



Strategic Planning for Cooperative Research—The Next Generation Present Opportunities and Future Directions

Cooperative research has had a significant impact in New England and the Mid-Atlantic region. But, where is cooperative research headed in the coming years? You can have an impact on the answer to this question!

The Northeast Fisheries Science Center is launching a strategic planning process to help better inform NOAA leadership as it plans for its cooperative research program from the next 3-5 years. This is meant to complement the research priorities that have been set by the Councils by further refining the list of research projects to identify a focused subset particularly appropriate and suited for industry involvement.

We would like to invite you to participate in a forum for an open discussion about current plans and jointly develop a strategic vision for cooperative research.

The goal is to define a clear set of strategic *cooperative research priorities* to inform the evolution of NOAA Fisheries' cooperative research programs from 2010-2016.

Please join us for a facilitated discussion at one of the following locations:

Galloway, NJ	February 12	6:30pm - 8:00pm	Seaview Marriot Resort and Spa, 401 South New York Rd., Galloway, NJ
Narragansett, RI	February 23	6:30pm - 8:00pm	Hazard Room, URI Coastal Institute Bldg., Narragansett Bay Campus, South Ferry Road, Narragansett, RI
Portland, ME	February 24	5:30pm – 7:30pm	Gulf of Maine Research Institute 350 Commercial Street, Portland, ME
Waltham, MA	March 4	1:30pm - 3:00pm	The Westin Waltham Boston, 70 Third Avenue, Waltham, MA
Rockland, ME	March 6	2:45pm – 4:30pm	Maine Fishermen's Forum Samoset Resort, 220 Warrenton Street, Rockport, ME

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