

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

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Conference Call #3 9 December 2008 4:00-6:00pm (Eastern)

### **Brief Agenda:**

1. Workshop and Travel Paperwork
2. Request for input from the CRCP International Working Group
3. Discussion of 4 Goals & Next Steps

### **Summary:**

The Coral Reef Conservation Program (CRCP) Climate Change working group had its third conference call on 9 December 2008. The group briefly discussed the workshop and necessary travel arrangements then heard from representatives from the CRCP International Working Group. The International Working Group is requesting input and collaboration on climate change goals that are international in scope and issues that the group feels should be captured to inform the CRCP activities internationally. Group members then had a discussion on the 4 goals and objectives that were drafted based on the themes that had been discussed on the last call. The themes, in no particular order, include; Management for Resilience to Climate Change, Identifying Thresholds and Vulnerability to Climate Change, Interventions and Adaptation to Climate Change, Monitoring, Observations and Assessments of Climate Change Impacts.

The group worked to organize and refine the ideas behind the goals. Two gaps that were identified were the need to consider communication strategies and socio-economics within the goals and objectives. These will be addressed in the next version of the draft goals and objectives. The group also discussed how to solicit input from the US Coral Reef Task Force Climate Change Working Group as well as other partners throughout this process. It was determined that a draft of the goals and objectives would be distributed to the USCRTF Climate Change Working Group as well as to other key partners in February 2009 and discussed during the Task Force meeting in late February. During the next two calls we will be focusing in on each goal individually and fleshing out the objectives. The January call (7 January 2009) will also include a discussion on performance measures.

### **Action Items:**

1. Submit travel forms by 31 December 2008 and make travel arrangements by 31 January 2009.
2. Review updated Draft Goals and Objectives and provide comments before the January call.
3. Submit International Climate Change goals and other materials that might assist the International Working Group in formulating goals and strategies for the program.

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