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**Short Biography:**

Dr. Nick Aumen is Regional Science Advisor for the Southeast Region of the US Geological Survey, and oversees the Greater Everglades Priority Ecosystem Sciences Program. His former positions were aquatic ecologist for Everglades National Park and Research Director at the South Florida Water Management District in West Palm Beach. Nick received his B.S. and M.S. in biology at the University of West Florida, and his Ph.D. in microbial ecology at Oregon State University. After finishing his Ph.D., he took a faculty position in biology at the University of Mississippi, and was a tenured Associate Professor of Biology until 1991, when he returned to Florida. Nick holds courtesy faculty appointments at Florida Atlantic University and the University of Florida. Nick served five years on the national Board of Directors (including two terms as national Vice-President, one term as the national Treasurer) of the Sierra Club, a 128-year-old, 750,000-member US conservation NGO.