

NEFMC Ecosystem Workshops

An overview

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At a glance



Defining the stakeholder universe



Workshops: Format, number, and location



Workshops: Objectives

Defining the stakeholder universe



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$\sum |(NE, MA, SE, HQ)_{i,j}|$
 $+ CVDBS_{i,j}$



Compile sample frame from available data sources



**NEFMC, MAFMC, NOAA HQ,
CVDBS**



Combine into one database



Eliminate duplicates



Clean data



Reformat addresses/zip codes



**Focus on New England states
(CT, RI, MA, VT, NH, ME)**

Examine sample frame data

Total number of observations = 4,717

State	CT	MA	ME	NH	RI	VT
Number	202	2246	1599	263	393	14

Source	SAFMC	MAFMC	NEFMC	NOAA_ HQ	NOAA_ VPS
Number	45	197	983	279	2900

Examine sample frame data

TYPE	NUMBER	PERCENT
Harvester	2898	61.44
Not Classified	1161	24.61
Dept	111	2.35
Importer	98	2.08
NOAA	93	1.97
NGO	92	1.95
University	67	1.42
Seafood Ind	59	1.25
Aquaculture	34	0.72
Commission	30	0.64
Science	20	0.42
Press	19	0.4
Exporter	18	0.38
Government	13	0.28
Charter	2	0.04
Consultant	2	0.04

I feel good about this stakeholder meeting, don't you?

The workshops



Workshops: format



**Combination of public workshops
and focus group meetings**



Objectives slightly different:



Provide access for all stakeholders



**Receive targeted feedback from well-
defined groups**

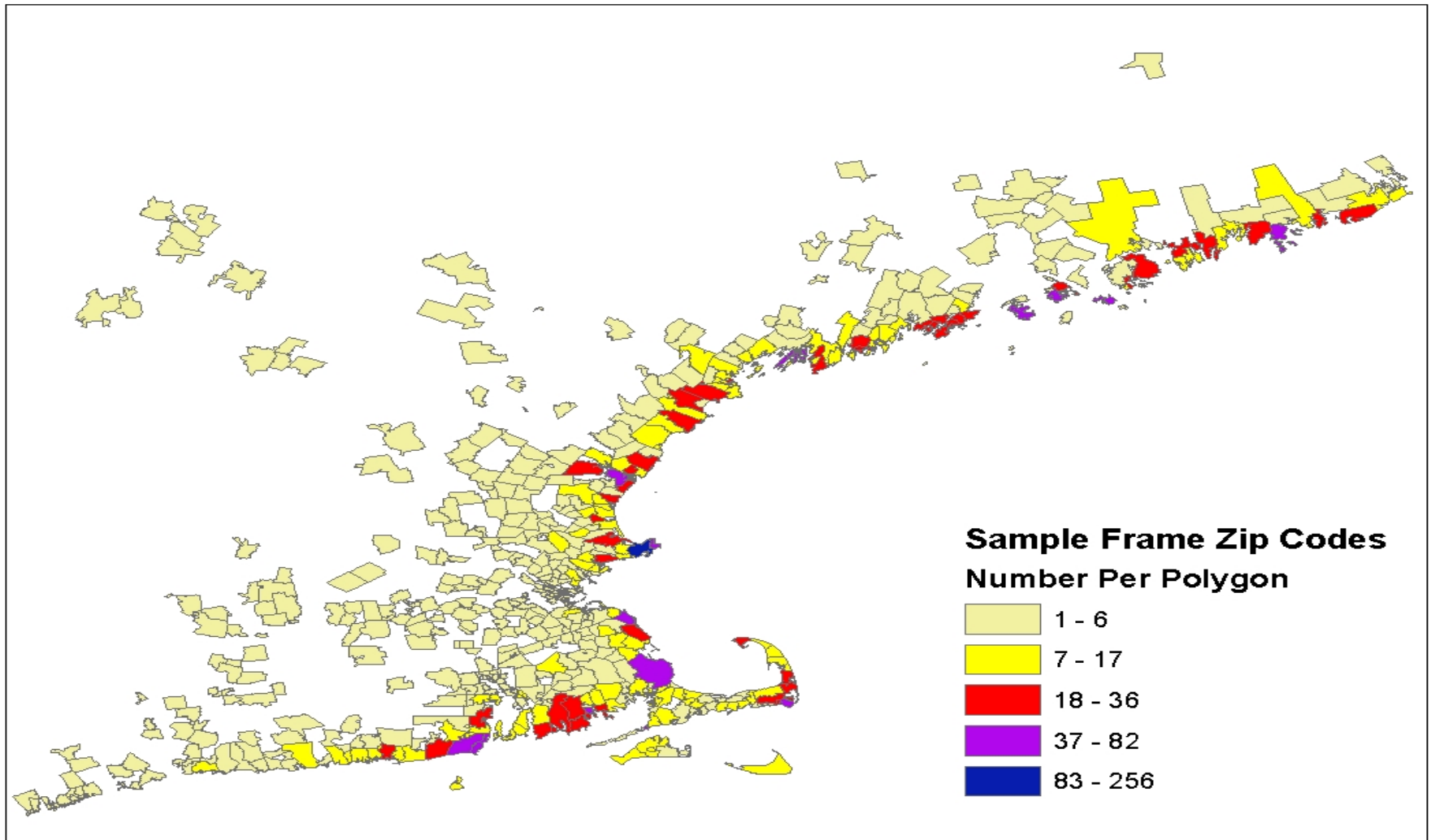


Fisherman's organizations



Interested universities

Workshops: where and when





Getting the word out



Objective to schedule workshops such that stakeholders may attend w/ a reasonable drive



