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| <i>NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE POLICY 03-401</i> Effective on: 2008 | |
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| Habitat Conservation and Restoration | |
| Diadromous Fish Policy | |
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I. Introduction

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) has Federal responsibility for the conservation and management of living marine resources under numerous Federal laws, including authorities under the Federal Power Act. NMFS works under the Federal Power Act to protect and restore diadromous fish and their habitats.

II. Objective

It is NMFS' policy to use our authorities under the Federal Power Act to protect and restore diadromous fish and their habitats in order to aid in the recovery of threatened and endangered species and contribute to the sustainability of economically important commercial and recreational fisheries.

III. Authorities and Responsibilities

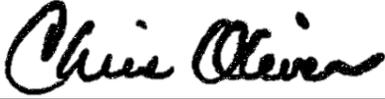
This policy directive establishes that NMFS will develop policies and guidance to aid in the implementation of our Federal Power Act authorities as necessary and appropriate.

IV. Measuring Effectiveness

This policy will be reviewed and updated if necessary in accordance with the NMFS Policy Directive System.

V. References

Procedural directives will be issued to implement this policy as needed.

Signed  9/26/2018
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