

# **Deepwater Port License Application Blue Marlin Offshore Port (BMOP) Project**

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<b>Role/ Resource Topic</b>	<b>Name &amp; Title</b>	<b>Degree(s)</b>	<b>Yrs. Exp.</b>	<b>Firm/ Affiliation</b>
<b>Project Manager</b>	Eric Estopinal, Senior Project Manager	B.S., Civil Engineering, Louisiana State University, 1981	38	Energy Transfer (ET)
	Santar Raj Devarpiran Vice President, Major Projects	ME, Industrial Engineering, Texas A&M University, 2003. BE, Mechanical Engineering, Saurashtra University, India, 1996	24	ET
	Balu Jegganathan	M.S., Industrial Engineering, Texas A&M University, 2004 B.E., Mechanical Engineering, Madras University, India, 2001.	16	ET
	Justin Minter Senior Environmental Project Manager	B.S., Environmental Science, Stephen F. Austin State University, 2002	18	ET
	Michael Nesbitt	BS in Marine Transportation, US Merchant Marine Academy, 1977, USCG Licensed Master 1600GT Towing and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Mate Oceans, First Class Pilot Unlimited, Certified Port Executive (CPE) 2010	43	ET
	Jon Schmidt Vice President, Environmental & Regulatory	Ph.D., Biological Sciences, Florida State University, 1987; M.S., Biological Sciences, University of Bridgeport, 1983; B.S. Marine Biology, University of Massachusetts – Dartmouth, 1981	33	EXP
<b>Project Description, Purpose, and Need</b>	Eric Estopinal	B.S., Civil Engineering, Louisiana State University, 1981	38	ET
	Jon Schmidt Vice President, Environmental & Regulatory	Ph.D., Biological Sciences, Florida State University, 1987 M.S., Biological Sciences, University of Bridgeport, 1983 B.S. Marine Biology, University of Massachusetts – Dartmouth, 1981	33	EXP
	Michael Aubele Vice President, Environmental & Regulatory	M.S., Zoology, Texas A&M University; B.S. Biology and Zoology, Humboldt State University	22	EXP

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<b>Project Description, Purpose, and Need</b>	Kim Rhodes-Edelstein Senior Environmental Project Manager	M.S. Environmental Engineering Science, University of Florida B.S. Resource Conservation, University of Florida	27	EXP
	Allen Brooks Senior Environmental Project Manager	Ph.D. Biology, University of South Florida, 2002 M.S. Zoology, University of South Florida, 1997 B.S. Biology, Ohio University, 1994	26	EXP
<b>Alternate Analysis</b>	Allen Brooks Senior Environmental Project Manager	Ph.D. Biology, University of South Florida, 2002; M.S. Zoology, University of South Florida, 1997 B.S. Biology, Ohio University, 1994	26	EXP
	Michael Aubele Vice President, Environmental & Regulatory	M.S., Zoology, Texas A&M University; B.S. Biology and Zoology, Humboldt State University	22	EXP
	Jon Schmidt Vice President, Environmental & Regulatory	Ph.D., Biological Sciences, Florida State University, 1987 M.S., Biological Sciences, University of Bridgeport, 1983 B.S. Marine Biology, University of Massachusetts – Dartmouth, 1981	33	EXP
<b>Water and Sediment Quality and Use</b>	Allen Brooks Senior Environmental Project Manager	Ph.D. Biology, University of South Florida, 2002 M.S. Zoology, University of South Florida, 1997 B.S. Biology, Ohio University, 1994	26	EXP
	Kim Rhodes-Edelstein Senior Environmental Project Manager	M.S. Environmental Engineering Science, University of Florida B.S. Resource Conservation, University of Florida	27	EXP
	Michelle Erickson Environmental Specialist	B.S. Geography, Arizona State University, 2012; A.A.S. Computer Technology, Rio Salado, 2006	16	EXP
	Michael Aubele Vice President, Environmental & Regulatory	M.S., Zoology, Texas A&M University; B.S. Biology and Zoology, Humboldt State University	22	EXP
<b>Land Cover and Vegetation</b>	Jason Zoller	M.S. Biological Sciences, Southeastern Louisiana University, April 2004; B.S. Fisheries and Wildlife, North Carolina State University, May 1999	14	EXP

