ACTION ITEMS FROM COLLABORATION WORKSHOP OF MAY 29, 2008

1. Schedule meeting with top local leadership of USGS, NOAA/NMFS, FWCC to assess interest in creating a local marine science and oceanography research consortium. (Bill Hogarth)

2. Develop and submit concept papers to FEMA/DHS by June 9, 2008.
   a. How to Assess and Recover from Hurricane Damage to Tampa Bay Estuaries, river systems, and Gulf outlets. (Al Hine)
   b. Educating Coastal Residents on the Effect of Storm Surge on Individual Properties, Shelters, and Local Bridges (Weisberg/Peebles)
   c. Remediation of important environmental factors post hurricane – quick response team for risk assessment. (Fanning)

3. Discuss with faculty whether and how to become involved in alternative energy research. (Hine)

4. Schedule meeting with NOAA/NMFS, USF St Petersburg, and FWCC to begin addressing need for quantitatively-trained fishery biologists and marine policy analysts. Include emphases on diversity and outreach. (Bill Hogarth)

5. Schedule workshop with NOAA/NMFS, USGS, FEMA/DHS on Storm Surge Modeling Issues. (Hogarth, Muraski, Weisberg)

6. Schedule Faculty Seminar Series inviting local partners at USGS, FWCC, NOAA/NMFS, USF/St Petersburg, CMS faculty, CMS students. (Gary Mitchum)

7. Schedule session with USGS’ Kindinger and MMS about their research interests and funding potential. (Hine, Flower, Mann)

8. Meet with NMFS/SERO (Crooks and Sutter) to investigate use of CMS technologies in GOM Alliance’s Coordinated Ecosystem Assessment project. (Al Hine)

9. Investigate DoD requirements for grantees/contractors. How does CMS become qualified for longterm funding? (Chris Schwint)

10. Discuss if and how to pursue these ideas brought forth during the workshop:
    a. what do we see as our role in facilitating interagency communications around regional issues, e.g., research to support emergency preparedness;
    b. verifying quality of and setting standards for data;
    c. Developing a good experimental design for longterm observation techniques;
    d. Work with operational organizations, e.g., MMS and NOAA/NMFS to identify where basic research is needed to inform public policy decisions/choices.
    e. What do we want to do about sharing technology.