



2024 SECOORA Annual Meeting Agenda

Dates: May 7-8, 2024 | Charleston, SC

Meeting Location: Homewood Suites, 415 Meeting St, Charleston, SC 29403

May 7, 2024	
Time	Agenda Item
BOARD MEETING	
12:30 - 1:00 PM	Registration and Welcome Coffee
1:00 - 1:10 PM	Board Meeting - Welcome Welcome - Gary Mitchum, SECOORA Chair <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Introductions / Roll Call ● Approval of Agenda ● Minutes Approval – March 28, 2024 ● Brainstorm: Dates / Locations for 2025 Annual Meeting
1:10 - 1:15 PM	Treasurer Report Susan Lovelace, SECOORA Treasurer
1:15 - 1:40 PM	SECOORA Progress and Plans Debra Hernandez, SECOORA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Congressional Outreach ● Grants and Proposals ● Staff Development ● Water Level Website Launch ● New Collaborations
1:40 - 1:45 PM	Closing Remarks and Adjourn Gary Mitchum, SECOORA Chair
1:45 - 2:00 PM	Coffee Break
MEMBERS BUSINESS MEETING	
2:00 - 2:10 PM	SECOORA Status Update Debra Hernandez, SECOORA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Staffing Updates ● Member Recognition ● Audit report ● Hot Topics

2:10 - 2:20 PM	Committee Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Science (3 minutes) Jennifer Dorton, SECOORA ● Education and Outreach (3 minutes) Dwayne Porter, Chair ● Executive Committee (3 minutes) Gary Mitchum, Chair
2:20 - 2:25 PM	Election and Voting Results <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● SECOORA FY 25 Operating Budget (Voting Results) Susan Lovelace, SECOORA Treasurer ● 2024 Board of Director Elections Results (Voting Results) Susan Lovelace, SECOORA Treasurer ● Board Member Recognition Gary Mitchum, SECOORA Chair
Optional Field Trip	
2:30 - 3:00 PM	Field trip attendees travel to International African American Museum
3:00 PM	Field trip attendees to meet Debra Hernandez & Cotie Alsbrooks at 14 Wharfside Street, Charleston, SC 29401. The group must enter together. There will be no tickets given to individuals.
3:00 - 5:00 PM	Explore the International African American Museum
5:00 - 5:30 PM	Travel back to Homewood Suites (415 Meeting St, Charleston, SC 29403)
WELCOME SOCIAL with PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR LIGHTNING TALKS	
5:30 - 6:00 PM	Social (appetizers provided)
6:00 - 7:00 PM	Principal Investigator Lightning Talks: Ecosystems <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Southeast Marine Mapping Tool, Mary Conley, The Nature Conservancy ● Integrated Decision Support and Management Tools for Adaptive Public Health, Dwayne Porter, University of South Carolina ● Ocean Acidification Monitoring at Gray's Reef National Marine Sanctuary, Scott Noakes, The University of Georgia ● Akashiwo Sanguinea Blooms in Coastal Georgia, Mallory Mintz, Skidaway Institute of Oceanography ● Expansion of the Estero Bay HAB Water Quality Monitoring Network, Kayla Hughes, Florida Gulf Coast University ● The DaVIT: Bridging the Gap to Open Data, Joy Young, The FACT Network ● FAST FACTS, Joy Young, The FACT Network ● Estuarine Soundscape Observatory Network in the Southeast, Eric Montie, University of South Carolina Beaufort ● Enhancing the Capabilities of the SEAMAP-SA Biological Surveys Integrated into the SECOORA Data Portal, Tracey Smart, South Carolina Department of Natural Resources ● SECOORA Regional Glider Observatory, Catherine Edwards, SKIO/UGA
7:00 - 8:00 PM	Social Wrap Up Debra Hernandez, SECOORA

