

Valerie Termini

Valerie Termini serves as the Fisheries Policy Advisor for the Ocean Protection Council. Termini joined the OPC staff in October 2007 following a California Sea Grant fellowship at the ocean resources management program in Sacramento. She obtained her master's degree in International Environmental Policy at the Monterey Institute for International Studies in 2006. While a graduate student, she interned at the NOAA National Marine Protected Area Institute in Monterey and as a community fishery policy advisor for the Conservation Society of Pohnpei, in Micronesia. She received her B.A. in Political Science at Whittier College in 1998. Following college, she served as a Peace Corps volunteer in Togo, West Africa for 2 ½ years working on environmental protection and education. Recently, Termini was on detail to NOAA Fisheries headquarters in Washington D.C.. While there, she helped address NOAA Fisheries efforts to assess, prepare for and respond to impacts of climate change on marine and coastal ecosystems, living marine resources and the communities that depend on them.