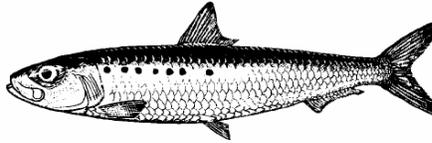


# TRINATIONAL SARDINE FORUM

## FORO TRINACIONAL DE LA SARDINA



### ***8th ANNUAL MEETING***

*Hubbs-SeaWorld Research Institute  
San Diego, California, U.S.A. 92109  
November 29 and 30<sup>th</sup>, 2007  
<http://swfsc.noaa.gov/tsf.aspx>*

#### **LOCATION, TIME AND DATE:**

The 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Trinational Sardine Forum will be held in the Shedd Auditorium of the Hubbs-SeaWorld Research Institute, located at 2595 Ingraham Street, San Diego, California, U.S.A.. The meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 29<sup>th</sup> and end by 6:00 p.m. on Friday, November 30<sup>th</sup>. Hubbs-SeaWorld is about a 5 minute walk from The Dana Hotel, so rental cars are not essential. We will provide transportation for an off-site dinner, generously sponsored by the California Wetfish Producers Association on the evening of the 29<sup>th</sup>. Please visit <http://swfsc.noaa.gov/tsf.aspx> for more information on the 8<sup>th</sup> Trinational Sardine Forum as it becomes available.

#### **OFFICIAL DOCUMENTS REQUIRED FOR VISITING THE UNITED STATES:**

All visitors to the United States must have a valid passport. Mexican citizens are required to obtain a non-immigrant visa or be in possession of a Border Crossing Card. Canadian citizens do not need a visa unless they are members of the Canadian government, in which case a visa is required.

It is important to apply for a visa early as visa applications are now subject to a greater degree of scrutiny than in the past. Please visit this website for more information about visiting the United States:

[http://travel.state.gov/visa/temp/without/without\\_1260.html](http://travel.state.gov/visa/temp/without/without_1260.html)

#### **HOTEL INFORMATION:**

The Dana on Mission Bay  
1710 W. Mission Bay Drive  
San Diego, CA 92109  
Ph: 1-800-445-3339 (toll free)  
1-619-222-6440 (direct)  
Fax: 1-619-222-4031

[www.thedana.net](http://www.thedana.net)

**RATE:**

- \$139 special government rate
- Overnight parking at the hotel is \$10 per night.

**RESERVATIONS:**

- Individuals must identify themselves as part of **Southwest Fisheries Science Center** at the time of making reservations in order to be eligible for the special group rate. When booking online from The Dana website ([www.thedana.net](http://www.thedana.net)), please click on the Group Reservations tab and enter the following **Attendee Code: SFSC**.
- Participants must use a credit card to hold the reservation no later than **October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2007**. After this date we cannot guarantee the special room rate. Anne Allen needs to have a head count of people who will stay at The Dana Hotel to ensure availability, so please send an email to [anne.allen@noaa.gov](mailto:anne.allen@noaa.gov) indicating whether or not you will stay at the hotel **by October 22<sup>nd</sup>**.

The Dana Hotel provides free shuttle transportation to and from the San Diego Airport. Call the hotel direct at 619-222-6440 from the baggage claim area to arrange a pickup. Hotel check-in time is after 4:00 p.m. on the day of arrival. Check-out time is before 12:00 noon on the day of departure.

**GENERAL:**

California's second largest city and the United States' seventh largest, San Diego boasts a city-wide population of nearly 1.3 million residents and more than 2.8 million residents county-wide. San Diego is renowned for its idyllic climate, 70 miles of pristine beaches and a dazzling array of world-class family attractions. Popular attractions include the world-famous San Diego Zoo and Wild Animal Park, Sea World San Diego and LEGOLAND California. More information can be found at the San Diego Convention and Visitor's Bureau website at: [www.sandiego.org](http://www.sandiego.org)

**GETTING HERE:**

San Diego international airport (SAN) is located in downtown San Diego approximately 25 minutes from the meeting location. There are several options for transportation from the airport, including rental cars, shuttles, and taxis. As mentioned above, the Dana Hotel provides free shuttle transportation to and from the San Diego Airport. Call the hotel direct at 619-222-6440 from the baggage claim area to arrange a pickup.

**WEATHER:**

Weather at the end of November in San Diego can be fairly variable, from sunny and warm (65°F) to cool and rainy (45-50°F). Attire for the meeting is casual, and bringing several layers is recommended.

## **FORUM INFORMATION**

### **REGISTRATION**

There will be a \$60 registration fee which is due by November 1, 2007. Payment is accepted by cash, check, or PayPal. Checks must be from a U.S. bank and made out to “California Wetfish Producers Association.”

To pay with a major credit card using PayPal, visit [www.paypal.com](http://www.paypal.com). If you do not already have an account, you must create one with an email address and password. There is no charge to create an account. Then go to the “Send Money” tab, and fill in \$60 to the Trinational account email address [trinational Sardine@earthlink.net](mailto:trinational Sardine@earthlink.net). The next page will allow you to fill in your credit card information and submit your payment.

Regardless of payment method, please submit the registration form to Anne Allen by October 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2007.

### **IMPORTANT DATES:**

September 30, 2007	Draft Abstracts for verbal presentations and posters due
26 October, 2007	Final deadline for hotel reservations at The Dana on Mission Bay
1 November, 2007	Registration fees due
29 November, 2007	9:00 a.m. Beginning of Forum
29 November, 2007	Dinner at The Fish Market, sponsored by California Wetfish Producers Association
30 November, 2007	6:00 p.m. End of Forum

## **8<sup>th</sup> TRINATIONAL SARDINE FORUM COMMITTEES**

### **Program Committee:**

Dr. Nancy Lo, SWFSC, La Jolla, CA  
Dra. Sharon Herzka, CICESE, Mexico  
Dr. Timothy Baumgartner, CICESE, Mexico  
Mr. Orlando Amoroso, Purse seine owner, CA

### **Logistic Committee:**

Dr. Roger Hewitt, SWFSC, La Jolla, CA  
Diane Pleschner-Steele, California Wetfish Producers Association  
Anne Allen, SWFSC, La Jolla, CA

### **Executive Committee:**

Dr. Nancy Lo, SWFSC  
Dra. Sharon Herzka, CICESE

Dr. Robert Emmett, NWFSC  
Jake Schweigert, DFO

## **WORKING GROUPS**

The principal goal of the working groups is to promote coast-wide cooperation in producing information needed regarding the biology and dynamics of the population:

WG1: Regional biomass-Nancy Lo

WG2: Stock structure, age structure and adult sampling - Russ Vetter

WG3: Industry trends and issues - Orlando Amoroso, Martín Guitierrez, Don Pepper, and Diane Pleschner-Steele

## **FOR MORE INFORMATION:**

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