



Mr. Savercool is an ecologist with over 36 years of field experience in habitats ranging from the open ocean to xeric uplands, with the vast majority of this time focused in Florida, Caribbean, and other coastal tropical locations throughout the world. Areas of specialty include marine and estuarine benthic invertebrates and fish, wetland vegetation (estuarine to freshwater), and habitat level ecology. Mr. Savercool possesses expertise in the ecology, restoration, and creation of tropical freshwater and estuarine marshes, mangrove forests, seagrass meadows, barrier islands, streams, rivers, and adjacent upland habitats. Research experience includes the study of plant and animal colonization of recently restored or impacted coastal habitats, experimental revegetation of wetlands utilizing both marine and freshwater species, and management techniques for the control of undesirable exotic vegetation. Mr. Savercool is a Certified Senior Ecologist with Ecological Society of America and a Senior Certified Military Natural Resource Professional with National Military Fish and Wildlife Association.



In addition to his professional experience, Dan has continually allowed his work interests to spill over to his personal life, volunteering to assist with several regionally-important natural resource-related groups. Throughout the 80's and 90's, Dan was an active member of the Agency on Bay Management (Executive Steering Committee, Bay Area Environmental Action Team, Cockroach Bay Aquatic Preserve Management Advisory Team, Florida and Tampa Bay Associations of Environmental Professionals, Florida Audubon Society (Board of Directors 96-98), Hillsborough County Development Regulations Task Force, Florida Native Plant Society, Tampa Audubon Society (President 96-98, Board of Directors 93-98), Tampa Bay Watch (Chairman BayTech Committee 94-98), and Tampa Bay National Estuary Program (Technical Advisory Committee 93-98).

From 1998 to 2016 Dan and his family lived in the Mid-Atlantic Region of the US, becoming active in the Central Maryland Audubon and Maryland Audubon Societies (Board of Directors of both organizations 1998-2000), but spending much of his time working in Guam, Hawaii, and Alaska. Highlights during the 98-16 period include getting paid to conduct natural resources surveys in American Samoa; Wake Island; Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands; Attu and St. Paul Islands, AK; the entire US southern border from eastern Texas to southwestern California; and paying to bird while island-hopping from Auckland, NZ to Indonesia to eastern French Polynesia. In March 2004, Dan was recognized by I Liheslaturan Guahan for "his work in protecting Guam's Environment and Ecology..." In late 2016, Dan and his family returned to Florida, settling in St. Petersburg, where he still works frequently in the Pacific and throughout the United States. Since returning to Florida, Dan has rekindled his relationship with regional habitat management initiatives by volunteering with the Tampa Bay Conservancy, St. Petersburg Audubon Society (Conservation Chair 2016-present and President 2018-present), and Agency on Bay Management.