



## POWER OF PARTNERSHIPS

Monday, May 6, 2019  
IP Casino Resort Spa, Biloxi, Mississippi

### MORNING SESSION

- 7:00 - 10:00 a.m.**      **Registration**
- 7:00 - 8:00 a.m.**      **Breakfast**
- 8:00 - 8:20 a.m.**      **Welcome**  
*Joe Spraggins, Executive Director, Mississippi Department of Marine Resources*  
*Greg Michel, Executive Director, Mississippi Emergency Management Agency*
- 8:20 - 8:40 a.m.**      **Keynote**  
*Congressman Steven Palazzo, US House of Representatives*
- 8:40 - 9:10 a.m.**      **Secure Ports, Marine Patrol and Homeland Security**  
*Keith Davis, Chief of Marine Patrol, Mississippi Department of Marine Resources;*  
*Jonathan Daniels, CEO/Executive Director, Mississippi State Port Authority at Gulfport;*  
*Mark McAndrews, Port Director, Port of Pascagoula*
- 9:10 - 9:40 a.m.**      **Mississippi Coastal Map Revision Project**  
*Kristyn Gunter, Business/Outreach Division Director,*  
*Southern MS Planning and Development District*
- 9:40 -10:00 a.m.**      **BREAK**
- 10:00 - 10:30 a.m.**      **Embrace the Gulf 2020**  
*Laura Bowie, Executive Director, Gulf of Mexico Alliance*
- 10:30 - 11:20 a.m.**      **Oyster Update: Gulf-wide Perspective on Aquaculture and Mississippi's Efforts**  
**Moderator:** *Dr. Paul Mickle, Chief Scientific Officer, Mississippi Department of Marine Resources;*  
**Panel:** *Erik Broussard, Shellfish Director, Mississippi Department of Marine Resources;*  
*Jennifer Jenkins, General Manager, Crystal Seas Seafood;*  
*Dr. Kelly Lucas, Director, USM Thad Cochran Marine Aquaculture Center; and*  
*Ryan Bradley, Executive Director, Mississippi Commercial Fisheries United, Inc.*
- 11:20 - 11:30 a.m.**      **Transition for Lunch**
- 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.**      **LUNCH**  
*Keynote Invited*



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### AFTERNOON SESSION

- 1:30 - 2:00 p.m.**      **State of the Coast Economy**  
*Ashley Edwards, President and CEO, Gulf Coast Business Council*
- 2:00 - 3:15 p.m.**      **Coastal Partnerships for Restoration**  
**Moderator:** *George Ramseur, Coastal Restoration & Resiliency Director, Mississippi Department of Marine Resources*  
**Panel:** *Justin McDonald, Senior Engineering Technical Lead for Civil Works, US Army Corps of Engineers, Mobile District;*  
*Dr. Kelly Darnell, Assistant Research Professor, Division of Coastal Sciences, School of Ocean Science and Engineering, The University of Southern Mississippi;*  
*Jill Mastrototaro, Policy Director, Audubon Mississippi; and*  
*Johnny Marquez, Director of Coastal Programs, Mississippi Wildlife Federation*
- 3:15 - 3:45 p.m.**      **BREAK**
- 3:45 - 4:05 p.m.**      **Grand Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve (NERR) Partnerships for Wet Pine Savanna Restoration**  
*Dr. Ayesha Gray, Director, Grand Bay NERR, Mississippi Department of Marine Resources*
- 4:05 - 4:25 p.m.**      **Alternative Bulkheads: Living Shorelines**  
*Willa Brantley, Wetlands Permitting Director, Mississippi Department of Marine Resources*
- 4:25 - 4:45 p.m.**      **Tidelands Overview and Project Spotlight**  
*Sonja Slater, Tidelands Coordinator, Mississippi Department of Marine Resources*
- 4:45 - 5:05 p.m.**      **Red Snapper Update and Tails n' Scales**  
*Trevor Moncrief, Biological Program Coordinator, Mississippi Department of Marine Resources*
- 5:05 - 5:10 p.m.**      **Wrap-up and Adjourn**  
*MDMR Executive Director Joe Spraggins*
- 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.**      **Evening Reception, Studio B, IP Casino Resort Spa**