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Tuesdays @ 10am Pacific Time

- Feb. 27** **Craig Faunce**, NOAA, AFSC, Fisheries Monitoring and Analysis Division
Eyes on the water: Fishery Observers and their role as enforcement assets
- Mar. 5** **Dean Grubbs**, FSU Coastal and Marine Laboratory, Associate Director of Research
Smalltooth Sawfish: 20 years after ESA listing, is there hope for this critically endangered marine predator?
- Mar. 12** **Zoe Almeida**, Oregon State University
Warmer, earlier, faster: Cumulative effects of Gulf of Alaska heatwaves on the early life history of Pacific cod
- Mar. 19** **Jenny Stern**, University of Washington, School of Aquatic & Fishery Sciences
Quantifying the timing and rate of hair growth in polar bears
- Mar. 26** **Melanie Esch**, Florida International University, PhD Research
Assessing the invasion risk of the Indo-Pacific regal demoiselle to reefs of the western Atlantic
- Apr. 2** **Derek Chamberlin**, NOAA, AFSC, REFM, Age and Growth Program
Otoliths and eye lenses: modern approaches to age validation
- Apr. 9** **Christina Conrath**, NOAA, AFSC, RACE, Groundfish Assessment Program
The Alaska Coral and Sponge Initiative: Past, Present, and Future
- Apr. 16** **Matthew Lettrich**, NOAA, Office of Science and Technology, Protected Species Program, ECS
Marine Mammal Climate Vulnerability Assessment: A Focus on the U.S. West Coast and Alaska
- Apr. 23** **Kimberly Ledger**, NOAA, AFSC, Genetics Program; UAF, Dept. of Fisheries and Ocean Sciences
From Tanks to Sea: Environmental DNA Applications of Cod in Alaska
- Apr. 30** **Cecilia O'Leary**, NOAA, AFSC, RACE, Groundfish Assessment Program
Tracking down the groundfish that ignore our survey footprint:
Improving bottom trawl survey index accuracy

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