

WCMAC Technical Committee Update

January, 2014

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- Linda Rotmark
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The Technical Committee has met 3 times (via phone) since the last WCMAC meeting. The meetings focus on providing input on desired outcomes and deliverables on projects. Key projects discussed include:

- **Outreach**
 - The TC provided input on the proposed scope of work, including reviewing past outreach activities and building on input already received. The contract is signed and underway.
- **Science Coordination**
 - The TC asked Sea Grant to develop a more robust approach to this project. Sea Grant made changes to the scope of work in response. The contract is signed and underway. Sea Grant will brief WCMAC on this project at the January meeting.
- **Recreational Use Study**
 - The TC discussed this study at length and supports asking WCMAC to recommend that it be funded.
- **Sector Analyses**
 - The TC has focused on shaping the sector analyses so that they will provide a foundation for the larger coast-wide economic assessment. DNR has incorporated TC input into the draft RFP.
- **Coast-Wide Economic Assessment**
 - The TC continues to discuss desired outcomes and deliverables for this assessment. The RFP has not been drafted yet; it will incorporate TC input.

Seafloor Mapping is on the list of projects for TC input but has not been discussed yet.