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BOREMAN TO LEAD FEDERAL FISHERIES SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY OFFICE

Dr. John Boreman has been named Director of the NOAA National Marine Fisheries Service (NOAA Fisheries Service) Office of Science and Technology. Since 2002, Boreman has been science and research director at the Northeast Fisheries Science Center (NEFSC), the scientific arm of NOAA Fisheries Service in the northeastern U.S., headquartered in Woods Hole, Mass.

Boreman will begin his new job on September 3, 2006. While the agency seeks a new director for the NEFSC, Frank P. Almeida will serve in the post. Almeida is currently the NEFSC's deputy director.

"I am pleased that John has been selected for this important position," said Dr. Bill Hogarth, NOAA Fisheries Service Director. "John brings a wealth of experience that will be invaluable to national science."

The NMFS Office of Science & Technology guards the integrity of the agency's scientific activity and strives to maintain and improve its quality and credibility. As director, Boreman will oversee scientific research and technology development activities used throughout the agency to fulfill its conservation and management mission for living marine resources.

"It's an exciting time for marine science, as researchers in different fields begin to combine their knowledge and skills to understand oceans on an ecosystem level," said Boreman. "While I am leaving one of the world's great fisheries research institutions after 26 years, I look forward to helping the Agency's science programs meet the challenges of this new era," he said.

Boreman has a distinguished career as a federal fisheries scientist with both NOAA and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. He is from Wantagh, NY. He received his undergraduate degree from the State University of New York's College of Environment Science and Forestry, and Syracuse University. He completed his master's and doctoral work in fisheries science at Cornell University.

Boreman's early research interests focused on freshwater and anadromous fish, particularly how their populations are affected by power plant operations. He was

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among the first federal scientists charged with investigating ways to assess, monitor, and mitigate the environmental impacts of power plants.

Boreman came to NOAA in 1980 to work on coastal migratory and anadromous fish, notably striped bass restoration efforts in the Northeastern U.S. He moved into scientific management in the mid-1980s, and returned to teaching and research in 1989, pioneering the NEFSC effort to establish formal research and education programs with universities in the region.

As director of the NEFSC Cooperative Marine Education and Research Program and adjunct professor of fisheries at the University of Massachusetts, Boreman expanded the effort throughout the University of Massachusetts system and into the University of Rhode Island. He became deputy NEFSC director in 1997.

In recognition of his professional activities, Boreman has received the Department of Commerce's Bronze Medal (2003), and in 2001 was honored as an Agency employee of the year. He received the NOAA Administrator's Award in 1984 for his striped bass work, and the NOAA Fisheries Service Assistant Administrator's Award in 1988 for unusually outstanding performance. In 1999 he received the Dwight A. Webster Award of Merit from the Northeastern Division of the American Fisheries Society (AFS) and the AFS Meritorious Service Award. He is also an AFS-certified fisheries scientist.

In 2007 NOAA, an agency of the U.S. Commerce Department, celebrates 200 years of science and service to the nation. Starting with the establishment of the U.S. Coast and Geodetic Survey in 1807 by Thomas Jefferson much of America's scientific heritage is rooted in NOAA.

The agency is dedicated to enhancing economic security and national safety through the prediction and research of weather and climate-related events and information service delivery for transportation, and by providing environmental stewardship of our nation's coastal and marine resources. Through the emerging Global Earth Observation System of Systems (GEOSS), NOAA is working with its federal partners and more than 60 countries to develop a global monitoring network that is as integrated as the planet it observes.

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