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<b>Marine Environment</b>	Allen Brooks Senior Environmental Project Manager	Ph.D. Biology, University of South Florida, 2002 M.S. Zoology, University of South Florida, 1997 B.S. Biology, Ohio University, 1994	26	EXP
	Michelle Erickson Environmental Specialist	B.S. Geography, Arizona State University, 2012 A.A.S. Computer Technology, Rio Salado, 2006	16	EXP
<b>Commercial and Recreational Fisheries</b>	Steven Ellsworth Senior Environmental Program Manager	M.S. Wildlife Management, Louisiana State University, 1982 B.A. Biological Sciences, State University of New York, 1976	34	EXP
	Wendi Deschamps Environmental Specialist	B.S. Natural Sciences, University of Alaska - Anchorage, 2003	16	EXP
	Michelle Erickson Environmental Specialist	B.S. Geography, Arizona State University, 2012 A.A.S. Computer Technology, Rio Salado, 2006	16	EXP
<b>Wildlife and Protected Species</b>	Steven Ellsworth Senior Environmental Program Manager	M.S. Wildlife Management, Louisiana State University, 1982 B.A. Biological Sciences, State University of New York, 1976	34	EXP
	Kim Rhodes-Edelstein Senior Environmental Project Manager	M.S. Environmental Engineering Science, University of Florida B.S. Resource Conservation, University of Florida	27	EXP
	Wendi Deschamps Environmental Specialist	B.S. Natural Sciences, University of Alaska - Anchorage, 2003	16	EXP
<b>Cultural Resources</b>	Erin Salsbury Senior Archaeologist / Environmental Project Manager	M.A. Anthropology, Northern Illinois University, 2003 B.A. Anthropology, Michigan State University, 2001	16	EXP
	Peter Copley, Principal Investigator	M.A., Anthropology, Louisiana State University, 2014 B.A., Anthropology, University of Massachusetts at Boston, 2002	19	R. Chistopher Goodwin & Assoc.
	Wayne Boyko Senior Project Manager	Ph.D., Anthropology, Pennsylvania State University, 2012 M.A., Anthropology, Pennsylvania State University, 1987 B.A., Anthropology, University of Winnipeg, Canada, 1984	26	R. Chistopher Goodwin & Assoc.

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<b>Cultural Resources</b>	Owen Wright, Director of Research	M.A., Archaeology & Historic Preservation, University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia, 2005 B.A., Anthropology/Historic Archaeology, University of West Georgia, Carrollton, Georgia, 1994 B.A., Maritime Archaeology, Florida State University, Tallahassee, 1989	26	R. Chistopher Goodwin & Assoc.
	Steve Schmidt, Principal Investigator	M.A., Maritime History & Underwater Research, East Carolina University, 1991 B.A., History, Towson State University, 1986	20	R. Chistopher Goodwin & Assoc.
<b>Socioeconomics</b>	Angela Wagner Environmental Specialist	B.S. Geology, California State University - Fullerton, 1998	23	EXP
<b>Soils and Geological Resources</b>	Derek Moss Environmental and Planning Project Manager	M.B.A., University of North Texas, 2011; B.S., Urban Planning, University of Utah, 2008	13	EXP
<b>Coastal Zone, Recreation, and Aesthetics</b>	Derek Moss Environmental and Planning Project Manager	M.B.A., University of North Texas, 2011; B.S., Urban Planning, University of Utah, 2008	13	EXP
<b>Meteorology, Air Quality, and Noise</b>	Angela Wagner Environmental Specialist	B.S. Geology, California State University - Fullerton, 1998	23	EXP
	Michael Ballenger P.E. Principal Consultant	B.S. Mechanical Engineering, North Carolina State University, 2003	16	Trinity (Air)
	Shreyas Erapalli Managing Consultant	B.S. Civil Engineering, NITK, India, 2008; M.S. Civil Engineering, Texas A&M University, 2010	10	Trinity (Air)
	Ron R. Spillman Principal	B.S., Engineering Science, University of Texas at Austin, 1979 B.A., Biology, University of Texas at Austin, 1977	40	SLR (Noise)
	Laurie Morrill Senior Scientist	B.A., Physics, Reed College, 2001 MS, Environmental Studies, University of Melbourne, 2011	14	SLR (Noise)
<b>Safety and Security</b>	Angela Wagner Environmental Specialist	B.S. Geology, California State University - Fullerton, 1998	23	EXP
	Allen Brooks Senior Environmental Project Manager	Ph.D. Biology, University of South Florida, 2002; M.S. Zoology, University of South Florida, 1997; B.S. Biology, Ohio University, 1994	26	EXP

