

Long Island Sound Blue Plan Outreach Meetings/Webinar

Agenda

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Objectives:

- "Non-data groups" feel sufficiently engaged in process; empowered and encouraged to come to us so we can represent their unique interests
- Non-data groups understand what the plan is and isn't
- Non-data groups understand best avenues to contribute (i.e., take aquaculture concerns to Sylvain, boating concerns to Nathan)

Materials:

- Compatibility matrices; examples of how policies might be defined
- Full color-coded sector list

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1. Welcome and introductions [Christian Fox; The Nature Conservancy (TNC)] – 5 minutes
 - Who we are; roles and responsibilities
 - Purpose of this meeting
2. Blue Plan overview (Nathan Frohling; TNC) – 20 minutes
 - What the Blue Plan is and isn't
 - Blue Plan Process overall
 - Expected outcomes (policies)
3. Inventory Specifics (Sylvain DeGuise; CT Sea Grant) – 20 minutes
 - Process for populating inventory thus far; ecological and human use
 - Difference between groups we've engaged over data products and Non-data groups
 - How information in chapters will be used for planning
 - Where input is still most needed in Inventory
 - i. Participatory mapping, where most needed
 - How Non-data groups can contribute to "descriptive understanding" narrative of both their specialties and of spatial-data sectors
4. Blue Plan Process Going Forward (David Blatt and Brian Thompson; CT DEEP)– 10 minutes
 - Further outreach
 - Inventory review: Public hearing, comments, etc.
 - Policies based on Inventory/Planning process
5. Group discussion – 30 minutes
 - What are your expectations for the Blue Plan?
 - When during the process would you like to be engaged?
 - What kind of outreach do you need to feel engaged?
6. Summary and next steps (Christian) – 5 minutes