

Habitat-Related Goals and Objectives from the Center's Strategic Plan

Goal: The coastal management community has the information and tools to integrate physical, ecological, economic, and social components into habitat protection and management.

Objectives

- Increase access to data and information to support complete and accurate habitat characterizations.
- Lead research that develops and evaluates new technologies, methodologies, and management applications for habitat characterization and restoration.
- Promote and expand adaptive management methods, including consideration and use of all relevant physical, ecological, economic, and social data sets in habitat decision making.
- Incorporate conceptual and predictive models to improve coastal habitat management decisions.

Goal: The coastal management community has the training, networks, and partnerships that facilitate informed decisions about habitats.

Objectives

- Increase the coastal management community's understanding of spatial technologies and their applications to habitat management.
- Promote adoption of protocols and standards that facilitate sharing of information and tools.
- Develop and encourage interdisciplinary approaches and applications to solve problems.
- Generate public support for habitat management and regulation.
- Increase the capacity of the management community to effectively determine their needs and evaluate end products and activities.
- Increase the capacity of the management community to understand the complexity of habitat management and to evaluate the results of management options.
- Enhance informal communication within the coastal management community.