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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric  
Administration (NOAA)

Science Advisory Board (SAB)

AGENCY: Office of Oceanic and  
Atmospheric Research (OAR), National  
Oceanic and Atmospheric  
Administration (NOAA), Department of  
Commerce (DOC).

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: The Science Advisory Board  
(SAB) was established by a Decision  
Memorandum dated September 25,  
1997, and is the only Federal Advisory  
Committee with responsibility to advise  
the Under Secretary of Commerce for  
Oceans and Atmosphere on strategies  
for research, education, and application  
of science to operations and information  
services. SAB activities and advice  
provide necessary input to ensure that  
National Oceanic and Atmospheric  
Administration (NOAA) science  
programs are of the highest quality and  
provide optimal support to resource  
management.

Time and Date: The meeting will be  
held Thursday April 28 from 9:45 a.m.  
EDT to 5:45 p.m. EDT and on Friday  
April 29, from 9:00 a.m. EDT to 1:00  
p.m. EDT. These times and the agenda  
topics described below are subject to  
change. Please refer to the Web page  
[http://www.sab.noaa.gov/Meetings/  
meetings.html](http://www.sab.noaa.gov/Meetings/meetings.html) for the most up-to-date  
meeting times and agenda.

Place: The meeting will be held at  
Sheraton Silver Spring Magnolia  
Ballroom, 8777 Georgia Avenue, Silver  
Spring, Maryland. Please check the SAB  
Web site [http://www.sab.noaa.gov/  
Meetings/meetings.html](http://www.sab.noaa.gov/Meetings/meetings.html) for directions to  
the meeting location.

Status: The meeting will be open to  
public participation with a 15-minute  
public comment period on April 28

from 5:30–5:45 p.m. EDT (check Web site to confirm time). The SAB expects that public statements presented at its meetings will not be repetitive of previously submitted verbal or written statements. In general, each individual or group making a verbal presentation will be limited to a total time of two (2) minutes. Individuals or groups planning to make a verbal presentation should contact the SAB Acting Executive Director by April 21, 2016 to schedule their presentation. Written comments should be received in the SAB Executive Director's Office by April 21, 2016, to provide sufficient time for SAB review. Written comments received by the SAB Executive Director after April 21, 2016, will be distributed to the SAB, but may not be reviewed prior to the meeting date. Seating at the meeting will be available on a first-come, first served basis.

Special Accommodations: These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for special accommodations may be directed no later than 12:00 p.m. on April 21, 2016, to Dr. Elizabeth Turner, Acting SAB Executive Director, Room 146, Gregg Hall, 35 Colovos Road, Durham, NH 03824; Email: Elizabeth.Turner@noaa.gov.

Matters To Be Considered: The meeting will include the following topics: (1) Report on Ecosystem Services Valuation from the Ecosystem Sciences and Management Working Group; (2) Updates from the NOAA Administrator, Chief Scientist and the Chief Economist; (3) SAB Strategy Discussion and

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Implications for NOAA; and (4)

Discussion of Working Group Issues and Working Group Concept of Operations.

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<http://www.sab.noaa.gov>.

Dated: March 15, 2016.

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Atmospheric Administration.

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