

Advancing Understanding of Our Ocean

**Ensuring Maritime Safety** 

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"One of the main benefits of the NERACOOS system is to provide Rhode Island with real-time access to data during fish kill events to help managers respond quickly and efficiently."

> -Heather Stoffel University of Rhode Island



"The Narragansett Bay monitoring data from NERACOOS and its partners enabled us to quantify how improvements in water quality contribute to increased values of coastal properties. This is just one of the many important benefits that the citizens of the State of Rhode Island receive through programs to protect Narragansett bay."

-Dr. James Opaluch, University of Rhode Island



Environmental Management



"Industry has had to develop a more sophisticated understanding of environmental conditions to keep up with the way fisheries are evolving. NERACOOS data are critical components of understanding [and] sustainability is the result of fishermen being well-informed."

-Captain Chris Brown, F/V Proud Mary

"Not a day goes by that we don't use NERACOOS data. Without it we'd be sending our Coast Guard crews out uninformed and at greater risk."

-Captain Brian Gilda, U.S. Coast Guard

