



GULF OF AMERICA ALLIANCE
Wildlife & Fisheries Priority Issue Team
2025 Midyear All-Team Meeting Agenda

November 18 and 19, 2025
All times in Central Standard Time

Register in advance for WFT Meeting [here](#) for both days
Register separately for November 19th Wednesday Webinar [here](#)

Day 1: Tuesday, November 18th, 1:00 – 2:00 pm CT

Date/Time	Topic/Activity
1:00 pm	Project Update: GOMA Derelict Trap Removal Program Support, NOAA ROP Award (Bipartisan Infrastructure Act) <i>Facilitator: Ali Robertson, Gulf of America Alliance</i>
1:05 pm	Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, Holly Grand
1:15 pm	Louisiana Department of Wildlife & Fisheries, Claire Walker
1:25 pm	Mississippi Department of Marine Resources, Nickolas Moreno
1:35 pm	Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Jason Herrmann
1:45 pm	Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, Jennifer McGee
1:55 pm	Discussion
2:00 pm	Adjourn for the day

Day 2: Wednesday, November 19th, 9:00 – 11:00 am CT

Date/Time	Topic/Activity
9:00 am	Welcome, Agenda Overview, GOMA WFT 101, and Introductions <i>Robin Riechers, WFT Chair, TX Parks & Wildlife Dept.</i> The Governors' Action Plan IV, Tier 2 Workplan • Review focus areas and actions • Tier 2 Project Identification and the GOMA Shopping Catalog • Project Concept Submission Form (One-pagers) • Gulf Star and the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law award • Introduction of WFT Steering Committee members
9:15 am	Gulf Star Project Update: Distribution of diamondback terrapins in Texas and Identification of Nesting Habitats <i>Shawn McCracken, Ph.D., Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi</i>
9:45 am	NOAA ROP Award (Bipartisan Infrastructure Act) Project Update: Evaluation of Microplastics and Ecotoxins in Waterfowl <i>Jacquelyn K. Grace, Ph.D., Texas A&M AgriLife Research</i>
10:15 am	Discussion
10:30 am	Governors' Action Plan V Timeline and Status
10:45 am	Gulf Conference 2026, May 4-7, 2026, in Mobile, Alabama
10:55 am	Adjourn until 2:00 pm webinar – be sure to register separately for this webinar
Gulf Alliance Wednesday Webinar, 2:00 – 3:00 pm Must register in advance and log onto different Zoom meeting	
2:00	Gulf Star Project Update: Reddish Egrets <i>Dr. Daniel Guerra, Texas State University</i>
2:30 pm	Oyster Status and Trends <i>Dave Buzan, Freese and Nichols</i>