

# WEST COAST ENTANGLEMENT SCIENCE WORKSHOP

The purpose of the West Coast Entanglement Science Workshop is to Identify opportunities for best available science to inform near-term development of whale and sea turtle entanglement mitigation strategies and adaptive management of entanglement risk along the West Coast. The workshop will be held as a 5-part series of virtual modules between August 25-September 3. Participation in all modules is encouraged, but not mandatory.

## Workshop objectives:

- Review and preview the best available science on understanding, preventing, and reducing entanglement risk in West Coast fixed-gear fisheries;
- Identify near-term opportunities to apply best available science to management frameworks;
- Identify research needs to improve application of available science to management frameworks and opportunities for improved coordination and collaboration; and
- Discuss opportunities to overcome barriers to gear innovation through a special session on gear innovation.

**Workshop webpage:** [opc.ca.gov/west-coast-entanglement-science-workshop/](http://opc.ca.gov/west-coast-entanglement-science-workshop/)

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## MODULE 2 AGENDA | THURSDAY, AUGUST 27 | 9AM – 1PM

**Join the workshop by computer (recommended):** [click here](#)

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### 9:00 – 9:15 am Welcome back

- Dan Lawson, NOAA Fisheries, West Coast Regional Office
- WebEx orientation: Dana Stefan, Ross Strategic

### 9:15 – 10:45 am Forecasting and monitoring marine species dynamics (continued)

*Objective: Explore the information streams and models that help us understand the dynamics of marine species (e.g., movement and time/space distribution of whales and turtles).*

#### Moderator:

- Dan Lawson, NOAA Fisheries, West Coast Regional Office

#### Presenters:

- Jaime Jahncke, Point Blue Conservation Science
- Karin Forney, NOAA Fisheries, Southwest Fisheries Science Center
- Briana Abrahms, NOAA Fisheries / University of Washington
- Jarrod Santora, NOAA Fisheries / UC Santa Cruz

#### Panelists:

- Sonke Mastrup, California Department of Fish and Wildlife
- John Mellor, Commercial Fisherman, CA
- Caren Braby, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife
- Tim Novotny, Oregon Dungeness Crab Commission
- Victoria Knorr, Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife
- Larry Thevik, Commercial Fisherman, WA
- John Calambokidis, Cascadia Research
- Elliott Hazen, NOAA Fisheries, Southwest Fisheries Science Center

10:45 – 11:15 am **BREAK**

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## 11:15 am – 1:00 pm Understanding fishing dynamics

*Objective: Explore the information streams and models that help us understand the dynamics of fishing activity (e.g., time/space distribution of fishing effort) and consider specific information needs to improve management of entanglement risk.*

### Moderator:

- Kate Kauer, The Nature Conservancy

### Presenters:

- Blake Feist, NOAA Fisheries, Northwest Fisheries Science Center
- Owen Liu, NOAA Fisheries, Northwest Fisheries Science Center
- Cotton Rockwood, Point Blue Conservation Science
- Kathi George, The Marine Mammal Center

### Panelists:

- Sonke Mastrup, California Department of Fish and Wildlife
- Lisa Damrosch, Morning Star Fisheries, CA
- Caren Braby, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife
- John Corbin, Commercial Fisherman, OR
- Dan Ayres, Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife
- Larry Thevik, Commercial Fisherman, OR
- Dave Colpo, Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission

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