5 miles



15 miles

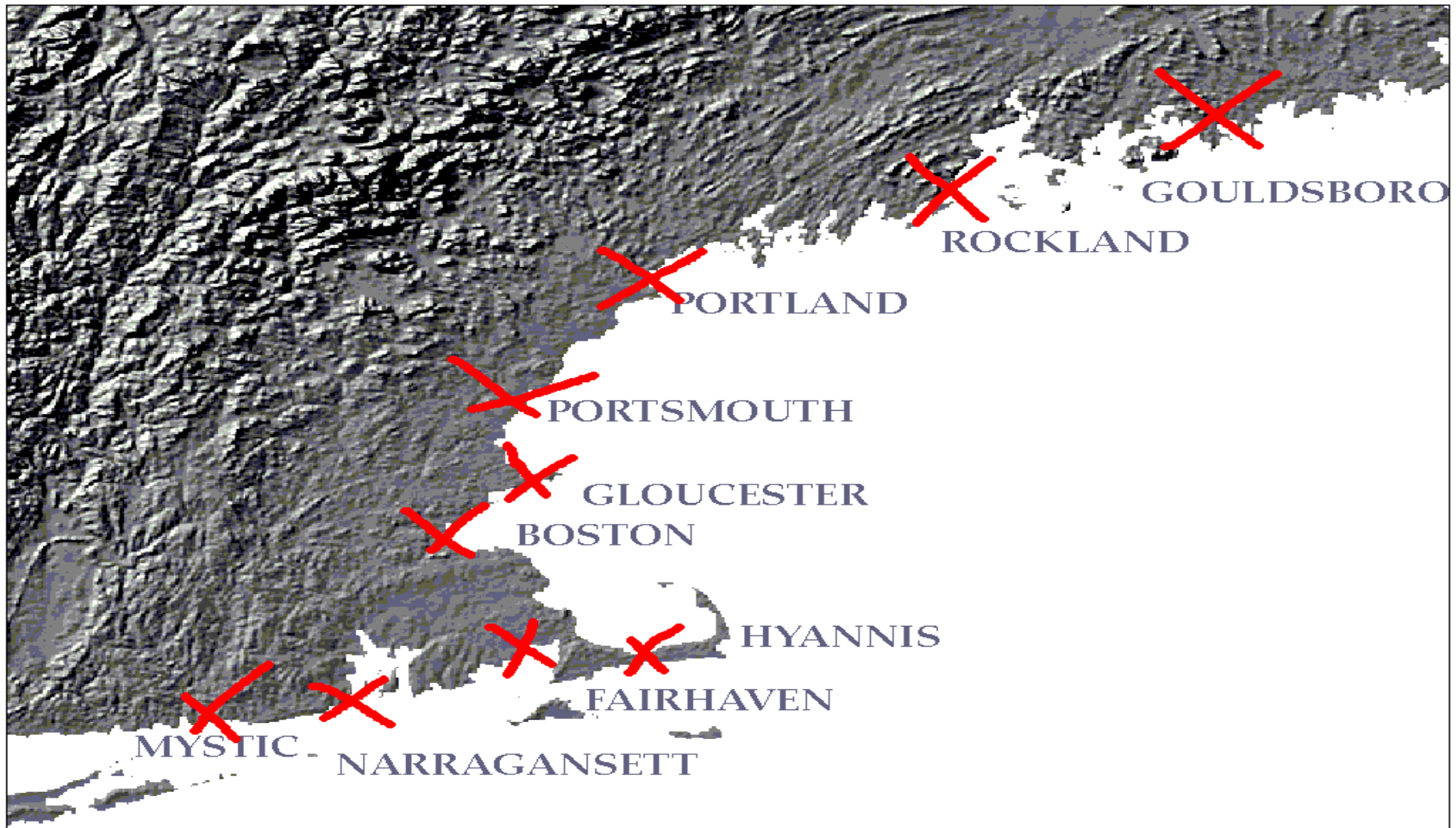


50 miles




To ensure good coverage, experiment with different distances and numbers of workshops

