

Tools for Responding to Major Injury Events in Coral Reef Ecosystems

USCRTF MEETING

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Previous Activities

- 2000 Grounded Vessel Removal Resolution in American Samoa
- Led to two workshops and abandoned vessel inventory
- 2004 Miami Task Force meeting workshop



Palau Resolution

- Panel held on this topic during Palau Task Force Meeting
- Charged Steering Committee with developing a workshop in 2006
- Goal of workshop: lay groundwork to increase capacity to more effectively prevent and respond to these events



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- Natural





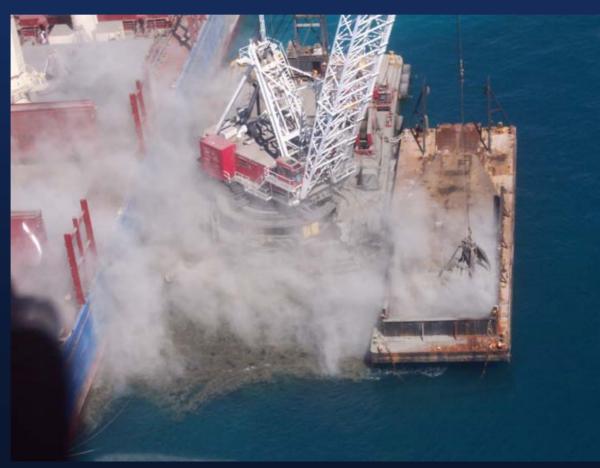
Natural plus human...

God's Gift





Cargo Threats





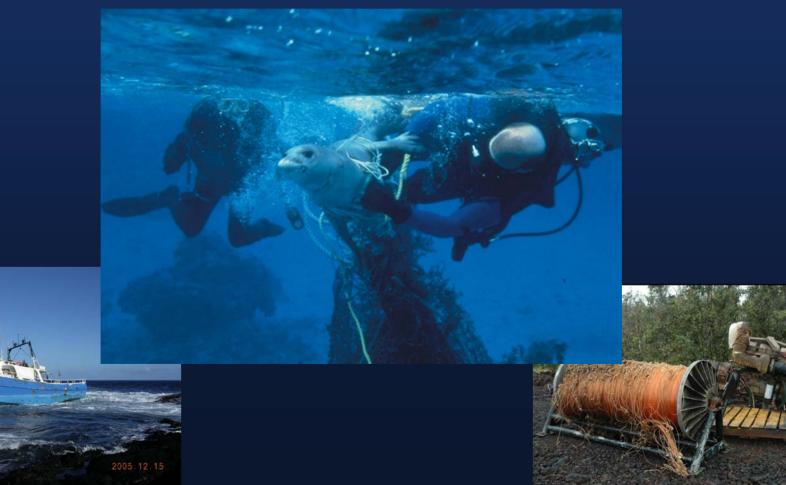
Cargo Threats

• Fishing gear, in addition to vessel damage





Cargo Threats





Drivers for the Workshop

- Injury events continue to occur
- A variety of tools are available for responding to a variety of injury events—still, gaps exist: science, regulatory, funding
- Capability to respond varies by jurisdiction
- We want to present to CRTF our ideas of how to move forward to increase response capacity—identify tools, expertise, training



Objectives

- Understand processes, science, and capacity for response
- Start on toolbox and list of experts
- Create prioritized list of actions and recommendations for CRTF



Agenda

- Presentations
- Working lunch Cape Flattery video, one more presentation
- Working sessions



Next Steps

- One-page summary and 2 slides to CRTF tomorrow
- Commitment to working group
- Sign up if you haven't already; we will send out summary



Follow-up Questions?

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