

New MC Member Biographies (March 2024)

Kate Swails, NOAA Office of Coastal Management

Kate Swails works for NOAA's Office for Coastal Management as the Liaison to the Maine, Massachusetts, and New Hampshire Coastal Programs. Before joining OCM in September 2023, she worked for NOAA Fisheries for over 15 years in various roles (permitting, bycatch reduction, policy development, stakeholder engagement, and communications) at both the Headquarters Office in Silver Spring, MD, and the Greater Atlantic Regional Fisheries Office in Gloucester, MA. Though she grew up in Central PA, Kate has called New England home since 2010. Kate attended Penn State, where she majored in Environmental Resource Management and Marine Science. She also has a Masters of Environmental Management from Duke University with an emphasis in Coastal Environmental Management. On most weekends, you can find her running the trails near her house, walking the beach with her husband, or playing catch with her dog, Charlie.

