

# Cape Cod South Closure Area

## Identification ►

### CITATION

#### CITATION INFORMATION

ORIGINATOR NOAA Fisheries Greater Atlantic Regional Fisheries Office

PUBLICATION DATE 2014-08-31

#### TITLE

Cape Cod South Closure Area

#### PUBLICATION INFORMATION

PUBLICATION PLACE Gloucester, MA

PUBLISHER NOAA National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) - Greater Atlantic Regional Fisheries Office (GARFO)

ONLINE LINKAGE <http://www.greateratlantic.fisheries.noaa.gov/gis>

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### DESCRIPTION

#### ABSTRACT

This dataset depicts the boundaries of the Cape Cod South Closure Area in ESRI shapefile format for the NOAA Fisheries Service's Greater Atlantic Regional Fisheries Office (GARFO). This shapefile includes boundaries for the following Regulated Areas:

- Cape Cod South Closure Area

Because GIS projection and topology functions can change or generalize coordinates, these GIS files are considered to be approximate representations and are NOT an OFFICIAL record for the exact regulated area boundaries. For information on the official legal definition refer to the Use Constraints metadata section.

#### PURPOSE

Beginning in 2010 and in response to mounting requests for digital depictions of NMFS Regulated Areas in Northeast and Mid-Atlantic Waters (Regulated Areas), the NMFS Greater Atlantic Regional Fisheries Office (GARFO) Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Committee launched a project to standardize the development, publication and regular updating of GIS files depicting Regulated Area boundaries. This dataset is a product of that initiative.

This dataset was created to depict the boundaries of NMFS Regulated Areas in Northeast and Mid-Atlantic Waters (Regulated Areas) only. For information on the proper use of the dataset refer to the Use Constraints metadata section.

#### TIME PERIOD OF CONTENT

#### TIME PERIOD INFORMATION

#### SINGLE DATE/TIME

CALENDAR DATE 2014-08-31

#### CURRENTNESS REFERENCE

Publication date

#### STATUS

PROGRESS Complete

MAINTENANCE AND UPDATE FREQUENCY As needed

#### SPATIAL DOMAIN

#### BOUNDING COORDINATES

WEST BOUNDING COORDINATE -80

EAST BOUNDING COORDINATE -64

NORTH BOUNDING COORDINATE 46

SOUTH BOUNDING COORDINATE 32

#### KEYWORDS

THEME

THEME KEYWORD [THESAURUS](#) ISO 19115 Topic Category  
THEME KEYWORD boundaries  
THEME KEYWORD environment  
THEME KEYWORD location  
THEME KEYWORD oceans  
THEME KEYWORD planningCadastre

THEME

THEME KEYWORD [THESAURUS](#) EPA GIS Keyword Thesaurus  
THEME KEYWORD Biology  
THEME KEYWORD Compliance  
THEME KEYWORD Conservation  
THEME KEYWORD Ecology  
THEME KEYWORD Ecosystem  
THEME KEYWORD Environment  
THEME KEYWORD Human  
THEME KEYWORD Management  
THEME KEYWORD Marine  
THEME KEYWORD Monitoring  
THEME KEYWORD Natural Resources  
THEME KEYWORD Permits  
THEME KEYWORD Regulatory  
THEME KEYWORD Water

THEME

THEME KEYWORD [THESAURUS](#) GARFO Keywords  
THEME KEYWORD Atlantic  
THEME KEYWORD EEZ  
THEME KEYWORD Exclusive Economic Zone  
THEME KEYWORD GARFO  
THEME KEYWORD Greater Atlantic Regional Fisheries Office  
THEME KEYWORD Harbor Porpoise Take Reduction Plan  
THEME KEYWORD HPTRP  
THEME KEYWORD Marine Mammal Protection Act  
THEME KEYWORD MMPA  
THEME KEYWORD National Marine Fisheries Service  
THEME KEYWORD National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration  
THEME KEYWORD NMFS  
THEME KEYWORD NOAA  
THEME KEYWORD US EEZ

PLACE

PLACE KEYWORD [THESAURUS](#) None  
PLACE KEYWORD Atlantic Ocean  
PLACE KEYWORD Greater Atlantic Region  
PLACE KEYWORD New England  
PLACE KEYWORD Southern New England  
PLACE KEYWORD United States  
PLACE KEYWORD US EEZ  
PLACE KEYWORD US Exclusive Economic Zone

ACCESS CONSTRAINTS

None.

