INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH SUMMIT
"How Members of the Commercial Fishing Industry Assist with
Data Collection to Support Stock Assessments"

AGENDA

Tuesday and Wednesday, October 1-2, 2013

Summit Objectives:

- Increase understanding of how the fishing industry, scientists and managers can better work together to collect data, and how this data can be used to improve stock assessments;
- Provide an opportunity for people to ask questions and learn from other collaborative research initiatives that have been successful;
- Provide networking opportunity for industry members, scientists and managers that may facilitate future partnerships;
- Gain a renewed sense of common purpose for working together to address the issues facing fisheries in the Northeast;
- Provide a written record of successful collaborative research examples to guide future work in the Northeast; and
- Identify next steps to enhance collaborative research in the Northeast.

Tuesday, October 1; 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

12:00 – 1:00  Summit Registration and Coffee Available

1:00 – 1:30  Introductions and Overview of Summit Agenda

- Peg Parker – Director, Commercial Fisheries Research Foundation
- Bill Karp – Director, NMFS Northeast Fisheries Science Center
- John Torgan – Director of Ocean and Coastal Conservation, The Nature Conservancy Rhode Island
- Video remarks from Senator Jack Reed and Senator Sheldon Whitehouse

1:30 – 3:15  Setting the Stage: Northeast Regional Context for the Case Studies

- Data needs in managing the New England lobster fishery
  – Bob Glenn, Fisheries Biologist, Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries
- Challenges in providing stock assessments and management for short-lived species
  – Jason Didden, Fishery Management Specialist, MAFMC
- Where the Northeast stands with fishermen involvement in data collection
  – John Hoey, Program Chief, Northeast Cooperative Research Program, NEFSC
3:15 – 3:45  Break

3:45 – 4:30  Setting the Stage: Introductory Overview of Case Studies
- Anna Malek, Program Administrator, CFRF

4:30 – 5:00  Setting the Stage: Introduction of Case Study Representatives
- Collaborative Lobster Research (Nova Scotia, Canada)
  - Patty King, General Manager, Fishermen and Scientist Research Society (FSRS)
  - John Levy, Commercial Lobster Fisherman & Past President of FSRS
  - John Tremblay, Fisheries Scientist, Fisheries & Oceans Canada
- Short-Lived Species Science and Management – Squid (Falkland Islands)
  - Andreas Winter, Fisheries Scientist, Falkland Islands Fisheries Department
  - Michael Poole, Executive Secretary, Falkland Islands Fishing Companies Association
- Industry-Based Catch Reporting – Norwegian Reference Fleet (Norway)
  - Kjell Nedreaas, Head of Demersal Fish Division, Institute for Marine Research, Bergen
  - Stig Blø, Demersal Freezer Trawler Factory Manager, F/T Ramoen

5:00 – 6:00  Cocktail Hour and Poster Session

6:00 – 8:00  Buffet Dinner and Conversation

Wednesday, October 2; 8:15 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

8:15 – 8:30  Agenda Review

8:30 – 9:45  Case Study #1 – Collaborative Lobster Research - Nova Scotia, Canada
  - Presentations and panel discussion

9:45 – 10:45  Case Study #2 – Short-lived Species Science and Management - Squid - Falkland Islands
  - Presentations and panel discussion

10:45 – 11:00  Break

11:00 – 12:00  Case Study #3 – Industry-Based Catch Reporting - Norwegian Reference Fleet - Norway
  - Presentations and panel discussion

12:00 – 1:00  Lunch
1:00 – 2:15  **Small Group Discussion**

Questions for Discussion:

- What is your reaction to the information presented during the summit?
- Given the situation in the Northeast, how do we benefit/learn from these case studies?
- What are the key lessons from the case studies that are applicable in the Northeast?
- What are the next steps to enhance collaborative research in the Northeast?

2:15 – 3:45  **Plenary Discussion**

- Synthesize small group feedback and identify ways to apply the lessons learned from the case studies in the Northeast
- Distill ideas for moving forward with collaborative data collection and data management in the Northeast
- Identify potential next steps to make collaborative data collection operational in the Northeast

3:45 – 4:00  **Wrap-up and Appreciations**

- Overview of lessons learned
- Acknowledgments

4:00  **Adjourn**