

**COASTAL BODY MEETING**  
May 11, 2012 ~ 10:00am – 2:00pm  
Greys Harbor College ~ Aberdeen WA  
**Meeting Summary**

**ATTENDANCE**

See Attachment 1

**DECISIONS & ACTION ITEMS** The following items were decided during the meeting. For a more details on the actions, please see Attachment 2.

- The group voted in favor to endorse the MSP spending plan categories and the dollar amounts allocated to each. Those opposed: Ports, represented by Marc Horton and Ray Toste, representing commercial fishing.
- The group supported all eight of the components of the marine management plan listed in RCW 43.372.040, supported the intent of the language on existing uses be “protecting and preserving existing sustainable uses” and requested that the components be included in the intent section of the MSP spend plan.
- Members will send individual comments and suggestions on potential needs and/or projects for the MSP spending plan to Jennifer Hennessey and/or Michal Rechner. During her interviews with members, Bridget Trosin will also ask for input on the MSP spending plan. DNR (Michal Rechner) will provide members with more details and additional background information on the MSP spending plan and will solicit further input from members.
- Michal Rechner will email members the letter from Senator Ranker.
- The group asked Ecology to re-advertise the Energy seat on the group.
- Ecology will send an invitation letter to the Shoalwater Bay Tribe.
- Bridget Trosin, Ecology will be contacting members to set up individual interviews to discuss information needs, elements, ideas on a MSP strategy. Members recommended she also reach out to coastal MRCs, to set up interviews and attend their meetings.
- Doug Kess will follow up with Paul Dye, on TNC’s offer to provide a workshop on MSP.
- The Drafting Committee will propose 2-3 options for the name of the group. They will be sent out via email using a Survey Monkey, and members will vote on the name. The name with the most votes will be selected.
- Approved Doug Kess as the chair and Rod Fleck as the vice chair.
- The Drafting Committee will meet and finalize the draft operating procedures. They will send them out for review and comment. The group will finalize them at the next meeting.

- The next meeting will be at the end of July. Amanda will send out a doodle poll with proposed meeting dates. The date that works for the majority of members will be selected.
- Members will send suggestions for items for the next meeting agenda and the education topic to Doug Kess.
- Adopted the agenda format, consisting of four standing categories for future meetings: Education, Agency Updates, Operations, and Policy & Affairs.
- Approved the March 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting summary and adopted the meeting notes format for future meetings.

### **WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS**

Sally Toteff, Southwest Regional Director at Washington Department of Ecology welcomed meeting attendees and introduced Bob Nichols, Senior Policy Advisor at the Washington Governor's Office. Bob addressed the letter to Chair Doug Kess regarding the Governor's reasoning for the veto of the Coastal Solutions Council in SSB 6263. He explained that the Governor is committed to the engagement of coastal communities and the work of this group. The Governor has sent him to act as a liaison between the group and her office, reporting back to the Governor on how her office can be supportive and helpful.

Neutral convener Amanda Murphy welcomed members to the meeting. She introduced the format for the meeting, explaining that after introductions, Chair Doug Kess will lead the meeting. She explained that she and Rob McDaniel will be assisting in coaching Doug and the group through the meeting, interceding and facilitating when necessary. Amanda then asked members to introduce themselves by stating their name, affiliation, and answer the question "What do you hope to accomplish at this meeting?"

### **REVIEW AGENDA**

Chair Doug Kess welcomed members and reviewed the meeting agenda, explaining the Agenda Committee's approach for developing it. There was a suggestion and discussion about tape recording meetings. The group decided to add this item to the discussion on operating procedures. With that addition, the agenda items and the agenda format was approved.

### **ACTION ITEMS STATUS UPDATE**

Jennifer Hennessey, Department of Ecology, provided an update on action taken on the group's guidance on National Ocean Policy, provided at the last meeting. She reported that Ecology incorporated the group's guidance language in their letter to the National Ocean Council. Additionally, Ecology has sent a letter to the Governor's Office, with a paragraph dedicated to the importance of economic and social issues along the coast.

Jennifer also provided an update on action taken regarding the group's request to send lend letters inviting the coastal tribes to attend meetings. Ecology sent invitation letters to each of the four coastal treaty tribes, and has so far received a positive response from the Makah Tribe, who will be sending a representative to future meetings. Ecology is awaiting responses from the other three tribes. Members suggested the Shoalwater Bay Tribe also be invited.

Brian Lynn, Department of Ecology, provided an update on the US Army Corps of Engineers draft environmental assessment for Nearshore Disposal Locations. He reported that Ecology's comments reflected the group's guidance, provided at the last meeting and emphasized that any plan must not increase hazards to small or large vessel navigation or harm marine environments. Brian explained that the Lower Columbia Solutions Group is developing a regional sediment management plan to identify other disposal locations and that the Army Corps is completing the NEPA process. The State is currently looking to work collaboratively with the Army Corps to identify the best approach moving forward.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Vice Chair Rod Fleck provided an update on the draft operating procedures. The Drafting Committee has worked through half of the operating procedures and identified specific areas where the group's input is needed.

