IRL COUNCIL
MANAGEMENT BOARD

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February 11, 2025

10:15 AM - 1:00 PM

Historic Sebastian Elementary School, 1235 Main Street Sebastian, FL 32958

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The order of items appearing on the agenda is subject to change during the meeting and is at the discretion of the presiding officer. Anyone wishing to speak on any item is requested to complete a speaker's card.

1. **Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance** (Beth Powell, Chair)
2. **Introductions** (Beth Powell, Chair)
3. **Elections of Officers** (Kathy Hill)

   Requested Action: Motion to elect nominated Chair and Vice Chair for Calendar Year 2025.
4. **Agenda Revisions** (Chair)
   Note any known changes and inquire if any members have suggested revisions.
5. **Minutes Approval** (Chair)

   Requested Action: Approval of Minutes from the Management Board meeting on November 12, 2024.
6. **Finance Sub-Committee Report** (Finance Sub-Committee Chair)

   Requested Action: Accept Committee Report.
7. **Public Comment**
8. **Water Quality Reports**
   a. Northern and Central IRL (Lauren Hall, SJRWMD)
   b. Southern IRL (Sherry McCorkle, SFWMD)
9. **Presentation**
   Runoff to Resilience – Smart Watersheds

   Matt Rea, Director of Technical Partnerships, Brightstorm, a program of The Nature Conservancy, and Jennifer Carpenter, Deputy Executive Director of Conservation & Government Relations, The Nature Conservancy Florida

10. Old Business

None

11. New Business

a. Fiscal Year 2026 Water Quality Restoration RFP (Daniel Kolodny)

Requested Action: Motion to recommend that the IRL Council Board of Directors accept the IRLNEP Management Board recommendations and approve the final ranked list of FY 2026 Water Quality Restoration proposals; fund the top proposals contingent and consistent with available funds and budgetary authority; and authorize staff to negotiate and enter into contracts with those applicants.

b. Fiscal Year 2026 Habitat Restoration RFP (Daniel Kolodny)

Requested Action: Motion to recommend that the IRL Council Board of Directors accept the IRLNEP Management Board recommendations and approve the final ranked list of FY 2026 Habitat Restoration proposals; fund the top proposals contingent and consistent with available funds and budgetary authority; and authorize staff to negotiate and enter into contracts with those applicants.

c. Fiscal Year 2026 Community-Based Restoration RFP (Daniel Kolodny)

Requested Action: Motion to recommend that the IRL Council Board of Directors accept the IRLNEP Management Board recommendations and approve the final ranked list of FY 2026 Community-Based Restoration proposals; fund the top proposals contingent and consistent with available funds and budgetary authority; and authorize staff to negotiate and enter into contracts with those applicants.

d. Fiscal Year 2026 Science and Innovation RFP (Daniel Kolodny)

Requested Action: Motion to recommend that the IRL Council Board of Directors accept the IRLNEP Management Board recommendations and approve the final ranked list of FY 2026 Science and Innovation proposals; fund the top proposals contingent and consistent with available funds and budgetary authority; and authorize staff to negotiate and enter into contracts with those applicants.

e. Fiscal Year 2026 Tentative Budget (Daniel Kolodny)

Requested Action: Motion to recommend that the IRL Council Board of Directors review and adopt the tentative budget for FY 2026 by Resolution 2025-01, pursuant to Florida Statutes.

f. Fiscal Year 2026 EPA Workplan (Daniel Kolodny)

Requested Action: Motion to recommend that the IRL Council Board of Directors authorize staff to finalize and submit the FY 2025 EPA Workplan by June 1, 2025.

g. Fiscal Year 2026 EPA BIL Workplan (Daniel Kolodny)

Requested Action: Motion to recommend that the IRL Council Board of Directors authorize staff to develop and submit the FY 2026 EPA BIL Workplan to EPA.

h. Invitation to Bid 2024-01: One 2025 Tidewater 2210 Carolina Bay Boat with motor and trailer

Requested Action: Motion to recommend that the IRL Council Board of Directors authorize staff to enter into negotiations and contracting with the lowest bidder in accordance with established procurement procedures.

12. IRLNEP Staff Reports

a. Community Engagement Update (Kathy Hill)
b. Information Technology and Data Science Update (KJ Ayres-Guerra)
c. IRL Project Update (Dan Kolodny)
d. Executive Director Report (Duane De Freese)

13. Final Comments (Management Board, Staff, Public)

14. Next Meeting

Management Board meeting: May 6, 2025, at 10:15 a.m.
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15. Adjourn

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