# **Ecosystem Based Management Overview**



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**Challenge:** Need to implement coordinated and collaborative adaptation & mitigation planning to prepare for and respond to climate change impacts

**Opportunity:** Climate-informed and inclusive EBM/EBFM has potential to effectively address climate change challenges (\*most often if coupled with climate mitigation)



# **Ecosystem Based Management Continuum**



Dolan et al. 2016 https://doi.org/10.1093/icesjms/fsv242

# Single species management





Fisheries focused management

# Ecosystem Approach to Fisheries Management



Fisheries focused management



• Consider ecological & climate effects on focal species

Ecosystem Based Fisheries Management



Managing fisheries from a whole ecosystem perspective



- Consider ecological & climate effects on focal species
- Consider (& manage for) ecological impacts of harvest on other parts of the ecosystem

# Ecosystem Based Management

Taking a whole ecosystem perspective to manage all resources Balance multiple
interacting
pressures,
benefits, &
interconnected
responses across
the system &
sectors

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EBM

EBFN

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Management Framework

> Regional Ocean Plans

Fisheries Ecosystem Plan

> Fishery lanagement Plan

Fishery Management Plan



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Barbeaux et al. (2020) doi: 10.3389/fmars.2020.00703



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# Eastern Bering Sea Fisheries Ecosystem Plan (FEP)

Bering Sea Fishery Ecosystem Plan

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2020 Local Knowledge, Traditional Knowledge & Subsistence Information Task Force 2020 Climate Change Task Force

# Local Knowledge, Traditional Knowledge, and Subsistence Task Force

D2 LKTKS Protocol APRIL 2023

Protocol for Identifying, Analyzing, and Incorporating Local Knowledge, Traditional Knowledge, and Subsistence Information into the North Pacific Fishery Management Council's Decision-making Process

March 17, 2023

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#### Abstract:

This Protocol provides guidance for identifying, analyzing, and incorporating Local Knowledge, Traditional Knowledge, and subsistence information into the Council's decision-making process.<sup>1</sup> <sup>2</sup> The Protocol is the result of a collaborative, multi-year effort from the Council's Local Knowledge, Traditional Knowledge, and Subsistence TakkTorce, which is a nonimated body formed under Action Module 2 in the Bering Sea Fishery Ecosystem Plan. This Protocol is specific to the Bering Sea region, though it could be used more widely as the information within is relevant to Council advased to the Council advased to the public. The full Protocol provides the Council foundational information for working with Local Knowledge, Traditional Knowledge, and subsistence information. However, the primary content for how to best identify, analyze, and incorporate Local Knowledge, Traditional Knowledge, the social science of Local Knowledge and Traditional Knowledge, and subsistence information within the context of the Council videnties for engaging and working with these knowledge systems and expertise. Each guideline is followed by some ideas illustrating different ways to move forward related work to help the Council consider what it might look like to put the guidelines into practice.

<sup>1</sup> The Taskforce chose to work with the term 'Traditional Knowledge' because it resonates with knowledge holders and existing work on Indigenous knowledge systems in the Bering Sea region. <sup>2</sup> The Council's motion adopting the goals and objectives for this Taskforce can be found here:

https://meetinas.npfmc.org/CommentReview/DownloadFile?p=cc213a15-6672-4d0b-9fad-64071938804\_pdf&fileName=D3%20MOTION%20.pdf Accessibility of this Document: Effort has been made to make this document accessible to individuals with

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### Protocol guidelines

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https://meetings.npfmc.org/CommentReview/DownloadFile?p=01b5068d-0440-46af-ab1e-50b899ae2faf.pdf&fileName=LKTKS%20Protocol.pdf

### Climate information "on ramps" for EBFM

Climate informed annual\* stock and ecosystem assessments & EBFM advice

Climate information in near-term ecosystem based management targets

Climate-ready Ecosystem Based Fisheries Management planning, information & design

KEY: Matching climate information & projections to scale of decision making & advice

On-ramp 1

#### Tactical Near-term Advice (<2 yr)

Climate change information incorperated into stock assessment models, stockspecific indicators (ESPs), stock-specific risk tables (as appropriate).

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#### Strategic & Long-term Advice (>2 yr)

Climate - informed long-term strategic decision making & planning informed by IK, LK, and climate & management scenario evaluations, risk assessments, & adaptation efficacy & feasibility evaluations.

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On-ramp 2

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### Why might we need cross-sector decision making?

Because social-ecological systems are complex networks, climate change impacts multiple parts of the system at the same time, and a response in one area can impact adaptation effectiveness in another.

### If we don't account for that we might:

- Inadvertently amplify climate impacts
- Expand inequities in the system
- May not see the whole picture and miss impacts that are lagged
- Might react too slowly...

or too strongly...

