

Northeast and Eastern Central Florida Area Committee
Jacksonville, Florida
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1. ATTENDANCE:

Name	Organization
Janet Espino-Young	CG Sector Jacksonville
Lauren Fullam	CG Sector Jacksonville
Nicholas Barrow	CG Sector Jacksonville
Barton Nanney	CG Sector Jacksonville
Cameron Heinz	CG Sector Jacksonville
Bert Wells	CG Sector Jacksonville
Brendan Blackwell	CG Sector Jacksonville
Giselle Rodriguez	CG Sector Jacksonville
Forest Pett	CG Sector Jacksonville
Isaac Johnson	CG Sector Jacksonville
Jason Bernz	CG Sector Jacksonville
Gracie Brinson	Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP)
John Nist	BAE Systems Jacksonville
Timyn Rice	Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC)
Andrew O'Quinn	St. John's County Fire Rescue
Johnathan Young	Environmental Protection OIG
Ryan Harris	Moran Environmental Response
Keith Harmon	Moran Environmental Response
Cleveland Rougier	Marine Spill Response Corporation
John November	Public Trust for Conservation
Stephen Lamir	Moran Environmental Response Jacksonville Spillage Control
Lauren Arbuckle	Moran Environmental Response

2. MEETING DETAILS:

Place: Sector Jacksonville Large Conference Room
10426 Alta Drive, Jacksonville, FL 32226
Date: 05 March 2025
Time: 1300-1415

3. **AGENDA:**

Agenda Item 1: Introductions – all

Opening Remarks – Captain Espino-Young welcomed members and provided opening remarks.

Agenda Item 2: Subject Matter Expert Briefings

Coast Guard Sector Jacksonville Incident Management Division representatives provided a summary of the pollution response cases that have occurred since the previous Area Committee Meeting. These cases include 58 National Response Center Reports, 120 Marine Environmental Protection sorties, and 13 Enforcement Actions (12 Letters of Warning and 1 Notice of Violation).

Mr. John November from the Public Trust for Conservation presented on the threats to manatees. He is in the process of developing a white paper to better mitigate those threats without hindering commerce in the region.

Sector Jacksonville will continue to pursue new Subject Matter experts to present on topics at future meetings. Any requests or recommendations for topics or speakers are welcome.

Agenda Item 3: Round robin discussion –

All members contributed to an open discussion covering a wide variety of topics. A number of members discussed additional capabilities they are in the process of procuring and/or training on. These capabilities included drones at MER, fireboat capability at SJCFR, a new fast response boat at MSRC, and also a new boat at JSC. MER further discussed the number of assets that are in the southeast United States that would be able to cascade resources in the event of a large scale oil/hazardous materials spill. The EPA discussed that they are seeing an increase in the number of individuals that are possessing fraudulent paperwork/permits. FWC highlighted their derelict vessel program.

Closing Remarks – Captain Espino-Young thanked the members for attending and provided closing remarks.

4. **NEXT MEETING:** Next meeting is tentatively scheduled for August 2025.