Global to local: Understanding ecosystem response and stakeholder needs in a changing ocean

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Contrasting futures for ocean and society from different anthropogenic CO₂ emissions scenarios

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Environmental changes over the industrial period and the 21st century for a business-as-usual scenario and a stringent emissions scenario consistent with the UNFCCC target of increase in global surface temperature by 2°C.



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Regional changes in the physical system and associated risks for natural and humanmanaged systems.



Subtropical gyres

Polar systems

∆pH < -0.2

units

RCP8.5

RCP2.6 & 8.5

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Fisheries and marine mammal impacts:



"An unprecedented coastwide toxic algal bloom linked to anomalous ocean conditions"

McCabe et al., 2016



An extreme climatic event alters marine ecosystem structure in a global biodiversity hotspot

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"We conclude that extreme climatic events are key drivers of biodiversity patterns and that the frequency and intensity of such episodes have major implications for predictive models of species distributions and ecosystem structure..."

Marine Heat Wave: 2011

7000 acres dead mangrove in Australia:



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Aerial footage of 'unprecedented' mangrove die-off in the Gulf of Carpentaria in Australia. The die-off is thought to be a result of low rainfall and warm temperatures. Photograph: Professor Norm Duke/James Cook University

How does CO₂ in seawater affect marine life ?



J. Kleypas, NCAR







OA is a global condition with local effects



Washington State Blue Ribbon Panel

NOAA OAR Special Report

Washington Shellfish Initiative Blue Ribbon Panel on Ocean Acidification

Scientific Summary of Ocean Acidification in Washington State Marine Waters



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Ocean Acidification: From Knowledge to Action

Washington State's Strategic Response



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http://www.ecy.wa.gov/water/marine/oceanacidification.html

What's at Stake for Washington's Tribes?



Continued identity and cultural survival of Washington's coastal tribes

 Washington tribes depend upon shellfish for food, income, and connection to their cultural heritage.

What's at Stake for Washington's Economy?



Valuable wild and recreational fisheries

- Impacts to marine food webs could affect Washington's seafood industry, which generates over 42,000 jobs in Washington and contributes at least \$1.7 billion to gross state product.
- Recreational oyster and clam harvesters contribute more than \$27 million annually to coastal economies.

What's at Stake for Washington's Economy?



The most productive commercial shellfish industry on the West Coast

- Washington's shellfish industry generates \$270 million annually, and directly and indirectly supports 3,200 jobs.
- Annual sales of farmed shellfish from Washington account for almost 85% of U.S. West Coast sales (including Alaska).

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'Like putting headlights on a car' Pacific oysters gain from IOOS® data

About six years ago, production at some Pacific Northwest oyster hatcheries began declining at an alarming rate, posing severe economic impact and challenging a way of life held by shellfish growers for more than 130 years.

By 2008, the oyster harvest at Whiskey Creek, a major Oregon supplier to the majority of West Coast oyster farmers, plummeted 80 percent. At about the same time, corrosive, acidified seawater was hitting the shores of the Pacific.

Something had to be done. Oyster production accounts for more than \$84 million of the West Coast shellfish industry, which supports more than 3,000 jobs.

"When you see oyster shells dissolving in water, there's a compelling need to know why," says Bill Dewey of Taylor Shellfish Farms in Washington state.

Thanks to a \$500,000 federal investment in monitoring coastal seawater strengthened by data and observational information from the U.S. Integrated Ocean Observing System (IOOS®) and the NOAA Ocean Acidification Program, oyster hatcheries on the verge of collapse just a few years ago are again major contributors to the \$111 million West Coast shellfish industry.

IOOS is a NOAA-led interagency and regional effort aimed at "knowing" — that



IOOS partners in the Northwest Association of Networked Ocean Observing Systems (NANOOS) deployed this buoy in 2010 as part of a three-piece observing array to assess issues in the Northwest, including ocean acidification, hypoxia and harmful algal blooms, and climate change. The coastal buoy will aid computer models that predict ocean and atmospheric conditions. Known as "Chá bă," the buoy is named for the Native American word (pronounced "chay buh") for "whale tail."

(Photo courtesy of Dr. John Payne, Pacific Ocean Shelf

"Putting an IOOS buoy in the water is like putting headlights on a car. It lets us see changing water conditions in real time," says Mark Wiegardt, co-owner of Whiskey Creek Shellfish Hatchery.

