



## Beach Briefs - April 27, 2016

# Large Turnout for Blind Pass Management Study Meeting

## Two More to Follow

105 people turned out for the first stakeholders' meeting of the Blind Pass Inlet Management Study on April 21 at The Sanctuary. Funded by Lee County bed tax revenue, the study is predicated on maintaining Blind Pass in an open condition with the best possible science-based tools to identify alternative strategies to manage the inlet. A PowerPoint presentation led by the coastal engineering company CB&I provided information and perspective on the study that made the meeting extremely productive. The spirit of partnership of the various entities involved, Lee County, the Captiva Erosion Prevention District, and the City of Sanibel, was evident.

To provide more information and keep stakeholders up-to-date on the study, the Lee County Department of Natural Resources has established the following website: <https://www.leegov.com/naturalresources/blind-pass-2016-inlet-management-plan-study>. At this site you can see more detailed information, including the PowerPoint presentation provided at the first meeting.

The study is still in its initial stage of collecting baseline information and data. Stakeholders' Meeting #2 will report on Model Calibration Results and Development of Alternatives. Stakeholders' Meeting #3 will provide Results and Study Recommendations. CEPD will send out the times and dates for the next two meetings when they are established. Meeting #2 is estimated to occur sometime this summer so if you are away for the summer, the best way to find out what is going on is to go to the Lee County website mentioned above.

CEPD thanks all those who attended the first meeting.



**Blind Pass Closed.**



**Blind Pass Open**

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