Jacksonville, FL

Meeting Purpose

To continue to build relationships among the SERPPAS Principals and, through learning and engagement on partnership progress, to inspire continued advancement of the SERPPAS mission in the southeast United States.

Meeting Objectives

- Highlight progress made on partnership objectives from the Principal-approved [2021+ SERPPAS Strategic Plan](#) with a focus on landscape-scale planning, funding, tools, and actions.
- Demonstrate on-the-ground issues and actions that relate to the mission of SERPPAS in the region – specifically highlighting the mission of Naval Station (NS) Mayport in a “mobile meeting”.
- Understand the Principals’ priorities relative to the SERPPAS mission.

Meeting Outcomes

The SERPPAS Principals have established meaningful connections with other regional leaders, have the desire to support the continued progress of the 2021+ SERPPAS Strategic Plan objectives and actions, and will look for opportunities to promote and support landscape scale initiatives in the region.

Wednesday, May 17, 2023 - Travel Day & Welcome Reception *(For those that opt-in)*

1730 – 1930 Welcome Reception

Location: Ocean Breeze Conference & Catering Center Patio

Thursday, May 18, 2023 – Day 1 Mobile Meeting

0700 – 0800 Breakfast at The Ocean Breeze Conference & Catering Center (on NS Mayport) *(For those that opt-in)*

0800 – 0820 Welcome & Principals Introductions

Location: Ocean Breeze Conference & Catering Center Main Ballroom

SERPPAS Principal Co-Chairs

Mr. Ron Tickle, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Real Property, Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Sustainment

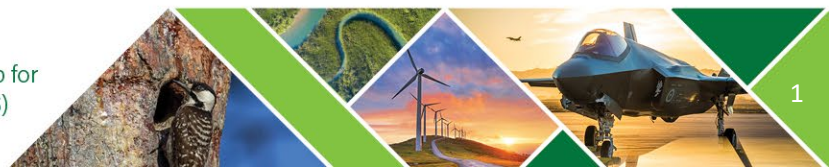
Ms. Callie DeHaven, Director, Division of State Lands, Florida Department of Environmental Protection

Resources:

- [List of SERPPAS Principals \(as of 03.28.2023\)](#)
- [SERPPAS 101 Presentation](#)
- [SERPPAS Organizing for Impact](#)
- [2023 SERPPAS Principals Meeting Logistics](#)
- [2023 SERPPAS Principals Meeting Agenda \(Condensed\)](#)

Presentations:

- [Full Presentations](#)



0820 – 0900 Naval Station Mayport Mission Brief

Captain Brian Binder, Commanding Officer of NS Mayport

Purpose: To set the stage for the location of the meeting, highlighting the military mission in the area and the importance of what SERPPAS is helping to protect.

Presentations:

- [NS Mayport ICO Brief](#)

0915 – 0930 Buses depart and travel to separate locations: one to Unmanned Patrol Squadron 19 (VUP-19) and one to the Mayport Turning Basin for tour of a guided-missile destroyer (DDG). Please note that assets available for a tour will be highly dependent on mission needs and operational tempo.

0935 – 1230 Unmanned Patrol Squadron 19 and Guided-Missile Destroyer Briefings and Tours

Purpose: To see first-hand different elements of the mission at NS Mayport.

1230 – 1305 Lunch at Ocean Breeze Catering & Conference Center (*For those that opt-in*)

1305 – 1325 DoD Climate Assessment Tool

Ms. Marissa McInnis, Climate Policy & Interagency Engagement, Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Environment & Energy Resilience

Purpose: To make partners aware of the DoD Climate Assessment Tool updates and how it helps inform the climate exposures for DoD in the Southeast region.

Presentations:

- [DoD Climate Assessment Tool](#)

1340 – 1410 Florida State Road A1A Resiliency - Buses travel to Gate 5 and Florida State Road A1A

Mr. Scott Pippin, Public Service Associate, UGA Carl Vinson Institute of Government

Mr. Dave Dahl, Mission Sustainment Officer, Navy Region Southeast

Purpose: Tour along Florida State Road A1A and NS Mayport's Gate 5 to view natural encroachment and shoreline erosion that threaten the historic and critical thoroughfare for the naval station and Mayport Village.

Resources:

- [DCRP Mayport Flyer](#)

1410 – 1500 Marsh Restoration, Hydrology, and Engineering with Nature at NS Mayport

Mr. Chris Hughes, Park Superintendent, Timucuan Ecological and Historic Preserve

Mr. Steven Kidd, Chief of Science and Resource Management, Timucuan Ecological and Historic Preserve

Mr. Arne Olsen, Installation Environmental Program Director, NS Mayport

Purpose: Stop along Sherman Creek to learn about Engineering with Nature initiatives and the complex interplay of adjacent salt marshes and the hydrology of the naval station.

