



## Envisioning a National System of Marine Protected Areas: A Capitol Region Public Dialogue

### Agenda

Hotel Washington, 15<sup>th</sup> St. & Pennsylvania Ave., NW

Washington Room

March 7, 2005, 6:30 – 9:00 PM

- 1) Welcome – *Joseph Uravitch, Director, NOAA National MPA Center* (5 minutes)
- 2) Overview of Forum – *George Chmael, Ecologix Group, Inc.* (5 minutes)
- 3) MPAs and Developing the Vision for a U.S. National System – *Jonathan Kelsey, MPA Center* (20 minutes)
- 4) The MPA Federal Advisory Committee: An Update on our Work – *Max Peterson, member, U.S. MPA Federal Advisory Committee* (10 minutes)
- 5) Clarifying questions – *George Chmael and MPA Center staff* (20 minutes)
- 6) Charge to breakout groups – *George Chmael* (5 minutes)
- 7) Break out groups – *MPA Center Facilitators: Charles Wahle, Sarah Fischer, Kate Smukler, Brian Jordan, Heidi Recksiek, Jonathan Kelsey, Lauren Wenzel* (approx. 90 minutes)
  - a. Questions for the participants
    - i. What should a national system of MPAs do to better serve you and your stakeholders' interests in the nation's natural and cultural resources?
    - ii. What important economic, recreational, and other types of uses and values do you and your stakeholders want considered in developing a national system?
    - iii. What important natural and cultural resources do you and your stakeholders think a national system should conserve and sustain the use of for future generations?
    - iv. How should NOAA and Department of the Interior work around the country with your organization/agency and stakeholders to develop the vision for the national system?
    - v. Other comments?