

Harvesting Cooperatives Workshop

December 17, 2004

Urban Forestry Center, Portsmouth, NH

This day-long workshop will consist of four presentations to provide information about harvesting cooperatives. The morning session will consist of an overview to help put harvest cooperatives in perspective (Bob Pomeroy), a case study of community – based fisheries management (Sherm Hoyt), our keynote speaker from the West Coast that will discuss the legal aspects of harvesting cooperatives and the lessons we can learn from them (Joe Sullivan) and finally, perspectives of a member from West Coast harvesting cooperative (Teresa Kandianis). In the afternoon, there will be a working session and attendees will discuss what a blueprint for a harvesting cooperative in New England might look like. There will be discussion regarding these ideas and how they could be implemented as alternative management strategies.

- 9:00 AM Welcome – Introductions
- 9:15 AM Rights-Based Fisheries Management and Fish Harvesting Cooperatives – Dr. Robert Pomeroy, Connecticut Sea Grant
- 10:00 AM Georges River - A Case Study - Sherm Hoyt – Maine Sea Grant
- 10:30 AM Break
- 10:45 AM Harvesting Cooperatives on the West Coast – Joe Sullivan – Attorney of Fisheries related law – Seattle, Washington
- 11:55 AM Views of a co-owner of vessels in the Alaskan Weathervane Scallop Harvesting Cooperative - Teresa Kandianis – Kodiak Fish Company – Seattle, Washington
- 12:30 PM. Lunch
- 1:30 PM Blueprint for a general harvesting cooperative
- 3:00 PM Break
- 3:15 PM. Discussion/questions
- 4:30 PM Summary/Conclusion – Joe Sullivan