



Eastern Chapter Annual Meeting

October 25 & 26, 2016

Broward County Convention Center

Ft. Lauderdale, FL

In Partnership with



Tuesday, October 25, 2016

Room 304 & 305

7:30-8:30 am	<i>Welcome Breakfast & Registration</i>	304/305 Foyer
8:30 am	Welcome Remarks	Michael Gerhardt – President, WEDA Eastern Chapter Tim Murphy – Deputy District Engineer, USACE Jacksonville District
9:00 am	USACE Navigation Update	Jeff McKee – Navigation Program Manager, USACE HQ
9:30 am	Investments for the Nation at Port Everglades	Dr. Natacha Yacinte, PhD. – Seaport Planning Manager, Port Everglades
10:00 am	Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway – America’s Marine Highway 95	Brad Pickel - Executive Director, Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway Association
10:30 am	<i>Coffee Break</i>	
11:00 am	General Overview & Specific Projects	Mark Crosley – Executive Director, Florida Inland Navigation District
11:30 am	Hurricane Matthew Impacts & Response	Dylan Davis – Navigation Program Manager, South Atlantic Division, USACE
12:00 pm	<i>Lunch on Own</i>	

1:30 pm	Partnering with Industry & Sea Turtle Technical Experts in the Development of a Decision Support Tool to Reduce Dredging Entrainment Risk	Doug Piatkowski – Physical Scientist, Department of the Interior, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management
2:00 pm	The Right Tool for the Job: A Review of Techniques & Technologies for Locating Buried Underwater Utilities at Dredging Sites	Pete Weber – Chief Operations Officer, DoC Mapping
2:30 pm	Training the Next Generation of the Maritime Workforce	Lee Goldman – Business Manager, Mid-Atlantic Maritime Academy
3:00 pm	<i>Coffee Break</i>	
3:30 pm	Managing UXO/MEC During Dredging Projects	Jonathan Sperka – Technical Director, Ordnance Holdings, Inc.
4:00 pm	Maritime & Waterways Developments in Latin America & the Caribbean – Challenges & Opportunities	Ernesto Fernandez – Senior International Trade Consultant, Inter-American Committee on Ports of the Organization of American States
4:30 pm	The Politics of Ports: Cuba’s Strategy & What They Can & Can’t Influence	John S. Kavulich II - President, U.S. – Cuba Trade & Economic Council
5:00 pm	Closing Remarks	
6:00-7:30pm	<i>Networking Reception</i>	Waterway Room (Hilton Marina Hotel)