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**AWRA Florida Section Meeting, May 16, 2003  
Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites, St. Pete Beach FL**

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## **Water Resource Frontiers and Careers**

**Technical Program & Networking:** The Meeting will focus on the frontiers of water resource management, and the career opportunities that are available in water resources. Frontiers include such technologies as desalination, aquifer storage and recovery of reclaimed water, and the restoration of wetlands and lakes around well fields. The student-oriented careers portion of the program includes a panel discussion of what employers look for when hiring. Following the discussion and questions and answers, representatives of numerous top Florida water resource-related firms will be available at career tables during the extended social/networking segment of the program. Each firm has sponsored two student registrations. **A drawing will be held for two \$250 scholarships!!** Students must be present to win.

**Location & Accommodations:** The meeting will be held in the unmistakable, 12-story, round, Holiday Inn on St. Petersburg Beach. All standard rooms have two king beds, a refrigerator, and a private balcony overlooking the Gulf of Mexico or Tampa Bay. Facilities include white sandy beaches, a beachside pool, gym, free parking, beach bar, and nightly live entertainment in an indoor bar. The hotel is located within walking distance of numerous restaurants, nightclubs, beach bars, and shopping. The hotel is also located about one-half hour's drive from downtown St. Petersburg entertainment venues (Janus Landing) and about 45 minutes from Tampa's historic Ybor City entertainment district.

A block of rooms has been reserved at the hotel for Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights at a special rate of \$94 per night. Regular rates normally start at \$149 per night. **Deadline for room reservations at the reduced rate is April 22, 2003.** Be sure to mention the AWRA Florida Section Meeting on May 16<sup>th</sup>. You may make reservations by calling (727) 360-1811.

Additional information may be obtained on the hotel's website at [www.holidayinnflorida.com](http://www.holidayinnflorida.com). Alternative lodging (for students on a budget) and area information can be obtained at [www.tampabaybeaches.com](http://www.tampabaybeaches.com).



# AMERICAN WATER RESOURCES ASSOCIATION

Florida Section Meeting, May 16, 2003  
Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites, St. Pete Beach

## Water Resource Frontiers and Careers

### Friday, May 16

**12:30 – 2:30** Board of Directors' Meeting

**2:00 – 3:00** Registration

**3:00 – 4:20** Welcome and Technical Presentations

#### **What Made Desalination Work for Tampa Bay**

*Ken Herd, Engineering and Project Manager, Tampa Bay Water*

#### **Current Status of FDEP Reclaimed ASR Permitting**

*Judy Richter, DEP SW District Underground Injection Control Manager*

#### **Environmental Restoration of Wetlands and Lakes Near Municipal Well Fields**

*Kathleen Coates, Hydrogeologist, Tampa Bay Water*

**4:20 – 5:00** Panel Discussion / Q & A on Water Resource Careers

**5:00 – 6:30** Networking, Career Information Tables, Cash Bar

**6:30 – 8:00** Dinner

**Directions to Hotel:** Take I-275 from the north or south to the Pinellas Bayway in south St. Petersburg (exit 17). Take the Bayway and follow signs to St. Pete Beach. At end of Bayway is a "T" intersection. Turn right (north) on Gulf Boulevard. The Holiday Inn is located two miles north of the Pinellas Bayway on the left (beach) side of Gulf Boulevard. The address is 5250 Gulf Boulevard.

**Meeting Registration Form**  
**AWRA Florida Section Meeting**  
**Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites**

**5250 Gulf Boulevard**

**St. Pete Beach, Florida**

**May 16, 2003**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Guest Name(s):

Registration Includes Dinner:

# \_\_\_\_\_ X \$45 Registration Fee = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

# \_\_\_\_\_ X \$35 Guests (Dinner Only) = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

# \_\_\_\_\_ X \$ NC Student with ID = \$ NC

**TOTAL:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Even though there is no fee, students MUST pre-register. We need a headcount for dinner.**

Please mail registration fees and dues to:

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Make checks payable to: **AWRA Florida Section**

**Please register by May 7, 2003**  
**Deadline for Reduced Rate Hotel Reservations is April 22, 2003**

**PDH Credit for Florida Professional Engineers**

We have been approved by the Florida Board of Professional Engineers to offer Professional Development Hour (PDH) credit to Florida registered Professional Engineers (FBPE Provider No. EX00089). You will only receive credit if you attend the entire technical session. Please check the box below and include your PE number if you would like to obtain PDH credit.

