

**WATER QUALITY PROTECTION PROGRAM
CANAL RESTORATION ADVISORY
SUBCOMMITTEE**

**Meeting Date: July 15, 2016
Time: 9:00 AM**

**Monroe County
Government Center,
BOCC Room, 2798
Overseas Highway,
Marathon, FL 33050**

**DRAFT MEETING
AGENDA**

1. **Introduction and Approval of the May 6, 2016 Meeting Minutes** – 9:00 AM
2. **Public Comment (3 min. each.)** – 9:05 AM
3. **Update from Marathon** – George Garrett - 9:15 AM
 - 98th street Culvert Project – FDEP Funding Agreement S0926
4. **Update from the Village of Islamorada** – Susan Sprunt and AMEC - 9:30 AM
5. **Monroe County Canal Projects and Related Issues** – Rhonda and AMEC - 9:45 AM
 - Water Quality Monitoring – Future Projects
 - 2016 – 2017 FDEP Grant Project – Canal 290 Air Curtain
 - EPA Grant Deliverables Project Update
 - Canal 277 Culvert Installation - Update
 - Canal 266 and 287 Air Curtain - Update
 - Demonstration Project Lessons Learned
 - Budget for Future Monroe County Canal Restoration Projects
6. **FDEP Water Quality Protection Program Funding. Selection of Projects for FY 2016-2017** – Gus Rios - 10:30 AM

The Subcommittee members will review project proposals submitted for funding and will select one or more projects using the selection criteria given below:

- a. Priority shall be given to the **construction** of water quality improvement technologies recommended in the Monroe County Canal Management Master Plan. However, the funds can be used to pay for the engineering design and permitting as well as the construction phase.
- b. Acceptable projects shall result in hydrological improvements that will increase dissolved oxygen and improve water quality to address impaired waters in the canals.
- c. Ease of permitting and construction are important considerations. At a minimum, the projects shall comply with all applicable federal, State and local regulations.

- d. The selected project deliverables must be completed, submitted and approved by June 30, 2017.
 - e. Preference will be given to “shovel ready” construction projects that meet the above referenced criteria.
 - f. If the Subcommittee selects more than one project using the above referenced criteria, the available funding will be shared among the selected projects as determined by the Subcommittee.
- 7. **Update on Water Quality and Benthic Monitoring Programs (FIU)** – Henry Briceno and Jason Howard or Jim Fourqurean – 11:15 AM
 - 8. **Public Comment (3 min. each)** - 11:55 AM
 - 9. **Next meeting date; place; agenda topics; adjourn** – 12:00 PM