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Subject:Understanding MPAs Workshop in Seattle

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Don,

The National Marine Protected Areas Center's Training and Technical Assistance Institute (Charleston, SC) has developed a one day workshop for the general public entitled "Understanding Marine Protected Areas." As a courtesy to the coastal and marine management community, we wanted to give you and others in the Seattle area a "heads-up" that we will be holding the workshop on Saturday, March 27, 2004 at the Seattle Aquarium. The target audience of this interactive workshop is the general public - people who may not be familiar with the complexities and issues surrounding MPAs, but who may have heard about MPAs through mass media or other sources.

The workshop is not designed for managers, nor any particular subset of MPA stakeholders. This workshop has been designed to be politically neutral; the workshop is not intended to foster support for MPAs, but rather to provide a neutral and comprehensive source of information on what MPAs are, how they function, and how people can get involved.

If you would like to provide any materials from your organization to distribute at the workshop, we can arrange to have those materials made available. A detailed description of the course (UMPAs_Overview.doc) is attached to this message.

Feel free to contact me if you have any questions about the workshop or to arrange to have materials made available.

Thank you,

Greg Moretti

(Don, please feel free to pass this message on to your colleagues and members of the Pacific Fishery Management Council.)

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