USE CONSTRAINTS

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\*\*\* Not the Legal Definition \*\*\* This Geographic Information System (GIS) dataset is not the legal definition of the Regulated Area. The description published in the U.S. Code of Federal Regulations is the only legal definition. This dataset and metadata document provide a broad overview of a subset of applicable fishing regulations, restrictions and requirements; it is not a substitute for the actual regulations. Users are encouraged to read the applicable regulations in conjunction with use of this dataset.

\*\*\* Temporal Considerations \*\*\* Regulated Area boundary definitions are subject to change or modification. Published datasets may represent historic, current, or future Regulated Areas. When changes to fishing regulations affect this dataset, it will be archived and replaced by an updated version as soon as feasible. Approved Regulated Area boundaries may also be published prior to their effective date. It is the user's responsibility to ensure the applicable Regulated Area boundaries are being used.

\*\*\* Shorelines/Base Layers \*\*\* The accuracy of this dataset is dependent upon the accuracy and resolution of the datasets (e.g., shoreline, bathymetry, shared administrative boundaries) used in the creation process. Source datasets used are specified in the metadata. These data sources were selected for their suitability to a broad audience, and may not be suitable for specific uses requiring higher-resolution information.

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**SECURITY CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM** FIPS Pub 199

**SECURITY CLASSIFICATION** No Confidentiality

**SECURITY HANDLING DESCRIPTION** Standard Technical Controls

## Data Quality ►

**LOGICAL CONSISTENCY REPORT**

Check Geometry test has been performed in ArcGIS.

**COMPLETENESS REPORT**

Features represented are valid. No geometry problems were detected.

**POSITIONAL ACCURACY**

**HORIZONTAL POSITIONAL ACCURACY**

**HORIZONTAL POSITIONAL ACCURACY REPORT**

Data were collected using methods that are accurate to within 2-5 meters (EPA National Geospatial Data Policy [NGDP] Accuracy Tier 2). For more information, please see EPA's NGDP at <http://epa.gov/geospatial/policies.html>

**LINEAGE**

**SOURCE INFORMATION**

**SOURCE CITATION**

**CITATION INFORMATION**

**ORIGINATOR** Department of Commerce (DOC), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS)

**PUBLICATION DATE** 2014-05-13

**TITLE**

Electronic Code of Federal Regulations

**EDITION** Special Edition of the Federal Register

**GEOSPATIAL DATA PRESENTATION FORM** document

**PUBLICATION INFORMATION**

**PUBLICATION PLACE** Washington, DC

**PUBLISHER** Office of the Federal Register, National Archives and Records Administration and the Government Printing Office

**OTHER CITATION DETAILS**

The Electronic Code of Federal Regulations (e-CFR) is a current, daily updated version of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR). It is not an official legal edition of the CFR. The e-CFR is an unofficial editorial compilation of CFR material and Federal Register amendments. Because the e-CFR is updated daily, the PUBLICATION DATE identified above refers to "e-CFR Data is current as of" date posted on the e-CFR website at the time the spatial definition was accessed online.

**ONLINE LINKAGE** <http://www.ecfr.gov>

**TYPE OF SOURCE MEDIA** online

SOURCE TIME PERIOD OF CONTENT

TIME PERIOD INFORMATION

RANGE OF DATES/TIMES

BEGINNING DATE 2010-03-22

ENDING DATE present

SOURCE CURRENTNESS REFERENCE

publication date

SOURCE CITATION ABBREVIATION

e-CFR

SOURCE CONTRIBUTION

Spatial definitions for Regulated Area boundaries.

SOURCE INFORMATION

SOURCE CITATION

CITATION INFORMATION

ORIGINATOR Department of Commerce (DOC), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service (NOS), Office of Coast Survey (OCS)

PUBLICATION DATE 2011-05-01

TITLE

USMaritimeLimitsNBoundaries

EDITION 1

GEOSPATIAL DATA PRESENTATION FORM vector digital data

PUBLICATION INFORMATION

PUBLICATION PLACE Silver Spring, MD

PUBLISHER NOAA's Ocean Service, Office of Coast Survey (OCS)

ONLINE LINKAGE <http://www.nauticalcharts.noaa.gov/csdl/mbound.htm>

TYPE OF SOURCE MEDIA digital download (ESRI shapefile)

SOURCE TIME PERIOD OF CONTENT

TIME PERIOD INFORMATION

SINGLE DATE/TIME

CALENDAR DATE 2011-05-01

SOURCE CURRENTNESS REFERENCE

publication date

SOURCE CITATION ABBREVIATION

US EEZ

SOURCE CONTRIBUTION

This source marine boundary was used to generate template shapefiles, which were copied and used when Regulatory Area boundaries followed portions of the US Exclusive Economic Zone.

