

The First Annual Cobscook Bay Conference

Renewable Energy/Renewable Resources

You are cordially invited to join us for the first annual Cobscook Bay Conference. For the last eight years we have organized annual Cobscook Fisheries Forums, focusing on the renewable marine resources of the Bay. This year we have expanded the discussion by taking a look at the potential for renewable energy from the Bay.

The Boat School Deep Cove Road, Eastport, Maine	Saturday, March 24, 2007 9:30AM to 4:00PM
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9:00 to 9:30

Coffee and doughnuts

9:30 to 12:00

RENEWABLE ENERGY: Tidal Power

Three projects are being proposed to generate electricity using tidal power in the Cobscook region. Ocean Renewable Power Company is proposing to place a submersible prototype turbine in the Western Passage or near Shackford Head. The Passamaquoddy Tribe is studying two sites for tidal power. Tidewalker Associates is proposing to build a 1200 foot dam and power facility at Half Moon Cove. Representatives of each project will give presentations of their plans.

Discussion: *Tidal Power: Costs And Benefits To Cobscook Communities*

What will be the impact of each project on fisheries, aquaculture, boat traffic, and marine mammals? How will each project benefit people in the area? Will it create new jobs, lower our electric rates, or attract new businesses? Is it a viable project or just another grand scheme?

12:00-1:00

LUNCH. Seafood Chowder & Sandwiches. (Donations Accepted)

Presentation of Awards

Live Auction!

1:00-3:00

RENEWABLE RESOURCES: Fisheries

Future Of The Boat School

Downeast Groundfish Initiative

Cobscook Bay: The Last Good Scallop Grounds In Maine

Marketing Cobscook Seafood---Adding Value To Local Seafood & Products

3:00-4:00

SPEAKERS RECEPTION

Informal reception with light refreshments and music. Drawing of door prize. Take a moment to meet the speakers from the presentations, hold some informal conversations, and enjoy a bite to eat before heading home.

Please let us know if you are planning to attend the conference so we can prepare for lunch.

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