

## Biennial Report to Congress 2014 Update

### **Committee membership:**

**Advisory Board Members:** Rosanne Fortner (Chair), Dale Baker, Patty Birkholz, Amber Mace

**SG Network:** Dennis Nixon - RISG, Diana Payne – CTSG, Jeff Reutter – OHSG

**Board Mentors:** Nancy Rabalais, Rollie Schmitt, Dick West

**NSGO:** Elizabeth Ban, Nikola Garber, Jennifer Maggio

**Editor:** Ruben Stemple

### **Update:**

The committee has met once in person (Fall 2014 Advisory Board meeting at Ohio Sea Grant's Stone Lab) and held three teleconferences (11/22/13, 1/6/14 and 2/18/14).

The Committee will have editorial assistance from Ruben Stemple who volunteered to assist with the report. He served as editor for the 2012 reports as well. The Committee is grateful for his time.

The committee has agreed to use a similar layout and the same sections as the 2012 report. The sections are as follows:

Letter from the Sea Grant Advisory Board Chair

Executive summary

Introduction

Response to 2012 recommendations

Sea Grant model

National Focus Areas (2009-2013)

Current activities

- Allocation Committee 3 (AC3) and SGA responses
- Reauthorization
- STEM Consolidation response
- Climate adaptation
- Sea Grant post-tropical depression Sandy response
- Social science, especially economics
- Planning, Implementation and Evaluation (PIE) and metrics
- Partnerships

Realizing Sea Grant's potential

- AC3 here?

Outlook and recommendations

Appendices:

- List of Sea Grant Programs
- Link to reports
- Sea Grant Program impacts
- 2013 performance measure and metrics

### **Timing for Report:**

Draft sections due – April, 2014

Final Text due – July, 2014

Layout due – Early August, 2014

Final version for Fall Board meeting due – September 1, 2014

Fall Board meeting – September 7-8, 2014

Print/Upload to website – October 1, 2014

Send to Hill – No later than November 1, 2014