

Southeast Atlantic Marine Debris Strategy Workshop Marine Debris Solutions for the Region

June 18-20, 2014

NOAA Facilities at Fort Johnson

Charleston, South Carolina

FINAL AGENDA

~ Goals ~

Strengthen regional effectiveness by sharing successes and challenges in tackling existing priorities, and develop a strategy for Georgia, North Carolina, and South Carolina to address both everyday marine debris and debris generated by catastrophic events.

~ Objectives ~

- Bring together entities that are addressing marine debris from across the three-state region to share successes and challenges.
- Identify goals and strategies for future efforts to address marine debris, including derelict fishing gear, wildlife impacts, abandoned/derelict vessels, consumer debris on shorelines and emergency response.
- Initiate development of a Southeast Marine Debris Strategy, considering both the range of entities working on marine debris and the identified goals and actions.
- Identify action items, including mechanisms for ongoing communication and collaboration.

~ Wednesday, June 18th ~

- 8:45am Check-in, coffee, tea, pastries
- 9:00am Welcome, Introductions, and Overview of Agenda
- 9:30am Regional Prioritization of Marine Debris Issues, Players and Roles
- 10:15am Break
- 10:30am Derelict Fishing Gear: Successes and Challenges
- Ladd Bayliss, North Carolina Coastal Federation
 - Peter Kingsley-Smith, South Carolina Dept. of Natural Resources
 - Buck Bennett, Georgia Dept. of Natural Resources
- 11:30am Facilitated Brainstorm Session: Derelict Fishing Gear - Goals and Strategies
- 12:00pm Lunch on your own (prioritization activity prior to breaking)
- 1:30pm Abandoned / Derelict Vessels: Successes and Challenges
- Dan Burger, South Carolina Dept. of Health and Environmental Control
 - Buck Bennett, Georgia Dept. of Natural Resources
 - Christine Boring, Research Planning, Inc.
- 2:30pm Facilitated Brainstorm Session: Abandoned / Derelict Vessels - Goals and Strategies
- 3:00pm Break (prioritization activity)
- 3:15pm Focus on Global Status of Marine Debris
- Jenna Jambeck, University of Georgia
- 4:00 pm Focus on marine debris topic papers written by NOAA staff
- Mike Fulton, NOAA National Centers for Coastal Ocean Science
- 4:45pm Wrap Up Day 1, Preview Day 2
- 5:00pm Adjourn Day 1

~ Thursday, June 19th ~

- 9:00am Welcome Back, Overview of Agenda Day 2
- 9:10am NOAA Marine Debris Program Overview
 - Jason Rolfe – NOAA Marine Debris Program
- 9:45am Opportunities for Collaboration, and Identification of Additional Partners
- 10:15am Break (Group Photo Outside)
- 10:30am Wildlife Impacts: Successes and Challenges
 - John Stanton, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
 - Wayne McFee, NOAA National Centers for Coastal Ocean Science
 - Jeannie Miller, Georgia Sea Turtle Center
- 11:30am Facilitated Brainstorm Session: Wildlife Impacts - Goals and Strategies
- 12:00pm Lunch on your own (prioritization activity prior to breaking)
- 1:30pm Consumer Debris on Shorelines: Successes and Challenges
 - Lisa Rider, Onslow County, NC, Solid Waste Department
 - Anna Toline, National Park Service
 - Jill Gambill, Georgia Sea Grant
- 2:30pm Facilitated Brainstorm Session: Consumer Debris on Shorelines - Goals and Strategies
- 3:00pm Break (prioritization activity)
- 3:15pm Focus on Education and Outreach
 - Dodie Sanders, Georgia Marine Extension
 - Leah Henry, NOAA Marine Debris Program
 - Susan Lovelace, SC Sea Grant
- 4:15pm Wrap Up Day 2, Preview Day 3
- 4:30pm Adjourn Day 2

~ Friday, June 20th ~

- 9:00am Welcome Back, Overview of Agenda Day 3
- 9:10am Emergency Response: Lessons Learned from Superstorm Sandy
Take home information - Who do I call?
- 10:15am Break
- 10:30am Discussion: Review of Identified Strategies and Ideas for Early Wins
- 10:50am Next Steps Discussion: Crafting a Plan, Staying Connected and Building Regional Effectiveness through a Southeast Marine Debris Community
- 11:20am Meeting Adjourns – Thank you and explanation of Optional Marine Debris Tracker Demonstration and a nearby Clean-Up activity