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<b>Safety and Security</b>	David Moore President and CEO	B.Sc., Fire Protection Engineering, University of Maryland, 1979 MBA, New York University, 1987	37+	AcuTech
	Brad Fuller Manager	B.S., Chemical Engineering, Ohio State University, 2003 MBA, Fisher College of Business, Ohio State University, 2003	25+	AcuTech
	Stephen Calabrese Sr. Principal Consultant	B.Sc. Criminal Science, University of Texas at Arlington, 2007 A.S.I.S. Board Certified Protection Professional, 2016 USCG Port Security/ Maritime Enforcement Specialist 1 <sup>st</sup> Class, 2004-2014	25	AcuTech
	Michael Hazzan Technical Manager	B.S. Naval Architecture/Marine Engineering, U.S. Naval Academy, 1974	44+	AcuTech
<b>Oil Spill Dispersion and Biological Effects Modeling and Analysis</b>	Matt Horn, PhD Director, Ocean Science	B.S., Science of Earth Systems, Cornell University, 2004 Ph.D. Oceanography, University of Rhode Island, Graduate School of Oceanography, 2011	10	RPS
	Dagmar Schmidt Etkin	B.A., Biology, University of Rochester M.A./Ph.D. Harvard University, Organismic and Evolutionary Biology	45	RPS
	Gabrielle G. McGrath Senior Scientist / Senior Project Manager	B.S. Biological and Physical Oceanography, USCG Academy, 1996 M.S. Physical Oceanography, University of Rhode Island, Graduate School of Oceanography, 2006	26	RPS
	Lisa McStay Ocean Engineer	B.S., Ocean Engineering, University of Rhode Island, 2011	10	RPS
	Jeremy Fontenault, Director, Ocean Science	B.S., Natural Resources, Forest Management, University of New Hampshire, 2002	10	RPS
	Jenna Ducharme, GIS Specialist	B.S., Wildlife and Conservation Biology, University of Rhode Island, 2011 M.S., GIS for Development and Environment, Clark University, 2013	7	RPS
	Jill Rowe, Director, Ocean Science	B.A., Biology, DePauw University, 1996	19	RPS

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		M.S., Marine Biology, College of Charleston, 2001		
<b>Editing</b>	Ryan McDonald Technical Writer/Editor	M.F.A. Creative Nonfiction Writing, George Mason University, 2018; B.A. English, University of Massachusetts – Amherst, 2015	4	EXP
<b>GIS</b>	Dan Harvey GIS Analyst	High School Diploma, Robert F. Monroe Day School, 1995	20	EXP
	Cole Walters Senior GIS Analyst	B.S. Geographical Sciences, University of Maryland, 2014 M.S. Geographical Sciences, University of Maryland, 2016	5	EXP
	John Davis Manager GIS	BS Marine Transportation, Texas A&M University, 1998. MA Geography, University of New Orleans. 2005.	22	PCS
	Rob Oravec GIS Analyst	BS Geology. University of Pittsburg. 2005.	15	PCS
	Justin Driver Senior GIS Analyst	BS Geography, University of Georgia. 2004.	16	PCS
<b>Cumulative Impacts</b>	Derek Moss Environmental and Planning Project Manager	M.B.A., University of North Texas, 2011; B.S., Urban Planning, University of Utah, 2008	13	EXP
<b>Essential Fish Habitat</b>	Steven Ellsworth Senior Environmental Program Manager	M.S. Wildlife Management, Louisiana State University, 1982; B.A. Biological Sciences, State University of New York, 1976	34	EXP
	Wendi Deschamps Environmental Specialist	B.S. Natural Sciences, University of Alaska - Anchorage, 2003	16	EXP
<b>Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA) Assessment</b>	Steven Ellsworth Senior Environmental Program Manager	M.S. Wildlife Management, Louisiana State University, 1982; B.A. Biological Sciences, State University of New York, 1976	34	EXP
	Wendi Deschamps Environmental Specialist	B.S. Natural Sciences, University of Alaska - Anchorage, 2003	16	EXP
<b>DWP and Pipeline Engineering and Design</b>	Alex Alvarado Compliance & Integrity Division	B.S. Electrical Engineering, University of Texas, 1977	40	PCS
	Terry Oram, Project Manager-Offshore Construction Specialist	RMIT University, Melbourne, 1968-1970 Land Survey 1 & II Fellow of the Institution of Engineering and Mining Surveyors Australia, 1986	50	PCS

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<b>DWP and Pipeline Engineering and Design</b>		U.S. Bachelor of Construction Engineering Technology Equivalency, 1999		
	James Elgin Project Manager-Offshore Construction Specialist	B.S., Marine Engineering Technology, Mississippi State University, 1979.	40	PCS
	Richard Healy, P.E., Sr. Design Engineer / Sr. Project Manager	B.S., Mechanical Engineering, Auburn University, 1980	40	PCS
	Eric Zeringer Project Manager-Structural	B.S. Civil Engineering, University of Mississippi, 1980	39	PCS
	Jens P. Kaalstad CALM System Specialist	M.Sc. Department of Marine Technology, Norwegian University of Science and Technology, NTNU, 1983	35	Forward Offshore/ PCS
	Greg Johnston Systems Specialist	BS Construction Management, Colorado State University, 1998	22	PCS
	Jeffrey H. Richardson	B.S. Mechanical Engineering, Louisiana State University, 1995	22	PCS
<b>Structural Analysis</b>	Grzegorz Malinowski, Principle Engineer / Project Manager / Structures	M. S. - Naval Architecture, Technical University of Gdansk, 2001	20	DNV GL
	Piotr Szalewski, Principle Engineer / Regulatory / Structures	M. S. - Naval Architecture, Technical University of Gdansk, 1999	20	DNV GL
	Liqun Yang, Senior Engineer / Foundation / Structures	M. S. - Ocean Engineering, University of Hawaii at Manoa, 2000 M. E. - Offshore Engineering, Tianjin University, 1994 B. S. Ocean Engineering, Tianjin University, 1991	24	DNV GL
	Shashikant Sarada, Principle Engineer / Regulatory	M. S.- Offshore Engineering, IIT Bombay & Karlsruhe Institute of Technology, Germany, 2001 B.S. - Civil / Structural Engineering, VJTI, University of Mumbai, 1999	17+	DNV GL
	Steven Coull, Principle Engineer / Inspections	B. S. – Civil Engineering, University of Abertay, 1997	20	DNV GL
	Jens P. Kaalstad	M.Sc. Department of Marine Technology	35	Forward Offshore

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		Norwegian University of Science and Technology, NTNU		
<b>Platform Design</b>	Chet Nelson Project Director	Bachelor of Science, Mechanical Engineering, University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado From 1986 to 1989, Completed 27 of required 48 semester hours towards MBA at the University of Houston, Houston, Texas, USA.	32	Wood
	Helberg Mendoza, Engineering Manager	Master of Business Administration (MBA), Rice University, Houston, Texas. Master of Engineering in Refining, Engineering and Construction, Gas, ENSPM IFP School, French Petroleum Institute, Rueil Malmaison. Bachelor of Science, Chemical Engineering, Universidad Industrial de Santander, Colombia	21	Wood
	Henry Kalowkowski, Lead Structural Engineer	Master of Science in Civil Engineering, University of Houston, Texas. Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering, University of Texas, Austin, Texas.	21	Wood
	David De La Garza, Lead Piping Designer	Business Management studies, University of Phoenix, Houston. Certificate of Engineering Technology, San Jacinto College.	25+	Wood
	Chris Stiger Lead Structural Designer	College Courses in Analytical and Drafting, Connors State College, Oklahoma. Courses in Drafting and AutoCAD, Indian Capital Area Vocational Technical School.	29	Wood
	Sarah Rohe Lead Mechanical Engineer	Bachelor of Science, Mechanical Engineering, Mathematics Minor, P.E., Texas A&M University.	10	Wood
	Ron Saville	HNC Building (Architecture), East Ham College of Technology, London, United Kingdom. Time served Engineering Apprentice, Matthew Hall Eng Ltd, London, United Kingdom	35	Wood
	Wayne Marquis Lead Instrumentation Engineer	Bachelor of Science, Electrical Engineering, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas.	35	Wood
	Oscar Reyes Lead Electrical Engineer	Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering, Texas A&M University, Texas.	13	Wood

