



Workshop 4

Date: April 11, 2017

Time: 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Place: Four Points by Sheraton Conference Facilities, Ventura Harbor

Environmental Effects and Best Management Practices

The Ventura Shellfish Enterprise (VSE) is a collaborative effort that is centered on the creation of a permitting blueprint for offshore mussel farming operations in Ventura Harbor and other coastal California communities. We cordially invite you to attend the next public outreach workshop to learn more about this pioneering effort and share your valuable insights with the VSE team.

Overview | Expanding Mussel Aquaculture with Ecologically Responsible Practices and a Shared Commitment to Marine Stewardship and Environmental Excellence

As our nation's fastest growing food production sector, aquaculture offers a promising solution to a rising demand for seafood that is now surpassing global supply. A continued role for aquaculture in the future of seafood production is critically reliant on management practices and performance standards that maximize yield while at the same time minimizing environmental impacts, conflicts with other ocean users, and other unique challenges. This workshop will explore some of these issues in the context of the VSE, a collaborative effort to expand long line mussel aquaculture in the southern California Bight.

About the Speaker

James Morris is an ecologist with NOAA's National Ocean Service, National Centers for Coastal Ocean Science. He conducts primary research on invasive species, aquaculture, and other issues that affect coastal ecosystems. James currently leads a Coastal Aquaculture Siting and Sustainability research team, which is committed to supporting an aquaculture industry that is economically sustainable and both environmentally and socially responsible.

Workshop Program

Welcome and Sign-In	
Opening Remarks and Overview	7:00 p.m.
Speaker Presentation:	7:10 p.m.
James Morris	
NOAA National Ocean Service, National Centers for Coastal Ocean Science	
Question & Answer/Community Discussion	8:00 p.m.
Concluding Remarks	8:25 p.m.



For more information on this workshop, please visit the VSE website at www.venturashellfishenterprise.com

Promoting healthy oceans with sustainable shellfish aquaculture



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