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## HONORARY LIFETIME MEMBERSHIPS

*The Board of Directors awarded three Honorary Lifetime Memberships at the 2006 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Training Conference. The awards were presented to: **Dr. Bill Haller, Dr. Vernon Vandiver, and Andy Price.** Prior to this date, only 2 Honorary Lifetime Memberships have been awarded: Les Biting in 1996 & Eddie Knight in 1997.*

*Honorary Lifetime Membership can be awarded by the Board to "Any active member who has provided extraordinary support and assistance toward accomplishing the goals and objectives of the society".*

### DR. BILL HALLER

Dr. Haller received his Doctorate Degree in 1974 from the University of Florida, and has been on the faculty in Gainesville since that time. Currently Acting Director, Center for Aquatic and Invasive Plants. His responsibilities include: aquatic weed related research, teaching, and public education, in addition to managing the Center.

Bill has authored or co-authored over 100-refereed publications on aquatic plants and their management. All members of FAPMS have attended meetings where Bill Haller was speaking, at one time or another. His contributions and service to the national Aquatic Plant Management Society include:

- Editor of Journal of Aquatic Plant Management 1978-1998 (21 years)!
  - 1999 APMS Presidents Award for his many years of dedication and contributions to the Society and the field of aquatic plant management.
  - 2002 APMS Max McCowen Friendship Award for his service as a good-will ambassador for the Society.
- Other honors include: 1980 Gamma Sigma Delta Young Faculty Award. 1998 Professional Excellence Award, University of Florida.

Bill's contributions and service to FAPMS include:

- Charter member of FAPMS. He has attended every annual meeting.
- Director 1993 – 1995
- Director 2005 – 2007
- Chair of Historical Committee 1989-1999
- 1992 FAPMS President's Award for service to Florida's aquatic plant management program
- Third FAPMS President in 1980
- 2 terms as Director, FAPMS Scholarship Foundation

Served on several committees. Currently Chair of FAPMS Governmental Affairs Committee.

Bill has helped many organizations with aquatic plant management problems in the United States, and around the world. He is a highly respected member of our profession, and has made many contributions in the fields of teaching, research, extension, and public service.

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**ANDY PRICE**

Andy's contributions and service to FAPMS include:

- Charter member of FAPMS
- Member of APMS since 1963
- FAPMS Director 1982-1983
- Chair Local Arrangements Committee – 1984
- Chair of By-Laws Committee – 1990
- FAPMS BBQ Cook 1977-1980 (we grilled our own chicken for banquet at first four annual meetings)
- Has been program moderator and projector operator many times
- 1999 FAPMS President's Award for service to Florida's aquatic plant management program
- 1999 Best Applicator Paper Award

Work history in aquatic plant management includes:

- \* 10 years with Pennwalt
- \* 20 years with Asgrow Florida and Terra
- \* 10 years with Orange County

Andy is Currently semi-retired, and working part time for his own Company: Vegetation Management Consultants.

**DR. VERNON V. VANDIVER, JR.**

Vernon's contributions and service to FAPMS and the aquatic plant management profession include:

- FAPMS Charter member, and on first Board of Directors as Editor 1977-1978 (Newsletter Editor).
- FAPMS Board of Directors again in 1988-1989
- Served on several FAPMS committees through the years.
- Actively participated, and served on various committees, for: FWSC, APMS, WSSA, & SWSS
- Charter member, and served as President, and on the Board of SFAPMS
- Vernon has authored or co-authored over 100 publications on aquatic plants and their management. These include refereed articles, non-refereed articles, and extension publications. Notable among his extension publications are the "Florida Aquatic Weed Control Guide" and the "Florida Citrus Aquatic Weed Control Guide"
- One of his most notable accomplishments is the establishment of the Aquatic Weed Control Short Course. This course has grown into the largest and most prestigious training course in the world for people who work in the field of aquatic plant management
- Vernon retired from the University of Florida in 2002, after 28 years of service. He was the Extension Aquatic Weeds Specialist at the Fort Lauderdale Research & Education Center.
- He recently retired from the Air Force Reserves with the rank of Colonel.
- Dr. Vandiver is currently an Emeritus Associate Professor in the Agronomy Department at the University of Florida.

