

**RESOLUTIONS, AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS**  
**E. ITEM 4.**



**AGENDA REPORT**  
**February 26, 2019**

**Presentation by Dr. Duane DeFreese on the Final Draft Indian River Lagoon  
National Estuary Program Comprehensive Conservation and Management  
Plan, District 2**

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**SUBJECT:**

Presentation by Dr. Duane DeFreese on the Final Draft Indian River Lagoon National Estuary Program Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

No Fiscal Impact

**DEPT/OFFICE:**

Natural Resources Management

**REQUESTED ACTION:**

It is requested that the County Commission hear a presentation by Dr. Duane DeFreese, Executive Director of the Indian River Lagoon National Estuary Program, on the Final Draft Indian River Lagoon National Estuary Program Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan.

**SUMMARY EXPLANATION and BACKGROUND:**

In 1990 the Indian River Lagoon (IRL) was recognized by the U.S. Congress as an Estuary of National Significance. The Indian River Lagoon National Estuary Program (IRLNEP) is authorized under Section 320 of the Clean Water Act to convene a management conference made up of diverse stakeholders to develop and implement a comprehensive conservation and management plan (CCMP).

The IRLNEP is sponsored by the IRL Council, which was established as a special district of Florida. The IRL Council includes representatives of five counties bordering the lagoon (Volusia, Brevard, Indian River, St. Lucie and Martin Counties), the St. Johns River and South Florida Water Management Districts, and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP). The U.S. EPA provides guidance to the Council.

National Estuary Programs are science based, non-regulatory and community-driven. The purpose of NEP CCMPs is to assure that estuaries maintain their ecological integrity. IRLNEP's first CCMP was published in 1997. The IRL CCMP was updated in 2008. A draft update, *Looking Forward to 2030*, has been distributed for review. Dr. DeFreese will provide a brief powerpoint presentation on the status of the CCMP revision

and progress of the IRLNEP program.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

**Description**

No Attachments Available



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**M E M O R A N D U M**

TO: Virginia Barker, Natural Resources Management Director

RE: Item E.4., Presentation by Dr. Duane DeFreese on the Final Draft Indian River Lagoon  
National Estuary Program Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan

The Board of County Commissioners, in regular session on February 26, 2019, acknowledged Presentation given by Dr. Duane DeFreese, on the Final Draft Indian River Lagoon National Estuary Program Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan.

Your continued cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
SCOTT ELLIS, CLERK

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