SOURCE INFORMATION

SOURCE CITATION

CITATION INFORMATION

ORIGINATOR Department of Commerce (DOC), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service (NOS), Special Projects (SP)

PUBLICATION DATE 1998

TITLE

NOAA's Medium Resolution Digital Vector Shoreline (1998) for the Contiguous United States

GEOSPATIAL DATA PRESENTATION FORM vector digital data

PUBLICATION INFORMATION

PUBLICATION PLACE Silver Spring, MD

PUBLISHER NOAA's Ocean Service, Special Projects (SP)

ONLINE LINKAGE <http://www.ngdc.noaa.gov/mgg/shorelines/noaamrdvs.html>

SOURCE SCALE DENOMINATOR 70000

TYPE OF SOURCE MEDIA digital download (ESRI shapefile)

SOURCE TIME PERIOD OF CONTENT

TIME PERIOD INFORMATION

RANGE OF DATES/TIMES

BEGINNING DATE 1988

ENDING DATE 1992

SOURCE CURRENTNESS REFERENCE

publication date

SOURCE CITATION ABBREVIATION

NOAA Medium Resolution Shoreline

SOURCE CONTRIBUTION

This source shoreline was used to generate template shapefiles, which were copied and used when Regulatory Area boundaries followed portions of the US Atlantic coastline. This data source was selected for its suitability to a broad audience, and may not be suitable for specific uses requiring higher-resolution information. Coastlines change. Unless otherwise noted, where the NOAA Medium Resolution Shoreline is used, assume the regulatory boundary reaches the most current coastline delineation available.

PROCESS STEP

PROCESS DESCRIPTION

[Template Generation] Many NMFS Regulated Areas in Northeast and Mid-Atlantic Waters (Regulated Areas) share boundaries that are partially coincident with any combination of the following: 1) the U.S. Atlantic coastline; 2) the Submerged Lands Act boundary; 3) the U.S.-Canada Maritime Boundary in the Gulf of Maine; 4) the outward extent of the U.S. Exclusive Economic Zone (a.k.a. the "200-nautical mile line"). To standardize Regulated Area features sharing these boundaries, published shapefiles of the shared administrative boundaries were obtained from the authoritative agencies. A shoreline was selected that was suitable for general mapping purposes, freely and publicly available, of medium-resolution, and covering the extent of the U.S.. When necessary, the boundaries were transformed to NAD83. A series of template polygon shapefiles were then generated, using these authoritative boundaries as the outward extents of the polygon. All templates were generated in NAD83 geographic coordinate system. The templates created are: 1) Coast-to-EEZ: bounded by the coastline, the U.S.-Canada Maritime Boundary, the U.S. EEZ, and 81°W longitude off the southern extent of Florida (an arbitrary cut-off for the Atlantic); 2) Coast-to-SLA: bounded by the coastline, the U.S.-Canada Maritime Boundary, the Submerged Lands Act boundary, and 81°W longitude off the southern extent of Florida; 3) SLA-to-EEZ: bounded by the Submerged Lands Act boundary, the U.S.-Canada Maritime Boundary, the U.S. EEZ, and 81°W longitude off the southern extent of Florida. These templates were subsequently copied and edited, as needed by the Regulated Area spatial definitions.

PROCESS DATE 2013

PROCESS STEP

PROCESS DESCRIPTION

[Get Definition Text] The current legal spatial definition for the Regulated Area was copied from the e-CFR website.

PROCESS DATE 2014

PROCESS STEP

PROCESS DESCRIPTION

[Features From Templates] The Coast-to-EEZ template shapefile was copied and projected to NAD83 Mercator Projection. The coordinates of the Regulated Area definition were transferred to a spreadsheet, converted to Decimal Degrees, plotted as a point shapefile in NAD83, and then projected to NAD83 Mercator Projection. To generate the Regulated Area boundary in ArcGIS, the template polygon was split by connecting these points in the order specified in the spatial definition. When the spatial definition specified that points were connected by following the Coastline the coinciding outward extent of the template polygon was used. When the spatial definition specified that points were connected by following a straight line, rhumb lines were constructed. As an exception, points intended to fall along the U.S.-Canada Maritime Boundary were connected by following the geodesic line that legally defines that international boundary. After all points were appropriately connected, any portions of the template outside the defined Regulated Area were discarded. When multiple Regulated Areas are a part of a larger grouping of related Regulated Areas, these steps were repeated to generate a unique feature for each

Regulated Area and the features were then combined into a single shapefile. The boundaries were densified with consecutive vertices spaced no more than 10 nautical miles apart, to preserve rhumb line paths in other coordinate systems. The file was projected back to the unprojected NAD83 coordinate system.

