



Forage Action Team

Meeting Agenda

March 4, 2021 2:00 - 4:00pm

Google Meet Link: <https://meet.google.com/egq-pawz-zmd>

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2:00 - Introduction (*Bruce Vogt: 5 min*)

2:10 - Reviewing the Forage Indicator Development Plan (*Mandy Bromilow: 10 min*)

- Mandy will provide a brief overview of the established [Indicator Development Plan](#), why forage indicators are important to our partnership goals, and the current status of proposed indicators.

2:20 - Habitat Suitability Index for Forage - Summary of Findings (*Mary Fabrizio: 25 min*)

- Mary will highlight key findings from this recently completed study, funded by NCBO. This study was focused on four forage species; bay anchovy, juvenile spot, juvenile weakfish, and juvenile spotted hake. We will explore the pronounced importance of seasonal variability as well as species that showed correlation between abundance and habitat suitability. This presentation will lead us into discussions about how to best create/manage a habitat suitability indicator.

2:50 - Creating an Indicator - Operational vs. Hindcast (*Aaron Bever: 20 min*)

- Aaron will give an overview of potential modeling approaches to create an effective/useful end product. We will discuss the types of questions that these approaches help to answer, and what type of tool will be most-useful to our partnership.

3:15 - Group Discussion and Input on Habitat Suitability Indicator (*Bruce Vogt: 45 min*)

- Our team will provide a Mentimeter link as we ask questions regarding the development of the habitat suitability indicator.