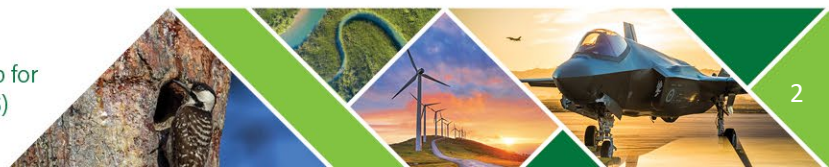
1500 – 1520 Buses travel to Dolphin Park

Purpose: Transit through the Kavanaugh Park area to understand the extent of flooding during recent hurricane seasons which impacted multiple facets of NS Mayport.

1520 – 1550 Dolphin Park Stop

Ms. Heather Hahn, Natural and Cultural Resources Manager, NS Mayport

Purpose: Discuss storm impacts, erosion, beach and dune nourishment, and sea turtle program.



1550 – 1610 Travel back to Ocean Breeze

1610 – 1700 Optional Walk to Tower 5

Purpose: Principals Meeting attendees are encouraged to take this time to walk south, along NS Mayport's beach to Tower 5, to observe the beach and shoreline conditions (weather and tide dependent). Attendees also have the option to go back to their hotel room and skip the walk. The roundtrip distance of this walk is approximately 1 mile.

1800 – 2030 Dinner at the Ocean Breeze Conference & Catering Center *(For those that opt-in)*

Networking begins at 6pm, buffet dinner at 6:30pm, followed by a short program.

1915 Celebrating Milestones Past & Future

Ms. Nancy Walters, Facilitator

Mr. Mike Oetker, Acting Regional Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Southeast Region

Mr. Ron Tickle, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Real Property, Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Sustainment

Ms. Amanda Gobeli, Coordinator, South Atlantic Salt Marsh Initiative

Purpose: To acknowledge two significant milestones related to the SERPPAS Partnership:

- The 50th anniversary of the Endangered Species Act (ESA) and the significant contributions of the SERPPAS partnership to species conservation to inspire continued success moving forward.
- The release of the South Atlantic Salt Marsh Initiative (SASMI) Conservation Plan and the inspiring film that raises awareness of the regional SASMI effort. Several SERPPAS Principals were interviewed and are featured in the film.

Resources:

- [SERPPAS Story Map](#)

Friday, May 19, 2023 – Day 2 Business Meeting

0700 – 0800 Breakfast at The Ocean Breeze Conference & Catering Center *(For those that opt-in)*

0800 – 0825 Principals Co-Chairs Welcome

Welcome Remarks from **Mr. Mark Boensel**, Executive Director, Navy Region Southeast

0825 – 0840 A Year in the Life of SERPPAS

Ms. Addie Thornton, SERPPAS Coordinator

Purpose: To highlight the wide-ranging activities and accomplishments of the SERPPAS work groups contributing to progress on the SERPPAS Strategic Plan since the last Principals' Meeting.

Presentations:

- [A Year in the Life of SERPPAS](#)

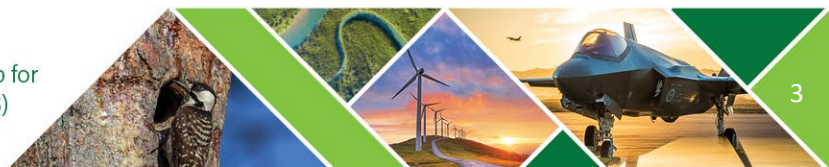
Resources:

- [2021+ SERPPAS Strategic Plan](#)
- [SERPPAS Commander's Guide](#)
- [Spring 2023 SERPPAS Steering Committee Meeting Summary](#)

0840 – 0940 SERPPAS Principals Round Robin

Mr. Ryan Orndorff, Director of Environmental Planning and Conservation, Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Environment & Energy Resilience

All SERPPAS Principals (voluntarily)



Purpose: To invite the Principals to share their agency’s anticipated challenges relevant to the SERPPAS mission to inform the priorities of the partnership moving forward.

Principal Reflection: What is a significant challenge you anticipate your agency facing in the years ahead that might be addressed through SERPPAS? Please plan for remarks that are 2 minutes or less. The focus for this session is the SERPPAS mission (below) and your specific agency’s mission and challenges, not limited by the current SERPPAS Strategic Plan priorities.

