Managing Visitor Use in Coastal and Marine Protected Areas

Thursday & Friday, April 29–30, 2004
The Cape Codder Resort and Spa, Route 132 & Bearse's Way, Hyannis, MA













As more people choose to live, work, and play along our nation's coasts, coastal and marine resource management professionals are challenged with balancing the changing demands of the public with the management of the resources under their care.

This training workshop provides an overview of the human dimensions of coastal and marine protected area management, offers examples of visitor use and associated impacts to natural resources and visitor experiences, and demonstrates applications to help coastal and land-use managers address the people side of recreation resource management. The workshop will feature national and local speakers addressing topics related to visitor use planning, recreational impacts to wildlife, and regional visitor use monitoring. Presentations will include:

"Visitor Use Challenges in Coastal and Marine Protected Areas"

Tom Fish, NOAA Coastal Services Center

"A Practical Approach to Solving Visitor Use Problems" Theresa Coble, Stephen F. Austin State University

"Visitor Use Management on Cape Cod" Local Experts invited

The full agenda can be viewed at www.coastaltraining.org.

There is no cost to attend. To register, please contact Laurie Tompkins at the Waquoit Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve by telephone at (508) 457-0495 (ext. 108) or by e-mail at *Laurie.Tompkins@state.ma.us*. The registration deadline is April 22, 2004.