PROCESS DATE 2014

PROCESS STEP

PROCESS DESCRIPTION

[Cape Cod Canal] NOTE: Due to the resolution of the source coastline shapefile, Cape Cod Canal fully connects Cape Cod Bay to Buzzards Bay in the template shapefile, rendering Cape Cod as an island. Regulated Area definitions rarely specify a boundary across this canal, but one must be generated to fully "close off" a coastal polygon that is intended to be restricted to either side of Cape Cod. As a result, Cape Cod Canal was split, arbitrarily, at 70°34'W longitude.

PROCESS DATE 2014

PROCESS STEP

PROCESS DESCRIPTION

[Add Attributes] The standardized attribute schema was applied to the shapefile, and the fields were defined.

PROCESS DATE 2014

PROCESS STEP

PROCESS DESCRIPTION

[Policy Review] The Regulated Area spatial definition text, shapefile geometry and attribute values were reviewed with policy staff to verify that the shapefile accurately depicted and described the intended boundaries.

PROCESS DATE 2014

PROCESS STEP

PROCESS DESCRIPTION

[Check Geometry] The ESRI ArcGIS Check Geometry tool was run on the shapefile to identify any geometry problems. If problems were encountered, they were reviewed and corrected.

PROCESS DATE 2014

PROCESS STEP

PROCESS DESCRIPTION

[Metadata] A GARFO Regulated Area shapefile metadata template was developed using the EPA Metadata Editor v3.2. This template was applied and customized to reflect the specific characteristics of the given shapefile. The metadata was validated for FGDC CSDGM compliance.

PROCESS DATE 2014

PROCESS STEP

PROCESS DESCRIPTION

[Final Review] The shapefile was reviewed by members of the GARFO GIS Committee, policy experts from the GARFO Division responsible for the Regulated Area, and General Counsel, according to the GARFO GIS Data Distribution Policy.

PROCESS DATE 2014

PROCESS STEP

PROCESS DESCRIPTION

[Publication] The shapefile, with accompanying metadata, was uploaded for public download on the NOAA NMFS GARFO GIS website.

PROCESS DATE 2014-08-31

## Spatial Reference ►

HORIZONTAL COORDINATE SYSTEM DEFINITION

GEOGRAPHIC  
LATITUDE RESOLUTION 0.000001  
LONGITUDE RESOLUTION 0.000001  
GEOGRAPHIC COORDINATE UNITS Decimal degrees

GEODETTIC MODEL  
HORIZONTAL DATUM NAME North American Datum of 1983  
ELLIPSOID NAME Geodetic Reference System 1980  
SEMI-MAJOR AXIS 6378137.000000  
DENOMINATOR OF FLATTENING RATIO 298.257222

## Entities and Attributes ►

DETAILED DESCRIPTION  
ENTITY TYPE  
ENTITY TYPE LABEL Regulated Area  
ENTITY TYPE DEFINITION  
NMFS Regulated Areas in Northeast and Mid-Atlantic Waters  
ENTITY TYPE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO

ATTRIBUTE  
ATTRIBUTE LABEL FID  
ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION  
Internal feature number  
ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE ESRI  
ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES  
UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN  
System-generated internal feature number

ATTRIBUTE  
ATTRIBUTE LABEL Shape  
ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION  
Feature geometry  
ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE ESRI  
ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES  
UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN  
Coordinate geometry

ATTRIBUTE  
ATTRIBUTE LABEL GARFO\_ID  
ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION  
A unique identifier used to identify and track this feature; a new GARFO\_ID is generated for each version of a Regulated Area (i.e. whenever boundaries or attributes are changed, edited or updated)  
ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO  
ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES  
UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN  
System-generated number

ATTRIBUTE  
ATTRIBUTE LABEL AREANAME  
ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION  
Official name of the Regulated Area, usually the area name as printed in the CFR  
ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO  
ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES  
UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN  
Free text name



ATTRIBUTE

ATTRIBUTE LABEL COMMNAME

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION

Most commonly used name. May be identical to AREANAME, an abbreviation of AREANAME, or a different name altogether.

