

# The *NERACOOS* Annual Meeting

## December 7, 2017

Grand Ballroom | Sheraton Harborside Hotel | 250 Market St. | Portsmouth, NH

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- 08:45 – 09:00     **Coffee and Refreshments**
- 09:00 - 09:10     **NERACOOS Welcome and Introductions**
- 09:10 – 09:40     NERACOOS in 2017: **Ru Morrison**, *NERACOOS*
- 09:40 - 09:52     Lightning Talks: *Safe and Efficient Transportation and Commerce*  
Speaker #1: **Hector Cintron**, *Deputy Sector Commander, Sector Northern New England, U.S. Coast Guard*  
Speaker #2: **Jim O'Donnell**, *University of Connecticut*
- 09:52 – 10:04     Lightning Talks: *Preparedness and Risk Reduction*  
Speaker #1: **Grover Fugate**, *Rhode Island Coastal Zone Management Council*  
Speaker #2: **Julia Knisel**, *Massachusetts Coastal Zone Management*
- 10:04 – 10:15     Lightning Talks: *Stewardship, Recreation, and Tourism*  
Speaker #1: **Zack Klyver**, *Bar Harbor Whale Watch*  
Speaker #2: **Ben Cowie-Haskell**, *Stellwagen Bank National Marine Sanctuary*
- 10:15 – 10:30     **Coffee Break**
- 10:30 – 11:30     **Breakout Discussions:**  
Round Table #1 - *Safe and Efficient Transportation and Commerce*  
Moderator: **Dave Ullman**, *NERACOOS Board of Directors*  
Round Table #2 - *Preparedness and Risk Reduction*  
Moderator: **Steve Couture**, *NERACOOS Board of Directors*  
Round Table #3 - *Stewardship, Recreation, and Tourism*  
Moderator: **Pam DiBona**, *NERACOOS Board of Directors*
- 11:30 – 11:45     Round Table Wrap Up Discussion
- 11:45 – 12:00     NERACOOS Awards
- 12:00 - 13:00     **Lunch**
- 13:00 – 13:30     U.S. IOOS National Successes: **Carl Gouldman**, *IOOS Program Office*
- 13:30 – 14:00     National IOOS Perspective - NERACOOS: **Josie Quintrell**, *IOOS Association*
- 14:00 - 14:30     4<sup>th</sup> National Climate Assessment – Ocean and Marine Issues:  
**Andy Pershing**, *Chief Scientific Officer, Gulf of Maine Research Institute*
- 14:30 - 14:45     **Closing Remarks and Adjourn**

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