The mission of SERPPAS is to seize opportunities and solve problems in value-adding ways that provide mutual and multiple benefits to the partners, sustain the individual and collective missions of partner organizations, and secure the future for all partners, the region, and the nation.

0940 – 0955 Networking Break

0955 – 1045 Local Resilience Efforts

Moderator: Ms. Callie DeHaven, Director, Division of State Lands, Florida Department of Environmental Protection

Ms. Anne Coglianese, Chief Resilience Officer, City of Jacksonville

Mr. Scott Eastman, Regional Program Administrator, Florida Department of Environmental Protection

Mr. Eddy Bouza, Planning and Policy Administrator, Resilient Florida Program, Florida Department of Environmental Protection

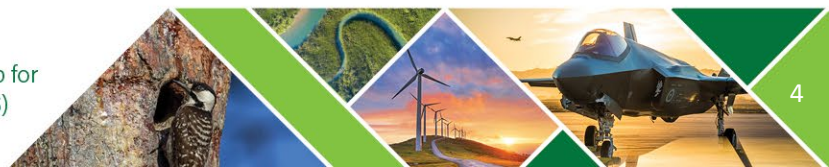
Ms. Fara Ilami, Regional Resiliency Manager, Northeast Florida Regional Council

Mr. Robby Smith, Environmental Planning and Conservation Branch Chief, NAVFAC SE/Navy Region Southeast

Purpose: To understand the area’s resilience efforts and identify synergies with SERPPAS partners and DoD efforts.

Presentations:

- [Resilient Jacksonville](#)
- [Resilient First Coast](#)
- [Florida’s Estuarine Restoration Teams](#)
- [Resilient Florida](#)
- [Navy Region Southeast](#)



1045 – 1155 **Benefits and Challenges of Beneficial Use of Dredge Material**

Moderator: Mr. Andy LoSchiavo, Senior Environmental Specialist, South Atlantic Division, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Captain Miguel Dieguez, Commanding Officer, Naval Facilities Engineering Systems Command (NAVFAC) Southeast, and Regional Engineer, Navy Region Southeast

Colonel Jamie Booth, Commander and District Engineer, Jacksonville District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Ms. Laurel Reichold, Director, South Atlantic Division Regional Sediment Management Center of Expertise, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Mr. Greg Garis, Program Administrator, Beaches, Inlet and Ports Program, Office of Resilience and Coastal Protection, Florida Department of Environmental Protection

Ms. Jan MacKinnon, Program Manager, Coastal Resources Division of Georgia Department of Natural Resources

Purpose: To explore the value and challenges of the beneficial use of dredge material (BUDM) to support DoD base readiness and resiliency and to specifically think through what a coordinated effort to plan for and implement projects might look like.

Principal Reflection: What opportunities do you see for SERPPAS to address regional coordination, policy challenges or otherwise help advance the use of beneficial dredge material for the benefit of all the partners?

Presentations:

- [Beneficial Use of Dredge Material](#)

1155 – 1210 **Networking Break**

1210 – 1250 **Scaling Up Climate Resilience: Addressing Challenges and Implementing Projects**

Moderator: Mr. Bill Ross, Brooks Pierce

Dr. Michelle Covi, Coastal Resilience DoD Liaison, University of Georgia Marine Extension and Georgia Sea Grant

Mr. Cameron Jaggard, Principal Associate, Conserving Marine Life in the United States, Southeast, The Pew Charitable Trusts

Ms. Heather Nagy, Strategic Conservation Planning Coordinator, North Florida Land Trust

Purpose: To highlight recent efforts to implement strategies to fund landscape-scale resilience projects through Sentinel Landscapes and the South Atlantic Salt Marsh Initiative. This is a direct response to the Principals' charge at last May's meeting to pursue the development of a workshop to explore federal funding opportunities, regional coordination, and climate resilience.

Principal Reflection: Does your agency have funds to target climate resilience efforts? What challenges are you facing in deploying these funds? For agencies that are looking for funding to advance climate resilience, what challenges are you facing in obtaining such funds?

Presentations:

- [Sentinel Landscapes in the Southeast](#)
- [South Atlantic Salt Marsh Initiative](#)
- [North Florida Land Trust](#)

Resources:

- [SERPPAS Sentinel Landscape Climate Resilience Summit Summary](#)



- [SERPPAS Sentinel Landscape Climate Resilience Summit Recommendations Report](#)
- [SASMI Brief](#)

1250 – 1300 Closing Remarks, SERPPAS Co-Chairs

1300 Lunch (*For those that opt-in*)

