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Fisheries Research and Outreach Considerations for Offshore Wind Energy Development

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Status of Research, Data Collection, and Other Initiatives to Support Environmental Analyses and Public Outreach in California

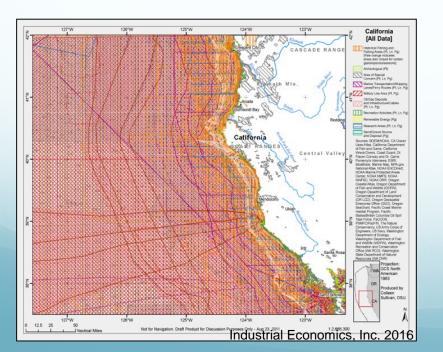
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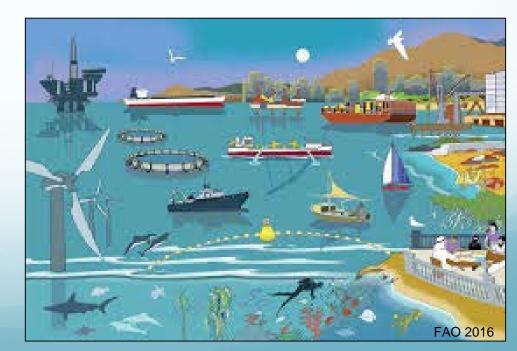




The ocean is big ... and busy

- Multiple, complex and dynamic uses, at sea and on shore
- Shaped by environmental, social, economic and regulatory factors
- Potential synergies, compatibilities, conflicts





Diversity of space use practices, patterns and needs

Permanently fixed

Aquaculture Ocean energy Seafloor cables





Stationary

Set longline Set gillnet



Dive Purse seine Trawl Troll Hook-&-line





Mobile

Socioeconomic "Essential Fishery Information"

SOCIOECONOMIC GUIDANCE FOR IMPLEMENTING THE CALIFORNIA MARINE LIFE MANAGEMENT ACT



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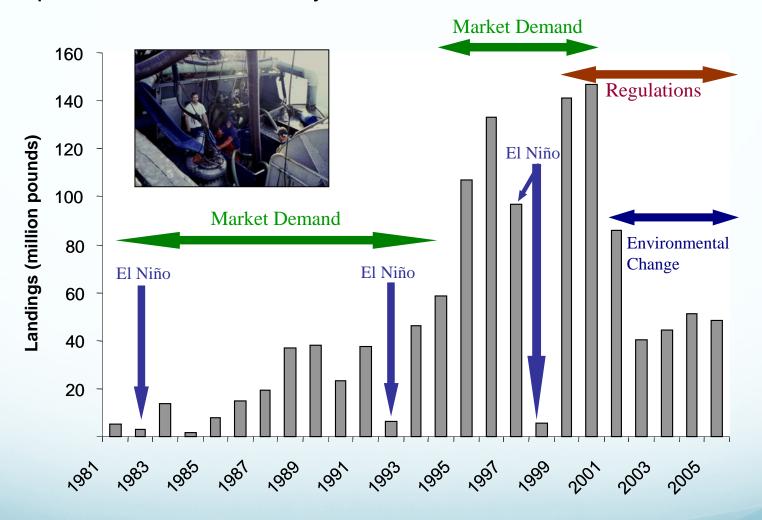
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- Demographics
- Employment
- Expenditures
- Revenues
- Operations
- Practices
- Values, preferences, needs
- Attitudes, opinions, beliefs
- Institutions
- Relationships and networks
- Capital
- Environmental factors
- Macroeconomic factors

Squid Purse Seine Fishery, Santa Barbara Channel



Ground-Truthing is Critical

Summing up

Research

- Data v. information v. understanding
- Range and relevance of socioeconomic "essential fishery information"
- Integrate diverse sources
 - available data and other information
 - fishermen's knowledge

Outreach

- Engaging with fishery participants to
 - build and interpret information
 - identify common interests and needs
 - facilitate coordination
 - minimize conflict

