

DRAFT AGENDA

AQUACULTURE SECTOR WORKING SESSIONS

Northeast Regional Ocean Council (NROC) Sector Outreach

Barnstable, MA - November 28, 2012 (10:00 AM – 3:30 PM, approximate)

Walpole, ME – December 10 (10:00 AM – 3:30 PM)

Groton, CT - December 13, 2012 (1:00 PM – 5:00 PM, approximate, to be co-located with NACE conference)

AQUACULTURE WORKING SESSION OBJECTIVES

- Provide an update on recent ocean planning efforts
- Increase clarity and understanding around key issues facing aquaculture development in New England
- Explore the role that regional ocean planning can play in addressing these issues from the growers' perspective, and identify specific next steps to doing so
- Discuss the current status of data characterizing aquaculture in New England, and explore the role that regional ocean planning can play in improving and expanding this information base

AGENDA (similar for each location)

Time	Topic
	<i>Arrivals and Refreshments</i>
15 min	Welcome
30 min	Update on ocean planning efforts in New England
90 min	Discussion of key sector issues and trends, and potential role for ocean planning 1. Provide clarity on federal and state permitting/leasing/licensing guidelines 2. Identify ocean space needed by current and future technologies and their relative compatibilities with other uses
60 min	<i>Lunch</i>
45 min	(Continued) Discussion of key sector issues and trends, and potential role for ocean planning 3. Provide information for utility in siting aquaculture
75 min	Update and discussion of sector data 1. Present update on status of the data characterizing the aquaculture sector 2. Discussion of data needed by aquaculture industry for siting
15 min	Recap and next steps
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