

# Northeast Regional Planning Body Stakeholder Forum

Tuesday October 20, 2015

University of New Hampshire, Holloway Commons, Squamscott Room  
75 Main Street, Durham, NH

## Meeting Objectives

- Provide updates and discuss progress on the draft plan, including the draft plan outline, the development of data and guidance for Section 3, and the Ecosystem Based Management Work Group.
- Obtain input on potential approaches and substance of Section 4 (Plan Implementation) and Section 5 (Science and Research Priorities) of the draft NE Ocean Plan

## Draft Agenda

- 9:00am Registration**
- 9:30 Welcome, Agenda Review & Objectives**
- 9:40 Recent Regional Planning Body Activities**  
Staff and contractors will provide an update and invite comment on the following topics that have progressed since the June 2015 RPB meeting.
- The outline of and timeline for the draft ocean plan Ocean plan
  - Data and agency guidance in Section 3 of the NE Ocean Plan
  - The Ecosystem Based Management Work Group
  - Best Practices for Agency Coordination
- 12:00pm Lunch (provided)**
- 12:45 Monitoring and Evaluation: Plan Performance & Ecosystem Health**  
Staff will present a framework and examples for monitoring plan performance and initial ideas of how to monitor ocean and ecosystem health. Participants will provide input for the RPB to consider in further development of a monitoring and evaluation framework.

- 1:45**            **Science and Research Priorities**  
Staff will present a framework and examples for identifying science and research priorities in the NE Ocean Plan. Participants will have an opportunity to ask questions and share ideas on both the framework and content of a future research agenda.
- 2:40**            **Break**
- 2:50**            **Ocean Plan Implementation: Responsibilities and Commitments**  
Staff will present initial ideas about potential responsibilities and commitments for implementation of the NE Ocean Plan. Participants will then discuss these topics to provide input into the issues that need to be included in the ocean plan and to share ideas on potential solutions.
- 3:20**            **Next Steps**
- 3:30**            **Adjourn**