

**Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP)
Coral Reef Conservation Program (CRCP)**

**Southeast Florida Coral Reef Initiative (SEFCRI)
Our Florida Reefs (OFR)**

**Community Working Groups
May North/South Meeting Comparison**

*Note: Similar action items and decisions are **highlighted***

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Action Items

North

None

Action Items

South

Howard Lustgarten will talk with CRCP staff about creating a Facebook page for *Our Florida Reefs*

DEP will provide a copy of the study by Behringer et al on the before and after effects of the Miami-Dade mooring field

South Community Working Group will spend 10-20 minutes during each meeting to discuss current events pertaining to Southeast Florida coral reefs

Manoj's LAS-FDOU 18, 20B video will be posted on the OFR website

Decisions

North

Option C - Continue learning curve into August and add an additional meeting in November to come up with management actions and add an extra month to the whole process without decreasing SEFCRI review time

Approved Focus Areas:

- Education/Outreach/Awareness
- Enforcement
- Fishing, Diving, and Other Uses
- Land-Based Sources of Pollution/Water Quality
- Coastal Management and Construction
- Direct Impacts to Reefs

Decisions

South

Option C – Continue learning curve into August, add an October or November meeting and give SEFCRI 3 months for review

Approved Focus Areas:

- Land-Based Sources of Pollution; Water Quality
- Maritime Industry and Coastal Construction Impacts
- Fishing, Diving, and Other Uses
- Awareness and Appreciation; Education and Outreach
- Coral Reef Habitat Restoration

Key Points

North

None

Key Points

South

FDEP Coral Reef Conservation Program posts information about *Our Florida Reefs* on their Facebook page. Search “Florida’s Coral Program” on Facebook and “Like us”. Please encourage others to do so too.