



## Mapping Marine and Estuarine Ecosystems of North America ¾ Workshop to Develop a Continental Framework

NOAA's Coastal Services Center  
Charleston, SC

March 12 – 14, 2002

### PRELIMINARY AGENDA Tuesday, March 12, 2002

*Plenary*  
*Conference room 201 A,B,C (open)*

- 8:00 – 8:30 Welcome & Breakfast
- 8:30 – 8:40 Workshop Expectations  
*Thom Meredith, McGill University*
- 8:40 – 9:00 State of North American Biodiversity &  
CEC's Strategy for the Conservation of Biodiversity  
*Hans Herrmann, CEC*
- 9:00 – 10:00 Project Background
- Rolling up to NA: why we need a NA framework and where it fits globally  
*Ed Wiken, WHC*
  - Project history and approach followed  
*Juan Bezaury Creel, WWF Mexico*
  - Needs Assessment and how we're moving forward  
*Tom Hourigan, NOAA*
- 10:00 – 10:15 Break
- 10:15 – 10:30 Working on the same page – review of criteria and variables followed  
*Carlos Valdés, CEC*
- 10:30 – 12:00 Description of progress to date by Country Teams (30 minutes each)
- Canada*
  - Mexico*
  - US*
- 12:00 – 12:50 Questions/Discussion
- 12:50 – 13:00 Workshop Logistics  
*Thom Meredith, McGill University*
- 13:00 – 14:00 Lunch

**Country Teams Meetings**

*Breakout groups by country  
Conference rooms 201 A,B,C  
& Training Lab available (GIS)*

14:00 – 15:30 Country Team Meetings  
- continue drafting country strawman  
- review country progress to date  
- review other countries' progress to date

15:30 – 15:45 Break

15:45 – 17:15 Country Team Meetings (cont.)

**Plenary**

*Conference room 201 A,B,C (open)*

17:15 – 17:30 Recap of day's work and preparation for tomorrow

**Wednesday, March 13, 2002****Country Teams Meetings**

*Breakout groups by country  
Conference rooms 201 A,B,C(separated)  
& Training Lab available (GIS)*

8:00 – 8:30 Breakfast

8:30 – 10:00 Country Team Meetings (cont.)

10:00 – 10:15 Break

10:30 – 12:00 Country Team Meetings (cont.)

12:00 – 13:00 Lunch

13:00 – 15:00 Country Team Meetings (cont.)

15:00 – 15:15 Break

**Trinational Team Meeting****Plenary**

*Conference room 201 A,B,C (open)*

Recap of workshop progress – How are we matching up?

15:15 – 16:20 Presentations by Country Groups (20 minutes each)  
- key points of review process (changes to country maps; commonalties; differences)

16:20 – 17:30 Questions/Discussion

**Thursday, March 14, 2002**  
**Trinational Team Meeting**

*Plenary*  
*Conference room 201 A,B,C (open)*

8:00 – 8:30 Breakfast

8:30 – 9:00 Preparation for today's work/Questions

**Trinational Team Meeting**

*Breakout groups by region*  
*Conference room 201 A,B,C (separated)*  
*& Training Lab available (GIS)*

9:00 – 10:00 Review of Country Teams' workshop progress/Development of the trinational strawman

10:00 – 10:15 Break

10:15 – 12:00 Review of Country Teams' workshop progress/Development of the trinational strawman (cont.)

12:00 – 13:00 Lunch

13:00 – 15:00 Review of Country Teams' workshop progress/Development of the trinational strawman (cont.)

15:00 – 15:15 Break

*Plenary*  
*Conference room 201 A,B,C (open)*

15:15 – 17:00 Recap of workshop progress  
Presentations by Regional Groups (20 minutes each)  
- key points of review process (changes to maps by region; commonalties; differences)  
Next steps

17:00 Meeting Adjourned

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