

Workshop Agenda
September 27-30, 2009

WORKSHOP GOAL & OBJECTIVES

The goal of the workshop is to foster an understanding of the drivers and consequences of fisheries bycatch and evaluate a range of potential management strategies and innovations to address common bycatch challenges. We will work to clarify the statutory and regulatory requirements as they relate to bycatch and examine how research and monitoring programs may help address bycatch. The workshop will also explore the role of information and uncertainty in the decision-making process.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

6:00 – 9:00 pm Informal Reception

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

7:00 – 8:30 am **BREAKFAST**

8:30 – 9:30 am Meeting Overview and Introductions

- Welcome by Meg Caldwell, Executive Director, Center for Ocean Solutions
- Introduction to the Fisheries Leadership & Sustainability Forum by Meghan Jeans & Amy Kenney, Co-Directors
- Participant introductions - All participants will be asked to share a challenge their council has faced in addressing bycatch issues.

9:30 – 10:00 am Bycatch Introduction (Causes & Consequences)
Presenter: Larry Crowder

10:00 – 10:15 am **BREAK**

10:15 – 12:00 pm Bycatch Solutions Panel and Discussion
Presenters: Mike Orbach, Rod Fujita, and John Watson

12:00 – 1:00 pm **LUNCH**

1:00 – 1:30 pm Introduction to the Case Study Part I: Ruby Speckled Cod & the Atlantic Blue Clam Fishery (Management strategies to address constraining species bycatch)
Facilitators: Buzz Thompson & Meghan Jeans

1:30 – 3:00pm Break Out Session: Case Study Part I

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- 3:00 – 3:15 pm **BREAK**
- 3:15 – 4:15 pm Synthesis & Discussion of Case Study Part I
- 4:15 – 4:45 pm Day One Summary
- 4:45 – 6:45 pm **BREAK**
- 7:00 – 10:00 pm **RECEPTION & DINNER**
Location: Monterey Bay Aquarium
Keynote speaker: Dr. Steve Murawski, Director of Scientific Programs
and Chief Science Advisor, National Marine Fisheries Service

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

- 7:00 – 8:30 am **BREAKFAST**
- 8:30 – 9:30 am Skills Training: Structured Decision Making and Dealing with Uncertainty
Presenter: Janet Martinez
- 9:30 – 10:15 am Endangered Species Act & Magnuson-Stevens Act: Councils' role in
protected species conservation
Presenter: Deborah Sivas
- 10:15 – 10:30am **BREAK**
- 10:30 – 11:00 am Introduction to the Case Study Part II: Sea Turtles & the Blue Clam
Fishery
Facilitators: Buzz Thompson & Meghan Jeans
- 11:00 - 12:00 pm Breakout Session: Case Study Part II (A)
*Participants will be assigned a group and location for the break out
session with instructions for the task. Groups are encouraged to continue
discussions through lunch, if necessary.*
- 12:00– 1:00 pm **LUNCH**
- 1:00 – 1:30 pm Synthesis & Discussion of Case Study Part II(A) and
Introduction to Case Study II(B).
- 1:30 - 2:30 pm Breakout Session: Case Study Part II (B)
*Participants will reconvene with their groups from Part II(A) with
instructions for the task.*
- 2:30 – 3:00 pm Synthesis & Discussion of Case Study Part II(B)

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- 3:00 – 3:15pm **BREAK**
- 3:15 – 4:15 Success Stories
Council members will have an opportunity to share innovations and successes in bycatch management in their regions.
- 4:15 – 4:45 pm General Session: Looking Ahead
- What information/support on bycatch would you like in your region?
 - What other topics would you like to see the Fisheries Forum cover?
- 4:45 – 5:15 pm Day Two Summary and Meeting Conclusion
- Summation of discussions and recurring themes
 - Survey & Evaluation
- 5:15 - 6:15 pm **BREAK**
- 6:30 – 9:30 pm **RECEPTION & DINNER**
Location: Passionfish
Speaker: Scott Benson, NMFS (SLUTH Project)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

- 7:00 – 8:00 am **BREAKFAST**
- 8:00 am Transportation from the Portola Hotel to Fisherman’s Wharf
- 8:30 am – 12:00 pm Field Trip & Presentation: Boat tour of Monterey Bay
Presenter: Bill Douros, West Coast Regional Director, National Marine Sanctuaries
- 12:15 -1:15 pm **LUNCH**