

Lindsey Feldman

Research Planning, Inc.

Biologist

Ms. Feldman is a biologist specializing in marine fisheries, coastal ecology, and data synthesis. Ms. Feldman has worked around the world on marine conservation and management issues ranging from coral reefs, marine fisheries, coastal and estuarine restoration, coastal socio-economics, and sustainable seafood. She has most recently worked on U.S. fisheries management in the Northeast and Mid-Atlantic and has experience bringing together industry members, conservation groups, and government representatives to address a common problem.

Her responsibilities at RPI include working as a biologist on marine fisheries projects. Her primary responsibility has been the collection and integration of literature and other datasets for meta-analysis and project development. Prior to working at RPI, Ms. Feldman worked at Monterey Bay Aquarium's Seafood Watch Program, NOAA's National Marine Fisheries Service, and The Nature Conservancy on various projects related to marine fisheries and spatial planning.

EDUCATION

M.E.M., Coastal Environmental Management, Duke University, Durham, NC (2009). Master's project: Integrating socio-economic information into marine spatial planning Certificate in Geospatial Analysis

B.S., Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, Tulane University, New Orleans, LA (2005)
B.A., Classical studies, Tulane University, New Orleans, LA (2005)
Honors thesis: The effects of post-fire nutrient enrichment on the reproductive biology of Three-spined stickleback

AWARDS

NMFS Employee of the Year Award, 2012 Nicholas School Internship Fellowship, 2008

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2014-present: Biologist, Research Planning, Inc., Columbia, SC

2013-2014: Seafood Watch Policy Analyst, Monterey Bay Aquarium Seafood Watch Program, Monterey Bay, CA

2009-2013: Fishery Management Specialist, NOAA's National Marine Fisheries Service, Gloucester, MA 2009: Marine Economics Guest Investigator, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, Boston, MA 2009: Marine Spatial Planning Contractor, The Ocean Conservancy, Boston, MA

2008: Marine Ecologist and Spatial Planner, The Nature Conservancy, Boston, MA

DEEPWATER HORIZON FISHERIES RESTORATION

Since 2014, Ms. Feldman has been part of the Deepwater Horizon Long-term Restoration Planning Team, focusing on fisheries-based restoration options. She works closely with federal clients and state partners to develop scaling metrics used to assign credit for potential restoration projects to injury resulting from the oil spill. Tasks include review and synthesis of quantitative datasets, research on fisheries statistics and gear modifications, and development of project descriptions for inclusion in the Damage Assessment Remediation and Restoration Plan (DARRP).



FISHERIES MANAGEMENT

Before joining RPI, Ms. Feldman had extensive experience in fisheries management in the Northeastern U.S. and Mid-Atlantic. Her focus was on development and implementation of Federal regulations for Atlantic herring, Atlantic mackerel, squid and butterfish, spiny dogfish, and Atlantic sea scallops. Ms. Feldman worked with a variety of different stakeholders in the fishing industry, organized and led meetings between partners, and worked to ensure the sustainment of fish populations and fishing communities.

SOCIO-ECONOMICS AND SPATIAL PLANNING

Prior to joining RPI, Ms. Feldman worked with various partners on the socio-economics of marine conservation and planning. She worked on projects related to valuation of marine fisheries, as well as the integration of socio-economic data into marine spatial planning projects.

CERTIFICATIONS AND SKILLS

Software- ArcGis, Microsoft Office

Field-PADI Open Water Scuba Instructor Certified, extensive boating experience on small coastal power boats and large offshores sailing boats, experience with commercial fisheries operations including setting gillnets and bottom trawls

Languages-Intermediate Spanish

PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Feldman, L. 2008. Coral Reef Conservation Program: A study in health and vitality of coral reefs in the South Pacific. Poster Presenter at the International Coral Reef Symposium, Ft. Lauderdale, FL

Feldman, Lindsey (Lead Author): John Bruno (Topic Editor). 2008. "Coral reef resilience," In: Encyclopedia of Earth. http://www.eoearth.org/article/Coral reef resilience>

Alling, A., Doherty, O., Logan, H., Feldman, L. and P. Dustan. 2007. Catastrophic Coral Mortality in the Remote Central Pacific Ocean: Kiribati Phoenix Islands. Atoll Research Bulletin v. 551.