He was awarded "2006 Plant Protection Award of Eminence" from the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services. This award is given for significant contributions to the Department's plant protection programs in Florida. He earned this award by working closely with the Department for the last 16 years on the eradication of wild red rice from Everglades National Park. He provided scientific assessments and oversight, and conducted many of the surveys and herbicide treatments. The plant is now considered eradicated from Florida. This is the only known eradication of a weed species once it has become established.

Vernon is currently working for his own company: Vandiver Consultants Corporation. He does aquatic & terrestrial weed management consulting & research.

# PRESIDENTIAL AWARDS

*The following Presidential Awards were presented at the 2006 Annual Training Conference: **Dr. Joe Joyce**, and posthumously to **Victor Ramey**. We were honored to have Vic's daughter, Ana Ramey, accept the award for Vic. These awards are given for distinguished service to FAPMS, or the profession of aquatic plant management. Both awards were approved unanimously by the Board.*

## **Dr. Joe Joyce**

Joe has been Secretary & Treasurer of FAPMS Scholarship Foundation since its inception in 1985. Every year Joe offers to give the job to someone else, and every year the Board of Directors refuses to accept his resignation. Joe's dedication to the Foundation is impressive, and much appreciated. For 21 years he has kept the Foundation active and viable, and a source of pride for everyone associated with FAPMS. Joe was personal friends with both Bill Maier & Paul Myers, and he keeps their memories and spirits alive through the Scholarship Foundation.

Other contributions include:

- Charter member of FAPMS
- Second FAPMS Secretary in 1979
- Fourth President of FAPMS in 1981
- FAPMS Board of Directors 1982-1984
- FAPMS Secretary again 1986-1988
- President of APMS in 1991
- Brigadier General, Army Reserves
- Former Director, Center for Aquatic & Invasive Plants

Joe currently works for the University of Florida as Executive Associate Vice President for Agriculture and Natural Resources.

## **Victor Ramey**

Anyone involved with aquatic plant management for more than a few months has probably benefited from Vic's efforts.

He passed away on Thanksgiving Day, 2005, after suffering complications following heart surgery. He was engaged in aquatic plant management and outreach for more than 25 years.

His contributions include:

- FAPMS Treasurer 1989 – 1991.
- Started Aquaphyte Newsletter 25 years ago. Now has circulation to 70 countries.
- Conceived and built APIRS database at UF 20 years ago.
- Responsible for 1,000s of photos and 100s of line drawings.
- Made Videotapes on plant ID, applicator training, and general education.
- Put into place the world's largest aquatic and invasive plant website. Receives 1.8 million hits per month.
- His office made Photomurals, plant recognition guides, and plant ID decks.
- Most recent project was a program of teaching the teachers called: Invasive Plant Education Initiative.

Vic was also given the Presidents Award by the National Aquatic Plant Mgt. Society at their Annual Meeting in Portland, Oregon in July, 2006.

His passion about education at all levels, his creative energy, & his broad array of outreach tools, make Vic Ramey a person who will long be remembered and appreciated.



# First Quarter 2007 FAPMS Board of Directors' Meeting

## Officers:

|                 |                   |
|-----------------|-------------------|
| President       | Vicki Pontius     |
| President Elect | Chance Dubose     |
| Past President  | Bill Moore        |
| Secretary       | Stephanie Walters |
| Treasurer       | Jennifer Myers    |
| Editor          | Jeff Holland      |

## Directors:

|                 |                      |
|-----------------|----------------------|
| Bruce Jagers    | Jennifer Bustos-Fitz |
| Tim Harris      | Robbie Lovestrand    |
| John Evertson   |                      |
| Bill Haller     | Johnnie Drew         |
| Mike Netherland | Lowell Trent         |

**Absent:** Jennifer Myers, Dr. Bill Haller, Jackie Smith, Don Doggett, Dan Berguson

**Guests:** Andy Price

**Location:** The Plaza Resort and Spa, Daytona Beach, FL

**Date and Time:** January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2007 10:00 A.M

**I. CALL TO ORDER** President Pontius called the meeting to order at 10:15 A.M

**II. ROLL CALL AND MINUTES;** Secretary Stephanie Walters took roll and a quorum was declared. President Pontius asked if there were any omissions, deletions, or modifications to be made to the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter annual business meeting minutes, or to the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter Board of Directors meeting minutes. No changes were made to the annual business meeting minutes. Past president Moore noted a change to be made to the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter BOD meeting minutes under Committee reports, section 2. Awards. To read "The second Presidents award will be presented to Joe Joyce for his 30 years of service to FAPMS, and his 21 years of continuous service as Secretary and Treasurer of the FAPMS Scholarship and Research Foundation." Bill Moore made the motion to approve the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter annual business meeting minutes, and the 2006 4<sup>th</sup> quarter Board of Directors meeting minutes, Keshav seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

**III. CORRESPONDENCE;** To be discussed under local arrangements.

## IV. TREASURER'S REPORT – Jennifer Myers

Report was submitted by Stephanie Walters on Jennifer's behalf. The treasurer's report was tabled pending clarification from Jennifer Myers.

## V. SECRETARY'S REPORT – Stephanie Walters

No report was submitted.

## VI. EDITOR'S REPORT – Jeff Holland

Jeff asked the board for articles, and photos for Aquatics magazine. Jeff also asked that if possible, the articles and photos to be submitted on CD format.

The approval of the officer's reports has been tabled until the second quarter Board of Directors meeting.

## VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

### 1. Auditing – Keshav Seteram

Keshav stated that he would verify the dates on the financial statement prior to the meeting, to be included in the board book. Keshav also noted that the auditing for taxes would be done external.

### 2. Awards – Mitch Morgan

Mitch suggested changing the nomination format, to include a written format for the "Victor Ramey Photo Contest". A statement will also be included to read that the photos submitted for the contest become property of FAPMS.

### 3. By-Laws – Stephanie McCarty

Stephanie suggested to the board that the Web Site committee be allowed to "maintain" an official copy of the By Laws and SOP's, and for both to be posted on the FAPMS website. The FAPMS secretary will keep record of the official copy of the "changed" By Laws.

A motion was made by John Evertson to accept the above changes, Tim harris seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

### 4. Financial – Bill Moore

No report was submitted.

### 5. Governmental Affairs – Bill Haller

Bill Torres stated the Florida Forever foundation was looking to provide future funding over the next 3 years.

### 6. Historical – Robbie Lovestrand

No report was submitted.

## **7. Local Arrangements – Bill Torres**

Bill Torres reviewed with the board the possible selections for the 2009 annual meeting. John Evertson made a motion that board vote on the meeting site for 2009, Keshav seconded, the motion passed unanimously. A second motion was made by John Evertson for the board to vote on the Daytona Beach Hilton for the 2009 and the 2010 FAPMS annual meeting. Keshav seconded the motion, Bill Moore Opposed. The motion passed by majority.

## **8. Mailing List – Jackie Smith**

Bill Moore stated the mailing list through 2007 was 405.

## **9. Membership & Publicity – Vicki Pontius**

## **10. Merchandising – Jennifer Bustos-Fitz**

Adam Grayson spoke on Jennifer's behalf; the board reviewed the merchandise inventory submitted with the board book.

## **11. Nominating – Bill Moore**

Bill plans to have a recommended slate of candidates for open positions by the third quarterly Board meeting. At this time, the open positions will be for 3 Board members, and 1 President Elect. Board members are encouraged to contact Bill with potential candidates.

## **12. Past President Advisory – Bill Moore**

## **13. Program – Chance Dubose and Tim Harris**

No report was submitted. Chance suggested giving PDQ printing the treasurer's address, for remittance.

## **14. Resource/Equipment Demonstration – Paul Mason**

Paul Mason stated he was working on different ideas for the 2007 meeting, and was looking into container recycling.

## **15. Scholarship – Don Doggett**

Secretary Stephanie Walters read the Scholarship report on Don's behalf, and stated that a total of \$4,835.00 was raised with donations through meeting registrations, silent auction/past president donations, and ticket sales. Don thanked everyone for their help and participation. Bill Moore made a motion that based on 405 members a scholarship donation be made in the amount of \$2500.00.

