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Dr. Jennifer Jurado is responsible for leading climate resilience and environmental planning initiatives for Broward County, FL. Areas of particular focus include sea level rise adaptation, sustainable water resource management, shoreline protection, coastal resource conservation, and clean energy projects. She works extensively with internal and regional stakeholders to advance county-wide resilience planning informed by future conditions scenarios, including resilient infrastructure design standards and redevelopment strategies, and fosters public-private partnerships key to large-scale initiatives. Current priorities involve the application of climate information and economic risk assessments to inform a basin-level county-wide resilience plan. Dr. Jurado has been a participant in the four-county Southeast Florida Regional Climate Change Compact since its formation in 2009. She serves on the board of directors for the American Society of Adaptation Professionals and the American Geophysical Union's Thriving Earth Exchange. She earned her Ph.D. from the University of Miami in Marine Biology and Fisheries.