Wednesday, May 8, 2023	
Time	Agenda Item
8:15 - 8:45 AM	Registration and Welcome Coffee
STAKEHOLDER MEETING	
8:45 - 9:00 AM	Welcome Gary Mitchum (SECOORA Board Chair)
9:00 - 9:30 AM	Updates from U.S. IOOS and the IOOS Association Moderator: Debra Hernandez, SECOORA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IOOS Association Updates - Kristen Yarincik, IOOS Association • IOOS Program Office Updates - Susan Fox, US IOOS
9:30 - 10:00 AM	New IOOS Initiatives related to Community Engagement Moderator: Debra Hernandez, SECOORA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Southeast Community Context - Theo Jass, SECOORA • IOOS Program Office - Susan Fox, US IOOS • IOOS Association - Kristen Yarincik, IOOS Association
10:00 - 10:10 AM	Sponsor Highlight: Sequoia Scientific, Inc
10:10 - 10:20 AM	Coffee Break
10:20 - 11:00 AM	Principal Investigator Lightning Talks: Incubator and SECOORA Led Programs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drones in the Coastal Zone, Troy Walton, University of North Carolina • Southeast Ocean and Coastal Acidification Network, Janet Reimer, Mid-Atlantic Regional Council on the Ocean • MBON Activities Across the SECOORA and GCOOS Regions, Jennifer Dorton, SECOORA • WebCOOS: Webcam Coastal Observation System, Greg Dusek, NOAA • Southeast & Caribbean Disaster Resilience Partnership, Heather McCarthy, SCDRP • Regional Coordination of Community Outreach for the Southeast Water Level Network, Ke'Ziyah Williamson, South Carolina Sea Grant Consortium
11:00 - 11:15 AM	Coffee Break
11:15 AM - 12:15 PM	Building Bridges: Fostering Trust Between Communities and Scientists The purpose of this session is to learn about effective ways for scientists (and science organizations) to engage with communities. We have invited representatives from local community-oriented organizations in Charleston to lead the discussion, using the Charleston area as a case-study for fostering trust between community members and scientists. Moderator: Paul Sandifer, College of Charleston Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Najeema Washington (Charleston Community Research to Action Board) • Keisha Long (Environmental Justice Strong)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Matthew Gorstein (SC Sea Grant Consortium) • Andrew Wunderley (Charleston Waterkeeper) • Namita Koppa (Thriving Communities Technical Assistance Center)
12:15 - 1:15 PM	Lunch (provided)
1:15 - 2:30 PM	<p>Principal Investigator Lightning Talks: Modeling, Products, and Observation Tools</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data Management, Lauren Showalter, Axiom Data Science • HFR Lightning Talk, Cliff Merz, University of South Florida • UNCW's Coastal Ocean Research and Monitoring Program (CORMP), Lynn Leonard, University of North Carolina Wilmington • Coastal Ocean Circulation Observing & Modeling, and Applications on the West Florida Shelf, Yonggang Liu, University of South Florida • Southeast Water Level Network Team, Nicole Elko, American Shore & Beach Preservation Association • Augmenting Ocean Observing through Artificial Intelligence: Annotation, Data Standards, and Applications, Luke McEachron, Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission • Monitoring and forecasting pelagic Sargassum in the South Atlantic Bight, Brian Barnes, University of South Florida • Meeting the needs of coastal communities for actionable information to protect lives and property with Regional-Scale Numerical Modeling, Jennifer Warrillow, Fathom Science
2:30 - 2:40 PM	Sponsor Highlight: Hohonu
2:40 - 3:00 PM	Coffee Break
3:00 - 4:00 PM	<p>Co-design and Translation: Strategic Product Development Purpose: The purpose of this session is to brainstorm SECOORA product development opportunities. What data collected through our observing program do communities most need/want? How should community representatives be invited to engage with SECOORA? Scientists with experience in product development will kick-start a discussion about processes that can be implemented within our region.</p> <p>Moderator: Patrick Barrineau (Coastal Science and Engineering, Inc) Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dwayne Porter (USC, How's The Beach), • Ke'Ziyah Williamson (SC Sea Grant, Water Level Communications/Outreach), • Brian Barnes (USF, Sargassum Watch System), • Mary Conley (The Nature Conservancy, Southeast Marine Mapping Tool)
4:00 - 4:30 PM	<p>Closing remarks and adjourn Debra Hernandez, SECOORA and Gary Mitchum, SECOORA Chair</p>