

Elizabeth Ann Marchetti
Independent Fisheries Liaison

Elizabeth is from Long Island, New York and has been actively working with the commercial fishing community for over thirteen years. Immediately after graduating the University of Rhode Island with a Bachelor of Science in Marine Biology, she began working for the Ocean Technology Foundation as a sea observer for the Lobster Restoration project in response to the North Cape Oil spill in 1996. She stayed with the program through its entirety of five years before landing her five year position as a Point Judith NOAA Port Agent as a federal contractor. Elizabeth assisted and supported industry members with their inquiries as well as collected biological samples such as otoliths and vertebrates daily for the Northeast Fisheries Science Center. From there she began working as a field scientist within NOAA's Cooperative Research Program, working with fishermen daily for technical support with electronic vessel trip reports as well as conducting at sea biosampling.

In 2000, while studying at Southern Cross University in Lismore, Australia, she obtained her SSI diving certification in Byron Bay.

When not engaged in fisheries, Elizabeth enjoys running, cooking and hiking with her beloved bullmastiff / lab mix. She is currently training for the 2015 New York City Marathon.