

## An Overview of NOAA's Coastal Aquaculture Planning and Environmental Sustainability Program

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The NOAA National Ocean Service's Coastal Aquaculture Planning and Environmental Sustainability (CAPES) program works to develop coastal planning tools and services to support growth of an environmentally sustainable marine aquaculture industry in the United States. We are building and using environmental models to forecast environmental interactions, developing monitoring protocols, and building tools for marine spatial planning for coastal aquaculture. For more information on CAPES please visit

[http://coastalscience.noaa.gov/research/scem/marine\\_aquaculture](http://coastalscience.noaa.gov/research/scem/marine_aquaculture).