



Workshop 5

Date: May 11, 2017

Time: 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Place: Four Points by Sheraton Conference Facilities, Ventura Harbor

VSE Production Site Selection

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 | Engaging our Community of Stakeholders as Collaborators in the Site-Selection Process

The selection of offshore lease sites for mussel farming operations represents a key milestone in the VSE permitting pathway and an important focus of this workshop. Tonight's speaker will discuss a range of locally relevant considerations that aided the VSE team in defining a rather broad coastal area northwest of Ventura Harbor that is suitable for longline mussel farming. The discussion will then turn to cutting-edge planning tools that will enable our community of stakeholders to work collaboratively with the VSE team in defining the specific locations of individual production sites within this broader candidate growing zone. The program will conclude with a description of upcoming site-selection workshops, where stakeholders will have an opportunity to play a central role in an in-depth and progressive decision-making process.

About the Speaker

Carrie Kappel is an Associate Project Scientist and Center Associate at the National Center for Ecological Analysis and Synthesis, and a member of the Center for Marine Assessment and Planning at UCSB. Carrie currently leads the Ocean Tipping Points project, a multi-institutional collaboration aimed at integrating our knowledge of marine ecosystem tipping points into ocean management through the use of practical tools and approaches.

Workshop Program

Welcome and Sign-In	
Opening Remarks and Overview	7:00 p.m.
Speaker Presentation:	7:10 p.m.
Carrie Kappel	
<i>Bren School of Environmental Science, UCSB</i>	
Q & A/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

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