**I plan to be present for all technical sessions and would like PDH credit.**  
**My Florida PE License Number is \_\_\_\_\_.**



### **AWRA NATIONAL NEWS**

If you have any questions or want to get more involved on a national level please call Bob Moresi, 1-813-258-8818.

**– Bob Moresi**

### **AWRA FLORIDA NEWS**

John J. Fumero, General Counsel of the South Florida Water Management District, announced his resignation effective May 30th. John, an AWRA - Florida Section Board Member, is entering private practice to provide strategic environmental and water counsel statewide for landowners and local governments. As General Counsel, John was responsible for providing legal counsel to a nine member governor-appointed Board, and for management of a 50-person in-house law office.

### **Please Note Meeting Date Change:**

The November 14 meeting has been changed to November 21.

### **Education Committee:**

The Key West meeting is coming up soon, and I need donations for the silent auction. Those who have already promised an item,

please email Roseanne Clementi and give me a description and value of the item. Please help us make this a bigger event than it was last year.

JB Butler Science Grant proposals will be due by June 1. If you know of any teachers who might want to apply for the grant, please have them email Roseanne Clementi.

Thanks. Email: [rclementi@sesi.cc](mailto:rclementi@sesi.cc)

**– Roseanne Clementi**

### **The 2003 Directories Are Here!**

The 2003 membership directory is coming your way! Thanks to **Patrick Victor** and the staff at **CDM** who created the new cover, solicited sponsors and coordinated with our printer. Most members should have received their copies in the mail by now. If you have not received a directory or have comments about your listing, please contact me.

My apologies to the members shown below who were inadvertently left out of the directory. Other corrections will be given in later editions of this newsletter as I receive them.

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# **AWRA Annual Key West Meeting July 24 – 26, 2003**

Wyndham's Casa Marina Hotel  
Reservations: 1-800-626-0777  
[www.casamarinakeywest.com](http://www.casamarinakeywest.com)

## **Make your reservations soon!**

Hotel reservations must be made directly with the Casa Marina by Friday, June 27, 2003.  
Mention you are with AWRA.

### **Room Rates**

Non-Ocean View	\$112
Ocean View Room	\$141
Non-Ocean View Suite	\$152
Ocean View Suite	\$205

An Agenda and EcoTour information are being developed and will be distributed as soon as it is available.

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## **28th Annual Water Management Conference Looks to Florida's Future**

Balancing Florida's future water needs with growth requires an innovative approach to water management. At Florida's 28th Annual Conference on Water Management, Sept. 3-5, in Tampa, hundreds of state and local leaders will share emerging technologies, discuss policy and social issues, and address economic challenges in managing Florida's water resources.

This year's theme, "Perspectives on Water Asset Management: Supply and Demand, Resource Protection, and Cost," will be highlighted. Interactive discussions and presentations will address adaptive management of water resources, alternative financing for water supply projects, and options for future management of water resources.

Conference attendees can choose among half-day tours to environmental and water supply project sites in the greater Tampa Bay area, including Weedon Island Preserve, DolphinQuest eco-tour of Tampa Bay, Tampa Bay Regional Reservoir construction site and desalinization plant, and Surface Water Improvement and Management restoration sites.

The Florida Department of Environmental Protection and the state's five water management districts are co-sponsors of the event. State and local officials, representatives from academia, the business community and interested people and groups are invited to attend. The conference will be held at the Tampa Marriott Waterside Hotel. For more information, visit the Annual Conference on Water Management Web site at:

**[www.mcraeco.com](http://www.mcraeco.com) or call (850) 906-0099**

## **March 2003 Technical Meeting Report**

### *Bay and Interstate River Management, Water Supply, and Water issues In Northwest Florida*

Sanford (Sandy) Young and Roger Rumenik chaired a well-organized and educative technical meeting. Most of the presentation focused on the topic of estuarine system management. Planned were discussion on the status of the Tri-State Compact, but unfortunately at the last minute, the Georgia and the Alabama folks decided to miss this splendid opportunity to present their point of view to this important group of professionals.

The first panel included presentation on bay management and included Mobile, Apalachicola, Choctawhatchee, and Ochlockonee Bays. In the second panel, the Georgia side of the Ochlockonee Bay was presented and a good discussion on TMDL ensued. Since the Georgia and Alabama folks did not make the meeting the Tri-State Pact was replace by an update of the TMDL process by Eric Livingston.

**- Patrick Victor**





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November 21, 2003  
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**Welcome New Members!**

Scott W. Beatson, ENSR International  
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