
Empowering the Marine Economy
The *NERACOOS* Annual Meeting
December 4, 2014

Portsmouth Harbor Conference Center | 100 Deer St. | Portsmouth, NH

- 09:15 - 09:30 Welcome and Introductions
- 09:30 - 10:00 Keynote Address: Russell Calendar (Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator, National Ocean Service)
- 10:00 - 10:30 U.S. IOOS National Successes: Zdenka Willis (Director, IOOS Program Office)
- 10:30 - 10:45 Networking Break
- 10:45 - 12:20 IOOS Video Premier: *U.S. IOOS for Safe Ship Navigation*
Breakout Panels: Supporting the Regions' Industries
- Ocean Energy** (Mel Coté)
Irina Gumennik, *Deepwater Wind*
Nate Johnson, *Ocean Renewable Power Company*
Ron Beck, *Tetra Tech*
Bob LaBelle, *Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement*
- Fisheries and Aquaculture** (Jackie Ball)
Bill Mook, *Mook Sea Farm*
Sooky Sawyer, *Massachusetts Lobstermen's Association*
Mike Fogarty, *Northeast Fisheries Science Center*
- Water Quality** (Pete McGlew)
Mike Twardowski, *Wet Labs*
Dan Codiga, *Massachusetts Water Resources Authority*
Jason Krumholz, *Northeast Fisheries Science Center*
- Marine Operations** (Tom Shyka)
Dave Gelinis, *Penobscot Bay & River Pilots*
Larry Nuesslein, *Bar Harbor Whale Watch*
Captain Brian Gilda, *U.S. Coast Guard*
- Coastal Hazards** (Josie Quintrell)
Bob Thompson, *National Weather Service Forecast Office*
Bob Hamilton, *Woods Hole Group*
Brian McKenna, *RPS Group*
Steve Couture, *N.H. Department of Environmental Services*
- Education** (Cassie Stymiest)
Amanda Sobel, *University of New Hampshire*
Lauren Rader, *Project Oceanology*
- 12:20 - 12:30 Panels Report Out
- 12:30 - 01:20 Networking Lunch
- 01:20 - 01:30 Annual Award Ceremony

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- 01:30 - 02:00 Things They are a Changing: David Vallee (Director, Northeast River Forecast Center)
- 02:00 - 02:30 NERACOOS in 2014: Ru Morrison (Executive Director, NERACOOS)
- 02:30 - 02:50 Cultivating the Next Generation: Amanda Sobel (University of New Hampshire)
- 02:50 - 03:00 Closing Remarks and Adjourn

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Massachusetts Office of Coastal Zone Management
Massachusetts Bays National Estuary Program

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New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency