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# 32ND ANNUAL ENVIRONMENTAL PERMITTING

## Summer School

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# Welcome to the 32nd Annual Environmental Permitting Summer School

Presented by the Florida Chamber Foundation and  
Florida Environmental Network, Inc.

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# Important Information for the 32nd Environmental Permitting Summer School

## **Conference Information**

**The Exhibit Hall:** The exhibit hall is located across from the registration desk and will be open between sessions beginning at 10:10 am on Wednesday, 7/18. All breaks, continental breakfasts, and the reception will be held in the Exhibit Hall to give you an opportunity to visit with our exhibitors and sponsors.

**Name Badges:** Please be sure to wear your name badge at all times to help us in identifying you as a conference participant. There will be a \$10 charge for replacement or reprinting of name badges.

**Internet Access:** Complimentary wireless Internet is available in the hotel lobby and hotel outdoor areas only. Internet access is available for purchase through your browser at a nominal fee per 24 hours access. Devices using a cellular data plan should function within conference meeting areas.

**Lunch:** A complimentary lunch is provided to conference participants on Wednesday (7/18) and Thursday (7/19) in the Banyan Ballroom. To receive this lunch, participants **MUST** bring the lunch tickets that were included in your welcome packet. These lunches are for conference participants only and will not be open to the public.

**T-Shirts:** Each conference registration packet includes one coupon redeemable for a 32nd annual EPSS T-shirt. Please write your first and last name on the back and bring your coupon to the registration desk between 2:00 pm on Wednesday (7/18) and 11:00 a.m. on Thursday (7/19) to get your t-shirt and be entered into a drawing for a two night/three day stay at the JW Marriott Marco Island and other prizes supplied by our sponsors and exhibitors. (T-shirts are available for pick up until 10:00 am on Friday. Sizes are limited and available on a first come, first serve basis.)

The t-shirt art work is based on an original painting by Amber Ruehe, the owner of **Ambers Nature Art**. Amber majored in studio art at Florida State University, and her work has been shown in galleries all over the nation. With an impressionistic/realistic style, her art captures landscapes and sea life with vivid colors and imagination. Amber currently resides in Georgetown, Texas with her husband and two daughters. She is a stay-at-home mom with a passion for creating art. Prints of the original *Mahi* painting are available for sale in various sizes on Amber's website, in addition to many other original paintings. For ordering information visit [www.ambersnatureart.com](http://www.ambersnatureart.com) or email Amber at [ambersnatureart@gmail.com](mailto:ambersnatureart@gmail.com).

**Welcome Reception:** A reception will be held Wednesday night (7/18) from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. in the Exhibit Hall. A drink ticket is included in your welcome packet for one free drink, after that it's a cash bar. Friends and family are welcome to attend!



**Continuing Education Credits:** Registered conference attendees may be eligible for continuing education credits. For information on obtaining professional credits for lawyers, engineers, and others, please see page 31 of this book.

**Course Materials:** The presentation materials used in your classes were produced by our course instructors and will be made available following the conference on our dedicated page at <https://32ndenvironmentalpermitting2018.sched.com/>. The download links will be located on each course page underneath the speakers. You must use your personal login credentials that you established when you signed up for your courses. Contact us if you need assistance.

## **Future Conference Information**

We are scheduled for return to the JW Marriott Marco Island in 2019. .



The 33rd Annual Environmental Permitting Summer School is scheduled for July 16-19, 2019 at the JW Marriott Marco Island.

Details will be forthcoming on our website at [www.floridaenet.com](http://www.floridaenet.com)

# 32nd Annual Environmental Permitting Summer School

## Schedule of Events

### TUESDAY, July 17

8:30am – 1:00pm  
9:00am – 12:00pm

**EARLY BIRD ON-SITE REGISTRATION**  
**EARLY BIRD “C” BECOMING A CERTIFIED ENVIRONMENTAL PROFESSIONAL (CEP)**

11:00am – 5:00pm  
1:00pm – 5:00pm

**SUMMER SCHOOL EARLY REGISTRATION**  
**CONCURRENT “EARLY BIRD” DISCUSSION SESSIONS**  
**Early Bird “A”** – Grading Florida’s Ongoing Efforts to Protect our Water Resources  
**Early Bird “B”** – The Keys to Success for the Practicing Engineer