Keshav seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously.

## **16. Vendor – Dharmen Seteram / Dan Bergeson**

No report was submitted

## **VII. OLD BUSINESS**

The board discussed changing the SOP's to reflect the By Laws, and to be discussed at the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter board meeting.

## **VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

President Pontius asked the board who would be able to set up the FAPMS display for upcoming meetings.

Mitch Morgan FVMA, FLEPPC Adam Grayson, Short Course Dharmen Seteram, FLMS Dharmen or Keshav Seteram, FASD Sepro, APMS Mike Netherland or Dharmen Seteram.

Chance Dubose discussed with the board ordering a new display, the board was in favor and left it up to Chance to search different options.

## **IX. ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting adjourned at 12:35 P.M.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter board meeting will be held April 25<sup>th</sup>, USACE Clewiston office, 10:00 A.M

## ***FAPMS Membership List***

***The FAPMS membership list  
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## APMS Graduate Assistantship Available for 2007

A graduate assistantship in the area of aquatic plant management and ecology is being offered by the Aquatic Plant Management Society (APMS) and the Aquatic Ecosystem Restoration Foundation (AERF). Co-sponsors of this academic award include regional APMS chapters.

**Objective:** To provide a stipend for a full-time graduate student to conduct research in aquatic plant management techniques (used alone or integrated with other management approaches) or in aquatic ecology related to the management of regionally or nationally recognized nuisance aquatic vegetation.

**Applications:** Solicitation for proposals is open to any full-time faculty member and/or graduate student of an accredited U.S. academic institution. A faculty sponsor must be indicated if the application is submitted by a graduate student.

**Amount:** \$60,000

**Duration of Award:** Two years (\$30,000 per year)

**Proposal Deadline:** Applications must be postmarked no later than April 30, 2007.

**Guidelines for Proposals:** Proposals should contain a concise statement of the project, including its purpose and justification, as well as sections that discuss study objectives, methodologies, schedule, budget, and planned publication of results. The APMS will not pay overhead/indirect costs on approved projects. Resume of faculty applicant and graduate student (if known), not to exceed two pages each, should be included. Proposals should not exceed 10 pages and must be signed by the applicant and appropriate University official. An original and electronic copy should be submitted to:

Mr. Carlton Layne  
3272 Sherman Ridge Dr.  
Marietta, GA 30064  
Phone: 678-773-1364  
Fax: 770-499-0158  
Email: clayne@aquatics.org

**Award:** Notification of award will be provided to the faculty member by July 2007, with initiation of the stipend scheduled for the 2007-2008 academic Year.

**Inquiries:** For further information, please contact Carlton Layne at the address above.

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## KESSIMMEE & VICINITY

### **VEGETATION MANAGEMENT TECH, KISSIMMEE FIELD STATION DIVISION, FIELD OPERATION-NORTH DEPARTMENT, RESOURCE AREA: OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE.**

**WORKSITE: KISSIMMEE FIELD STATION.** The salary range is \$33,155.00 min., \$41,787.00 mid., \$58,510.00 max **DATE OPENED: 1/30/07** Control floating, terrestrial and/or submerged vegetation that is recognized as a potential weed problem through the use of a variety of applications or techniques. These techniques consist of the mixing and calculating a variety of authorized herbicides and their application via airboats, chemical spray trucks, outboard motor boats, and backpack sprayers. Operates and performs repairs on spray and safety equipment as required. Prepares and maintains reports. This job normally involves daily travel from the employee's assigned station to work sites located within the station's jurisdiction. Daily spray operations are usually performed in teams. Regularly sets up, adjusts, controls, tests and operates equipment to complete assignments. Work environment may be hot and humid with no facilities. Moves or otherwise transports equipment weighing up to 50 pounds or more. Position works outside on the water most of the year. The outside environment is hot and humid during the summer months. Due to the District's response role before, during and after major storm events and in the total scope of emergency management, this position may be, at times, required to provide work support before, during, and after major storm events and emergency situations, such as hurricanes or other declared emergencies. Typically have High School Diploma or GED and 2 - 4 years experience in mixing and application of herbicides and pesticides. Valid State of Florida Class B Commercial Drivers License (CDL). Maintain a valid restricted pesticide license, aquatic and natural category preferred. Ability to obtain certification in CPR and First Aid. Must be able to swim. THIS POSITION IS SUBJECT TO RANDOM MANDATORY DRUG/ALCOHOL TESTING. **Job Reference #207105.**

