# "BYCATCH IN NORTHEAST FISHERIES: MOVING FORWARD"

We want your ideas!



The workshop will provide an opportunity for northeast constituents with an interest in issues related to bycatch of fish and other marine life to examine specific aspects of bycatch and express their views on issues.

#### **Reception:**

The Northeast Consortium will host an evening reception on Tuesday, June 29

### **Workshop Panels:**

- Management
- Data and Monitoring
- Gear Engineering
- Science and Research

Participants will discuss and recommend priorities and solutions regarding science/research, data/monitoring, management, and gear engineering that will be identified and incorporated in an updated version of the Northeast Region Bycatch Implementation Plan to be released later in 2004.

## It's not too late to register: www.nero.noaa.gov/bycatchconf/

If you are unable to register via the website, contact Marla Trollan at: marla.trollan@noaa.gov

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#### **Poster Session:**

Over 25 posters will be on display respresenting various agencies and organizations

#### WHAT?

The Northeast Regional Office (NERO) has organized a workshop, "Bycatch in Northeast Fisheries: Moving Forward." The Workshop is co-sponsored by NERO and Northeast and Mid-Atlantic Sea Grant, in cooperation with the Northeast Fisheries Science Center, New England Fishery Management Council, Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, and Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission. Additional support is being provided by the Northeast Consortium.

#### WHEN?

Tuesday, June 29, 10:00 a.m. -Thursday, July 1, Noon

#### WHERE?

The Sheraton Colonial Conference Center, Wakefield, Massachusetts, 888-627-7205. While it is not possible for NERO to provide any funding for accommodations, the Sheraton is offering a reduced room rate of \$109 if you mention the National Marine Fisheries Service Conference, if you register by June 18, 2004.

#### WHY?

This workshop will be an opportunity for constituents with an interest in fishing issues to share ideas about developing improved measures to reduce or eliminate bycatch of both fish and protected species. Background information will be reviewed, followed by working sessions to discuss specific questions. The information collected will be used by NERO to update the Regional Bycatch Implementation Plan later this year.