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Sensing OA in hatcheries



 "Burke-olator"



NOAA funded Ocean Technology award



Science-Grower Partnerships







U.S. IOOS Pacific Region (Ocean Acidification data portal

IOOS PACIFIC REGION OCEAN ACIDIFICATION EXPLORER



Allows access to real-time data and information links; eventually links to manuals, FAQ, etc. in order to facilitate a 'community of practice' for monitoring.

- Five U.S. IOOS Pacific Regions:
 - AOOS, NANOOS, CeNCOOS, SCCOOS, and PaclOOS
- Canadian partner: Hakai
- Seven shellfish hatcheries:
 - Alutiiq, OceansAlaska, Fanny Bay, Taylor, Whiskey Creek, Hog Island, Carlsbad
- One data portal: IPACOA
 (www.ipacoa.org)
- Funded by a joint U.S. IOOS and NOAA OAP project to enhance OA monitoring in shellfish hatcheries

APIOOS Pacific Region Ocean Acidification Data Portal





Ocean

FIOOS Pacific Region Ocean Acidification Data Portal CIDIFICATION PROGRAM





Ocean





Carlsbad Aquafarm, CA: Oct-Nov 2016







Alutiiq Hatchery, AK: Oct-Nov 2016



Lines of defense for adaptation



Real-time observations at the hatchery or growing sites

Real-time observations at the adjacent estuary, sea, or ocean

Communicated !!



Regional forecasts on days to weeks scale (weather)

Forecasts at months to years scale (seasonal to interannual)



Global Ocean Acidification Observing Network

The Global Ocean Acidification **Observing Network**





Global Ocean Observing System

United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization



Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission



UK Ocean Acidification Research Programme





IAEA

OA-ICC GARBON CO.



What is GOA-ON?



The **Global Ocean Acidification Observing Network** (GOA-ON) is a **international partnership** to:

- Document the status and progress of <u>ocean</u> <u>acidification</u> in open-ocean, coastal, estuarine, and coral reef environments,
- 2. Understand the <u>impacts</u> of ocean acidification on diverse marine ecosystems and societies, and
- 3. <u>Support forecasts</u> of ocean acidification conditions.

Why is a global approach needed ?



Processes are occurring at global scales; therefore we need to go beyond local measurements and **observe on global scales in order to understand OA and its drivers correctly.**

We need information and data products that can **inform policy and the public with respect to global status of OA and implications** for overall ecosystem health (status) of the planet.

We need sufficient data and understanding to **develop predictive skills and early warning systems**. This requires coverage at appropriate scales, nesting local observations within global context.

Data Requirements

GOA-ON Global Ocean Acidification Observing Network

Coral reefs

Coasts & shelf seas

Open ocean

Global Ocean Acidification

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Second Edition

October 2015

Requirements and Governance Plan

J.A. Newton, R.A. Feely,

			E.B. Jewett, P. Williamson,
Goal 1 OA conditions	Goal 2 Ecosystem response	Goal 3 OA modeling	Restored and the second
<u>L1:</u> carbonate-system constraint, T, S, O, <i>fluorescence, irradiance</i> <u>L2:</u> nutrients, bio-optics, transport, meteorology, trace metals	<u>L1:</u> biomass of functional groups (phytoplankton, zoo- plankton & microbes) <u>L2:</u> species; processes incl. growth, grazing & respiration	Inputs to models	
<u>L3:</u> capability-specific	<u>L3:</u> capability-specific		

The GOA-ON interactive data portal

Featuring global OA data, asset inventory, metadata, data synthesis products, etc.

Global Ocean Acidification



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Global Ocean Acidification Observing Network





GOA-ON Membership Expansion

GOA-ON now (Sep 2016) → Several regional trainings (2016)

Jul 2013

Apr 2016

Sep 2016

participants:

Network of 330 scientists from 67 countries





Global Ocean Acidification Observing Network



130 scientists from 37 nations

3rd workshop, Hobart, TAS

Integration of local through global

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Weekly Trends



Understanding ecosystem response and stakeholder needs in a changing ocean



- We need local through global scale observations in order to get either correct
- This issue **demands our coordination**, networked skill, and open analysis