

## Introducing Our New Staff Member

Welcome to new TBEP staff member Gary Raulerson, who joined our hard-working crew of six in February 2016. As our new Technical Projects Coordinator, Gary will be managing a variety of grant projects, including BP Gulf Oil Spill funds awarded to us through the federal RESTORE Act. Gary formerly worked for the state's Aquatic Preserve program, and as Assistant Director of the Guana Tolomato Matanzas National Estuarine Research Reserve near St. Augustine. He also served as the program scientist for our sister NEP in Sarasota Bay several years ago. Gary received his undergraduate degree from the University of Florida, and graduate degrees from the University of Kentucky and Louisiana State University.