

Ocean Studies Board Spring 2025 Meeting Washington, DC

May 1-2, 2025

In-Person

Contact swyne@nas.edu to sign up to attend the meeting at the Keck Center (500 5th St. NW)

Remote

Zoom connection information will be sent to meeting registrants

Registration Link: [REGISTER](#)

THURSDAY, MAY 1, 2025

(Eastern US Time Zone)

OPEN SESSION

8:00 Breakfast

8:30–9:30 Review of goals for meeting

9:30–11:00 Briefing on Decadal Survey

Tuba Ozkan-Haller and Jim Yoder, committee co-chairs

Response from NSF

Lisa Clough, acting OCE director

11:00–12:00 Congressional staff –TBD

12:00–1:15 Working Lunch

1:15–2:00 Updates from SCOR

Emily Twigg, Executive Director

Ocean Decade Subcommittee

Tony Macdonald, Chair of US NDC and subcommittee

2:00–3:30 Oil Spill Science and Response

- OSB Oil Spill Portfolio and Next Steps (30 minutes)
 - Special Topic: Chemical Herders
 - Michael Hernandez, Oil Spill Response Limited (15 minutes)*
 - Abby Renegar, Nova Southeastern University (15 minutes)*
 - Kelly McFarlin, ExxonMobil (15 minutes)*
- Q&A (15 minutes)

Open Session adjourns

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4:00–5:00 Closed session discussion of emerging issues in ocean science.

6:00–7:30 **26th Annual Roger Revelle Commemorative Lecture - Oceanography in the age of intelligent robots and a changing climate** ([register here](#))

Chris Scholin, President and CEO, Monterey Bay Aquarium Research Institute

FRIDAY, MAY 2, 2025

8:30–9:30 Review of topics from yesterday and goals for the day.

OPEN SESSION

9:30–10:30 Coastal organizations – Coastal States Organization, NAML, and CERF invited.

11:00–12:30 Proposed new activities and studies

- Proposed activity on bathymetry data
 - Standards for ocean mapping and the NOMECS strategy
 - Panel discussion with guests and OSB members
- Other topic suggestions from OSB members

12:30–1:30 Lunch break

1:30–4:00 Fisheries subcommittee*

- Efficiencies in data acquisition and provision of fisheries science advice to management
- Developing forward-looking snapshots for socio-economic trends:
 - Alaska Seafood Snapshot: <https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/resource/outreach-materials/alaska-seafood-snapshot>
 - Shrimp Futures Initiative: <https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/southeast/socioeconomics/shrimp-futures-initiative#:~:text=Scientists%20at%20NOAA's%20Southeast%20Fisheries,members%20of%20the%20shrimp%20industry.>
- Request for study on IUU Fishing in the FISH Act: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/119th-congress/senate-bill/688/text?s=3&r=6&q=%7B%22search%22%3A%22S.+688%22%7D>

*For those not attending the fisheries subcommittee, we will set up one or two groups to work on developing the new activities.

4:00–5:00 Meeting wrap-up

MEETING ADJOURNS