

IOHN S. McCAIN III

## NATIONAL CENTER FOR ENVIRONMENTAL CONFLICT RESOLUTION

### **ABOUT US**

The John S. McCain III National Center for Environmental Conflict Resolution (NCECR) is a program of the Udall Foundation, which is an independent, nonpartisan Federal agency of the Executive Branch. NCECR provides collaboration, consensus-building, and conflict resolution services on a range of environmental, natural and cultural resources, Tribal, and public lands issues involving the Federal Government.

# WE SPECIALIZE IN...

- Complex, multiparty environmental challenges at a national and
- Issues that require substantive, technical, or process expertise (e.g., NEPA, transportation infrastructure projects, endangered
- Issues involving multiple levels of government (Federal, State,
- Interagency and interdepartmental collaborations
- Collaborative efforts involving Tribes and Native people, including Government-to-Government Consultation between Tribes and Federal agencies

## **OUR SERVICES**

- Facilitation
- Mediation
- Stakeholder Engagement
- Tribal Consultation
- Training
- Project/Situation Assessment
- Convening
- Collaborative Process Design
- Science-based Decision Making Support

### **BENEFITS**



BETTER **OUTCOMES** 

More durable solutions



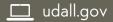
**FFFICIENCY** 

Cost savings, timely process, minimizes litigation



**IMPROVED GOVERNANCE** 

Increased capacity to serve citizens











## OCEANS, COASTS, AND GREAT LAKES

Our oceans, coasts, and Great Lakes are home to thriving and interconnected communities of aquatic and human life. Yet many changes are occurring that threaten the health of human and aquatic communities alike such as warming oceans and rising waters, the spread of aquatic invasive species, and increasing and at times conflicting—human activities. At the same time, responsibility for the stewardship and management of our waters and coastal areas crosses multiple borders, falling to numerous Local, State, Tribal, and National governments, which may have diverging mandates, priorities, and values regarding the management of those resources. NCECR can help those with very different perspectives bridge communication divides, building a better understanding of each other's needs and identifying ways those needs may be reconciled. We navigate complex decision-making processes to design clear and comprehensive plans leading to well-informed decisions and durable outcomes.

#### NATIONAL PARK SERVICE LIONFISH RESPONSE PLAN



BACKGROUND: Lionfish are an invasive species that they can also sting park visitors with their venomous spines. At least six coastal national parks in the Southeastern United States and the Gulf of Mexico have detected the presence of lionfish.

**OUTCOME:** NCECR facilitated a four-day workshop resource managers from NPS and NOAA to share individual park plans for combating the lionfish threat.

#### DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY GUAM **REEF ASSESSMENT**



**BACKGROUND:** When the Federal Government decided to relocate a U.S. marine base to Guam, the U.S. Navy was required to develop an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to determine the potential impacts of the new military facilities on coral and other aquatic resources. Several Federal and Local agencies disagreed on the adequacy of the coral impact assessment.

**OUTCOME:** NCECR conducted an assessment and proposed alternative approaches to resolving the disagreements, leading to an agreement between the Navy and NOAA Fisheries on an appropriate approach to assess coral impacts in the EIS.

### SUBSISTENCE AND COMMERCIAL FISHING IN ANGOON, ALASKA



**BACKGROUND:** The Kootznoowoo Corporation, an

**OUTCOME:** At the request of BIA, NCECR conducted

#### MORTHEAST REGIONAL MARINE PLANNING



**BACKGROUND:** The National Ocean Policy called for increased coordination of Federal, Tribal, and State agencies in ocean management and future planning

**OUTCOME:** NCECR provided facilitation and stakeholder engagement expertise that increased coordination and enabled the development of an ocean plan and the Northeast ocean data portal.