**CREW CHIEF, KISSIMMEE FIELD STATION DIVISION, FIELD OPERATION-NORTH DEPARTMENT, RESOURCE AREA: OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE. WORKSITE: KISSIMMEE FIELD STATION** The salary range is \$42,307.20 min., \$53,310.40 mid., \$74,630.40 max. **DATE RE-POSTED: 12/20/06** This position is responsible as resident expert for the leadership of a vegetation management project team, controlling aquatic plants that are recognized as a potential aquatic weed problem through the use of a variety of applications and techniques. These techniques consist of the mixing of a variety of authorized herbicides and their application via airboats, chemical spray trucks, outboard motor boats, and backpacks. Must be able to operate an airboat, outboard motor boat, chemical spray truck and other spray equipment. Must be skilled in pesticide application techniques. Accepts responsibility for the projects and work assignments and exhibits the presence of mind to satisfy safety regulations and procedures. Is available to guide and coach the work team in accomplishing tasks in a manner that depicts commitment to excellence. This is a working crew chief position. Exercises independent judgment, problem solving skills, decision making skills, and conflict resolution skills and effectively communicates alternatives and recommendations to subordinates and peers. Communicates and coordinates production activities ensuring quality control activities to obtain optimum production and utilization of team resources. Provides feedback to immediate supervisor regarding employee performance of assigned crew. Due to the District's response role before during and after major storm events and in the total scope of emergency management, this position may be, at times, required to provide work support before, during, and after major storm events and emergency situations, such as hurricanes or other declared emergencies. Typically has High School Diploma or GED and 4 - 6 years experience in corresponding program. Plus a minimum of 2 years of experience demonstrating leadership capabilities in a leadership role. Must maintain valid restricted pesticide license, aquatic and natural category preferred as well as the ability to obtain Red Cross CPR and First Aid certification. Valid State of Florida Class B Commercial Driver's License (CDL). A valid Class A (CDL) may be required if operating Class A equipment. Must be able to swim. THIS POSITION IS SUBJECT TO RANDOM MANDATORY DRUG/ALCOHOL TESTING. **Job Reference #207045.**



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## 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Symposium of the Florida Exotic Pest Plant Council

Monday, April 30<sup>th</sup> through Thursday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Holiday Inn Oceanfront • Cocoa Beach, Florida



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### General Program Schedule

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|--------------------------------|--|---|
| Monday, April 30 <sup>th</sup> | 10:00 pm to 5:00 pm  | Board of Directors, committee/task force meetings   |
| Tuesday, May 1 <sup>st</sup>   | 8:20 am to 5:00 pm<br>6:00 pm to 10:00 pm                        | General Sessions, Workshops and Training Sessions<br>Poster Sessions and Evening Social Event |
| Wednesday, May 2 <sup>nd</sup> | 8:40 am to 12:00 pm<br>1:00 pm to 6:00 pm<br>7:00 pm to 10:00 pm | Keynote Address, General Sessions<br>Field trips<br>Banquet                                   |
| Thursday, May 3 <sup>rd</sup>  | 8:40 am to 12:20 pm  | General Sessions  |

Vendor Exhibits will be open from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, May 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> and 8:00 am to 12:00 pm, May 3<sup>rd</sup>

*Pre-registration deadline is April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2007*

For the preliminary agenda, visit our website at [www.fepcc.org](http://www.fepcc.org)  
For information regarding program content, contact LeRoy Rodgers at [lrddgers@sfwmd.gov](mailto:lrddgers@sfwmd.gov)  
For registration questions, contact Dianne Owen at [dowen@fau.edu](mailto:dowen@fau.edu)

## ***2007 Aquatic Weed Control Short Course***

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#### **HOTEL RESERVATION INFORMATION:**

The Short Course will be held at the Coral Springs Marriott Hotel, Golf Club, and Convention Center located at 11775 Heron Bay Boulevard, Coral Springs, Florida 33076. Driving directions are available on short course web site.

