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**BOCA RATON PUBLIC LIBRARY AND FAU DIVISION OF RESEARCH PRESENT  
“WADING THROUGH THE SEA LEVEL RISE” WITH COLIN POLSKY, PH.D.  
MARCH 19, 2020, 1:00–2:00PM, DOWNTOWN LIBRARY**

BOCA RATON, FL (February 24, 2020) – South Florida is highly vulnerable to rising sea level as the result of changing climate. In “Wading Through the Sea Level Rise,” FAU’s Colin Polsky, Ph.D., will discuss sea-level rise in Florida, including devising solutions for better infrastructure, influencing policymakers, and actions you can do to help. This free presentation will take place on March 19, 2020, at 1:00pm at Boca Raton’s Downtown Library, 400 NW 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue.

Colin Polsky, Ph.D., is an environmental social scientist whose research and teaching examine how people create, perceive, and respond to environmental challenges. His inter-disciplinary training is in mathematics, humanities, French, geography, and Science & International Affairs (from U. Texas, Penn State, and Harvard). As Director of the Florida Center for Environmental Studies, his goal is to improve Florida’s sustainability through research, education and outreach on wetlands ecology and coastal resilience.

This program is part of the “FAU Research in Action” series—a yearlong collaboration between Florida Atlantic University’s Division of Research and the City of Boca Raton Libraries in which researchers share their innovative work and seek input from the community. Oyuki De Santiago Poletz, Program Services Librarian, notes, “Boca Raton is fortunate to have an active research university in our own backyard. This series is an excellent opportunity for our residents to engage with the experts at Florida Atlantic University and contribute to the direction of ground-breaking research.”

“Wading Through the Sea Level Rise” is free and open to the public, but registration is encouraged. Register through the calendar at [bocalibrary.org](http://bocalibrary.org) or call the library at 561-393-7852.



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