

## Committee on Independent Scientific Review of Everglades Restoration Progress

CISRERP 2026 Biennial Review  
June 24-26, 2025  
Embassy Suites West Palm Beach Central  
1601 Belvedere Rd, West Palm Beach, FL

### DRAFT AGENDA

#### Tuesday June 24

##### OPEN SESSION (all welcome)

All-day committee field trip to the Arthur R. Marshall Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge and Loxahatchee Impoundment Landscape Assessment (LILA). Limited public spaces available. If interested, contact Sam Kraft at [skraft@nas.edu](mailto:skraft@nas.edu) to register. Spaces allocated on a first come first served basis.

#### Wednesday June 25

##### OPEN SESSION (all welcome)

8:30 am **Welcome**

*Helen Regan, committee chair*

8:40 am **Defining success for CERP and Everglades restoration**

*Gina Ralph, USACE, RECOVER*

9:00 am **Introduction to the 2024 System Status Report** (10 min)

*Phyllis Klarman, SFWMD, RECOVER*

9:10 am **System Status Report flash talks**

- Lake Okeechobee *Jennifer Chastant, SFWMD*
- Northern Estuaries *CJ Szewczyk, SFWMD*
- Greater Everglades *Tasso Cocoves, USACE*
- Southern Coastal Systems *Stephanie Verhulst, USACE*
- Water deliveries to ecosystem, other users, and flood protection  
*Jenna May, USACE and Alicia Magloire, SFWMD*

10:20 am **Break**

10:40 am **Flash talks on other trends of note**

- Status and trends in Everglades threatened & endangered species

*Tim Breen, FWS*

- Status and trends in key invasive animals/plants      *Annisa Karim, FWC (virtual)*

11:10 am    **Update of efforts to improve the Monitoring and Assessment Plan**  
    *Jenna May, USACE, RECOVER*

11:20 am    **Q&A for all speakers**

12:00 pm    **Lunch** (*lunch is provided free of charge for speakers and panelists; all others who wish to join for lunch must register at [https://www.nationalacademies.org/event/45198\\_06-2025\\_independent-scientific-review-of-everglades-restoration-progress-xi-the-2026-biennial-review-public-meeting-2-west-palm-beach](https://www.nationalacademies.org/event/45198_06-2025_independent-scientific-review-of-everglades-restoration-progress-xi-the-2026-biennial-review-public-meeting-2-west-palm-beach) and pay \$30 by 6/18/25 during registration*)

1:00 pm    **Reflections on monitoring in support of systemwide understanding of ecosystem status and trends**

*Kevin Cunniff, Miccosukee Tribe  
 TBD, Seminole Tribe (invited)  
 Gil McRae, FWC  
 John Kominoski, LTER (virtual)  
 Erik Stabenau, Everglades Foundation  
 Bradley Strickland, NPS*

1:50 pm    **Tradeoffs in CERP**

*Laura Brandt*

2:10 pm    **Example of CERP tradeoffs between northern WCA 3A, southern WCA 3A, Everglades National Park**

*Fred Sklar, SFWMD*

2:30 pm    **Modeling tools to evaluate tradeoffs**

*Stephanie Romanach, USGS*

2:50 pm    **Break**

3:10 pm    **Panel discussion on restoration success and tradeoffs**

*Stephanie Romanach, USGS  
 Laura Brandt  
 Fred Sklar, SFWMD  
 Christopher McVoy  
 Kevin Cunniff, Miccosukee Tribe  
 TBD, Seminole Tribe (invited)  
 Gina Ralph, USACE  
 Steve Davis, Everglades Foundation  
 Gil McRae, FWC*

4:00 pm **Overview of the Second Periodic CERP Update**

*Zulamet Vega Liriano, USACE  
Gina Ralph, USACE  
Amanda Kahn, SFWMD*

5:00 pm **Public comment**

(Members of the public interested in addressing the committee for up to 3 minutes must sign up during the meeting for in-person attendees or by emailing Sam Kraft at [skraft@nas.edu](mailto:skraft@nas.edu) for virtual attendees before 4:00 p.m.)

5:15 pm **Adjourn**

*All are welcome to continue conversation during happy hour in the atrium*

**Thursday June 26**

**CLOSED SESSION (committee and staff only)**

8:30 am Committee work session

2:00 pm Adjourn