



17th Salmon Ocean Ecology Meeting - First Announcement



Baranof Hotel, Juneau, Alaska 29-31 March 2016

Intermittently since 1980 and nearly yearly since 2000, researchers from California to Alaska have met to exchange ideas and information related to ongoing salmon marine ecology research. The meeting is intended to be comfortably informal with many areas of focus ranging from animal behaviour to physical oceanography to stock assessment and students are encouraged to participate.

The 17th Annual Salmon Ocean Ecology Meeting (SOEM) will be sponsored by NOAA's Alaska Fisheries Science Center and will be held in Juneau, Alaska on 29-31 March in 2016. This three-day meeting will kick off with a one-day discussion session, focusing on physical and biological ocean conditions observed in 2015. Managers and interested researchers from throughout the eastern Pacific are invited to attend this roundtable discussion on how the previous year's ecosystem state may influence future recruitment and fisheries production.

The general format for this year's SOEM will follow previous years with the tradition of a salmon forecasting forum (Tuesday March 29th), so come prepared with informed (or not) estimates of how well your local salmon stocks will be performing in the upcoming year. The winners will receive a bottle of cheap wine and priceless bragging rights! The forecasting forum will be followed by 20-minute talks occurring on Wednesday and Thursday March 30-31. Wednesday will finish with a brief poster session (with refreshments) and an optional dinner social. Regional Coordinators of the 2016 Salmon Ocean Ecology Meeting

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A meeting information site will be under construction soon, so please stay tuned for further information on registration, accommodations and social events.

If you are a NOAA employee traveling to this meeting please let us know as soon as possible for the Group Travel Request.

Thank you

