



2010 Massachusetts Recreational Boating Survey Results Are Completed

New research from the Urban Harbors Institute at UMass Boston and Massachusetts Ocean Partnership has revealed that the economic contribution to the Commonwealth from saltwater recreational boating trips by Massachusetts boaters during the 2010 boating season was at least \$806 million, which supported over 4,700 jobs. Using an innovative, online mapping tool designed specifically for the survey, boaters were able to plot trips, which were then compiled into comprehensive maps depicting recreational boating patterns and density.



LINKS

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Northeast Ocean Data Portal Launched

Attendees at the National Ocean Council's National Coastal and Marine Spatial Planning (CMSP) Workshop in Washington, DC were the first to learn about a new online tool that will enhance ocean planning efforts considerably. The new Northeast Ocean Data Portal contains regional spatial data on human activities, natural resources, and jurisdictional information for New England's coasts and ocean waters. These data are available to the public and can be viewed online and downloaded for use in GIS platforms. [See the new site.](#)



MOP Out & About

7-18 through 7-21, 2011: Coastal Zone Management '11, Chicago, *Nick will be presenting the ocean data portal and Kim will be presenting MSP indicators. Both will be contributing to the larger Northeast MSP success stories.*

6-29-11: Legislative Boating Caucus Meeting, Boston. *Nick and Kim along with researchers from Urban Harbors Institute and UMass Boston were asked by the Massachusetts Marine Trade Association to present the findings of the 2010 Recreational Boater Survey.*

6-21 through 6-23: National Ocean Council's National Coastal and Marine Spatial Planning (CMSP) Workshop, Washington DC, *Stephanie was a panelist at this workshop that included about 250 representatives of states, tribes and federal entities involved in regional scale CMSP efforts. The hands-on CMSP experience of the Northeast proved invaluable to several panels. Much of the workshop is viewable through an [online video.](#)*

5-12 through 5-18-11: Second International Marine Conservation Congress, British Columbia. *Nick presented the northeast ocean data portal and on the implementation of marine spatial planning in MA.*

4-12-11: American Planning Association, National Conference, Boston, *Stephanie and John Weber commented on the Massachusetts marine spatial planning experience.*

UPCOMING EVENT

Annual Partners Meeting

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This year we are pleased to offer a half-day agenda that will update everyone on the key coastal and marine spatial planning topics, like the status of the MA Ocean Management Plan, National Ocean Policy developments and the state-federal offshore wind siting processes.

MEETING DETAILS:

July 13th, 2011
1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
at the Exchange Conference Center
at the Boston Fish Pier.

Reception from 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
with substantial
hors d'oeuvres and a partially-open bar
(the first two are on us).



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