



South Carolina Beach Advocates

***10TH ANNIVERSARY* - 2024 Annual Meeting**

<https://scbeaches.org/2024-annual-meeting>

Monday, January 29 at 1:00 pm - Wednesday, January 31 at 12:00pm

21 Main Events at North Beach

719 North Beach Boulevard Ste 7, North Myrtle Beach, SC 29582

AGENDA

Monday, January 29, 2024

9:30 SC Beach Advocates Board of Directors meeting

10:00 Registration opens
Sponsored by **Davis & Floyd**

Opening Plenary Session

Session Chair: **TIM GOODWIN**, Chair, SC Beach Advocates, and Mayor City of Folly Beach

1:00 **Welcome to North Myrtle Beach**
MAYOR MARILYN HATLEY, City of North Myrtle Beach

A Decade of South Carolina Beach Preservation
STEVEN TRAYNUM, President, Coastal Science & Engineering

2024 Legislative Session Update & Outlook for South Carolina Beaches

Moderator: **TIM GOODWIN**, Chair, S.C. Beach Advocates, Mayor, City of Folly Beach

Senator **Stephen L. Goldfinch**, District 34

Senator Greg Hembree, District 28

Representative Matthew W. Leber, District 116

Representative **Lee Hewitt**, District 108

Representative Thomas C. "Case" Brittain, Jr., District 107

Representative Heather Ammons Crawford, District 68 (invited)

Representative William H. Bailey, District 104 (invited)

Representative Jackie E. "Coach" Hayes, District 55 (invited)

2:30 **BREAK: REFRESHMENTS AND SNACKS**
Sponsored by **Manson**

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2023-24 Federal and State Beach Management Updates

Session Chair: Phillip Pounds, Mayor, Isle of Palms; Director, S.C. Beach Advocates

3:00 **U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) South Atlantic Division Update**
Brigadier General Daniel H. Hibner, Commander, South Atlantic Division USACE

Charleston District Coastal and Navigation Update

Lt. Col. Robert Nahabedian, Commander & District Engineer, USACE Charleston District

S.C. State Policy of Beach Preservation

Jessica Boynton, Coastal Services Manager, and Adam Bode, Coastal Planner, SC DHEC Ocean & Coastal Resource Management

Most Pressing Beach Management Challenges for South Carolina Communities

Moderator: **NICOLE ELKO**, Administrator, S.C. Beach Advocates

Panelists: S.C. Beach Advocates Board of Directors

Kevin Blayton, Public Works Director, City of North Myrtle Beach

John Taylor, Planning Director, Town of Kiawah Island

Janet Curry, Director of Public Works, City of Myrtle Beach

Phillip Pounds, Mayor, City of Isle of Palms

TIM GOODWIN, Mayor, City of Folly Beach

Crawford Moore, Mayor, Town of Edisto Beach

Brian Henry, Mayor, Town of Pawleys Island

Patrick O'Neil, Mayor, Town of Sullivan's Island

BLANCHE BROWN, General Manager, DeBordieu Colony Comm. Assn.

5:30 pm **WELCOME RECEPTION**

Sponsored by the **City of North Myrtle Beach**

21 Main Courtyard

First Drink's on Us, Sponsored by **ATM, A GEOSYNTEC COMPANY**

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Tuesday, January 30, 2024

8:00 am

BREAKFAST

Sponsored by **COASTAL SCIENCE & ENGINEERING**

8:20 am

Coastal Resilience Planning

Session Chair: Janet Curry, Treasurer, SC Beach Advocates, and Director of Public Works, City of Myrtle Beach

Ten Years of Water Levels Across Coastal South Carolina

Patrick Barrineau, Coastal Scientist, Coastal Science & Engineering

A Ten-Year of Review of Resource Preservation and Adaptation Planning on Folly Beach

Aaron Pope, Administrator, City of Folly Beach

Fripp Island - Unique Shoreline Management Challenges & Strategies

Marc Gold, Coastal Engineer, ATM, a Geosyntec Company; Scott Reale, Fripp Island POA

Building Resilient Beach Protection with Citywide Planning and Utilizing Nature-Based Solutions in the City of Myrtle Beach

Tom Murray, Project Manager, WK Dickson

10:00 am

COFFEE BREAK

Sponsored by **SECOORA**

10:20 am

Coastal Restoration

Session Chair: Brian Henry, Director, SC Beach Advocates and Mayor, Town of Pawleys Island

Exploring for Sand as a Part of Holistic, Systems-based Regional Sediment Management

Doug Piatkowski, Marine Biologist, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM), Marine Minerals Program

Maybe We Can Use That Mud? Exploring the Feasibility of Thin Layer Placement in South Carolina

Katie Finegan, Coastal Processes Specialist, SC Sea Grant Consortium

Promoting Living Shorelines for Estuarine Shoreline Stabilization: A review of State-efforts

Blair Williams, Critical Area Permitting Section Manager, DHEC OCRM

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Conservation and Coastal Processes on Waites Island, South Carolina

Paul Gayes, Executive Director, Burroughs and Chapin Center for Marine and Wetland Studies,
Coastal Carolina University

12:00 pm ANNUAL LUNCHEON

Sponsored by **MARINEX CONSTRUCTION**

South Carolina Beach Advocates 2024 Membership Meeting
2024 Board of Directors Election

FIELD TRIP

Waites Island

Sponsored by **Norfolk Dredging Company**

1:00 pm Depart resort for field trip

5:30 pm SUNSET RECEPTION

Flying Fish at Barefoot Landing, 4744 Highway 17 S

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Student Posters:

Characterizing Temporal Scales of Coastal-Ocean and Estuarine Acidification in Long Bay, South Carolina

Mary Olsen, Coastal Carolina University

Tidal creeks as conduits and modifiers of land-based nutrients

Christianna Morton, Coastal Carolina University

Analysis for beach-dune functionalities

Laura Arencibia, Coastal Carolina University

Sand Structures on the inner shelf of northeastern SC as potential renewable sand resources

Lillian Maul, Student, Burroughs & Chapin Center for Marine and Wetland Studies

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A decade of coastal research and management

Session Chair: Pat O'Neil, Director, SC Beach Advocates, Mayor, Sullivan's Island

10 years of critical habitat management and beach preservation

MELISSA CHAPLIN, Endangered Species Biologist/Recovery Team Lead, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

South Carolina's Sea Turtle Program: A 10 year look back

Michelle Pate, Program Coordinator, SCDNR Marine Turtle Conservation Program

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers: 20+ Years of North Atlantic Right Whale Conservation Efforts

Alan Shirey, Environmental Engineer, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Charleston District

A decade of activity at the S.C. Sea Grant Consortium

Susan Lovelace, Executive Director, S.C. Sea Grant Consortium

10:00 **COFFEE BREAK**

10:30

Closing Plenary Session

Session Chair: **MARILYN HATLEY**, Vice Chair, SC Beach Advocates, and Mayor City of North Myrtle Beach

Keynote Address

Governor Henry McMaster

South Carolina Coastal Tourism and Beach Nourishment

Duane Parrish, Director, S.C. Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism

South Carolina Office of Resilience (SCOR) Update

Ben Duncan, Chief Resilience Officer and Agency Head, and Alex Butler, Resilience Planning Director, SCOR

Closing Remarks

12:00 Adjourn

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