

Ocean and Coastal Acidification Stakeholder Workshop: New Jersey Agenda

August 11, 2015

Campus Center, Board of Trustees Room, Stockton University, Galloway, NJ

Purpose: The purpose of this workshop is for stakeholders (e.g., fishing, aquaculture, water quality/marine resources management/NGO) to become informed about coastal ocean acidification: what it is, how it happened and what it could mean for the future of aquaculture and fishing in New Jersey and the mid-Atlantic and how to address it.

Workshop Goals:

- provide basic information and understanding of ocean and coastal acidification
- understand the potential effects on marine resources and the ecosystem
- understand research efforts and provide input for future research priorities
- facilitate discussion of potential industry concerns and priorities related to OCA
- understand where to find reliable OCA resources

AGENDA

11:00 - 12:00 PM Registration and Refreshments

12:00 - 12:15 Overview of the day and introductions - Peter Rowe, NJSGC

12:15 - 12:45 What is ocean and coastal acidification? - Wei Jun Cai, University of Delaware.

12:45—1:15 What does science know about the effects of ocean and coastal acidification and what doesn't it know - Beth Phelan, NMFS, Sandy Hook Lab, NJ.

1:15 -2:00 Discussion Breakout #1

1. What are your unanswered questions about OCA?
2. What are you seeing that could be related to OCA?
3. What is of most concern to you?

2:00 - 2:15 Refreshment Break

2:15 - 2:45 Questioning how acidification will impact aquaculture and fisheries – Daniel Cohen/Peter Hughes, Atlantic Capes Fisheries

2:45 - 3:30 Discussion Breakout #2

1. Who is monitoring the NJ/Delaware/mid-Atlantic OCA conditions?
2. Where do we need to focus our efforts?
3. What do we need to focus our efforts on?
4. What is the best way to communicate with each other?

3:30—3:50 Wrap up, summary of the day, and next steps – Peter Rowe, NJSGC

3:50 Adjourn