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	AK Parihar Lead Process Engineer	Master of Science, Chemical Engineering, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas. Bachelor of Science, Chemical Engineering, Harcourt Butler Technological Institute, Kanpur, India.	30	Wood
<b>MetOcean Specialist</b>	Terry Pallister	B.S. Meteorology, Pennsylvania State University, 1963		A.H. Glenn
<b>Geophysical</b>	Matt Keith	M.A. Florida State University (2004) B.A. Indiana University of Pennsylvania (2000)	16	Echo
	Andrew Haigh	BSc (Honors) Applied Geology & Materials Science, University of Sunderland, UK, 1992	31	Echo
<b>Geotechnical Engineer</b>	Robert F. Stevens Principal Consultant	BSCE, Rutgers University, 1971 MSCE, Duke University, 1974 Ph.D., Duke University, 1980	40+	Fugro
	Kuat C. Gan Deputy Engineering Manager	Higher National Diploma, Civil Engineering, Leeds Polytechnic, Leeds, England, 1976 BSCE, Texas A&M University, 1984 MSCE, Geotechnical Engineering, Texas A&M University, 1987	33	Fugro
<b>Environmental Survey</b>	Brett Soutar, Project Manager/Scientist	B.S., Wildlife & Fisheries Sciences, Texas A&M University, 2005	15	Benchmark
	Russell Calvin, Project Manager/Scientist	B.S., Wildlife & Fisheries Sciences, Texas A&M University, 2015	5	Benchmark
	Matthew Jay, Project Manager/Scientist	B.S., Wildlife & Fisheries Sciences, Texas A&M University, 2013	6	Benchmark
	Kevin Kichline, Scientist	B.S., Environmental Plant and Soil Sciences, Texas A&M University, 2015	5	Benchmark
	Neil Henthorne President	B.S., Bioenvironmental Science, Texas A&M University, 1996	25	Benchmark
<b>Air Quality Dispersion Modeling</b>	Michael Ballenger P.E. Principal Consultant			Trinity (Air)
<b>Regulatory</b>	Jon Schmidt Vice President, Environmental & Regulatory	Ph.D., Biological Sciences, Florida State University, 1987 M.S., Biological Sciences, University of Bridgeport, 1983	33	EXP

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	Scott Grossman Chief Counsel	B.A., Political Science, Trinity University 2004 J.D., University of Houston 2007	13	ET
<b>Legal Counsel</b>	Jeff R. Vogel Member	B.A., (1) Government & Politics and (2) Economics, University of Maryland, College Park 2003 J.D., University of Miami, 2008 M.A., Marine Affairs and Policy, University of Miami, 2008 M.A., National Security and Strategic Studies, United States Naval War College, 2012	12	Cozen O'Connor
	Jon Schmidt Vice President, Environmental & Regulatory	Ph.D., Biological Sciences, Florida State University, 1987 M.S., Biological Sciences, University of Bridgeport, 1983 B.S. Marine Biology, University of Massachusetts – Dartmouth, 1981	33	EXP
<b>Quality Assurance/ Quality Control</b>	Allen Brooks Senior Environmental Project Manager	Ph.D. Biology, University of South Florida, 2002 M.S. Zoology, University of South Florida, 1997 B.S. Biology, Ohio University, 1994	26	EXP
	Kim Rhodes-Edelstein Senior Environmental Project Manager	M.S. Environmental Engineering Science, University of Florida B.S. Resource Conservation, University of Florida	27	EXP