

Florida Water Resources Monitoring Council

Liaison Update

September 11, 2007

Oceans Council

- **Governor's amended budget recommends reduction of \$1.085M, leaving \$2.1M**
- **Integrated Data Management funding not affected as proposed, but awaiting Legislative action.**

Gulf of Mexico Alliance

- **Workshop to design Gulf of Mexico HAB monitoring system in November**
- **Workshop to design nutrient fate studies in support of establishing coastal nutrient criteria is in works**

Southeast Alliance

- **Organizational meeting held at Guana-Tolomato-Matanzas NERR (St. Augustine) in late August**
- **One step closer to reality**

Metadata standards

- **IDM briefings**
 - **DEP STORET, Central Lab, and IT staff**
 - **WMD IT managers**

Metadata standards

- **Present information indicates need to better address differences in metadata required to allow data from different “disciplines” to be properly assessed for data quality/suitability.**
 - **Level One metadata: same across all data types; e.g., who, what, when, where, etc.**
 - **Level Two metadata: specific to each discipline**

Data System Design

- **Plan to hire project manager and IT system-design experts through staff amendment, thereby providing flexibility and saving contract time.**

Monitoring coordination

- **Ready for strategy development. Model after GOMA Action Plan?**