



Capitol Hill Ocean Week 2010 Clean Energy and a Healthy Ocean: Navigating the Future

WHAT: *Capitol Hill Ocean Week 2010* (June 8-10) is the premier ocean-focused conference in Washington, D.C. that provides ocean policy stakeholders with unique opportunities to advance current ocean and coastal issues. Panel speakers include Members of Congress, as well as representatives of the federal and state government, industry, academia, and nonprofits. This year, the symposium will *focus on the intersection between ocean and energy issues*. Panelists will examine the many ways in which ocean energy choices can help shape a secure future for both coastal communities and marine resources. Speakers will consider the policy, legal, regulatory, financial and infrastructure challenges in developing clean ocean energy sources and suggest potential solutions that can help secure a healthy ocean and clean energy future.

In conjunction with Capitol Hill Ocean Week 2010, the National Marine Sanctuary Foundation (NMSF) is planning its annual *Leadership Awards Dinner* on June 8, 2010, also a celebration of the Foundation's 10th Anniversary. The NMSF will present its *Leadership Award* and its *Lifetime Achievement Award*, and the *NMSF Volunteer of the Year Award*. Recipients to be determined.

INVITEES: Members of Congress, Capitol Hill staff, federal, state and local government representatives, industry, academia, non-profits and other stakeholders with an interest in ocean issues.

HOST: National Marine Sanctuary Foundation

SPONSORS

TO DATE: U.S. Department of the Interior, U.S. DOI Minerals Management Service, NOAA Fisheries Service, NOAA Research, Monterey Bay Aquarium, National Geographic Society, NOAA Coral Reef Conservation Program, Pacific Life, Sea Research Foundation, Keith Campbell Foundation for the Environment, National Ocean Industries Association, Alaska SeaLife Center, World Wildlife Fund. *Please contact Joy Williams at (202) 441-7550 or joy@nmsfocean.org if you are interested in supporting Capitol Hill Ocean Week.*

WHEN: June 8, 9 & 10, 2010

WHERE: *Capitol Hill Ocean Week Symposium:* Reserve Officers Association Building
Leadership Awards Dinner: Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center

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