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Building Code Science and Policy Intersect on the Sea Grant Advisory Council

The [Florida Sea Grant Advisory Council](#) met on March 23 to discuss ongoing work to protect the coastal resources of the state. Roofing and wind mitigation for coastal homes are among the Council's projects.

FLASH Senior Vice President of Education and Technical Programs Mike Rimoldi was among the 22 Council members participating in the meeting, offering his knowledge as a former building official and expertise on construction and building codes. The research is led by the University of Florida.

“Sea Grant is a connection between science and policy,” Rimoldi said. “As the country’s leading consumer advocate for strengthening homes and safeguarding families from natural and man-made disasters, FLASH’s participation on the Florida Sea Grant Advisory Council addresses the mission of both organizations.”

The Council includes leaders from the private sector, non-governmental organizations, local governments, and state and federal agencies. Florida Sea Grant is a university-based program that supports integrated research, education, and extension to conserve coastal resources and enhance economic opportunities. Its strategic plan addresses coastal and ocean issues including sustainable coastal communities and economies, hazard-resilient and climate-ready coasts, and education and workforce development.