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Tom is an Associate Research Professor at Rutgers University, Department of Marine and Coastal Sciences, with an interest in the abundance and distribution of fishes as affected by physical factors. Tom has a professional history examining the variation in fish recruitment (addition to a population) relative to both natural and manmade perturbations to their habitat, including marsh restoration efforts for power plant mitigation, storms, urbanization of water fronts, and seasonality. In the last 11 years, Tom has worked extensively with adult stages on movement, migration, and habitat choice. He has developed an interest in furthering technologies to meet the challenges of studying larger mobile fish in the ocean, including sablefish in deep Alaskan waters, sturgeon, winter and summer flounder, bluefish, striped bass, weakfish, and sharks as far away as the Philippines. He is currently working in collaboration with other scientists from Rutgers University and Washington College to map submerged habitats at Sandy Hook.