

Monitoring-Coordination Action Plan - 2008

Florida Water Resources Monitoring Council

36-Month Outcomes for each Action Item

Action Item I-1

- A water resources monitoring catalog will have been established and a coordinated effort will be underway to populate it with monitoring information.

Action Item I-2

- A generally-accessible website that provides access to the water monitoring activities catalog.

Action Item I-3

- A fully-funded process to maintain and support the website and online catalog that includes a quality assurance (QA) plan will be in place.

Action Item II-1

- An organization charged with coordination and oversight of Action Plan implementation is active. This organization is composed of appropriate stakeholders.

Action Item II-2

- An established communication process with participation from government, academia, non-governmental organizations (NGOs), and private entities.

Action Item II-3

- Report based on the water resources monitoring catalog identifying duplications and gaps in monitoring activities. Regularly scheduled workshops or conferences that share best practices and improve coordination, including coordination between fresh and saltwater monitoring programs.

Action Item II-4

- A review of chemical, physical, and biological indicators or parameters characterizing the status and trends of estuarine resources to support the integration of freshwater and coastal monitoring activities.

Action Item II-5

- An increased level of collaboration among monitoring entities.

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36-Month Outcomes for each Action Item... continued

Action Item III-1

- a) The establishment of a core set of agreed-upon monitoring variables.
b) Adoption of Integrated Data Management water resource monitoring metadata standards. c) A report on Status and Trends.

Action Item III-2

- Statewide monitoring entities will have initiated a coordinated effort to incorporate new technologies, indicators, and methods to improve water resource monitoring.

Action Item III-3

- a) A quarterly working group or Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) that researches and evaluates technologies, indicators, and methods appropriate for adoption by monitoring entities. b) Funds have been identified to validate promising research methods.

Action Item III-4

- a) Documentation describing potential data quality objectives has been completed and workshops held to provide guidance in developing definitive data quality objectives. b) Increased number of programs in state have data quality objectives.

Action Item III-5

- a) Florida agencies have adopted standardized and complementary monitoring designs; b) Funding to support workshops and to foster standardized and complementary monitoring design among smaller monitoring entities has been identified.