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CERP Update at September Luncheon



Hear the latest on CERP at the Jacksonville Post's September luncheon from Eric Bush, Chief of the Jacksonville District's Planning and Policy Division, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Here's what Bush had to say about extending the comment deadline to Oct 4 in a recent press release:

"We're extending the comment period to honor the requests from our stakeholders to do so. This is the final review period for all interested parties and we want to make sure everyone has adequate time to review the contents of the report and provide their input," said Eric Bush. *"We're close to the finish line, but we want to make sure we're not leaving anybody behind in the process and ensure we're delivering a quality report that we can all stand behind."*

The Draft Integrated Project Implementation Report (PIR) and Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for CERP is available online at: http://bit.ly/CEPP_DPIR. Comments can be submitted electronically to: CEPPcomments@usace.army.mil

The goal of CEPP is to capture water lost to tide and re-direct the water flow south to restore the central and southern Everglades ecosystem and Florida Bay. The Corps is jointly conducting this planning effort in partnership with the South Florida Water Management District.

Jacksonville Post September Opportunity

DATE: Wednesday, **September 24**, 2014

LOCATION: Ramada Inn –Mandarin
3130 Hartley Road
Jacksonville, FL 32257

AGENDA: 1130 – 1200 Registration
and Socializing
1200 BUFFET LUNCH

TOPIC: Provide overview of the Corps'
Everglades Restoration program with a focus
on the Central Everglades Planning Project
(CEPP) as the next increment of restoration.
Presentation will include Civil Works
Transformation and SMART Planning.

SPEAKER: Eric Bush, Chief of Planning &
Policy Division, Jacksonville District, USACE
(*see bio on next page*)

COST: \$17.00 private sector
\$10.00 public agency

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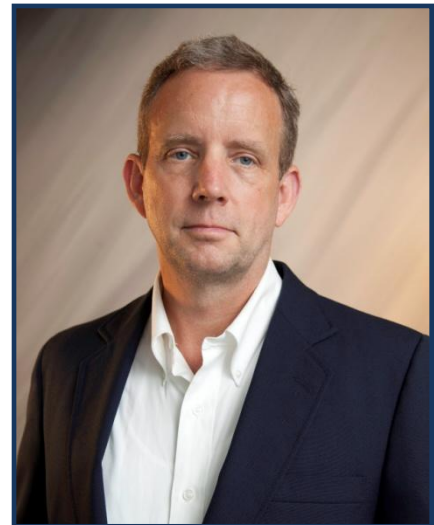
Go to the Jacksonville Post website to register:
<http://samejax.org>

**BUFFET
LUNCH MENU:**

Tuscan salad with herb
Italian dressing
Salisbury steak with gravy
Blackened chicken penne
with broccoli
Green beans
Mashed potatoes
Ice cream parfait
with cookie
Rolls, Butter,
Coffee (Regular & Decaf),
Tea, Lemonade



U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS
Eric Bush
Chief
Planning and Policy Division



As Chief of the Jacksonville District's Planning and Policy Division, Eric Bush is responsible for strategic leadership and management of 90 professional employees engaged in water resources planning, environmental and economics work supporting the District's ecosystem restoration, navigation, shore protection and flood damage reduction missions.

Jacksonville District's Planning and Policy Division is the largest Planning work unit in the Corps of Engineers and is responsible for developing planning decision and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) documents for a wide range of studies including South Florida Everglades ecosystem restoration (the largest ecosystem restoration program in the U. S. as measured by fiscal investment), deep draft harbor improvements, and shoreline protection and flood damage reduction studies. Other mission-critical District planning programs include environmental analysis and mitigation planning, cultural resources, and application of ecosystem restoration science and adaptive management.

Bush has been a Jacksonville District employee since 2001 and was Assistant Chief of Planning and Policy Division before assuming the position of Chief (Interim) in May 2012. Prior Jacksonville District assignments include Assistant Chief of Everglades Division, March 2008 to May 2011 and Chief of Restoration Planning Section, October 2005 to February 2008. Bush also served as a construction manager during Operation Iraqi Freedom in 2004/2005. Prior to coming to work for the Corps of Engineers, Bush worked for 10 years for the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP), including four years on the interagency planning team responsible for the development of the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan.

Bush holds a bachelor's degree in biological science from Florida State University (1981) and has earned three Commander's Awards for Civilian Service and an Achievement Medal for Civilian Service. Bush was awarded the Bronze deFleury Medal for superior service to the Army Engineer Regiment in February 2012.

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November Events

20th Annual Ken Butrym Golf Tournament -

November 5, 2014

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- Hole sponsorship for one hole on tee
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- Industry Day admission for one (1) person
- Hole sponsorship for one hole on tee
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Single (Civil Servant, Military, State): \$100

Lunch, golf, after golf social, poker for (1) person

Student: \$75

Lunch, golf, after golf social, poker for (1) student

Industry Day - November 6, 2014

Early Registration Costs (Register **on or before 22 October**):

Active Duty Military / Civil Service / State Employees/Students \$25.00
SAME Young Member (Under 39) \$75
SAME Member \$100
Non-SAME Member \$125

Late Registration (Register **after 22 October until 31 October**)

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<div> <div> Society of SA American Military Engineers </div> <div> 2014 Jacksonville Post Meeting Schedule </div> </div>		
<i>Date</i>	<i>Topic</i>	<i>Location</i>
18 SEP	Joint Engineering Society Social	TBD
24 SEP	Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Update	Ramada Inn – Mandarin
22 OCT	Joint luncheon w/ DBIA	Ramada Inn - Mandarin
5 NOV	Golf Tournament	Deer Creek Country Club
6 NOV	Jax Industry Forum	UNF University Center
17 DEC	Orlando VAMC	Ramada Inn – Mandarin

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