

2012 Everglades Invasive Species Summit

Long Key Nature Center, Davie, FL

July 25th – 26th 2012

Wednesday, July 25th	
8:30 am to 9:00 am	Sign In
9:00 am to 9:10 am	Welcome, Tony Pernas and Dennis Giardina
9:10 am to 10:45 am	INVASIVE PLANT OPERATIONS UPDATES Regional Assessment of Priority Plants and Control Efforts , LeRoy Rodgers Land Manager Reports on Innovations, Successes, Challenges , Hillary Cooley, Jim Burch, Greg Polidora, Jon Lane, Lisa Jameson, Jane Dozier Biological Control Updates , Ted Center
10:45 am to 11:00 am	Break
11:00 am to 12:00 pm	INVASIVE ANIMAL OPERATIONS UPDATES Burmese Pythons , Skip Snow, Frank Mazzotti, Mike Cherkiss, Cheryl Millett Monk Parakeets , Jim Lindsay Tegus, Deering Boas, Feral Hogs, DNA Monitoring, Exotic Birds , John Humphrey Exotic Fish , Dave Gandy and Kelly Gestring Update from Miccosukee Tribe of Indians , Gintautas Zavadzkas
12:00 pm to 1:00 pm	Lunch
1:00 pm to 1:20 pm	OUTREACH, Rebecca Harvey
1:20 pm to 3:20 pm	EARLY DETECTION/RAPID RESPONSE UPDATES Laurel Wilt , Jorge Pena Giant African Land Snails , Andrew Derksen and Eduardo Verona Lumnitzera , Sonya Thompson Mikania , Dennis Giardina Pythons and Tegus , Bob Reed Tegus and Chameleons , Liz Barraco and Dustin Smith Deering Boas and Tegu Traps , John Humphrey Homestead AFB Monitors, Caimans, Grassy Key Gambian Pouched Rats , Jonathan Lewis Gambian Pouched Rat, Northern African Python, Nile Monitor, Nile Crocodile , Jenny Ketterlin Eckles
3:20 pm to 3:30 pm	Break
3:30 pm to 4:30 pm	DISCUSSION SESSION, Kristina Serbesoff-King

Thursday, July 26th

9:00 am to 9:10 am	Welcome
9:10 am to 11:30 pm	<p>MORNING BREAKOUT SESSIONS</p> <p><u>Mikania/Lumnitzera EDRR Planning, Dennis Giardina</u> Objective: Review strategies for continued rapid responses to eradicate Mikania micrantha and Lumnitzera racemosa. Develop an annual plan for control efforts and monitoring. Identify funding needs and potential sources. Plan and schedule cooperative work days.</p> <p><u>ECISMA Outreach, Rebecca Harvey</u> Objective: Determine the next steps for ECISMA in the area of "Outreach and Education." Review ECISMA's accomplishments in this area, consider other outreach efforts in the region, and develop a consensus on future needs and gaps related to educating others on invasive species issues in the Everglades region. Discuss funding needs and opportunities.</p> <p><u>Burmese pythons: Where do we go from here? Skip Snow and Jenny Ketterlin Eckles</u> Objective: Review the past year's Burmese python research and management activities and go over the plans for upcoming year. Identify possibilities for collaboration/complementary work, improvements that could be made to existing efforts, and what research/management needs still exist. Given the collective experience with pythons and their management in Florida, recommend where future efforts should go and which management tools are worth developing. Prioritize funding needs.</p>
11:30 am 12:00 pm	BREAKOUT SESSION REPORTS AND DISCUSSION
12:00 pm to 1:00 pm	Lunch
1:00 pm to 2:30 pm	<p>AFTERNOON BREAKOUT SESSIONS</p> <p><u>Tegu/Nile Monitor/Chameleon EDRR Planning, Frank Mazzotti and Tony Pernas</u> Objective: Determine the objectives of a continued effort to assess the impact and spread of tegu lizards in South Florida. Discuss the results of efforts to date, research needs and develop an outline for a tegu management plan.</p> <p><u>Invasive Fish—What's Next?, Jon Lane and Kelly Gestring</u> Objective: Utilize the findings and recommendations in the white paper 'Non-Native Fishes in Everglades National Park: Minimizing Risks of Habitat Restoration' to: 1) Determine if the issue of non-native fish in the greater everglades area needs to be a higher priority for ECISM; 2) Review the recommendations in the white paper and prioritize for implementation; and 3) Discuss alternatives or actions that ECISMA can take beyond the recommendations in the white paper.</p> <p><u>Invasive Plant Cooperative Work Planning, LeRoy Rodgers</u> Objective: Brainstorm potential invasive plant management cooperative work projects for ECISMA in 2012-2013, then develop an action plan to implement most promising projects. Emphasis will be on projects benefiting multiple partners such as shared border project or demonstration sites.</p>
2:30 pm to 3:00 pm	BREAKOUT SESSION REPORTS AND DISCUSSION
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