

COASTAL STATES ORGANIZATION

COASTAL NONPOINT SOURCE WORK GROUP



CNPS Work Group Operations

- Bi-monthly full work group meetings alternating with bi-monthly Conditionally Approved States calls
- Ongoing and constructive dialogue amongst states, and between states and federal partners (NOAA and EPA)
- Providing insight and information sharing to support conditionally approved states in effort to attain approved status
- Approved states share experiences and successful processes with conditionally approved states and stay ahead of salient issues

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CNPS Full Work Group Update

- CSO is seeking a new co-chair for the CNPS Work Group before the next fiscal year begins in October 2020.
- Knauss Marine Policy Fellow Shelby Butz has stepped in as CSO staff point of contact for the work group. Shelby is jointly placed with CSO and EPA to serve as an EPA and NOAA point of contact for the CNPS WG and individual states. Shelby will take a similar approach to leading the Work Group as did former shared OCM fellow, Bridget Faust. This dual-hat role will enable Shelby to support states, while also providing insight and connectivity with EPA and coordination with OCM.
- Staff is continuing to add resources to the CNPS WG CSO Member [webpage](#) and [repository](#).
- New participants are always welcome!
- Next meeting: **May 11** – Changes to Underlying Programs

Conditionally Approved Group Update

- Past calls included updates on research conducted by CSO staff on topical-issues identified by participants
- Next meeting: **April 28** - Final EPA/NOAA Approval Process
- Future interest topics include:
 - Education and Outreach in the “Public Participation” Element
 - Education and Outreach Programs in Voluntary Measures
 - Post-Approval Reporting Requirements
- We would like to hear about additional topics of interest and you’re your needs. Please reach out to Shelby with comments and ideas!