Reservations must be made by April 23, 2007 in order to receive this group rate.

**After April 23, neither availability nor the discounted group rate is guaranteed.**

***Please be aware the block of rooms may fill before the deadline,  
so we urge you to make your reservation as soon as possible.***

To make reservations, call the hotel reservations line directly at 1-800-311-8018. Be sure to mention you are attending the Aquatic Weed Control Short Course in order to receive the special rates.

# ***South Carolina Aquatic Plant Management Society Seeking Annual Scholarship Award Applications***

The South Carolina Aquatic Plant Management Society is seeking applications for its annual scholarship award. The Society intends to award a \$3,000 scholarship to the successful applicant in the fall of 2007. Scholarship funds may be used by the recipient to cover costs associated with education and research expenses. Eligible applicants must be enrolled as full time undergraduate or graduate students in an accredited college or university in the United States. Course work or research in an area related to the biology, ecology or management of aquatic plants in the Southeast is also required.

Applications must be received no later than May 1, 2007 and will be evaluated on the basis of relevant test scores (ACT, SAT, GRE, etc.), high school and/or college grades, quality and relevance of course work or research, a proposed budget, information obtained from references, and other related considerations. Other factors being equal, preference will be given to applicants enrolled in Southeastern and South Carolina academic institutions. The successful applicant may be requested to present an oral report on research activities at the annual meeting of the Society.

Persons interested in applying for the scholarship award or to submit a student paper should contact:

Steve deKozlowski  
SC Dept. of Natural Resources  
PO Box 167  
Rembert C. Dennis Bldg  
Columbia, SC 29201  
phone (803) 734-9100

E-mail: [dekozlowskis@dnr.sc.gov](mailto:dekozlowskis@dnr.sc.gov)  
Scholarship Application

## **Aquatic Plant Management Society**

### **Announces Annual Student Paper Contests for Upcoming July 2007 Meeting in Nashville, Tennessee**

The Aquatic Plant Management Society is soliciting student papers for their upcoming 47th Annual Meeting to be held July 15 -18, 2007, at the Gaylord Opryland Resort & Convention Center in Nashville, Tennessee. Oral and Poster Presentations of original research on the biology or ecology of aquatic and wetland plants, control methods (biological, chemical, cultural, mechanical) for invasive exotic or nuisance native plant species, and restoration projects involving wetland or aquatic plants are solicited.

The Society encourages students that have conducted original research to present their findings and gain a valuable perspective on aquatic plant problems and various management applications throughout the U.S. The meeting locale in Nashville provides an excellent opportunity for students from much of the eastern US to attend and present research on aquatic plant management in several diverse settings.

The APMS has a strong ethic of student support and all qualified attendees will be provided room accommodations (based on double occupancy) and waiver of registration fees. In addition, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place prize money will be awarded in separate contests for both oral and poster presentations. This meeting presents an opportunity for students to develop their presentation skills, learn about the field of aquatic plant management, and meet with key Government, University, Industry representatives and peers with similar educational and professional interests.

Please log on to [www.apms.org](http://www.apms.org) to learn more about the Aquatic Plant Management Society and this year's meeting. Students may register for the contest by submitting an abstract as per web site instructions. For more information about the contest, please contact:

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## UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

### March 25-27, 2007

Western APMS Annual Meeting

Coeur d'Alene, ID

<http://www.wapms.org>

### April 18-20, 2007

Florida Vegetation Management

Association Annual Meeting

Daytona Beach, FL

<http://www.fvma.info/index.html>

### April 30-May 3, 2007

FLEPPC Annual Symposium

Cocoa Beach, FL

<http://www.fleppc.org/>

### June 4 - 7

18th Annual FLMS Conference

Naples, FL

<http://flms.net/index.html#>

### June 6-9, 2007

Fourth North American Reservoir Symposium

Atlanta, GA. Sponsored by the Southern Division

AFS Reservoir Committee.

Contact: Vic DiCenzo

<http://www.apms.org>

### July 15-18, 2007

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