

**Invited Presenters**  
**CFA Workshop**  
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Cape Cod Commercial Fishermen's Alliance

[www.capecodfishermen.org](http://www.capecodfishermen.org)

*“The Cape Cod Commercial Fishermen's Alliance engages our local fishing community in building lasting solutions to protect our ecosystem and the future of our fishing businesses.*

*Founded in 1991 by the local fishing fleet, we are now a nationally-recognized nonprofit organization and the leading voice for commercial fishermen on Cape Cod.*

*We believe that a healthy marine environment is essential to the success of Cape Cod's fishing economy, and we know that better ways to manage our fisheries are needed to protect them. We are taking action now to make sure there will be future generations of fish and fishermen.”*

**John Pappalardo**  
Executive Director

A resident of Chatham, Massachusetts John Pappalardo actively serves on many local, regional, national and international fishery and ocean management boards, and has worked for community based fishing communities since 1997. Providing flexibility for adherence to conservation goals while balancing the needs of business remains his top focus. John served three terms on the New England Fishery Management Council, five years as Chairman. John has fished commercially for cod, bluefin tuna, dogfish and striped bass out of Chatham and Harwich.

**Paul Parker**  
Cape Cod Fisheries Trust, Director

Since 1997, Paul Parker has been working with Cape Cod fishermen to protect fish populations and build resilient small fishing businesses that support healthy fishing communities. Paul has held numerous fishing jobs aboard Cape Cod commercial fishing vessels including: lobster, steamer clams, cod, haddock, dogfish, striped bass, and bluefin tuna using all manner of fishing gear. Paul earned a BA in Biology from Cornell University and a Master's of Environmental Management from Duke University. In 2006, Paul was honored with the Duke Nicholas School Rising Star Award and he presently serves on the Groundfish and Scallop Advisory Panels for the New England Fishery Management Council.

For many years, Cape Cod fishermen opposed catch shares. But today, catch shares are increasingly supported as the only financially viable way forward under quota management. The Cape Cod fleet maintains concerns about how catch shares may change our community. In response, the Cape Cod

Fisheries Trust has purchased scallop, groundfish and surf clam quota which is leased to eligible fishermen at affordable rates. Paul views local community ownership of catch shares as a valuable stabilizing option for many fishing communities working under catch shares to protect their local fishing fleets and promote sustainable fishing practices.

Cape Cod Commercial Fishermen’s Alliance (continued)

Erica Boyce  
Equal Justice Works Fellow

Erica Boyce is an Equal Justice Works Fellow with Cape Cod Commercial Fishermen’s Alliance. Her fellowship is sponsored by ALM. She is working with Paul Parker to build consensus amongst the Cape Cod Fisheries Trust’s participating fishermen and to provide support and networking to permit banks nationwide. Erica graduated from Harvard Law School in May 2013 and has been admitted to the Massachusetts bar. Over the past several years, she has interned and externed with New England Aquarium’s Sustainable Seafood Program, The Nature Conservancy, US EPA Region 1, and the Massachusetts Attorney General’s Environmental Protection Division, as well as completed research projects on fisheries policy with her law school’s Environmental Law and Policy Clinic.

NOAA Fisheries, Northeast Regional Office

Doug Christel  
NMFS Policy Analyst

Doug is a fishery policy analyst for the NMFS Northeast Regional Office. For over 10 years, he worked on the Northeast Multispecies (groundfish) FMP. He was involved with the initial development of groundfish sectors in 2003 and 2004. From 2006 to 2010 he was the lead policy analyst for the development of Amendment 16, the action that substantially increased participation in New England sectors to include vessels representing 99% of recent groundfish landings. He is currently responsible for managing the domestic monkfish fishery and the international groundfish fishery on the Grand Banks.

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### Morro Bay Community Quota Fund

<http://www.morrobaycommunityquotafund.org>

*“The City of Morro Bay and other community groups have created the Morro Bay Community Quota Fund, a public benefit nonprofit corporation, to permanently secure fishing privileges historically associated with the Central Coast. The long-term goal of the Quota Fund is to create a financially stable and environmentally sustainable Morro Bay fishery, built upon local stewardship of groundfish resources.*

*The fishing privileges the Quota Fund will hold are in the form of Quota Shares and vessel permits for the trawl sector of the West Coast Groundfish Fishery. These will be acquired and leased out to fishermen (in the form of annual Quota Pound allocations), to support the local economy, improve environmental and financial performance in smaller boat fisheries, fund marine science and research, and preserve Central Coast working waterfront infrastructure and culture.*

*The catalyst for creation of the Quota Fund concept was to prevent historic trawl fishing activity in Morro Bay from consolidating into larger fishing vessels in other areas with larger market power than Morro Bay. Morro Bay has a unique opportunity to do this because The Nature Conservancy purchased Morro Bay based West Coast trawl permits around 2005, prior to this fishery being converted to an Individual Quota allocation system, and is a willing seller to the Quota Fund in an attempt to secure long-term social, economic and conservation gains with the community.”*

**Rick Algert**

**Interim Director, Secretary, Treasurer**

Mr. Algert has been a central figure in the start up of the MBCQF over the last 2 years, and in preparing the ground for the current proposal. He has been active in fishing issues for almost thirty years and served as the Harbor Director for the City of Morro Bay for twenty of those years.

Mr. Algert is also a past chairman of the California Marine Affairs and Navigations Conference (CMANC), the state’s preeminent association of public ports and harbors, and has personal relationships with most California port administration personnel. He is well known by the fishing community, by members of the conservation NGOs, as well as by key state and federal staff.

Mr. Algert has a degree in economics from the University of California, Santa Barbara.

Morro Bay Community Quota Fund (continued)

Robert Seitz  
President

Mr. Seitz began his fishing career aboard his grandfather's boat the Snug II, longlining halibut and gillnetting salmon in and around Cook Inlet, Alaska. From 1992 to 2011 he fished Dungeness crab, pink shrimp, and albacore, out of Astoria, Oregon, but trawl fish was his bread and butter. In his own words, Mr. Seitz "lacked the good sense exhibited by a rat aboard a sinking ship" and rode along with the trawl industry as it downward spiraled in the late 90s. The experience mobilized Mr. Seitz to engage in non-traditional partnerships in the hopes that he might contribute to drawing the road map for the future of sustainable fisheries and fishing communities. He believes with a lot of hard work and some creativity these goals can be achieved in Morro Bay. Mr. Seitz looks forward to the day when he is standing on the dock watching his son take the boat out.

Pacific Fishery Management Council member

David Crabbe  
Buccaneer Fishing

David has been a commercial fisherman in California for thirty plus years, and a resident of the Monterey Peninsula since 1968. He has thirty years in the California wet fish industry which includes squid, sardines, mackerel and anchovy fishing. He trapped black cod for 3 years in central California, fished 16 seasons in the San Francisco herring fishery, and owned and operated a gillnetter in Bristol Bay for 12 seasons.

David currently owns Buccaneer Fishing and is an owner of a market squid light boat with a brail permit. For the past several years, he has represented Monterey commercial fishermen on the California Wetfish Producers Association board of directors. He has demonstrated his commitment to the fishing industry both as a volunteer, fisherman, and as a private consultant. He worked to organize and facilitate a crab steering committee that led to the development of the Dungeness Crab Task Force. Also, David has been active in shaping California fishery management, serving as a Central California regional stakeholder for the Marine Life Protection Act (MLPA) process, the California Department of Fish & Game's California Squid Advisory Board, and the Fishery Advisory Board for the Monterey Bay Sanctuary. David is currently serving his second term as a council member on the Pacific Fishery Management Council.