

2011 Gulf of Mexico B-WET Regional Meeting Agenda

April 1st – 3rd

Navarre Beach Marine Science Station

Navarre Beach, Florida

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Meeting objectives:

1. To understand Gulf of Mexico B-WET projects and lessons learned from each
 2. To increase communication among Gulf B-WET recipients and to build camaraderie
 3. To learn of existing resources and to build capacity for developing improved outdoor and inquiry-based educational experiences in the Gulf
 4. To learn of national and regional perspectives and initiatives that set the stage for environmental education
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Optional pre- and post-meeting activities:

Meet Navarre Beach!

Friday, April 1, 2011

11 am – 4:45 pm

Join us for an informal afternoon of fun and get to know the area in which we will be meeting!

- 11 am - 2 pm: Van shuttles participants from Best Western to Marine Science Station
- 2:30 pm: Depending on when you arrive, you can observe students at the Station, kayak and explore the sound, visit the pier, or go to the beach
- 3:45 pm: Welcome from Brian Noack, Principal, Navarre High School
- 4-4:30 pm: Kayaking in areas surrounding the Marine Science Station with Chris Verlinde
- 4:45 pm: Van returns to Best Western

History Hike!

Sunday, April 3, 2011

12:30 – 5 pm

Join us as we learn about the history of the Navarre coastal area!

- 12:30 pm: Lunch ([El Patron Mexican Grill](#), 8137 Navarre Parkway, FL 32566, 850-936-0950)
- 2 pm: Van departs for Fort Pickens
- 3:30 pm: Guided walking tour of the National Park Service's [Fort Pickens](#) (note that if you bring your own vehicle, entry is \$8 per vehicle)
- ~5:30 pm: Van returns to Best Western

April 1, 2011

Meeting Location: **Best Western Lobby Conference Room**
8697 Navarre Pkwy, Navarre, Florida, 32566, (850) 939-9400

To join on April 1 from remote locations, follow these steps after 4 pm eastern:

Audio - Dial 866-541-9341 and enter the participant passcode: 229906.

Visual - Log in via GoToMeeting at <https://www1.gotomeeting.com/join/829599800>, and enter Meeting ID: 829-599-800.

TIME	ACTIVITIES and OBJECTIVES
5:00 - 6:15 pm	Dinner Helen Back Café (located next door to the Best Western) 8651 Navarre Pkwy, Navarre, FL 32566, (850) 396-6568
6:30 - 7 pm	<p>Welcome</p> <p>Chris Verlinde, Marine Science Agent, University of Florida, Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences, Santa Rosa Sea Grant Extension</p> <p>Greg Ira, Director, Office of Environmental Education, FL Dept of Environmental Protection</p> <p>Overview of Workshop</p> <p>Amy Clark, Gulf of Mexico B-WET Coordinator, NOAA Fisheries</p>
7:00 - 7:30 pm	<p>Assessment and Restoration of Resources Injured as a Result of the Deep Water Horizon Oil Spill: Understanding the Natural Resource Damage Assessment Process and the Importance of Public Participation</p> <p>Tom Brosnan, Communications Manager, NOAA Office of Response and Restoration</p> <p>Pre-meeting reading: Visit www.gulfspillrestoration.noaa.gov and www.geoplatform.noaa.gov</p> <p><u>Objectives:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Understand the work being done to assess and restore coastal areas injured by the spill ➤ Understand the Natural Resource Damage Assessment Process and the role and importance of public participation
7:30 - 9:00 pm	<p>Whole Ecology, Watersheds, and Walkability</p> <p>John Jacob, Coastal Community Development Specialist, Texas Sea Grant</p> <p><u>Overview:</u> What difference does a watershed perspective make? Do you know what watershed you live in? We will explore how a watershed perspective enables a more holistic approach to maintaining a healthy coastal ecosystem in the face of unprecedented urbanization of the Gulf. We will also explore some potentially counterintuitive notions of what makes for a smaller ecological footprint for cities. Surprisingly, the smaller ecological footprint also results in greater resiliency to coastal hazards.</p>
9:00 pm	Adjourn

April 2, 2011

Meeting Location: **Navarre Beach Marine Science Station**
8638 Blue Heron Court, Navarre, FL 32566, (850) 936-6080

TIME	ACTIVITIES and OBJECTIVES
7:30 - 8:30 am	Breakfast (hot complimentary breakfast offered by Best Western)
8:30 am	Van departs Best Western for Marine Science Station
8:45 – 9:00 am	<p>Welcome Charlene Mauro, Project Director, Navarre Beach Marine Science Station</p>
9:00 - 10:30 am	<p>Overview of National and Regional Education Priorities and Initiatives: Affecting Change in Environmental Education Speakers: Bronwen Rice, National B-WET Coordinator, NOAA Office of Ed Kevin Schabow, Education Coordinator, NOAA Chesapeake Bay Program Office</p> <p>Pre-meeting reading: Executive summary of the Chesapeake Executive Order Strategy</p> <p><u>Objectives:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Understand components and status of national education priorities and initiatives (i.e. National Academies review of NOAA Education, No Child Left Inside Initiative, national B-WET evaluation and expansion of B-WET into the Great Lakes region), and the extent to which they may improve environmental education in the country ➤ Understand ways in which regional BWET programs meet the needs of local education priorities and advance environmental literacy within a region
10:30 - 10:45 am	Break
10:45-11:45 am	<p>Integrating NOAA Data and Tools into Environmental Education Programs Amy Clark</p> <p><u>Objectives:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Learn of NOAA data sets and other tools and resources available for use in inquiry-based education ➤ Brainstorm on how to integrate such resources into environmental education programs

<p>11:45 am – 1:30 pm</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Lunch Cocodrie's Restaurant (in walking distance of the Marine Science Station) 8649 Gulf Blvd, Navarre, FL 32566, (850) 939-8777 <i>OR</i> Juana's (van rides provided) 1451 Navarre Beach Cswy, Navarre, FL 32566 , (850) 939-1092</p>															
<p>1:30 – 3:00 pm</p>	<p>Developing an Evaluation System for Gulf of Mexico B-WET Anita Kraemer, Senior Research Associate, Institute for Learning Innovation</p> <p><u>Objectives:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Review steps for developing a program evaluation ➤ Learn about evaluation resources ➤ Understand how other B-WET programs and regions have approached evaluation ➤ Discuss possible strategies for the Gulf of Mexico region to develop an evaluation system 															
<p>3:00 - 3:15 pm</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Break</p>															
<p>3:15 - 5 pm</p>	<p>Internal Capacity Building: Learning From Each Other <u>Objective:</u> Understand the B-WET projects that are being conducted in the Gulf and the lessons learned from each</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="509 1052 1269 1257"> <thead> <tr> <th>Time</th> <th>Speaker</th> <th>Aspect of Project to Highlight</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>3:15 - 3:45</td> <td>Greg Ira</td> <td>Structured inquiry in the field</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3:45 - 4:15</td> <td>Shelia Brown</td> <td>Using NOAA curriculum/lessons in B-WET programming</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4:15 - 4:30</td> <td>Amy Clark (for Jessica Kassler)</td> <td>Recruitment of teachers and schools</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4:30 - 5:00</td> <td>Sara Pelleteri</td> <td>Social networking</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Time	Speaker	Aspect of Project to Highlight	3:15 - 3:45	Greg Ira	Structured inquiry in the field	3:45 - 4:15	Shelia Brown	Using NOAA curriculum/lessons in B-WET programming	4:15 - 4:30	Amy Clark (for Jessica Kassler)	Recruitment of teachers and schools	4:30 - 5:00	Sara Pelleteri	Social networking
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