

# SECOORA's Vision for BOB

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- Build upon our BOB efforts and strengthen our network
- Engage new partners both in formal and informal education
- Engage additional stakeholders such as water quality managers
- Host a BOB IV workshop in FL (UNF) focusing on K-16 education
- Develop State HUBS for NC, SC, GA and FL, each with a special focus

# State HUBS for E & O

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- NC: UNCW → BOB & undergraduate studies and stakeholder focus
- SC: COSEE SE → BAB & STEM
- GA: KSU → BOB & STEM in the MAT pre-service teacher program
- FL: UNF → ABOB & RABOB and stakeholders

# SECOORA's newest community BOB Partner, SMS at Fort Pierce, FL

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### Welcome to the Smithsonian Marine Station

#### Who We Are...

The Smithsonian Marine Station (SMS) at Fort Pierce, Florida is a research center specializing in marine biodiversity and ecosystems of Florida. Research focuses on the Indian River Lagoon and the offshore waters of Florida's east central coast, with comparative studies throughout coastal Florida.

The Station, a facility of the National Museum of Natural History, is part of the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, DC, and serves as a field station which draws scientists and students from the Smithsonian and collaborating institutions around the world to investigate the plants, animals and physical processes in the ocean and Indian River Lagoon. Information uncovered at the Marine Station is published in scientific journals and forms the basis for effective public policies, conservation efforts, and resource management.

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# BOB Ocean Explorer Program

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- Smithsonian Marine Science Station at Fort Pierce, FL
- KSU will establish a BOB program for their Ocean Explorer's Program this summer
- <http://www.sms.si.edu/>
- (Funded by a SECOORA mini grant)

# Potential Funding Sources For BOB Projects

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- Disney's Planet Challenge (Dec 17)
- National Student Design Competition for Sustainability Grant (US EPA Dec 22)
- National Youth Fishing and Boating Grants (Dec 27)
- Apprentice Ecologist Scholarship (Dec 31)
- Wal-Mart Store and Sam's Club Giving Programs (Dec 31)
- Public Lands Program Capacity Building Grants (Jan 30)
- NEA foundation Green Grants (k-12 public) (Feb 1)
- Lowe's Toolbox for Education Grants (Feb 18)
- Toyota Tapestry Grants (Feb 23)
- Verizon Foundation Literacy and Education Grants (begin in Jan)

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- Kinder Morgan Foundation Grants (begin in Jan)
- Ways to Help (monthly)
- The Canopy Fun (on going)
- Donors Choose (post grant for public schools)
- Annenberg Foundation (on going)
- Ben and Jerry's Foundation
- Project Award
- AIAA: Grants for Science and Math
- Captain Planet (quarterly)
- National Geographic Soc. Young Explorer Grant
- Toshiba America Foundation Grants (k-5& 6-12)
- Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation Grants

# Invitation to Collaborate

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- On behalf of:

- SECOORA (BOB Hubs)
- NOAA IOOS
- COSEE SE
- Marine Science Research Institute at JU
- Kennesaw State University

We invite you all to join our BOB Network and collaborate with us on developing new **E**ducation and **O**utreach ideas involving BOB.