



Planning for Coral Rescue as a Response to SCTLD in the Caribbean

Reef Futures Symposium at Ocean Reef Club in Key Largo, FL (Sailfish Room)
Monday, September 26, 2022

Objective: To assist coral reef managers and conservation practitioners in their efforts to plan for, and implement, the rescue of coral species that are being affected by stony coral tissue loss disease for the purpose of supporting the future restoration of these species on Caribbean coral reefs.

AGENDA

- 9:30 am Coffee provided (Carysfort Lobby)
- 9:45 am Bring your coffee and sign in
- 10:00 am Welcome and workshop overview
- 10:15 am Introductions - What is “coral rescue” for you?
- 11:00 am Deep Dive into Coral Rescue
- Developing a collection and biosecurity plan for healthy corals
Stephanie Schopmeyer, Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation
- Setting up a land-based nursery
Sergio Guendulain, Dominican Foundation for Marine Studies (FUNDEMAR)/
National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM)
- Managing reproductive corals in captivity
Claudia Padilla, Mexican National Institute of Fisheries & Aquaculture (INAPESCA)
- Collection and ex-situ treatment of SCTLD infected corals
Logan Williams, Coral World Ocean and Reef Initiative (CWORI)
- Monitoring of coral spawning events and collection of coral gametes and in situ propagation
Gabriela Ochoa, Gulf and Caribbean Fisheries Institute (GCFI) / Roatan Marine Park
- Outplanting of rescued corals and *Diadema*
Stacey Williams, Institute for Socio-Ecological Research (ISER)

Agenda: Continued

- 12:45 pm **Lunch break**
(boxed lunch provided)
- 1:30 pm **Coral Rescue Café**
- Ex-situ nursery development
Leneita Fix, The Reef Institute
Alizee Zimmerman, Turks and Caicos Reef Fund
- Ex-situ treatment of SCTL D-affected Corals
Logan Williams, Coral World Ocean and Reef Initiative (CWORI)
- In-situ larval rearing and coral spawning monitoring
Maria Villalpando, FUNDEMAR
Gabriela Ochoa, GCFI/Roatan Marine Park
- Ex-situ larval rearing
Sergio Guendolain, FUNDEMAR
Claudia Padilla, INAPESCA
- Outplanting and survivorship
Andrew Bruckner, Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary
Sean Griffin, NMFS RC
- Coral rescue supplies
Tanya Ramseyer, Florida Fish & Wildlife Commission
- 3:00 pm **Coffee break (Carysfort Lobby)**
- 3:30 pm **Getting support**
- Financing your rescue effort
Alizee Zimmerman, Turks & Caicos Reef Fund
Emma Doyle, MPA Connect/Gulf and Caribbean Fisheries Institute
- Partnership development and available resources
Lisa Gregg, Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation,
Beth Firchau, Association of Zoos & Aquariums,
Claudia Padilla, Mexican National Institute of Fisheries & Aquaculture (INAPESCA)
- 4:30 pm **Rescue planning - financing and partnerships**
- 5:00 pm **Group share**
- 5:30 pm **Revisit your goals and plan next steps**
- 5:45 pm **Wrap up**
Highlight relevant upcoming sessions and presentations at Reef Futures Symposium
- 6:00 pm **Adjourn**