

INTRODUCTION

A recent note by Froede et al. (2006) on the geological evolution of "Santa Rosa Peninsula" between Pensacola Bay and Santa Rosa Sound, NW Florida, regrettably represents a major backward step in the understanding of the Quaternary coastal evolution and stratigraphy of the NW Florida coast. Unfortunately, almost all the conclusions in this confusingly argued paper lack consistency, solid supporting evidence, and appropriate explanations. The paper displays a number of obsolete, irrelevant, and/or incorrectly applied references, among them several of my own publications. At the same time, the paper shuns critical recent material, some of which Froede et al. cite without discussing content. The present communication is intended to shed light on several important topics involved, correcting severely flawed, unsupported conclusions and assumptions in the process. It provides the interested reader with guidance, essential facts and refutes several statements made by Froede and his coauthors.