

CCC NATIONAL EQUITY AND ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE WORKSHOP

WORKSHOP PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVES

PURPOSE:

The workshop will develop recommendations to the CCC for CCC principles and best practices for EEJ considerations in Council processes in light of the NOAA Fisheries EEJ Strategy.

OBJECTIVES:

1. Develop a common vision and approach among Councils that will improve and accelerate EEJ in fisheries management. (National)
2. Foster a collective and ongoing conversation among the Councils regarding EEJ in fisheries management. (National/Regional)
3. Identify gaps in Council processes and products that could benefit from EEJ considerations. (National/Regional)
4. Discover systematic, national and regional solutions to apply EEJ by expanding the Councils' understanding of EEJ and incorporating outside perspectives and how they relate to fisheries management. (National/Regional)

FINAL WORKSHOP OUTCOME:

- Recommendations for CCC principles and best practices for EEJ considerations in Council processes at the national and regional levels.

AGENDA DESIGN

Potential themes include: Climate Change, Integrating TEK and community consultation, non-traditional markets, international RFMOs

1. Regional → National: Scan, Focus, and Act Workshop Model (proposed when we first started talking about this in 2022).

- a. Day One: introduce the problem, share regional context Customary welcome from host region (e.g., dance, blessing, land acknowledgement)
 - i. Introduction
 - ii. Keynote Storytellers (Council round-robin, NMFS, outside perspectives)
 - iii. Regional breakout groups identify their priorities, current gaps, and best practices, discussing Council processes in the regional context defining and connecting to community, and defining progress.
 - iv. Sharing in plenary
- b. Day Two: deep exploration of the issue- the driving forces, barriers, and to model different approaches.
 - i. Keynote Storytellers
 - ii. Cross-cutting breakout groups focusing on
 1. The big picture of current gaps in Council processes and products (fishbone diagram).
 2. Existing fishery management mechanisms, policy and procedure pathways (contingency diagram).
 3. Developing a set of actions to improve a situation (force field analysis).
 - iii. Sharing in plenary
- c. Day Three: Develop national and regional solutions and recommendations for EEJ principles and best practices to the CCC, developing a vision of the future for this space.
 - i. Keynote Storytellers
 - ii. Developing national solutions and recommendations
 1. Break out sessions for development
 2. Plenary session for confirmation
 - iii. Developing region-specific solutions and recommendations
 1. Break out sessions by region
 2. Plenary session for sharing a few ideas from each region
 - iv. Synthesis and next steps

Steering Committee

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8. NPFMC - Kate Haapala
9. NOAA/NMFS - TBD

Logistical Considerations

1. Facilitation, identified via a public RFP
2. Location - Oregon, Hawai'i, Caribbean
3. Participation
 - a. Option A - Smaller event with Council and NOAA staff (30-40 people)
 - b. Option B - Larger event with Council and NOAA staff, SSC social scientists, Council members, stakeholders (60-80 people)
 - c. Broadcast via a listen-only webinar
4. Budget
 - a. Varies based on continent vs island, event size
 - b. Need to identify funding commitments