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Monday, June 27th

Pre-Conference activities, Keynote, and General Sessions

Schedule of Events – Day 1

START	END	EVENT	LOCATION
8:30 am	5:00 pm	Registration Open	Estero Pre-function
8:30 am	Noon	Exhibitor Set-Up	Exhibit Hall
9:00 am	11:00 am	Board Meeting	Sanibel
11:00 am	Noon	<p>Pre-Conference Member and Greet and Open Art Studio - Educational Networking Event</p> <p><i>Session summary:</i> Join this interactive networking session to meet new and tenured members in the organization as well as share your top marketing collateral, resources, and contacts. Light refreshments will be provided.</p> <p>Open Art Studio Mural</p> <p>Ever wanted to draw on a mural, but never had the chance? Join a “how to” kick-off and brief introduction to using some basic strokes to keep you relaxed and draw a little will be during the conference. Miriam Zimms, also a Teaching Artist, will be demonstrating art techniques that anyone can do throughout the event. Or just grab a pen and add your own creative strokes to express yourself or just sign your name or favorite reduction or recycling statement on the Mural. The Studio will be located at in the preconference area and be available until Tuesday 3:00 pm, Tuesday, June 28th.</p>	Captiva
Noon	1:00 pm	Lunch On Your Own	--
1:00 pm	2:20 pm	<p>Opening Plenary, Welcome, and Keynote</p> <p><i>Session summary:</i> Opening welcome plenary session and introduction of our keynote address.</p> <p>Keynote address by Senator Dennis Baxley</p>	Estero A
2:20 pm	2:30 pm	Session transition	--
2:30 pm	3:30 pm	<p>Session #1 – Construction and Demolition Debris Recycling: A New Horizon</p> <p><i>Session summary:</i> Join us for an exciting session as we take a look ahead and explore RFT’s newest benefit to its membership, Construction and Demolition</p>	Estero A

Debris Recycling. This session will feature talks and discussions from national and local C&D recycling professionals with an emphasis on end markets, challenges, lessons learned, and success stories within the industry.

Speakers:
 Tim Lamontagne, Lee County – Moderator
 William Turley, Construction and Demolition Debris Recycling Association
 John Shoucair, Florida Department of Transportation
 Charles Lomangino, Southwest Waste

3:30 pm 4:00 pm **Afternoon Networking Break with Exhibitors** Exhibit Hall

4:00 pm 5:00 pm **Session #2 – Recycling with a 21st Century Twist!**
Session summary: The session will explore how effective public private partnerships support the development of innovative material recovery facilities (MRFs) and improved municipal recycling services as well as focus on the collaborative infrastructure of MRFs in Counties and municipalities, processors, manufacturers, and consumers partnering to ensure packaging formats avoid landfill and are reused to make new products.

Speakers:
 Rusty Angel, Machinex Technologies – Moderator
 Stephanie Slider, GLF Environmental Inc.
 Michelle Jeffords and Michael Pratt, Sonoco
 Luis Franceschi, Republic Services

6:00 pm 7:30 pm **Evening Networking Social with Exhibitors** Exhibit Hall

Tuesday, June 28th

General Sessions, Exhibitor and Sponsor Showcase, and Networking

Schedule of Events – Day 2

START	END	EVENT	LOCATION
8:00 am	4:30 pm	Registration Open	Foyer
8:00 am	9:00 am	Continental Breakfast with Exhibitors	Estero BC
8:30 am	10:00 am	General Session #3 – Discussion on Successful Food Waste Bans in Other States and Updates on USCC Florida Chapter Committee Efforts and Organic Recycling Advocacy Initiative Session summary: Organics recycling continues to be a trending topic! Join us for part 1 of our organics recycling update and Food Waste Mandate panel as well as updates from the RFT USCC Florida Chapter evaluation process and Advocacy Committee updates. Speakers: Chris Snow, Veransa – Session Moderator Jairo Gonzalez, Waste Pro Green, Moderator of the Food Waste Mandates Panel Issac Bearg, New Jersey Composting Council Craig Coker Coker Composting & Consulting Baraka Poulin, Engineered Compost Systems Debra Darby, Organics Sustainability Solutions, Tetra-Tech, Inc.	Estero A

