

NSGLC News

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*NSGLC's monthly e-newsletter with publication and research highlights,
as well as news alerts on other major activities.*

Publications

Check out the September 2024 issue of the *Ocean and Coastal Case Alert*! The Case Alert is a monthly newsletter highlighting recent court decisions impacting ocean and coastal resource management. This month features a Ninth Circuit opinion considering the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) biological opinion (BiOp) on impacts of the Alaskan troll fishery to the Southern Resident killer whales, an endangered species, and Chinook salmon, a threatened species.

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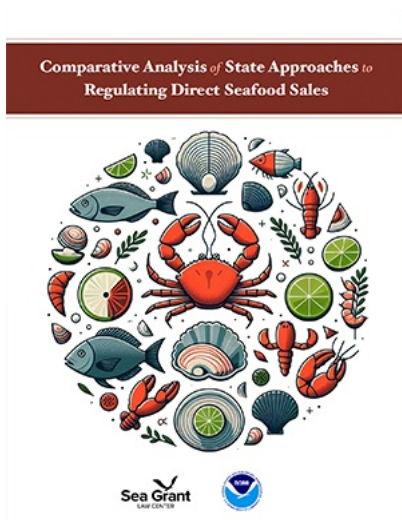
NSGLC Presents!



In September, the NSGLC hosted a webinar highlighting the U.S. Supreme Court's 2023-2024 Term rulings impacting environmental regulation and more. We also revisited *Sackett v. EPA* to see how the legal and regulatory system responded. The webinar concluded with a preview of the Court's 2024-2025 term, which includes a Clean Water Act challenge filed by the City of San Francisco. The recording is available on our [website](#).

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Research



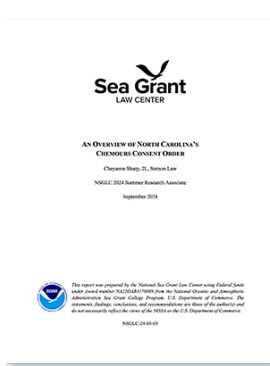
Comparative Analysis of State Approaches to Regulating Direct Seafood Sales

Direct seafood sales contribute to the sustainability of fisheries, aquaculture, and food systems. To help state policy-makers gain a greater understanding of the legal landscape of direct seafood sales, the National Sea Grant Law Center reviewed the laws of the thirty coastal and Great Lakes states to determine what direct sales activities are allowed under commercial fishing and aquaculture permits. The Law Center also examined the licensing of food establishments in each state. This information provides a foundation from which to identify best practices to provide policy support for direct seafood sales and models for regulatory reform.

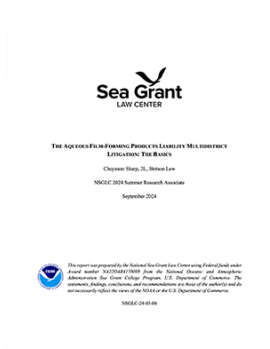
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An Overview of North Carolina's Chemours Consent Order

In February 2019, the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality and Cape Fear River Water settled litigation with Chemours through a Consent Order. This NSGLC report outlines how the Chemours Consent Order came to be, the terms of the agreement, and its current state of success.



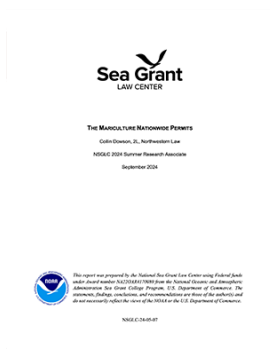
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The Aqueous Film-Forming Products Liability Multidistrict Litigation: The Basics

Multidistrict Litigation (MDL) is a type of federal proceeding used to ensure judicial efficacy in federal courts. This report discusses what an MDL is, how the Aqueous Film-Forming Foam (AFFF) Products MDL was formed, and the current state of the AFFF MDL—drawing from examples of ongoing MDL lawsuits to recent settlements.

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The Mariculture Nationwide Permits

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is authorized to issue permits under both Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act and Section 404 of the Clean Water Act. The permitting process applies to many activities, including aquaculture. The NSGLC has prepared an overview of the Corps permitting process and the Nationwide Permits for shellfish, seaweed, and finfish aquaculture.

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