



# SOUTH FLORIDA ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION TASK FORCE

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## Water Quality Monitoring: Summary of Results

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# Overview

- Requested input from members regarding water quality monitoring programs at the February 14<sup>th</sup> kickoff meeting
- Water Quality Comparison Matrix
  - FDEP provided a form to receive information to add to their existing dataset
  - Results: Detailed spreadsheet
- Additional Programs
  - Members were also invited to share other monitoring efforts that supplement/complement the dataset
  - Results: Narrative descriptions and links for more information

# Water Quality Comparison Matrix

**The matrix contains 3 types of programs:**

- Comparable Programs (7)
  - Have comparable parameters
  - Unique datasets
- Non-comparable Programs (24)
  - Limited parameters
  - Not unique datasets
  - No nutrients sampled
- FCRCT Added (3)

# Water Quality Comparison Matrix

## Comparable Programs (7):

1. South Florida Ecosystem Restoration Cruises (Walton Smith)
2. SERC South Florida Estuaries Water Quality
3. DERM Surface Water Quality
4. Broward County Water Quality Monitoring Program
5. Coral Ecosystem Conservation Area (ECA) Water Quality Assessment
6. City of Miami Beach Water Monitoring
7. DEP BBAP

# Water Quality Comparison Matrix

## **Non-Comparable Programs (24):**

1. Key Biscayne Water Quality (Formerly known as Biscayne Bay Water Watch)
2. City of Miami Beach Water Monitoring
3. Continuous Bottom Temperature Measurements along the Florida Reef Tract
4. Environmental Monitoring Assessment Program
5. NPS South Florida/Caribbean Inventory and Monitoring Network: Coral Reef Water Temperature
6. National Data Buoy Center
7. Florida Keys Bleach Watch

# Water Quality Comparison Matrix

## Non-Comparable Programs (24):

8. Harmful Algal Bloom Marine Observation Network
9. National Aquatic Resource Surveys, National Coastal Condition Assessment
10. National Status and Trends Mussel Watch
11. Southeast Area Monitoring and Assessment Program (SEAMAP) - Gulf of Mexico Fall & Summer Shrimp/Groundfish Survey
12. Southeast Area Monitoring and Assessment Program (SEAMAP) - Gulf of Mexico Reef Fish Survey
13. Water Quality Monitoring Project
14. Dry Tortugas Monitoring
15. Underwater temperature on off-shore coral reefs of the Florida Keys, U.S.A.

# Water Quality Comparison Matrix

## Non-Comparable Programs (24):

16. SEACAR

17. DBHYDRO

18. WIN/STORET

19. Biscayne National Park

20. Red Tide Sampling

21. Cheeca Rocks Buoy Data

22. Keys Marine Lab

23. SERC Microbial Ecology Lab

24. Miami Water Keeper

# Water Quality Comparison Matrix

## FCRCT Added (3):

1. Florida Bay Water Quality Monitoring Network
2. Palm Beach County Ambient Water Quality Monitoring Program
3. Microbial and environmental dataset from Crocker Reef, Florida Keys



# Additional Programs (20)

1. DEP Environmental Resource Permit and Joint Coastal Permit programs – Benthic Monitoring (DEP)
2. Kristin Jacobs Coral Reef Ecosystem Conservation Area Monitoring Efforts (DEP)
3. Southeast Region Aquatic Preserves – Benthic Monitoring (DEP)
4. Water Quality Monitoring Network (FIU/SERC)
5. Continuous Bottom Temperature Measurements along the Florida Reef Tract (FKNMS)
6. Demographic Monitoring and Population Enhancement of *Acropora palmata* along the Florida Reef Tract

# Additional Programs (20)

7. CREMP Water Temperature on Coral Reefs in the Florida Keys (FWRI)
8. Florida Keys and Southeast Florida Coral Reef Evaluation and Monitoring Project (CREMP/SECREMP) (FWRI/NOAA)
9. Florida Reef Resilience Program: Disturbance Response Monitoring Program (DRM) (FWRI)
10. GIS Data Layers (FWC/FWRI)
11. HAB Monitoring Database (FWRI)
12. Unified Reef Maps (FWRI)
13. Mission: Iconic Reefs (NOAA)

# Additional Programs (20)

14. National Coral Reef Monitoring Program (NCRMP) (NOAA)
15. Population Status of Elkhorn Coral (NOAA)
16. Florida Bay Water Quality Monitoring Network (NPS)
17. Ambient Water Quality Monitoring Program (Palm Beach County)
18. South Florida National Coral Reef Monitoring Program (NOAA)
19. Florida Keys Corals: A Photographic Record of Changes from 1959 to 2015 (USGS)
20. Microbial and Environmental Dataset from Crocker Reef, Florida Keys (USGS)

# Discussion



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