



**ADVANCING REGIONAL COASTAL AND MARINE SPATIAL PLANNING  
Meeting Agenda • November 9, 2010 • Portsmouth, RI**

Directions to meeting location: <http://www.rwu.edu/about/maps/directions/#Portsmouth>  
Meeting materials available at <http://collaborate.csc.noaa.gov/nroc>

8:30 AM	<b><u>Coffee and Participant Check-in</u></b>
9:00 AM	<b><u>Welcome, Purpose of Workshop, Review of Agenda, Introductions</u></b> <i>Ted Diers, NH/NROC State Chair; Betsy Nicholson, NOAA/NROC Federal Chair; Stephanie Moura (Facilitator), Mass Ocean Partnership; and Tricia Ryan (Facilitator), NOAA CSC</i>
9:30 AM	<b><u>Setting the Context: What to Expect from the National Ocean Council and Expectations of New England</u></b> <i>Andy Lipsky, National Ocean Council; Betsy Nicholson, NOAA/NROC Federal Chair</i>
10:00 AM	<b><u>Break</u></b>
10:15 AM	<b><u>Regional CMSP Framework Review</u></b> <i>John Weber, MA and Kathleen Leyden, ME</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Overview and status of framework <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Partner contributions</li> <li>○ Q&amp;A with focus on how the framework will be used</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ Break out groups to discuss how to operationalize the framework. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <i>Stakeholder engagement</i>: Discussion of guiding principles, key challenges, best practices and messaging considerations.</li> <li>○ <i>Regional data portal</i>: briefing on data portal project to support regional CMSP followed by discussion.</li> <li>○ <i>Ecosystem services approach</i>: Identifying core components/principles of an ecosystem services approach to CMSP and key limitations / challenges for operationalizing.</li> <li>○ <i>Habitat</i>: Discussion of key considerations for defining “ecologically significant” areas to allow us to understand and map them (geographic scale, time, vulnerability to human impacts, ecosystem <i>function</i> vs. <i>spatial</i> occurrence of habitat, etc.).</li> <li>○ <i>Human use characterization</i>: Discussion of potential definitions of “significant for commercial and recreational fishing” (see framework 4.3.1), and identifying challenges for forecasting future sectoral/use “demands”.</li> <li>○ <i>Regulatory</i>: How does the Regional CMS Plan get implemented through existing regulatory authorities and mechanisms?</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
12:00	<b><u>Lunch</u></b>
1:00 PM	<b><u>Brief Report Back from Framework Breakouts</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Discuss how to bring the pieces together</li> <li>▪ Large group discussion on observations</li> </ul>
1:45 PM	<b><u>Draft Regional Governance Structure</u></b> <i>Mel Cote, US EPA and Deerin Babb-Brott, MA</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Present known form and function of CMSP governance structure per Executive Order</li> <li>▪ Explore ideas on how the Regional Planning Body and a regional advisory committee structure might work to engage partners and be most effective</li> <li>▪ Break out groups to discuss / explore formal (FACA) and less formal options for engagement, advisory functions, etc.</li> </ul>
3:00 PM	<b><u>Break</u></b>

3:20 PM	<b><u>Update on NOAA Federal Funding Opportunity</u></b> <i>Ted Diers, NH/NROC State Chair</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Share process for submission to the funding announcement</li></ul>
3:45 PM	<b><u>Wrap-up</u></b>
4:30 PM	<b><u>Adjourn</u></b>