

Preliminary Agenda

Gulf of Mexico Regional Panel on Aquatic Invasive Species
New Orleans, Louisiana
October 20 – 21, 2003

MONDAY, OCTOBER 20TH, 2003

- 1:00 Call to Order
 - Introductions
 - Public Comment
- 1:15 Review and Adoption of Agenda
- 1:20 Review and Approval of Minutes (February 26-27, 2003)
- 1:25 Administrative Report – Lukens
 - 2004 Grant Agreement
 - Mexico Membership
 - Mississippi DEQ Membership
 - Panel Operating Procedures
- 2:00 NISC/ANSTF Updates – Lukens
- 2:15 Status of NISA Reauthorization – Lukens
 - S. 525
 - H.R. 1080
 - H.R. 1081
- 2:30 Review of Southeast Aquatic Resources Partnership ANS Plan – Lukens
- 3:00 BREAK
- 3:30 Work Group Reports
 - Information Management Work Group - Lukens
 - Web Site
 - Education and Outreach Work Group – O’Leary
 - Science Fair Protocol
 - Pamphlet
 - Web page section (Kids Corner)
 - Items for Work Group meeting
 - Research and Development Work Group - Perry
 - Research Needs
 - Early Detection/Rapid Response Work Group – Lukens
 - ’03 workshop (November)

4:30 Invasive Species in Mexico – Mendoza

5:00 RECESS

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21ST, 2003

9:00 Risk Assessments: A Tool for Evaluating Non-native Species – Richard Orr

9:30 National Outreach and Education Program – Joe Starinchak

10:00 U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Report on Armored Catfish – Cofransesco

10:30 BREAK

11:00 *Caulerpa* Monitoring and Detection Effort in Florida – Teem

11:30 Status of State Plans

- Louisiana - McElroy
- Mississippi - Bass
- Texas - Chilton
- Florida – Schmitz/Hardin

12:00 LUNCH

1:30 Water Spinach in Texas - Chilton

2:00 Mobile Bay Rapid Assessment Project – Hartman

2:30 Status of Sea Grant Line Item in NOAA Budget – Lukens

- Funding
- '03 Projects Funded

2:45 Developing a Network of Taxonomists – Schmitz

3:15 Next Meeting

- Time
- Place

3:30 Other Business

Adjourn