



Webinar Series: Marine Protected Area Management and the Role of Federal Agencies, States and the Public

Hosted by AFWA's Ocean Resources Policy Committee

Join us for a webinar series on U.S. marine protected area (MPA) programs. Each webinar will feature presentations on individual federal agency MPA programs and will discuss legal authorities, program objectives, designation processes, management approaches, relationships with state governments, stakeholder engagement and public involvement. The webinars will be formatted to allow for interactive discussion and questions with the federal agency representatives after each formal presentation.

In an effort to build upon the webinar series, and increase AFWA member collaboration and communication with MPA Programs, the Ocean Resources Policy Committee will be holding a one hour panel discussion with federal agency representatives at North American Wildlife and Natural Resources Conference in Norfolk, VA on March 30th from 10-11AM EST. All attendees are invited to participate.

Upcoming Webinars

Marine Protected Areas 101

December 14, 2:00-3:00 EST

This webinar will provide an introductory overview from the National Marine Protected Areas Center to the nation's MPA programs, including the definition of an MPA, and the different federal, state and partnership programs that manage MPAs.

Marine Protected Area Programs at NOAA

January 11, 2:00-3:30 EST

This webinar will include presentations on National Marine Sanctuaries, Marine National Monuments, National Estuarine Research Reserves and MPAs managed by NOAA Fisheries.

Marine Protected Area Programs at the Department of the Interior

February 13, 2:00-3:30 EST

This webinar will include presentations on coastal and marine National Parks, National Wildlife Refuges and Marine National Monuments.