



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

Read the October 2025 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 ruling in a lawsuit against the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, alleging that the Corps' operation of the Bonnet Carré Spillway led to the unlawful incidental "takes" of bottlenose dolphins in the Mississippi Sound in violation of the Marine Mammal Protection Act.

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Louisiana Coastal Parishes' Land Loss Lawsuit Reaches the Supreme Court

The latest issue of *The SandBar*, our quarterly publication on legal issues affecting the U.S. oceans and coasts, has been published! This issue features the following articles:

- *Louisiana Coastal Parishes' Land Loss Lawsuit Reaches the Supreme Court*
- *International Court of Justice Holds Countries Accountable*
- *Fishing for Authority: Courts Reaffirm Procedural Safeguards for National Monuments*
- *So, What if it's Good for Us? The Point Farm Mitigation Bank in Charleston County, South Carolina*
- *Lessons Learned: Exploring the Veto of California's Microfiber Filtration Bill*

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Research

North Carolina Municipal Authority Case Review

The Law Center wrote an advisory memo for North Carolina Sea Grant to assist in understanding the legal landscape of municipal authority to pass ordinances to protect wetlands from development. This request came as a follow up to the 2024 advisory request written for the South Carolina Sea Grant Consortium on the effect of *Sackett v. EPA* and options for how municipalities can establish their own wetlands protections. This advisory memo provides an overview of zoning power and reviews some North Carolina cases relating to the ability of local governments to enact zoning regulations.

[Download the Advisory Memo](#)

NSGLC Presents



Webinar:

Harmful Algal Blooms: Science, Impacts, and Legal Challenges (November 19, 2025 at 3pm EST)

Join us November 19, 2025 at 3pm EST for our webinar on harmful algal blooms (HABs). For this webinar, we will be joined by NOAA HAB Liaison, Betty Staugler, from Florida Sea Grant who will provide background on how HABs form, their impact, and mitigation and control efforts. Then NSGLC Ocean and Coastal Law Fellow, Siena Fouse, will talk about the federal and state permitting challenges faced by emerging HAB control technology, with a focus on deploying in a marine environment.

[Register for Webinar](#)



Research Counsel Cathy Janasie attended the Sea Grant Aquaculture Academy from October 13-17 in North Carolina. As part of the week, Cathy was able to present to this year's cohort on the Law Center's aquaculture work and advisory service.

Top X of the Month



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Learn About Harmful Algal Blooms (HABs)– Join Our November 19 Webinar at 3:00 PM EST!

Don't miss this opportunity to learn about the science, impacts, and legal challenges behind HABs!

Register here: bit.ly/48Lu2iG

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