



Gulf of Mexico Alliance
Data & Monitoring Team Mid-Year Meeting
October 22-23, 2024

Day 1 – October 22. All times CDT.

- 9:00 AM** **Welcome and Introductions**
Objective: Participants will know the purpose of the meeting and intended outcomes. Participants will learn about the Gulf of Mexico Alliance and be introduced to the Steering Committee.
Presented by Co-chair Jon French (FWCC).
- 9:35 AM** **2020 Survey Results – Team Outreach**
Objective: Participants will learn about the findings from a 2020 survey asking the GOMA Teams about junctions for collaboration. To continue this dialogue, we invited members from the other GOMA Teams to attend our mid-year. We will send Data & Monitoring Team members to the other GOMA Teams' mid-year meetings.
Presented by Co-chair Cheryl Clark (FDEP).
- 9:55 AM** **Gulf Monitoring Network Session**
Objective: Participants will gain an in-depth understanding of the Monitoring Working Group.
- 9:55 AM** **Introduction to the Gulf Monitoring Network**
Objective: Set the stage for the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) Round 1 project: Analysis of Common Water Quality Parameters.
Presented by Amy Newbold (RESTORE) and Robin Cypher (TCEQ).
- 10:05 AM** **Funded Project Update: Analysis of Common Water Quality Parameters**
Objective: Hear from contractor awarded the team's BIL Round 1 project. Participants will hear findings to date of the 12-month project (11/2023-12/2024).
Presented by Consolidated Safety Services, Incorporated.
- 10:30 AM** **BREAK**
- 10:45 AM** **Gulf Monitoring Network Discussion**
Objective: Participants will move to break-out rooms to discuss the next steps for the Gulf Monitoring Network.
- 11:50 AM** **Day 1 Wrap-Up**
Objective: Wrap-up Day 1 and look ahead to Day 2.
Presented by Co-chair Jon French (FWCC).
- 12:00 PM** **ADJOURN**



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Day 2 – October 23. All times CDT.

- 9:00 AM** **Welcome and Introductions**
Objective: Welcome back participants. Recap of Day 1 prior to kicking off Day 2.
Presented by Co-chair Jon French (FWCC).
- 9:10 AM** **Gulf Mapping Network Session**
Objective: Participants will gain an in-depth understanding of the Mapping Working Group.
- 9:10 AM** **Introduction to the Gulf Mapping Network**
Objective: Set the stage for the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) projects that the team is partnering on with the Habitat Resources Team.
Presented by Jake Harris (TPWD) and Steve Jones (Geological Survey of Alabama).
- 9:20 AM** **Proposed Project: Regional Sediment Management Inventory with BOEM**
Objective: Participants will learn about a Habitat Resources Team proposed project for BIL Round 2.
Presented by Laurel Reichold (U.S. Army Corps of Engineers).
- 9:35 AM** **Funded Project Update: Oyster Status and Trends in Texas and Louisiana**
Objective: Hear from contractor awarded the BIL Round 1 project for the Habitat Resources Team. Participants will hear findings to date of the project.
Presented by Freese and Nichols, Incorporated.
- 9:50 AM** **Funded Project Update: GOMA Open Data Platform**
Objective: Participants will learn about a GIS for GOMA.
Presented by Drew Stephens (The GIS Institute).
- 10:00 AM** **Funded Project Update: GIS Data Analyst**
Objective: The team will formally introduce the GOMA GIS Data Analyst, Travis Smith. Participants will hear about preparing and connecting data into the GOMA Open Data Platform (GOMOD).
Introduced by Dave Reed (GOMA). Presented by Travis Smith (GOMA contractor).
- 10:10 AM** **Gulf Mapping Network Next Steps**
Objective: Working group leads will open a dialogue with participants on the future direction for the Gulf Mapping Network.
Presented by Jake Harris (TPWD) and Steve Jones (Geological Survey of Alabama).
- 10:30 AM** **BREAK**



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- 10:45 AM** **Data Managers Forum Session**
Objective: Participants will hear from an up-start community of practice whose mission is to promote collaboration within data management to enhance shared understanding, to contribute to a collective knowledge, and foster learning.
- 10:45 AM** **Data Managers Forum**
Objective: Speak to the need for a region-wide collaborative space for data managers. The Data Managers Forum development team will demo the online collaborative space and take questions from participants.
Introduced by Katie Wallace (GOMA). Presented by Co-chairs Cheryl Clark (FDEP) and Jon French (FWCC), Julie Bosch (NOAA NCEI), Brittany Jensen (The Water Institute), Lora Turner (BOEM).
- 11:50 AM** **Mid-Year Wrap-Up**
Objective: Debrief of 2024 Mid-Year and look ahead to 2025 All Hands.
Presented by Co-chair Jon French (FWCC).
- 12:00 PM** **ADJOURN**