### WEDNESDAY, July 18

7:00am - 5:45pm  
7:00am - 8:00am  
8:00am - 8:30am

**SUMMER SCHOOL ON SITE REGISTRATION AND CHECK IN**  
**CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST - REGISTRATION FOYER**  
**OPENING SESSION – WELCOME REMARKS – BANYAN BALLROOM**  
*Moderator: Frank Walker, Vice President of Government Affairs, Florida Chamber of Commerce*

8:30am - 10:10am  
10:10am - 10:30am  
10:30am - 12:10pm  
12:10pm - 1:45pm

**FIRST SERIES OF COURSES**  
**REFRESHMENT BREAK - EXHIBIT HALL OPENS**  
**SECOND SERIES OF COURSES**  
**LUNCHEON – BANYAN BALLROOM**  
*Keynote: Matt Leopold, General Counsel, US Environmental Protection Agency*

1:45pm - 3:25pm  
3:25pm - 3:45pm  
3:45pm - 5:25pm  
5:30pm - 6:30pm

**THIRD SERIES OF COURSES**  
**REFRESHMENT BREAK - EXHIBIT HALL**  
**FOURTH SERIES OF COURSES**  
**OPENING RECEPTION - EXHIBIT HALL**

### THURSDAY, July 19

7:30am - 8:30am  
8:30am - 10:10am  
10:10am - 10:30am  
10:30am - 12:10pm  
12:10pm - 1:30pm  
1:30pm - 3:10pm  
3:10pm - 3:30pm  
3:30pm - 5:10pm

**CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST - EXHIBIT HALL**  
**FIFTH SERIES OF COURSES**  
**REFRESHMENT BREAK - EXHIBIT HALL**  
**SIXTH SERIES OF COURSES**  
**LUNCHEON – OCEAN BALLROOM**  
**SEVENTH SERIES OF COURSES**  
**REFRESHMENT BREAK - EXHIBIT HALL**  
**EIGHTH SERIES OF COURSES**

### FRIDAY, July 20

7:30am - 8:30am  
8:30am - 10:10am  
10:10am - 10:30am  
10:30am - 12:10pm

**CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST - EXHIBIT HALL**  
**NINTH SERIES OF COURSES**  
**REFRESHMENT BREAK - EXHIBIT HALL**  
**TENTH SERIES OF COURSES**

We hope that you enjoy the conference and find it to be of great value.  
Please submit any comments or suggestions you might have via e-mail to  
[Linda@floridaenet.com](mailto:Linda@floridaenet.com).

# FULL CLASS SCHEDULE

Please refer to our website at [www.floridaenr.com](http://www.floridaenr.com) or your  
SCHED program for course descriptions and instructors.

