Hurricane Preparedness

Southern Association of Marine Laboratories (SAML)
It has been a while

- Last closures
  - Last closures Wilma (2005) and Fay (2008)
  - Closure cancelled for Isaac (2012)

- Irma’s Impacts
  - 4 hours of sustained winds over 100 mph
  - $340,000 in damages
Structure for Preparedness

- **Emergency Management Group (EMG)**
  - **Emergency Management Executive Team (EMET)**
    - **Decision Making Executive Team (DMET)**
      - President
  - Information
  - Execution
    - Recommendation
External Connections Matter

- National Weather Service
- Pinellas County Emergency Management
- St. Petersburg Emergency Management
- Other Institutions
Preparing a Department

• Determine what is critical – create redundancies that are not reliant on technology

• Non-critical but important – create steps to protect and mitigate damages

• Employee’s home preparation is just as important
Insurance & Recovery

• Be aware of your policy and what it covers
  • Gap coverage

• FEMA

• More than just repair – it is about making things stronger