

WQPP Steering Committee Application Form: Knowledgeable Citizen Seat

In 1990, the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary and Protection Act was signed into law, which designated over 2,800 square nautical miles of coastal waters as the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary. Along with the Sanctuary's designation, the Act also directed the creation of a Water Quality Protection Program to "recommend priority corrective actions and compliance schedules addressing point and nonpoint sources of pollution to restore and maintain the chemical, physical, and biological integrity of the Sanctuary including restoration and maintenance of a balanced, indigenous population of corals, shellfish, fish, and wildlife, and recreational activities in and on the water."

An interagency Steering Committee sets guidance and policy for the development and implementation of the Water Quality Protection Program, and includes among its membership seats for at least "three citizens knowledgeable about such program." This application is for knowledgeable citizen seat on the Steering Committee.

For more information about the Water Quality Protection Program, please review:

- The Water Quality Protection Program Bylaws (inset link to updated Bylaws, once posted)
- The [Water Quality Protection Program webpage](#)

Minimum Qualifications:

- Water Quality Protection Program Steering Committee members must be 18 years of age or older and live within Monroe County.

Instructions for Applicants:

Please return this completed application form, along with a brief resume to [\[insert email address\]](#) by [\[insert application deadline\]](#).

Date:

Name:

Affiliation (if applicable):

City, State, Zip:

Phone number:

Email Address:

Please answer the questions below:

- 1) Why are you interested in serving on the Water Quality Protection Program Steering Committee?
- 2) Please describe your knowledge of the Water Quality Protection Program and water quality issues in the Keys, more generally.

- 3) Have you attended previous Water Quality Protection Program meetings? If so, please describe your past attendance and participation.
- 4) Do you feel you are able to objectively participate on the Steering Committee? Please elaborate.
- 5) Do you meet the minimum qualifications for a seat on the Steering Committee?