



**Mississippi Gulf of Mexico Alliance Public Meeting
January 31, 2006**

GOALS:

- Discuss local perspectives concerning critical issues related to the environmental and economic health of the Gulf of Mexico;
- Discuss perspectives relative to the five issues that will be addressed in the *Gulf Alliance Action Plan*;
- Gain support for the creation of a *Gulf Alliance Action Plan*;
- Identify programs that can help attain potential objectives included in the *Gulf Alliance Action Plan*;
- Build better relationships between local, state, and federal entities; and,
- Provide education and outreach concerning factors that contribute to a healthy Gulf of Mexico.

Public Meeting Agenda	
5:30-6:00 p.m.	Coffee
6:00-6:15 p.m.	Introduction/Overview of the Purpose of the Public Meeting and Mississippi's Involvement in GOMA <i>Bill Walker (DMR) and Phil Bass (DEQ)</i>
6:15-6:45 p.m.	Overview of the U.S. Ocean Action Plan <i>Gloria Car (EPA/GMP)</i>
6:45-7:15 p.m.	Identification of Issues Critical to the Health of the Gulf of Mexico <i>Heidi Recksiek (NOAA CSC)</i>
7:15-7:30 p.m.	Break/Rank Issues
7:30-8:15 p.m.	Small Group Breakout Sessions
8:15-8:45 p.m.	Summary of Results and Conclusion <i>Heidi Recksiek (NOAA CSC)</i>