



2021 Gulf of Mexico Alliance Mid-Year Meeting  
Water Resources Team Schedule  
Mississippi Coast Convention Center - Biloxi, MS.

**Tuesday September 21, 2021**

- 1:30PM – 1:45 PM Welcome, Introductions  
*Jeff J. Dauzat*, Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality  
*Jill Csekitz*, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
- 1:45 PM – 2:30 PM Tier II update and Air Table Demo  
*Jill Csekitz*, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
- 2:30 PM – 3:15 PM Gulf Hypoxia Task Force - Pilot Expansion of Water Quality Monitoring from Inshore to Offshore Louisiana  
*Kori Blitch*, Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality and  
*Angelina Freeman*, Louisiana Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority
- 3:15 PM – 3:30 PM Break
- 3:30 PM – 4:15 PM Galveston Bay Foundation (GBF) Marine Debris Monitoring Program  
*Charlotte Cisneros*, Galveston Bay Foundation  
Virtual
- 4:15 PM – 4:30 PM Daily Wrap Up Discussion  
*Jeff J. Dauzat*, Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality
- 4:30 PM Adjourn

**Wednesday September 22, 2021**

- 08:15 AM – 08:30 AM Welcome Back, Overview of Yesterday’s Meeting and Today’s Objectives  
*Jeff J. Dauzat*, Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality
- 08:30 AM – 09:15 AM Lake Pontchartrain Basin Foundation: Citizen Scientists Identifying Micro plastics and Algae in the Pontchartrain Basin  
*Brady Skaggs*, Lake Pontchartrain Basin Foundation
- 09:15 AM – 10:00 AM HAB Community of Practice  
*Elizabeth “Betty” Staugler*, NOAA HAB Liaison, Florida Sea Grant  
University of Florida
- 10:00 AM – 10:30 AM Break

10:30 AM – 11:00 AM Louisiana Water Resources Situational Analysis – BTNEP/BHP  
**Lael Butler**, GOMA Ambassador

11:00 AM – 11:30 AM Impacts of the Persistent Brown Tide Algal Blooms and Water Quality Degradation on the Economy of Communities that Rely on Baffin Bay-Upper Laguna Madre (Texas)  
**Jill Csekitz**, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality  
**Dr. Michael Wetz**, Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi

11:30 AM – 1:00 PM Lunch

1:00 PM – 2:30 PM Science Communication Professional Development Workshop  
**Lael Butler**, GOMA Ambassador

2:30 PM – 3:00 PM Break

3:00 PM – 4:30 PM Science Communication Professional Development Workshop  
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4:30 PM – 5:00 PM Daily Wrap Up Discussion  
**Jeff J. Dauzat**, Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality

5:00 PM Adjourn

**Thursday September 23, 2021**

08:30 AM – 08:45 AM Welcome Back, Overview of Yesterday’s Meeting and Today’s Objectives  
**Jeff J. Dauzat**, Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality

08:45 AM - 09:45 AM Cross Team Meetings – Marine Debris  
**Caitlin Wessel**, PhD - NOAA Marine Debris Program  
*Virtual*

- Platforms/Methods where our Teams can work together
- Areas where our Teams may overlap
- Existing projects that we each may leverage
- Proposed projects that we may be able to build upon

09:45 AM - 09:55 AM Break

09:55 AM – 10:55 AM Cross Team Meetings – Human Benefits of Nature  
**Becky Allee**, NOAA  
**Kara Coffey**, Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi  
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- 11:00 AM – 12:00 AM Cross Team Meetings – Integrated Planning  
*Jim Pahl*, Louisiana Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority
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- 12:00 PM – 12:30 PM Meeting wrap up and adjourn  
*Jeff J. Dauzat*, Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality  
*Jill Csekitz*, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality