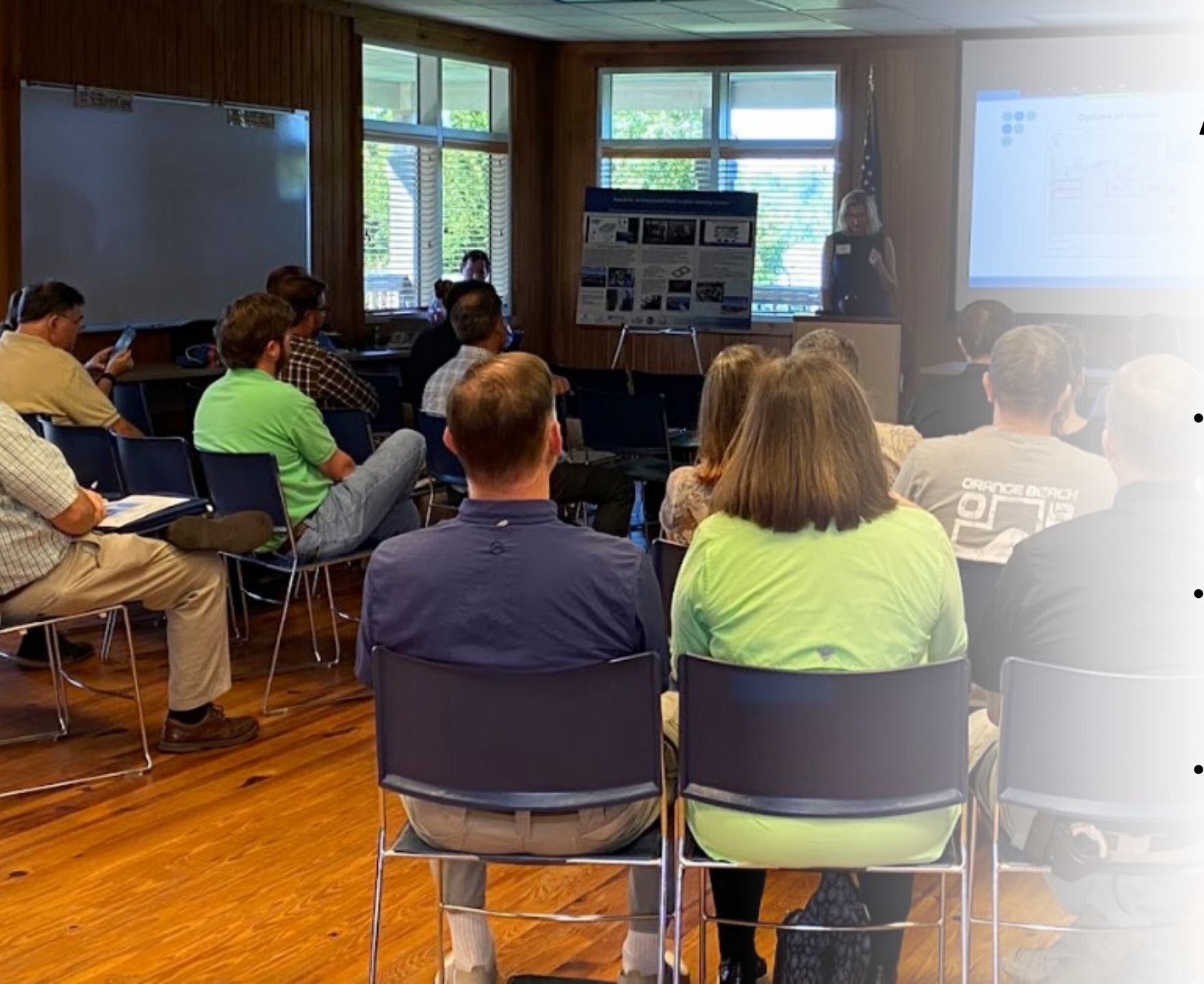


IMTA works with our community:
recruitment, outreach,
monitoring, education, training
(we're not just growing fish!)





Additional goals of IMTA in Alabama Gulf coast

- Initial input workshop showed community interest in IMTA as an additional source of income for resource harvesters/farmers
- Three species can contribute both to nutrient reduction from fish feed/waste, and as potential products.
- Hope to find niche market for our fish to promote local seafood as well

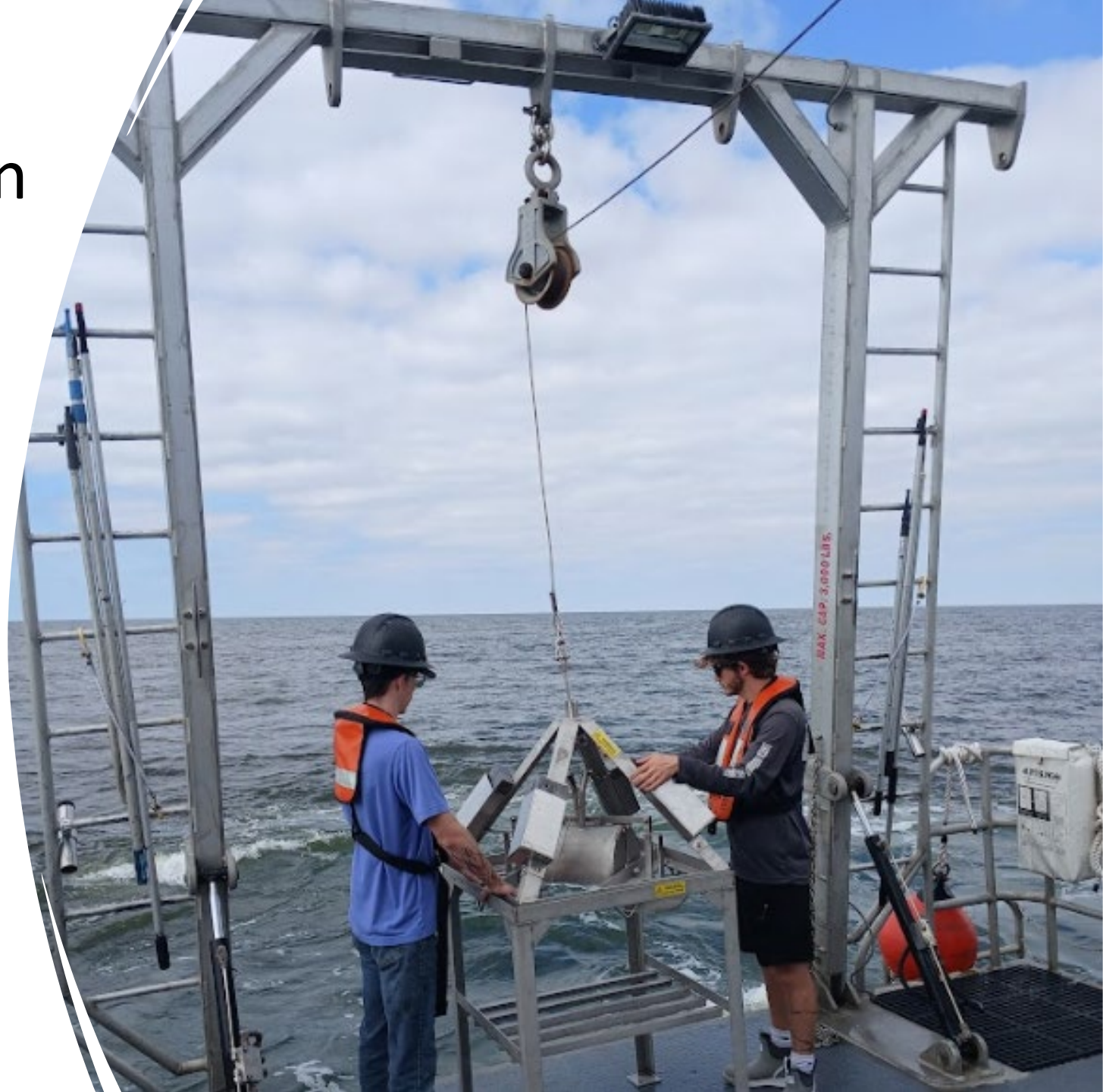


Additional goals of IMTA in Alabama Gulf coast

- Dual displays featuring the AquaFort and explaining IMTA
 - 3-D model of the system
- Live streaming video from the platform (doubles as a security measure!)
- Interactive video selection of the IMTA process from conception to final output
 - Hired USM's ViDMO services to document the entire process and develop 2-minute clips

Additional goals of IMTA in Alabama Gulf coast

- Environmental monitoring
 - Benthic nutrient accumulation and community
 - Water quality
 - Nekton (trawling)
 - Protected resources monitoring
 - Acoustic receivers
 - Biofouling accumulation (informal)



Additional goals of IMTA in Alabama Gulf coast

- Workforce development
 - Training students and interns
 - On-site visits at the AquaFort
 - Sea Grant supported Aquaculture Apprentice experiences
 - Local workshops targeting folks in seafood industry
 - Recruiting local harvesters/farmers to assist with IMTA day to day operations and harvest
 - Pay for time and effort
 - Recruiting individuals both with and without personal vessels





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