The first area for input dealt with the name of the group. The Drafting Committee proposed the name *Washington Pacific Coast Solutions Board*. The group discussed this name and other possible options. A number of members were also in support of the name *Coastal Marine Advisory Council*. The group decided to direct the Drafting Committee to propose two or three names to send out for the group to vote on.

Rod asked for comments on the chair/vice chair format the group had adopted at the prior meeting, and whether there was agreement that he and Doug will hold these positions. No comments were given, and the group decided their positions official.

The Drafting Committee also asked for input on how often the group should meet. The Committee suggested meeting three to five times per year with the ability for the committees to meet in between those times. There was discussion of meeting more often to get started and then less once the group was better established. The Drafting Committee will send the draft operating procedures to the group in advance of the next meeting for comments and will finalize them at the next meeting.

### **OCEAN BASED RENEWABLE ENERGY PRESENTATION**

Charlie Brandt, Director of Battelle's Marine Sciences Laboratory and Linda Rotmark, Executive Director of the Clallam County Economic Development Council were invited to give a presentation on ocean based renewable energy. Charlie's presentation discussed the science around ocean based renewable energy and the opportunities and challenges associated. Linda's presentation built on Charlie's, addressing economic and social impacts and opportunities of ocean based energy in the state.

After the presentations, the presenters and group members engaged in an open discussion. Several members were interested in the supply of the energy produced and its cost. Some noted that some of the energy generated on the east-side of Washington State currently goes to California. It was asked if current PUD grids could handle this new potential input. He responded that the current grids may need to be upgraded. Charlie went on to explain that the Department of Energy has set a goal for offshore energy development delivery to cost \$.07/Kilowatt hour; current rates are at \$.05/Kilowatt hour. He added that the cost of development of these facilities is not predicated on the local community.

Several members were also interested to know what the environmental, as well as social and economic impacts of offshore wind floats and turbines would be in Washington. Charlie responded that they did not currently have good estimates of the environmental footprint or the kilowatt output, since exiting

information is based on land turbines which are much smaller in size. The group added that this information will be critical when planning for, and siting, these facilities. Charlie also explained current limitations associated with data estimates on the number of construction vs. maintenance jobs that would be created, however data from Europe shows ½-1 jobs per megawatt installed. He then discussed the opportunities for job creation associated with assembling and shipping of materials.

### **AGENCY UPDATES & REQUEST FOR INPUT**

State agencies presented items they were requesting input on from the coastal group. Jennifer Hennessey provided a brief overview of the Marine Spatial Planning Strategy, its goal being to help further describe overall benefits, reasoning, information needs and steps for developing marine spatial plans in Washington. Jennifer introduced Bridget Trosin, and Marc Hershman a Marine Policy Fellow at Department of Ecology, who will be conducting interviews to gather input on associated needs, options, and priorities for developing the strategy. Bridget Trosin informed members that she will be contacting them individually to gather their ideas and suggestions on the Marine Spatial Planning (MSP) Strategy. She will then put together an assessment report describing the information gathered from the interviews and will provide it to the group. Members recommended Bridget also reach out to coastal MRCs, to set up interviews and attend their meetings.

Jennifer introduced Michal Rechner, Assistant Division Manager for Policy and Program Development with the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Aquatic Division, to discuss the \$2.1 Million Budget proviso related to marine spatial planning. Michal distributed to the group a letter from Senator Ranker to Peter Goldmark, publically elected Commissioner of Public Lands, DNR, outlining how to DNR should move forward with the appropriated money. Michal explained that DNR's spending authority for the funds will cease at the end of the biennium in June 2013, and need to be allocated by then. He gave an overview of DNR's spending plan and the four proposed spending categories, explaining that spending amounts associated with each category were determined by relative importance and amount of work needed over the next year. He also noted that activities and amounts associated with each category are flexible. Michal requested input from the group on the proposed spending categories, and if the group was in support of the categories and the spending amounts.

### **RESPONSE TO INPUT & ACTION PRIORITIES DISCUSSION**

The group discussed DNR's proposed spending plan and voted in favor to endorse the MSP spending plan categories and the dollar amounts allocated to each. Those opposed: Ports, represented by Marc Horton and Ray Toste, representing commercial fishing.

The group also requested that language on protecting existing uses be included in the intent section of the MSP spending plan. The group supported all eight of the components of the marine management plan listed in RCW 43.372.040, and agreed the intent of the language on existing uses be "protecting and preserving existing sustainable uses" and requested that this and the other components be included in the intent section of the MSP spend plan.

Individual group members provided DNR with the following input:

- Incorporate into the data tools category the Washington Marine Planner, an interactive decision support tool that the Pacific County CMRC helped to develop through a pilot project, in partnership with The Nature Conservancy and EcoTrust.

