# Saving Nemo

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# Saving Nemo: <u>New Approaches to</u> <u>Ecosystem Management for Oceans</u>



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## **Success Stories in Marine Conservation**





Kemp's Ridley Sea Turtle declined to ~300 nesting females in 1986.



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Beach protection and TEDs promoted recovery to >21,000 nests last year

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# **Reasons for Hope and Caution**



Richards et al. (2008)

Robert Simmon, NASA



# Looking Ahead...

Projections for 2050 and beyond are cause for Urgent Action

- Trends in Human Population, Consumption, Urbanization and Technology and Implications for Global Security
- Trends in Ocean Commerce and Energy Development Climate Change Emissions Projections and Related Impacts on Oceans



# Strategies and Tools

Targeted Strategies	Fisheries Reform	Integrate Fisheries and MPAs	Open Ocean Conservation	MPAs	Marine Spatial Planning	Natural Habitats as Climate Adaptatio n	"Develop- ment by design"	"Conserv a-culture
Supporting Strategies	Capacity building and strengthening institutions Community-based conservation and community involvement Providing alternative livelihoods Adapting to climate change Making conservation pervasive through market reform Fostering innovation Ensuring outcomes through compliance and enforcement							
Tools	MPAs Reduce Counterproductive Market Signals (e.g., subsidies ) Increase Enforcement and Compliance (e.g., co-management Reduce Pollution Adjust Capacity of Fishing Fleets Control Ballast Water Discharge Reduce By-catch through Marine Spatial Planning and Technologies Marine Spatial Planning (e.g., Shift Shipping Lanes) Change Institutions and Build Capacity through Education and Sustained Effort Use Social Pressure							

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# Strategy Fusion: Integrate Conservation Areas (MPAs) and Fisheries Management



State Marine Recreation Management Area (SMRMA)

#### ...to sum up

 Mainstream marine stewardship into the everyday work of infrastructure and energy planning and development, human settlement development, climate change adaptation.

 Time-tested strategies, like MPAs and fisheries reform, deserve continued support and innovation.
These strategies take time to bloom.

• Fuse, or link, strategies and tools.



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