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## **Short Biography:**

Dr. Todd Crowl is the Director of the FIU Institute of Environment, one of Florida International University's six preeminent programs. He joined FIU in 2014 and has been leading the Institute through incredible growth over the past seven years. Since 2016, Crowl has been the lead at FIU on an NSF-funded project focused on aquatic chemistry and water contamination, CREST CACHE. He has also led the Institute into partnering with a number of universities and prestigious organizations, both nationally and abroad, including establishing the first ever UNESCO water chair in the state of Florida. He has presented important solutions to environmental threats to the White House and other high-profile decision makers.

Crowl is an internationally recognized researcher in the fields of ecology, urban stream ecology and aquatic ecosystems. As Co-Principal Investigator of the Luquillo Puerto Rico LTER, he spent the last 25 years looking at energy flow between the riparian zone and the streams draining the rainforest. Other projects he leads include the role of introduced fish on native fish communities in western US lakes and the role of urbanization on sustainable freshwater resources.

Prior to joining FIU, Crowl was a post-doctoral fellow at Otago University before taking on a faculty position at Utah State University. In addition to being a Professor of Quantitative Ecology at Utah State University, Crowl was also the Director and lead for the iUTAH EPSCoR program, where he worked to improve and maintain water sustainability in Utah.

Crowl has published more than 60 peer-reviewed articles over the course of his career. He received his BS in Biology at Ohio State University and his MS and PhD in Zoology at the University of Oklahoma.