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO

ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES

UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN

Free text name

ATTRIBUTE

ATTRIBUTE LABEL AREAGROUP

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION

Specifies if the Regulated Area is part of a group of related areas

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO

ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES

UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN

Free text name

ATTRIBUTE

ATTRIBUTE LABEL DESCRIBE

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION

A brief description of the purpose of the Regulated Area

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO

ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES

UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN

Free text description

ATTRIBUTE

ATTRIBUTE LABEL CFRTITLE

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION

CFR Title citation where the Regulated Area is legally defined

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO

ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES

UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN

Free text name

ATTRIBUTE

ATTRIBUTE LABEL CFRPT

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION

CFR Part citation where the Regulated Area is legally defined

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO

ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES

UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN

Free text citation

ATTRIBUTE

ATTRIBUTE LABEL CFRPTTXT

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION

CFR Part citation header text

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO

ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES

UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN

Free text name

ATTRIBUTE

ATTRIBUTE LABEL CFRSUB

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION

CFR Subpart citation where the Regulated Area is legally defined

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO

ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES

UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN

Free text citation

ATTRIBUTE

ATTRIBUTE LABEL CFRSUBTXT

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION

CFR Subpart citation header text

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO

ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES

UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN

Free text name

ATTRIBUTE

ATTRIBUTE LABEL CFRSXN

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION

CFR Section citation where the Regulated Area is legally defined

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO

ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES

UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN

Free text citation

ATTRIBUTE

ATTRIBUTE LABEL CFRSXNTXT

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION

CFR Section citation header text

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO

ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES

UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN

Free text name

ATTRIBUTE

ATTRIBUTE LABEL CFRPARA

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION

CFR Paragraph citation where the Regulated Area is legally defined

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO

ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES

UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN

Free text citation

ATTRIBUTE

ATTRIBUTE LABEL CFRPARATXT

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION

CFR Paragraph citation header text

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO

ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES

UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN

Free text name

ATTRIBUTE

ATTRIBUTE LABEL FRCITE

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION

Federal Register citation of original Regulated Area spatial definition, or last modification to the spatial definition, whichever is most recent. Refers to SPATIAL DEFINITION ONLY. Subsequent FR notices may have modified the requirements affecting waters within or outside this Regulated Area.

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO  
ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES  
UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN  
Free text name

ATTRIBUTE  
ATTRIBUTE LABEL FRDATE  
ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION  
Federal Register citation date of original Regulated Area spatial definition, or the last modification to the spatial definition, whichever is most recent. Refers to SPATIAL DEFINITION ONLY. Subsequent FR notices may have modified the requirements affecting waters within or outside this Regulated Area.

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO  
ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES  
UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN  
Date

ATTRIBUTE  
ATTRIBUTE LABEL EFFECTDATE  
ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION  
Date Regulated Area officially became law, or most recent modification  
ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO  
ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES  
UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN  
Date

ATTRIBUTE  
ATTRIBUTE LABEL SOURCE  
ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION  
If Regulated Area is defined in the CFR, this is the citation for the Amendment/Framework/etc. that established the area. If the Regulated Area is not defined in the CFR, this is the alternative source citation establishing the Regulated Area.  
ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO  
ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES  
UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN  
Free text citation

ATTRIBUTE  
ATTRIBUTE LABEL RECURST  
ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION  
Annually recurring date Regulated Area becomes active  
ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO  
ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES  
UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN  
Date

ATTRIBUTE  
ATTRIBUTE LABEL RECUREND  
ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION  
Annually recurring date Regulated Area becomes inactive  
ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO  
ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES  
UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN  
Date

ATTRIBUTE  
ATTRIBUTE LABEL GISAUTHOR  
ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION

Name of the NOAA staff person who created the GIS feature

[ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE](#) GARFO

[ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES](#)

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[ATTRIBUTE](#)

[ATTRIBUTE LABEL](#) CREATED

[ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION](#)

Creation date of the GIS feature

[ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE](#) GARFO

[ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES](#)

[UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN](#)

Date

[ATTRIBUTE](#)

[ATTRIBUTE LABEL](#) AREANOTES

[ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION](#)

Miscellaneous notes regarding the Regulated Area or feature

[ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE](#) GARFO

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[UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN](#)

Free text description

[OVERVIEW DESCRIPTION](#)

[ENTITY AND ATTRIBUTE OVERVIEW](#)

Entity Attributes provide reference information for the Regulated Areas represented. Attributes provide citations for the legal spatial definition and originating documents, and currentness information for each area.

[ENTITY AND ATTRIBUTE DETAIL CITATION](#)

FILEDS\_Map.xlsx fully describes the Attribute Schema used for regulated area GIS data sets. To access this document, see the Contact Information.

## Distribution Information ►

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METADATA FUTURE REVIEW DATE 2018-08-31

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METADATA STANDARD NAME FGDC Content Standard for Digital Geospatial Metadata

METADATA STANDARD VERSION FGDC-STD-001-1998