

Time Frame	Session Title	Session Description
8:45 a - 10:15 a	State of the River and Morning Keynote	The release of the SORR to be followed by a morning keynote. Mayor Donna Deegan is confirmed as morning keynote.
10:30 a - 11:45 a	Environmental Engineering Research (Faculty and Students)	This session will explore cutting-edge research and practical applications in environmental science and engineering, focusing on coastal resilience, water quality, and renewable energy management. Attendees will gain insights into the latest methodologies and technologies aimed at preserving and enhancing our natural resources.
10:30 a - 11:45 a	Integrating Multimodal Transportation for a Sustainable Future	
10:30 a - 11:45 a	Innovative Solutions to the New Stormwater Rule	Discussion of unique methods to meet the new requirements of the new rule

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10:30 a - 11:45 a	Amplifying Community Engagement along the Emerald Trail	This session will focus on the importance of building and fostering relationships with the community during the planning, designing and construction phases of development projects, while highlighting case studies along the Emerald Trail.
12:00 p - 1:15 p	Luncheon Keynote	Queen Quet - Chieftess of the Gullah/Geechee Nation is confirmed.
1:30 p - 2:15 p	Environmental Health and Education Research	This session will highlight innovative research and educational strategies aimed at fostering environmental awareness and addressing public health concerns. Attendees will explore the intersection of education, environmental responsibility, and disease prevention through engaging presentations.

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1:30 p - 2:15 p	From Plate to Planet: Turning Waste into Resources	A look into the EPA report “Quantifying Methane Emissions from Landfilled Food Waste”; and how commercial composting efforts in Jacksonville are tackling this issue.

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1:30 p - 2:15 p	Passing the Torch: Empowering the Next Generation of Environmental Leaders	<p>In this breakout session, we'll delve into the critical role that our youth and young adults play in environmental efforts. We will focus on actionable solutions and strategies for empowering and engaging youth and getting them involved (and excited about their futures). Join us as we explore successes in community engagement events that highlight youth voices, student programming that fosters personal and professional development alongside environmental stewardship, and the compelling reasons why we must think beyond our current generation.</p>

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1:30 p - 2:15 p	Resilient Jacksonville Update	<p>This session will discuss recent progress on actions in the Resilient Jacksonville Strategy, including work on a compound flood model. The session will also include a discussion of upcoming projects and ongoing initiatives, like the City's new green infrastructure pilot program.</p>
2:30 p - 3:15 p	Environmental Biology and Political Science Research	<p>This session will delve into the ethical considerations and ecological strategies essential for modern environmental conservation. Attendees will explore the philosophical underpinnings of animal rights within the broader context of nature's rights and examine practical efforts to enhance coastal ecosystems.</p>

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2:30 p - 3:15 p	Flourishing Together: Increasing Equitable Access to Nature	This session will discuss the work being done by Thrive Outside Jacksonville and others to connect communities with the natural environment. Empirical evidence on the benefits of being outdoors will also be presented.

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2:30 p - 3:15 p	Equitable Nature-Based Solutions in the Salt Marsh	<p>This session will be an informal, interactive panel discussion focused on the work of the South Atlantic Salt Marsh Initiative (SASMI) and how it is relevant to Northeast Florida for solutions to both ecological and social issues. Panelists will discuss both the SASMI State Implementation Teams that are being established to implement the SASMI Conservation Plan and a project funded by the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation to build capacity throughout the four states of the Southeast region of the United States (FL, GA, SC, and NC) to develop a suite of nature-based solutions in vulnerable communities within the SASMI salt marsh footprint, along with overlap between the two sets of work. We hope to gather input from the audience about site selection priorities.</p>
2:30 p - 3:15 p	North Florida's First Climate Action Plan	<p>The session will highlight the development of the first climate action plan for the region.</p>

Time Frame	Session Title	Session Description
3:30 p - 4:30 p	Disya Who WEBE: Resilient Roots of Environmental Equity & Justice of the Gullah/Geechee	A culturally centered interactive engagement session led by Queen Quet.

Session Participants

Tom Deck - JEPB Chair
UNF President or Dr. Erin
Largo-Wight - UNF
Dr. Gerry Pinto - JU

Raf Crowley, Ph.D.,
Florentino De la Cruz, Ph.D.,
Ally Kasuwi (student),
Caleb Harrison (student)

Matt Fall (confirmed)

Session Participants

Adrien Malek-Lasater, Ph.D.,
Kerry Clark, Ph.D.

Session Participants

Chris Kelcourse - Moderator

Session Participants

Anne Coglianese - Jax CRO
Jenny Hinton - Jax Deputy
CRO
and other staff members in
the Office of Resilience.
Members of the team working
on the Compound Flood
Model.

Josh Gellers, Ph.D.
Scott Jones, Ph.D.

Session Participants

Jenny Hinton - Moderator
Kristopher Smith (LISC),
Jamie DeNisco (Riverkeeper)

Session Participants

Fara Ilami - NEFRC -
Moderator

Margaret Conrad -
LegacyWorks,

Heather Nagy - North Florida
Land Trust,

Glenda Simmons-Jenkins -
Gullah Geechee Community
Trust

Ashantae Green - COJ
Sustainability Manager
Amanda Polematadis -
Hanson

Session Participants

Ashante Green - Moderator,
Queen Quet,
Glenda Simmons - Executive
Director of the
Gullah/Geechee Cultural
Community Trust, Anita
Collins - Gullah/Geechee
Sustainability Think Tank,
Elder Carlie Towne - Founder
of the Gullah/Geechee Angel
Network