



AERC Annual Symposium
Ripley Center, Smithsonian Institution
Washington, DC
November 9, 2000

**Value of Ecosystem Research and Education:
Priorities and Cross-Cutting Agency Initiatives**

- 8:15 AM Coffee and continental breakfast
- 8:45 **Introductory remarks**
Amy Ward/Lindsay Boring
- 9:00 **“River Basin Science and Policy: Watershed and Ecosystem Issues for the 21st Century”**
Dr. James Kundell, Professor of Environmental Policy in the Institute of Ecology at The University of Georgia
- 9:45 Discussion
- 10:00 **“The Role of Science in the Restoration of Florida's Everglades”**
Mr. Michael Davis, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army (Policy and Legislation)
- 10:45 Discussion/coffee
- 11:00 **“New Programs and Initiatives Relevant to Ecosystem Research”**
Dr. Penelope Firth, Program Director, Ecosystem Studies, National Science Foundation
- 11:45 Discussion
- 12:00 Lunch
- 1:30 PM **“The Forest Service's Large-Scale Watershed Restoration Program”**
Dr. James Sedell, Inter-Deputy Water Coordinator, USDA/Forest Service

- 2:15 Discussion
- 2:30 **“Linking Agencies, NGOs and Universities in Identification and Conservation of Critical Landscapes to Conserve Ecosystem Goods and Services”**
Dr. Jack Stanford, Jessie M. Bierman Professor of Ecology at the University of Montana, Director of Flathead Lake Biological Station
- 3:15 Discussion
- 3:30 Reception