

Edward and Bonnie Foreman Biodiversity Lecture Series

In the Great Hall 15 November 2022 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE & COAL ASH

This lecture will focus on coal ash pollution and its impacts on people and communities. It is important to understand how coal ash is contained and the risk of contamination to our waterways. In many communities, this contamination is an environmental justice issue. Mr. Smith will discuss his work organizing and mobilizing frontline communities to stand up to a powerful industry and advocate for real change.

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Walter L. Smith, II is a Licensed Environmental Professional (LEP) and is the principal consultant of W. L. Smith & Associates Environmental Consulting. He is also the organizing representative for the Sierra Club's Beyond Coal Campaign, the founder and chairman of the Tampa Bay Disaster Resiliency Initiative, and a broadcast journalist on a weekly NPR radio show, the Sunday Forum. As a twenty-one year veteran in the field of environmental engineering, Mr. Smith is an expert in matters involving environmental impact policies and their application to matters of global resilience. He applies this expertise to his work advocating for frontline communities on issues of environmental justice.

Lunch will be served. RSVP to biodiversity@law.stetson.edu