| Location                              | Calusa 2-3  | Calusa 4-5   | Calusa 8  | Calusa 9  | Calusa 10   | Calusa 11  | Calusa 1  | Caxambus 1  | Caxambus 2   |
|---------------------------------------|---|--|---|---|---|--|---|---|--|
| Weds.<br>July 18<br>8:30-10:10<br>am  | I&J1. Lake Okeechobee Estuaries: A Water Management Balancing Act (Part 1 of 2) | A1. Florida's Environment, Water Policy, 2018 Legislature                                    | E1. Environmental Permitting and Enforcement Update                         | NN&OO1. Embracing Water Supply Sustainability: Alternative Water Supply and Reuse (Part 1 of 2) | SS. Innovative Solutions to Stormwater Management                               | DDD. The New UMAM  | CC. New Developments in Air Quality Regulation  |   | S1. What to Expect When Being Inspected  |
| Weds.<br>July 18<br>10:30 – 12:10 pm  | I&J2. Lake Okeechobee Estuaries: A Water Management Balancing Act (Part 2 of 2) | RR. New Developments in Water Quality Permitting   | KKK. Future Directions for Species Mitigation and Conservation Banking      | NN&OO2. Embracing Water Supply Sustainability: Alternative Water Supply and Reuse (Part 2 of 2) | PP. Using Public-Private Partnerships to Solve Florida's Water Challenges       | EEE1. Practical Considerations in Environmental Mitigation and Mitigation Banking          | VVV. Risk Based Corrective Action Update  | Y. What's Ahead and Why – Comprehensive Planning and Developments of Regional Impact        | S2. What to Expect When Being Inspected  |
| Weds.<br>July 18<br>1:30-3:10<br>p.m. | H1. State Assumption of the Federal Wetland Permitting Program                  | II&JJ1. Emerging Water Supply Issues and Update on Central FL Water Initiative (Part 1 of 2) | K. Permits Under Attack: Defending Your Permit from All Challengers Florida | ZZ1. The Essentials of Obtaining an Environmental Resource Permit                               | VV. Numeric Criteria for Stormwater; Emerging Issues                            | LL. Linking Growth with Water Supply Availability  | HHH. Coastal Construction Control Line Permitting                                     | FF. Linking Disaster Mitigation and Recovery with Climate Resiliency                        | Q. Recent Developments in Property Rights  |
| Weds.<br>July 18<br>3:30 – 5:10pm     | C1. FDEP Regulatory and Policy Update   | II&JJ2. Emerging Water Supply Issues and Update on Central FL Water Initiative (Part 2 of 2) | M. Implementing Gulf Restoration in Florida                                 | ZZ2. The Essentials of Obtaining an Environmental Resource Permit                               | B. Florida Chamber of Commerce Update: Policy and Planning for Florida's Future | YY. Florida NPDES Update   | T. Information Technology: Solution to Improve Quality & Efficiency of Govt. Services | PPP. Threatened and Endangered Species in the Marine Realm                                  | UUU. Analyzing Critical State Environmental Issues: Contaminated Site Mgmt. & Closures |
| Thurs.<br>July 19<br>8:30 – 10:10am   | F. Florida Energy Policy Outlook  | D1. WMD Planning, Regulatory and Policy Update   | WW. Comprehensive Watershed Management                                      | BBB1. Federal Wetlands Permitting Update  | P. Resolving Property Rights Disputes   | LLL&MMM1. Issues Affecting Conservation of FL's Wildlife Species (Part 1 of 2)             | GGG. Permitting and Development in Coastal Marine Environment                         | X. Strategic Planning and Permitting for Development  | QQQ. Changes in Recycling  |
| Thurs.<br>July 19<br>10:30- 12:10pm   | C2. FDEP Regulatory and Policy Update   | BBB2. Federal Wetlands Permitting Update   | U. Drone Technology in Advancing Environmental Assessment and Monitoring    | G1. Federal Environmental Regulation and Enforcement Under Trump Administration                 | V. New Policy Directions for Growth Management                                  | LLL&MMM2. Issues Affecting Conservation of FL's Wildlife Species (Part 2 of 2)             | JJJ. Beach Renourishment and Near Shore Hardbottoms                                   | R. Strategies for Avoiding Litigation Under NEPA, CWA and ESA                               | GG. Florida's Renewable Energy Projects  |
| Thurs.<br>July 19<br>1:30 – 3:10pm    | H2. State Assumption of the Federal Wetland Permitting Program                  | G2. Federal Environmental Regulation and Enforcement Under Trump Administration              | TT&UU1. Implementing Florida's Numeric Nutrient Criteria (Part 1 of 2)      | KK. Aquifer Recharge, Aquifer Storage and Recovery and UIC                                      | AA. The Economics of Smart Growth Sports Facilities and Communities             | NNN&OOO1. Agriculture: Role of our Farmlands to Water, Wetlands and Wildlife (Part 1 of 2) | SSS&TTT1. Florida Brownfields: Technical, Regulatory and Legal Update (Part 1 of 2)   | CCC1. Wetland Jurisdiction Methodology: A State and Federal Update                          | N1. Emerging Issues in Environmental Due Diligence                                     |
| Thurs.<br>July 19<br>3:30 – 5:10pm    | QQ. Septic Tank Pollution: Challenges and Solutions                             | A2. Florida's Environment, Water Policy and 2018 Legislature                                 | TT&UU2. Implementing Florida's Numeric Nutrient Criteria (Part 2 of 2)      | HH. Energy & Air Quality Policy and Regulation Under Trump Administration                       | WWW. RBCA Practical Applications and Case Studies                               | NNN&OOO2. Agriculture: Role of our Farmlands to Water, Wetlands and Wildlife (Part 2 of 2) | SSS&TTT2. Florida Brownfields: Technical, Regulatory and Legal Update (Part 2 of 2)   | EEE2. Practical Considerations in Environmental Mitigation and Mitigation Banking           | Z. Transportation Planning: How Do We Get There from Here?                             |
| Friday<br>July 20<br>8:30- 10:10am    | E2. Environmental Permitting and Enforcement Update                             | CCC2. Wetland Jurisdiction Methodology: A State and Federal Update                           | L. Taking Land and Water Resource Management to the "Next Level"            | EE. Responses to Sea Level Rise and Climate Change  | FFF. Sovereign Submerged Lands and Aquatic Preserves                            | XX. Use of Wetlands for Stormwater and Wastewater Treatment                                | RRR. Florida Solid Waste Regulation Update and a Look Ahead                           | BB. Strategizing Handling & Defending Clients' Interest at Local Quasi-Judicial Proceedings | N2. Emerging Issues in Environmental Due Diligence                                     |
| Friday<br>July 20<br>10:30- 12:10 pm  | D2. WMD Planning, Regulatory and Policy Update                                  |  | AAA. Emerging Issues in Environmental Resource Permitting                   | MM. Minimum Flows and Levels  | W. Navigating the Challenges of Urban Infill Development                        | DD. Integrating LID into Local Govt. Stormwater Programs                                   | III. Seagrasses and Mangroves   |   | O. Who's Role is it Anyway?  |

**Tuesday, July 17  
1:00- 5:00 pm  
Early Bird  
Discussion  
Sessions**

**EB "A" –  
Grading  
Florida's  
Ongoing Efforts  
to Protect Our  
Water Resources  
Calusa 1-2**

**EB "B" – The  
Keys to Success  
for the Practicing  
Engineer –  
Calusa 5**

**Tuesday, July 17  
9:00am-12:00pm**

**EB "C" –  
Becoming a  
Certified  
Environmental  
Professional –  
Calusa 3-4**





# Resort Map



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## About the Hotel

### JW Marriott Marco Island

400 South Collier Blvd.

Marco Island, FL 34145

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### Parking:

\$12 a day for overnight self-parking

\$10.00 a day for daily self-parking

\$22 for overnight valet parking

**Activities:** The hotel offers daily activities for you and your family to enjoy during your stay. Activity schedules will be handed out upon check-in at the hotel.

## **KEYNOTE SPEAKER**

### **Matt Leopold- General Counsel, US Environmental Protection Agency**

Matthew Z. Leopold was appointed by President Trump on September 1, 2017 and confirmed by the U.S. Senate as EPA's General Counsel on December 14, 2017. He comes to the Agency from private practice in Tallahassee, Florida at the law firm of Carlton Fields. He previously served as the General Counsel of the Florida Department of Environment Protection (DEP) and as an attorney at the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ), Environment and Natural Resources Division. During his years of federal and state government service, and in private practice, he handled a broad range of environment and natural resource law issues and worked on complex environmental cases. He has advised two Florida Governors, the White House, and multiple state and federal agencies on environmental matters.

While with the Florida DEP, he acted as the primary attorney to the Department Secretary and advised the Office of Governor Rick Scott on regulatory requirements and state policy for air, water, waste, and public lands. He assisted in filing and litigating Florida v. Georgia, an original action in the U.S. Supreme Court to address consumptive uses of water in the 20,000 square mile Apalachicola-Chattahoochee-Flint river basin. He also argued in the 11th Circuit Court of Appeals in the long-running Everglades case brought by the United States against the State of Florida. Mr. Leopold led enforcement actions related to oil and gas development in Southwest Florida, to address the first hydraulically-fractured oil and gas well in that region and worked on the siting of a nuclear reactor in South Florida. In 2015, he was appointed to the Federal Judicial Nominating Commission for the Northern District of Florida by U.S. Senators Marco Rubio and Bill Nelson.

At DOJ, he worked on enforcement and defensive litigation, client counseling, and regulatory and policy initiatives, such as the National Oceans Policy and the U.S. Coral Reef Task Force. He was a member of the BP oil spill civil enforcement trial team formed to address the 2010 Deepwater Horizon oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico and handled cases related to the Border Fence Land Acquisition Project. He twice received the Assistant Attorney General's Award for Excellence for his work in those two matters.