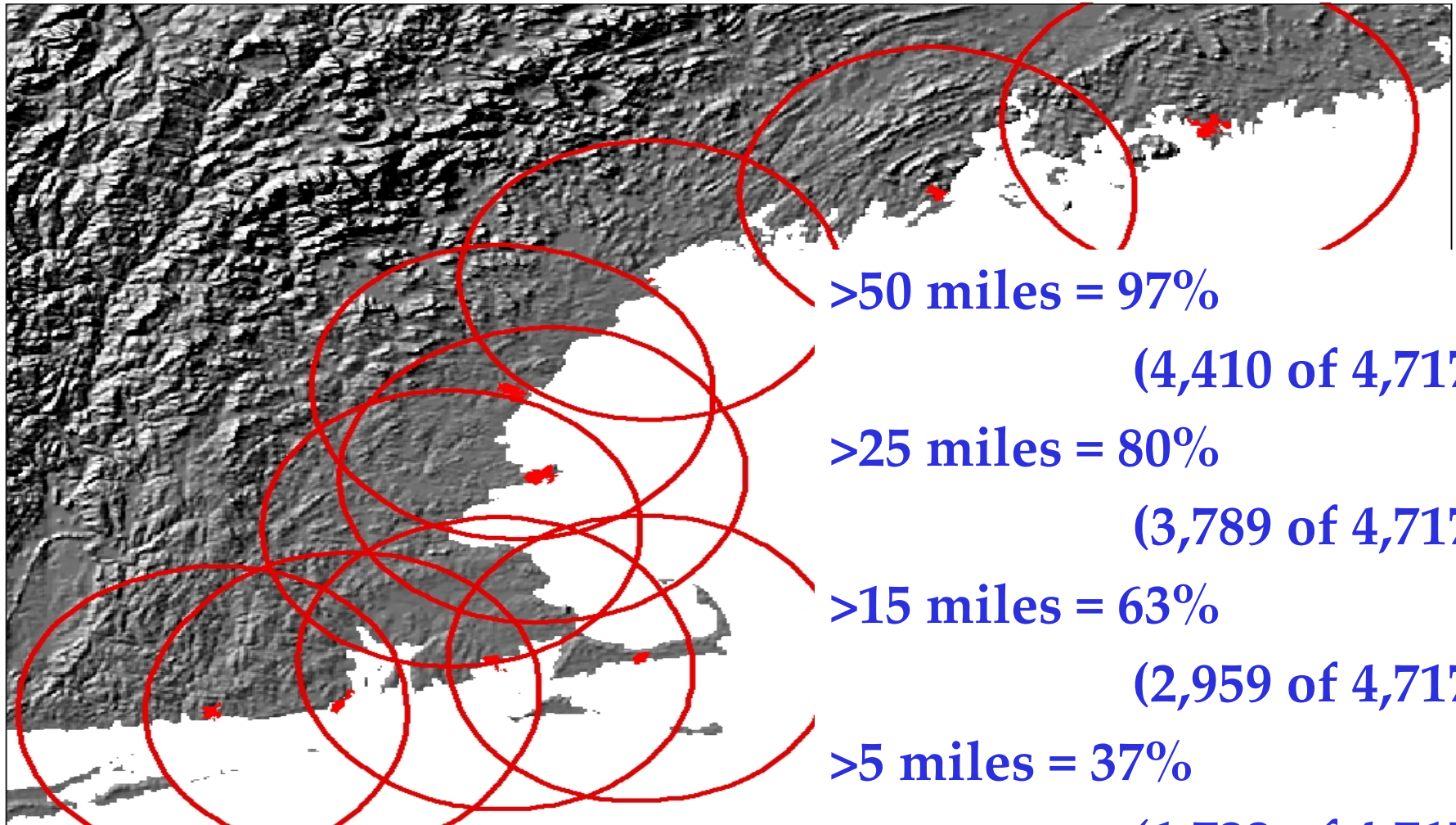
Finalizing the locations



Final locations and dates

	Gouldsboro, ME	Sunday, October 2
	Rockland, ME	Monday, October 3
	Portland, ME	Tuesday, October 4
	Portsmouth, NH	Wednesday, October 5
	Gloucester, MA	Wednesday, October 12
	Boston, MA	Thursday, October 13
	Mystic, CT	Tuesday, October 18
	Hyannis, MA	Tuesday, November 1
	Fairhaven, MA	Wednesday, November 2
	Narragansett, RI	Thursday, November 3

Sample frame availability



- >50 miles = 97%
(4,410 of 4,717)
- >25 miles = 80%
(3,789 of 4,717)
- >15 miles = 63%
(2,959 of 4,717)
- >5 miles = 37%
(1,722 of 4,717)

Meeting locations: notes



**Additional meetings joint w/
MAFMC**

Montauk, Cape May, etc.




**We meet our objective of
reaching maximum #
stakeholders w/ minimum
travel**



**SOW called for approx. 15
meetings**

Objectives of stakeholder workshops

A four-pronged attack:

-  Local or regional ecosystems and issues specific to them
-  Ecosystem-level indicators of a healthy fishery
-  Community-based or collaborative fisheries management
-  Matching management 'tools' to management objectives

Workshop objectives: some thoughts



By limiting scope of input solicited, we will



Avoid confusion



Obtain data we can use



Contribute productively to contemporary initiatives/debates



By focusing on local issues, we will:









Maintain interest



Receive specific, targeted feedback

Marketing the workshops

-  Mailing to all stakeholders
-  Press release
-  Federal Register Notice
-  Personal communication
-  Web presence
-  Other?



Thank you for your time.

Please tell all of your friends to come and share
their thoughts at our workshops.