



# GULF OF MEXICO COASTAL OCEAN OBSERVING SYSTEM

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## **GCOOS-RA Meeting**

**April 19, 2018**

**New Orleans, LA**

Provisional Agenda

Doubletree Hotel

300 Canal Street

New Orleans, LA

## **Open Meeting**

8:00 Light breakfast and check in

8:30 Welcome and remarks from Board chair

8:45 Board role call and self introductions

8:55 Adoption of the agenda

9:00 Update on the Navy Underwater Test Bed – Bill Burnett

9:20 GCOOS, academia, and Industry: The Stones and glider projects – Ruth Perry

9:40 The Georisk Initiative – Zenon Medina-Cetina

10:00 Coffee Break

10:20 MMEERSET- The What and Whys – Kent Satterlee

10:40 CIGOM: Consortium of Investigations in the Gulf of Mexico – Juan Carlos Herguera

11:00 Update on the Southern GoMex HFR projects – Porfirio Alvarez

11:20- 11:45 – Q and A/Discussion of morning presentations

11:45 Comments from representatives from Senatorial or Congressional offices

12:15 - 1:15 Lunch

1:15 IOOS Program Office update – Carl Gouldman

1:45 GCOOS Update – Barbara Kirkpatrick

2:15 GCOOS data management and Certification – Felimon Gayanilo

2:30 A Tribute to Matt Howard

2:40 – 3:30 Break

3:30 - Outreach and Education Update – Chris Simoniello

*Subcontractor Reports*

3:45 Lei Hu- Dauphin Island Sea Lab

4:00 Stephen Howden- USM

4:15 Nan Walker- LSU

4:30 Discussion and follow up

5:00 ADJOURN FOR DAY

**About GCOOS-RA**

The Gulf of Mexico Coastal Ocean Observing System Regional Association is a 501(c)3 organization responsible for developing a network of business leaders, marine scientists, resource managers, non-governmental organizations and other stakeholder groups that combine their data to provide timely information about our oceans - similar to the information gathered by the National Weather Service to develop weather forecasts. [Visit us online at gcoos.org](http://gcoos.org).

GCOOS, which includes members from Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama and Florida, seeks to establish a sustained observing system for the Gulf of Mexico to provide observations and products needed by users in this region for:

- Detecting and predicting climate variability and consequences,
- Preserving and restoring healthy marine ecosystems,
- Ensuring human health,
- Managing resources,
- Facilitating safe and efficient marine transportation,
- Enhancing national security, and
- Predicting and mitigating against coastal hazards.