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Office of National Marine Sanctuaries Media Statement:

NOAA names Sarah Fangman and Lisa Symons to key posts at Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary

NOAA's Office of National Marine Sanctuaries is pleased to announce that Gray's Reef National Marine Sanctuary Superintendent, Sarah Fangman, has been selected as the new superintendent of Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary and Lisa Symons has been tapped as deputy superintendent of the sanctuary.

Aria Remondi, on temporary assignment from NOAA's Policy Office, will serve as Acting Sanctuary Superintendent of Gray's Reef National Marine Sanctuary.

The effective date for these changes is July 23, 2017.

Sarah Fangman is currently the superintendent of Gray's Reef National Marine Sanctuary in Georgia and has been with the Office of National Marine Sanctuaries since 1998. Fangman previously served at Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary in Santa Barbara, California.

Lisa Symons is currently serving as Acting Deputy Superintendent of Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary. Symons joined NOAA in 1991 and began working as the Damage Assessment and Resource Protection Coordinator for NOAA's Office of National Marine Sanctuaries in 1998.

The Office of National Marine Sanctuaries serves as the trustee for a network of underwater parks encompassing more than 600,000 square miles of marine and Great Lakes waters from Washington state to the Florida Keys, and from Lake Huron to American Samoa. The network includes a system of 13 national marine sanctuaries and Papahānaumokuākea and Rose Atoll marine national monuments.

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