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## **Speakers' Bios:**

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Since November 2019, David Tomasko has been the Director of the Sarasota Bay Estuary Program. Dr. Tomasko had worked in the private sector for the past 15 years, working on water quality management plans and ecosystem restoration strategies in Florida, the Gulf of Mexico, and the Caribbean Basin, and in the Middle East. David was previously the Manager of the Environmental Section of the Southwest Florida Water Management District. David earned his MS from FIT, and his Ph.D. in biology from USF.

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