10:00 am	10:15 am	Transition to Morning Networking Break with Exhibitor Session	-
10:15 am	11:15 am	General Session #4 – Exhibitors Showcase and Interactive Networking <i>Session summary:</i> Join us for an exciting interactive networking session where you will hear from every exhibitor to learn more about the products and services our exhibitors and sponsors offer.	Estero BC
11:15 am	11:30 am	Session Transition	--
11:30 am	12:30 pm	General Session #5 – Florida Legislative Update: A Year in Review and Updates from EPA Region IV <i>Session summary:</i> Florida had a busy legislative session with thousands of committee bills filed. Attend this hour-long update to hear key changes in legislation that was signed into law by the Governor and other legislative updates as a year-end wrap-up. Also in this session, hear updates national and regional efforts from the United States Environmental Protection Agency Region 4. <i>Speakers:</i> Willie Puz, Solid Waste Authority of Palm Beach County, FL – Moderator Brittany Sullivan, Southern Waste Information eXchange, Inc. (SWIX) Patrick Bell and Douglas Holder, Capital Solution, Inc. Barbara Alfano, Environmental Protection Agency Region IV	Estero A
12:30 pm	2:00 pm	Lunch On Your Own	--
2:00 pm	3:00 pm	General Session #6 – Organics Recycling – Updates on Seaweed Composting Research, FORCE, and Florida Food Waste Prevention Week <i>Session summary:</i> Join us for part 2 of our organics recycling update and hear from the University of Miami on the state of sargassum seaweed management and the impact it is having on our coastlines, a share FORCE on recent website updates, the updates from Florida Food Waste Prevention Week 2022. <i>Speakers:</i> David Hill, Cycle Logic – Moderator Dr. Helena Solo-Gabrielle and Afeefa-Aleema Abdool-Ghany, University of Miami Miriam Zimms, Kessler Consulting, Inc. Lauren O’Connor, Florida Department of Environmental Protection	Estero A
2:00 pm	5:00 pm	Lee County Tour <i>*The buses leaves at 2:00 pm.</i> <i>Session summary:</i> Tour Lee County’s award-winning Integrated Solid Waste Management System. Two different tours available. Tour One - Resource Recovery Facility Campus – an integrated waste management site that includes a single-stream recycling MRF, a Waste to Energy facility, a Construction & Demolition debris recycling facility and a yard waste processing facility along with other support functions – *FREE! Transportation and water are provided for this tour. This tour is limited to 13 participants. Click here to register for this tour.	Offsite

		<p>Tour Two – Lee County Compost Production Facility – located at the Lee-Hendry Landfill, the 22-acre compost facility processes ground yard waste and biosolids from local wastewater treatment facilities to create a Class AA fertilizer. – *FREE! Transportation and water are provided for this tour. This tour is limited to 13 participants. Click here to register for this tour.</p> <p>FREE - Limited to 13 registered participants, per tour. Transportation leaves at 2:00 pm</p>	
3:00 pm	5:00 pm	<p>Independent Networking Session - Take an opportunity to have personalized meet and greet meetings with attendees, exhibitors, and sponsor.</p>	--
6:00 pm	8:30 pm	<p>Evening Networking Monte Carlo Night Dinner Party</p>	Estero A

Wednesday, June 29th

General Sessions, Networking, and Closing

Schedule of Events – Day 3

START	END	EVENT	LOCATION
8:00 am	Noon	Registration Open	Estero Pre-Function
8:00 am	9:00 am	Continental Breakfast with Exhibitors	Estero BC
9:00 am	10:00 am	<p>Session #7 – Contamination: Environmental and Economic Impacts <i>Session summary:</i> Join this session to hear about contamination and waste composition studies and how one county is moving the needle to “Recycle Right” and minimize their contamination.</p> <p>Speakers: Carmen Bruno, Hernando County – Moderator Jay Leshefsky, Serious Lock, Sue Flak, Indian River County, and Deb Perez, Waste Management Keyna Cory, Florida Recycling Partnership and Dr. Malak Anshassi, Florida Polytech University Chas Jordan, Kessler Consulting, Inc.</p>	Estero A
10:00 am	10:15 am	Session Transition	-
10:15 am	11:15 am	<p>Session #8 – Adopting Digital Tools for Waste & Recycling Information and Education from City to State-Wide <i>Session summary:</i> In this conversation, attendees will hear how cities and counties in New Jersey came together to adopt an information and education system across the state to notify their communities on schedules, reminders, notifications, communication systems, and educated their local communities they serve.</p> <p>Speakers: Kevin Smith, Brevard County – Moderator Jeff Galad, Recycle Coach Erin Jensen, New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection</p>	Estero A

		JoAnn Gemedon, New Jersey Clean Communities Brian Elkins, Solid Waste Authority of Palm Beach County, FL	
11:15 am	11:30 am	<i>Session Transition</i>	-
11:30 am	Noon	Session #9 – 2022 Annual Business Meeting <i>Session summary:</i> Hear updates from our executive committee, shares on committee activities, announcement of our 2022-2024 elections, and other updates.	Estero A
Noon	1:30 pm	Closing Networking Luncheon	Tarpon Bay
1:30 pm	--	Adjourn	<i>Safe Travels!</i>

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