NOAA Coral Reef Conservation Program Climate Change Threat Based Working Group Update

Conference Call #2 25 November 2008 4:00-6:00pm (Eastern)

Brief Agenda:

- 1. Introduction of new members of the Group
- 2. Finalize Call Schedule Through May 2009
- 3. Finalize Dates for Workshop in March 2009
- 4. Discuss Goals from Draft Goals and Objectives
- 5. Next Steps and Tasks for next Conference Call

Summary:

The Coral Reef Conservation Program (CRCP) Climate Change working group had its second conference call on 25 November 2008. The group approved the call schedule through the end of the process (May 2009) and finalized the dates for a two day workshop to be held 2-3 March 2009. Group members had submitted draft goals and objectives for the CRCP to address the threat of climate change to coral reefs. The cochairs had worked to bin the goals to determine if there were common threads or themes and approximately 6-7 themes seemed to fall out, they follow in no particular order;

- 1. Reduction of Green House Gases
- 2. Education and Outreach
- 3. Management for Resilience to Climate Change
- 4. Identifying Thresholds and Vulnerability to Climate Change
- 5. Inventions and Adaptation to Climate Change
- 6. Monitoring, Observations and Assessments of Climate Change Impacts
- 7. Research

The group discussed these themes and discussed what goals should be developed for the CRCP.

Action Items:

- 1. Co-chairs will draft a collated Goals and Objectives document based on the discussions during the call and distribute it to the group 3 December 2008.
- 2. Group comments and feedback are due 5 December 2008.
- 3. The group coordinator will collect further guidance on the final document structure and performance measures before the next call.

Next conference call will be held 9 December 2008.

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