

CSO MEMBER MEETING

MARCH 24-26

LOCATION: PEW RESEARCH CENTER – 901 E ST. NW, WASHINGTON DC 20004 (MON & TUES);
50 F ST NW, WASHINGTON DC, 20001 & CAPITOL HILL (WEDS)

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NOAA PROGRAM MANAGERS’ MEETING

MARCH 27

LOCATION: WASHINGTON PLAZA HOTEL
(REGISTRATION COMING SOON)

MONDAY, MARCH 24, 2025: CSO MEETING DAY 1: BUSINESS SESSION

PEW RESEARCH CENTER
901 E St NW

CLOSED SESSION: OPEN TO CSO DELEGATES, ALTERNATES & EX-OFFICIOS ONLY

9:00 Coffee and Snacks

9:30 Welcomes and Introductions

10:00 Legislative, Administrative & Regulatory

- **Campaign Updates**
 - **Regulatory**
 - **Legislative**
 - **Appropriations/Hill messaging**
- **Congressional Staff Session: Appropriators (invited)**

12:00 Lunch (provided?)

1:00 CSO Business

- Minutes **VOTE**
- Treasurer’s Report
 - Investment update
 - Final 2024 Budget v. Actual
- CSO Policy Positions
 - Coastal Hazards Policy update **VOTE**
 - Coral Policy **VOTE**

CSO Project updates

- Sediment (Manomet)
- Great Lakes (GLRI E&D, GLCRS and ASFPM)
- Supporting Under-resourced Communities (NWF, Digital Coast Connects)
- Public Trust Doctrine workshop
- “No Adverse Impact”/Digital Coast Fellow Project Plan
- Knauss Fellow project plan

CSSF updates

4:00 **Member Updates**

Upcoming Meeting Preparation

5:00 **Adjourn**

5:15(?) **Happy Hour at the Reservoir Center with NERRA and RAE**

Concurrent

3:00 **“Coastal Fair” at Rayburn House Office Building (2 staff, ~2 members attend)**

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OPEN SESSION: OPEN TO CSO MEMBERS AND INVITED GUESTS

- 8:15** **Coffee and Snacks**
- 8:40** **Welcome & Connecting Exercise**
- 9:15** **How the Feds are approaching Coastal Management policy and funding over the next 2 years:**
- **~90 min: Hearing from Federal Agencies:**
A slate of speakers from federal agencies sharing how their work in the coastal space is continuing and/or changing in 2025.
 - **FEMA** (invited)
 - **EPA** (invited)
 - **Fed Highway Administration** (invited)
 - **BOEM** (invited)
 - **45-60 min USACE Panel: Planning and project development focusing on Nature Based Solutions:**
A panel of Army Corps staff from different levels of the Corps (e.g., IWR, HQ, District), discussing how the Corps is approaching Nature Based Solutions in largescale studies and project plans, with an emphasis on how recent changes (to the planning guidebook; the PR&G) are being implemented.
- 12:00** **Lunch** (provided?)
- 1:00** **How CSO and CZMPs are approaching Coastal Management issues over the next 2 years:**
- **60-90 min - Continuing Support for Under-Resourced Communities (Natalie and Vidya)**
Discussion of strategies to continue coastal program support of under-resourced communities within their specific coastal context. This interactive session will leave participants with a series of tangible recommendations and case studies.
 - **60-90 min - Advancing the Blue Economy (connect with Communications) (Rebecca, Derek, Natalie)**
A conversation among states on how they are advancing and communicating their work towards sustainable economic development in their coastal zone, including support for working waterfronts, aquaculture, tourism and more. This will include case studies and communication recommendations.
 - **60-90 min - Advancing Resilience and Coastal Hazard mitigation in a dynamic era (John, Vidya, Spenser, Allie)**
*Part 1: Insights shared by 3-4 member speakers from multiple regions on how their program approaches state-led hazard resilience (interagency coordination, leveraging state authorities), followed by strategic discussion on CSO messaging and engagement. [specifically call out status / next phase after BIL/IRA?]
Part 2: Engagement exercise supporting ASFP/CSO Digital Coast project – identifying obstacles for states & local communities to implement higher coastal flood related standards*
- TBD** **Possible Breakout Discussions:**
Topics (prompting questions will be shared in advance):
- **Federal Funding Implementation**
 - **Offshore wind power**
- 5:00** **Adjourn - Free evening**

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 26, 2025

CSO MEETING DAY 3: FEDERAL ENGAGEMENT & LEGAL COUNCIL

Capitol Hill, &
50 F Street NW
Basement Conference Room

Option 1:

Legal Council Meeting – In person (50 F St. NW) and Online (Link TBD) (*separate registration required*)

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9:00 **Legal Council meeting**
Topics under consideration:

- NEPA Rulemaking: Implications of *Marin Audubon* and *Seven Counties*
- Developments in Takings law: *Sheetz, Devillier, Tyler, Village Communities v. San Diego*
- Developments in the Public Trust Doctrine
- Programmatic environmental assessments under NEPA, ESA, others: *Sierra Club v. NMFS*
- Further developments: wetland protections (*Sackett*), agency deference (*Relentless, Loper Bright*)
- Staff regulatory update
- Member update round robin

12:00 **Lunch** (provided only for those who register for in-person legal council meeting)

- State Issues/Open Discussion
- Other topics TBD?

2:00 **Adjourn**

Option 2:

Coastal Day on Capitol Hill: Meetings – *on your own (or with CSO staff)*

4:00 **Federal Legislation Update for CSO & ASBPA with Congressional Committee Staff**
Room:

Everyone is welcome to attend!

- Senate Commerce Committee staff (invited)
- House Natural Resources Committee staff (invited)
- Senate Environment & Public Works Committee staff (invited)
- House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee staff (invited)

5:00 **“Coastal Celebration on Capitol Hill” Reception**
Room: Hart 902

Everyone is welcome to attend!

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THURSDAY, MARCH 27, 2024

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Agenda Forthcoming

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