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## North Atlantic Region

### NOAA in the Mid-Atlantic



NOAA in the Mid-Atlantic attendees in Philadelphia, PA.

ReCo Goal 1: Address regional challenges by connecting people and resources.

More than two dozen attendees from four different NOAA line offices identified best practices, gaps and opportunities to increase NOAA's support for urban issues in the Mid-Atlantic. This NART-sponsored event was held in Philadelphia, PA on December 1 and was the first meeting of its kind since 2008.

Resilience in a Changing Environment was the focus for the meeting, with the context being on what NOAA is doing relating to urban issues. The Mid-Atlantic is one of the most densely populated areas in the nation and continues to grow rapidly. Because of this growth, there are many competing uses of the region's resources that affect the

environment, coastal economies, and society. During the meeting, participants explored four topic areas: aquaculture, ecological forecasting, habitat protection and restoration, and social and economic issues. These topics have many intersections that participants discussed throughout the full-day meeting. Ideas were developed for new possible cross-line office actions/connections that NOAA can take to better serve constituents in these locations and in particular under-served communities.



Break-out sessions during the NOAA in the Mid-Atlantic.

The NART looks forward to next steps from NOAA in the Mid-Atlantic as well as a possible meeting in FY18.



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