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### Interacting and Overlapping Features of Human–Natural Systems

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Climate-related experiences & actions connect with many other activities & contexts.

# Climate change & EBM

- Ecosystem Based Management (EBM) is a framework that considers complex social & ecological interdependencies
- Often supports interdisciplinary collaborations in order to understand social-ecological connections
- Recent advancements include bringing climate change impacts & response – both ecological and social – into EBM planning & advice to support resilience
- Broader more complex EBM is needed for climate advice & places an increased emphasis on transdisciplinary approaches & bridging multiple knowledge systems

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https://learnz.org.nz/seaweedaquaculture211/discover/ecosyst em-based-management

# from NPFMC **Ecosystem Policy and** Vision Statement Adopted 2014

- The Council envisions sustainable fisheries that provide benefits for harvesters, processors, recreational and subsistence users, and fishing communities, which:
  - (1) are maintained by healthy, productive, biodiverse, resilient marine ecosystems that support a range of services;
  - (2) support robust populations of marine species at all trophic levels, including marine mammals and seabirds; and
  - (3) are managed using a precautionary, transparent, and inclusive process that allows for analyses of tradeoffs, accounts for changing conditions, and mitigates threats.
- The Council intends that fishery management explicitly take into account environmental variability and uncertainty, changes and trends in climate and oceanographic conditions, fluctuations in productivity for managed species, and associated ecosystem components..., and relationships between marine species.

# predictive tools to reduce uncertainty

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## **Current Bering10K high resolution oceanographic seasonal forecasts**

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Slide: Kelly Kearney (AFSC)

https://beringnpz.github.io/roms-bering-sea/B10K-dataset-docs/

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# Open Science: interactive species distribution tools

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https://mgoodman.shinyapps.io/aclim2\_sdms\_explorer/

# **Build on progress from Integrated Modeling Projects**

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High resolution climate forecast, hindcasts, decadal predictions & projections

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# Inclusive processes to assess impacts, trade-offs, and solutions

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### Socioecological Vulnerability of Climate Change on Fishing Communities

#### Assessment framework used to determine the coupled social-ecological likelihood of **Collectively understand:** fishing communities to be adversely affected by climate change on the U.S. West Coast. Ecological Economic Social COMMUNITY VULNERABILITY Climate drivers COMMUNITY RISK Degree to which а COMMUNITY EXPOSURE community is susceptible to Degree to which a Climate impacts community is susceptible to climate change moderated Level of effects experienced ECOLOGICAL RISK by its ability to adapt. climate change. by a community from climate change as determined by the Value & importance Degree to which a species is ecological risk and economic susceptible to climate importance of their target change. species. Sensitivity & dependency SITIVIT COMM ATANCI Adaptive capacity COM FC07 **Community Adaptive Capacity** Ecological Exposure Economic Importance **Community Sensitivity** Degree to which a species is Percent of total revenue for each How likely a community is to be The ability to adapt, cope, and subject to climate change species for each community. affected by climate-driven recover from impacts of climate Chlorophy changes on fisheries resources impacts. change. based on its economic reliance **Ecological Sensitivity** on commercial fishing. How likely a species will be affected by changes in environmental conditions. SOCIAL FACTORS OF COMMUNITY ADAPTIVE CAPACITY

There are 15 factors that are used to calculate a community's adaptive capacity:

Koehen et al. 2022 Social-ecological vulnerability of fishing communities to climate change: A U.S. West Coast case study. DOI:10.1371/journal.pone.0272120

Adaptation Actions Defined by Multiple Factors

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Does climate readiness need inclusive and cross-sector EBM? Why or why not?

If so how, who, and why? Specifics...

- Sectors
- Timelines (how far ahead is it needed)
- Timeframes (when ? soon, next decade +..)
- Data & information specifics
- Management tools (specific strengths, weaknesses of each approach)

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# How might these change across scenarios?

# **Types of Management Actions**

Catch Quotas: Specify overfishing limits (OFL), allowable biological catch levels (ABC), and total allowable catch (TAC)

Gear Types and Seasons: identification of legal gear types, and seasons to distribute harvest in time to avoid ger conflicts, reduce bycatch and marine mammal interactions

Bycatch and PSC: Bycatch and prohibited species catch limits, time/ area/ gear type closures

Protected Resources: Time and area closures to protect critical areas, prey species limitations

Habitat: Description and identification of essential fish habitat for all managed species, gear/area closures to protect key areas

Community Protections: Harvest quota set asides for communities, regional delivery restrictions

Limited Access Privileges: Create limited access programs, sector allocations, rationalization privileges

https://www.npfmc.org/how-we-work/management-policies/

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# **QUESTIONS?**

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