

Debris Free NC Workshop

24 September 2024

9am - 4pm

NOAA Beaufort Lab Auditorium, 101 Pivers Island Rd, Beaufort NC

Objectives - Participants will:

- Hear about accomplishments from the first iteration of the Marine Debris Action Plan;
- Review results from the 2024 Marine Debris Survey;
- Help shape the update of the 2025-2029 plan by reviewing the action plan strategies and discussing action plan implementation; and
- Network with colleagues working towards a Debris Free NC!

Agenda

Time	Item
8:30am	Check-in, coffee and networking
9:00am	Welcome - Braxton Davis, North Carolina Coastal Federation Meeting logistics - Whitney Jenkins, N.C. Coastal Reserve
9:15am	Participant introductions
9:30am	Presentation: Look at what we've accomplished! Sara Hallas, North Carolina Coastal Federation
10:00am	Presentation: NOAA Regional Marine Debris Plan - Caroline Morris, NOAA Marine Debris Program
10:15am	Presentation: 2024 Marine Debris Survey Results Paula Gillikin, N.C. Coastal Reserve
10:35am	15-Minute Break
10:50am	Review and gather input on the Marine Debris Action Plan's goals, strategies, and actions
12:15pm	Lunch - provided
1:00pm	Vote for goals, strategies or actions to discuss in breakout groups
1:20pm	Breakout groups - discuss high priority goal, strategy or action
2:10pm	20-Minute Break
2:30pm	Breakout group report out

3:00pm	Large group discussion of the Marine Debris Action Plan <ul style="list-style-type: none">● What's effective/ preferred for implementation? Sub-groups/working groups?● What do you find challenging, inspiring?● What keeps people engaged and motivated?● What resources do you need?● How can we bring this plan to life?
3:40pm	Debrief, wrap-up, next steps
4:00pm	Adjourn