

# 2004 National Forum on Contaminants in Fish

Forum Discussion Group  
Organization and Objectives  
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## Regional Work Group Sessions

- Six State/Tribe Regional Work Groups
  - Northeast (red) – Ballroom 2
  - East (orange) – Ballroom 6
  - South (yellow) – Ballroom 3
  - Great Lakes (green) – Ballroom 8
  - Midwest/West (light blue) – Ballroom 7
  - West (dark blue) – Ballroom 4
- Other Interested Parties (white)- Ballroom 5

# Regional Work Group Sessions

- Primarily Intended for State and Tribe Representatives Involved in Fish Contaminant Monitoring/Advisory Programs
  - Table seating for State/Tribe Program representatives
  - Limited number of additional chairs for observers
  - Discussion leads facilitate sessions
  - Record comments/issues/needs on flip charts

# Regional Work Group Sessions

- Monday Discussion Groups: National Mercury Advisory Reactions and Feedback (3:30 – 5:00)
  - Positive feedback
  - Concerns
  - Suggestions
  - State/Tribe needs
- Tuesday Group Presentations: National Mercury Advisory Reactions and Feedback (8:15 – 9:25)
  - 10 min for each of the six State/Tribe regional groups
  - reactions/concerns/suggestions
  - State/Tribe needs to implement advisory

# State/Tribe Regional Work Group Discussions

- **Tuesday: Reactions and Needs for Sunday/Tuesday Topics (3:15 – 5:00)**
  - Focus group testing
  - Monitoring strategies
  - Contaminants in farmed fish
  - Risk management
- **Wednesday: Regional Group Needs Assessment (9:35 – 11:20)**
  - 15 min for each of the six State/Tribe regional groups
  - open forum Q&C
  - presentation template in discussion group handout
  - focused on State/Tribe needs related to Forum topics