Mr. Leopold worked in the Washington office of Governor Jeb Bush as a federal policy advisor on environmental matters, representing DEP and Florida's five Water Management Districts on issues they faced in Congress and with federal agencies. He represented Florida's interests to Congress during passage of the Gulf of Mexico Energy Security Act, which led to a legislative ban on new oil and gas leasing in the Eastern Gulf of Mexico.

Mr. Leopold hails from the Tampa area and is a graduate of the University of Florida and the Florida State University College of Law. He and his wife Kim have four children and enjoy spending their time doing family activities.



## **CONFERENCE MODERATOR**

### **Frank Walker - Vice President of Governmental Affairs, Florida Chamber of Commerce**

Frank Walker serves as Vice President of Governmental Affairs of Florida's largest and most influential business advocacy organization, the Florida Chamber of Commerce. Frank manages the development and strategic implementation of the Chamber's annual legislative agenda, the Florida Business Agenda, and leads the Chamber's team of 20 lobbyists.

Prior to joining the Chamber, Frank spent nearly 11 years in Washington, D.C. serving two Members of Congress, two U.S. Senators and a sitting Governor. Having most recently served as Chief of Staff to U.S. Representative Daniel Webster, Walker also held key policy and leadership positions with former Senator George LeMieux, Representative Dave Reichert, and former Senator Mel Martinez.

Frank's policy work included advising Members on energy and natural resources, environment, agriculture and transportation. He also brings an understanding of congressional parliamentary procedure after serving as an Associate to the House Rules Committee.

Additionally, Frank has served on multiple successful congressional campaigns, including campaigns for Webster, Reichert, former Representative Steve Southerland and U.S. Senator Bob Corker.

Frank was raised in Tallahassee, Florida, where he went to Maclay School. He graduated from Davidson College in Davidson, North Carolina, with a B.A. in History and a scratch handicap. After college he moved to Kanazawa, Japan to teach English through the Japanese Exchange Teaching (JET) program before returning home and heading to our nation's capital.

Frank and his wife, Katie, reside in Tallahassee with their two daughters.

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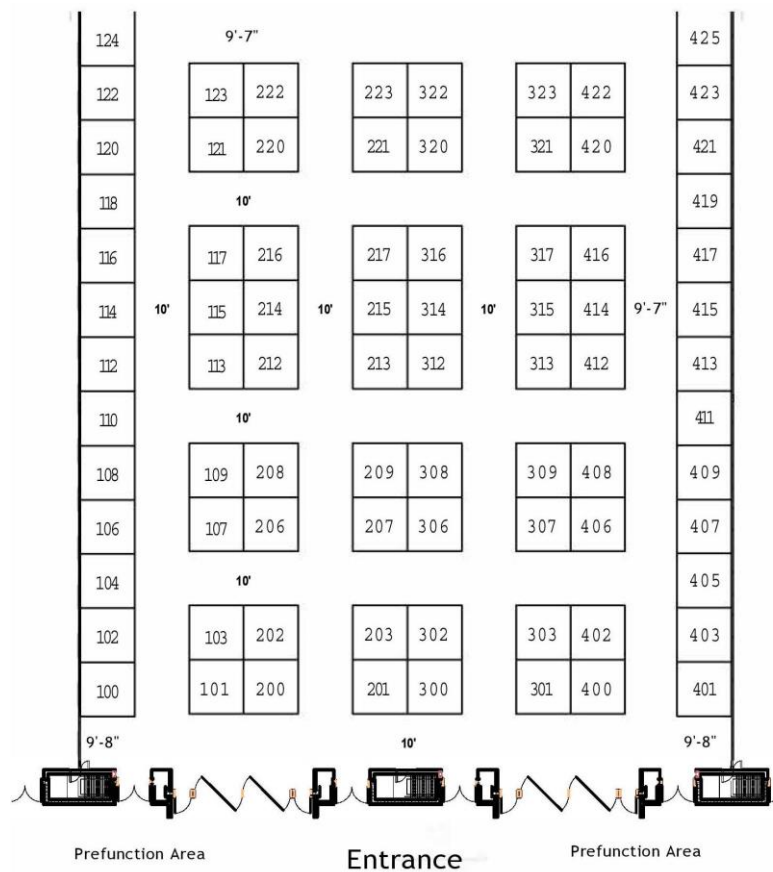
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