INVITATION

You are invited to attend the Southern California Marine Monitoring Conference IV
24-25 April 2006 • Aquarium of the Pacific, Long Beach

CONFERENCE GOALS

- Learn about different marine monitoring efforts in the Southern California Bight region.
- Set the stage for ongoing collaboration among those involved in these marine monitoring efforts.
- Discuss how to integrate data together to answer questions related to the marine environment.
- Explore opportunities to make data available to a broader user community through SCCOOS.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

24 April

7pm *Reception and Poster Session—Aquarium of the Pacific*
Participants are encouraged to participate in the poster session.

8pm *Dinner—Aquarium of the Pacific – Great Hall*
Opening Remarks—Dr. Anthony Michaels

25 April

8am *Breakfast—Gameworks at The Pike*
Park in the parking structure nearest the Aquarium of the Pacific and walk across the street to the Gameworks facility.

9am *Conference Session—Gameworks at The Pike*
The OOS—*Dr. Jerry Schubel*
SCCOOS—*Dr. Eric Terrill*
Southern California Marine Institute Data Integration Experience—*Dr. Rick Pieper*

11am *Breakout Groups*
Participants will be split into groups and asked to address specific questions.

3pm *Conference Session 2—Aquarium of the Pacific*
Each breakout group will present the results from their breakout session.

REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS

- Attendance is free to all participants who complete online registration, including the data section of the form, at *sccoos.ucsd.edu/sccoos-meetings24Apr06.html*.
- If more than one person is attending from the same organization, only one needs to complete the data section of the survey form.
- Online registration will be open until April 16th. Late registration will be permitted on an as available basis the day of the event at a cost of $50.

QUESTIONS FOR BREAKOUT GROUPS

- What qualities/characteristics should SCCOOS develop to provide the framework for accepting, organizing, synthesizing, delivering data/information collected by marine monitoring groups throughout Southern California that would be potential interest to a wide range of stakeholders? Be as specific as possible in your list of requirements. What are some of the data and informational products that will be most useful for different stakeholder groups?
- How can the various stakeholders retrieve and use these data and this information? What are the most important applications to different stakeholder groups?
- What are some potential barriers to implementing data integration & dissemination and to fostering collaboration?
- Create a list of existing and potential customers for marine monitoring data and information and identify the kinds of data and information that would be most valuable to them.
- From the list of data sets presented, pick two of the customers from Question 4 and identify all of the data sets you believe would be of most interest to them.