- Incorporate geology mapping – mapping of ocean substrate.
- Avoid reinventing the wheel.
- Before deciding on what the data needs and projects are, time should be spent on identifying the issues.
- Utilize traditional knowledge.
- Allow for open analysis of collected data. Consider inter-agency type agreements with UW and WSU regarding data sharing and analysis.
- Build in education into the spending plan.
- Provide more information on what the goals are for MSP and how these spending categories are going to help meet those goals.

The group also discussed the need for representation from energy on the group and requested that Ecology re-advertise for the position.

#### **NEXT STEPS AND ADJOURN**

The group decided the next meeting will be at the end of July. Amanda Murphy will send out a doodle poll with proposed meeting dates. The date that works for the majority of members will be selected. Doug Kess asked members to send him suggestions for items for the next meeting agenda and idea for the education topic. Doug invited public comments, then thanked the group for their participation and adjourned the meeting.

## Attachment 1 Meeting Attendees

<b>Coastal Group Members</b>				
<b>Last</b>	<b>First</b>	<b>Seat</b>	<b>Affiliation</b>	<b>In Attendance?</b>
Backman	Mike	Wahkiakum County MRC	Wahkiakum County MRC	N
Beasley	Dale	Commercial Fishing	Columbia River Crab Fishermens Association	✓
Cedergreen	Mark	Recreational Fishing	Westport Charterboat Association	✓
Costanzo	Charlie	Shipping	The American Waterways Operators (AWO): Pacific Region	✓
Dalan	Garrett	Grays Harbor County MRC	Grays Harbor County MRC	✓
Fleck	Rod	North Pacific MRC	North Pacific MRC	✓
Garrow	Tami	Economic Development	Grays Harbor Public Development Authority	✓
Greer	Kathy	Recreation	Surfrider Foundation	N
Grunbaum	RD	Conservation	Friends of Grays Harbor	✓
Horton	Marc	Ports	Port of Grays Harbor	✓
Kess	Doug	Pacific County MRC	Pacific County MRC	✓
Maurer(Marchant)	Lorena	Education	Educator	✓
McMurry	Key	Citizen	Key Environmental Solutions LLC	✓
Osborne	Rich	Science	Feiro Marine Life Center Research Associate	✓
Sheldon	Brian	Shellfish Aquaculture	Willapa-Grays Harbor Oyster Growers Association	✓
Toste	Ray	Commercial Fishing	Westport Crabbers Association	✓
<b>Alternates</b>				
Leraas	Robin	Grays Harbor County MRC	Grays Harbor County MRC	N
Nordin	Mike	Pacific County MRC	Pacific County MRC	✓
Pokorny	Tami	North Pacific MRC	North Pacific MRC	✓

<b>State Agencies, Organizations &amp; Public</b>			
<b>Last</b>	<b>First</b>	<b>Affiliation</b>	<b>In Attendance?</b>
Cooper	Kelly	Department of Health	N
Dalton	Penny	Sea Grant	N
Dye	Paul	The Nature Conservancy	✓
Delvin	Eric	The Nature Conservancy	N
Dietz	Dana	Washington Coast Sustainable Salmon Partnership	✓
Grayum	Michael	Puget Sound Partnership	N
Hennessey	Jennifer	Department of Ecology	✓
Jewett	Jenna	Department of Fish and Wildlife	N
Kennedy	Jody	Surfrider	✓
Kline	Randy	State Parks and Recreation	✓
Lassiter	Katrina	Department of Natural Resources	✓
Lynn	Brian	Department of Ecology	✓

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Mooney	Jamie	Washington State Emergency Management	N
Nichols	Bob	Governor Gregoire's Office	✓
Rechner	Michal	Department of Natural Resources	✓
Schelling	John	Emergency Management Division	N
Sheldon	Dick	Willapa Shellfish Growers	✓
Steinbeck	Charles		✓
Toteff	Sally	Department of Ecology	✓
Trosin	Bridget	Department of Ecology	✓

**Attachment 2  
 Action Items  
 Coastal Body**

**Coastal Body Action Item List**

	<b>Action Item</b>	<b>Responsible Party</b>	<b>Due Date</b>	<b>Done?</b>	<b>Comments</b>
<b>1</b>	Coastal Body guidance to Ecology and SOC on National Ocean Policy and Dredging.	All Coastal Group members.	Developed at 3/23/12 meeting	Yes	Amanda sent the language the group agreed on to Ecology via email on 3/26/12, cc:ed Doug and Rod.
<b>2</b>	Email to the Governor's Office stating the Coastal Advisory Body is in strong support of SSB 6263.	Doug Kess	3/27/2012	Yes	
<b>3</b>	Coastal Group members send brief bio and a photo of themselves to Amanda Murphy.	All Coastal Group members.	4/18/2012	Yes	Amanda will combine everyone's bio and photo into one document and send out to the group.
<b>4</b>	Develop 5/11/12 meeting agenda items/topics.	Agenda Subcommittee: Doug Kess, Mike Backman, Garrett Dalan, Tami Garrow, and Jennifer Hennessey / Department of Ecology staff support.	5/4/2012	Yes	4/6/12: Doug, Rod, and the Center are working on setting up a conference call to draft the next meeting agenda and will be contacting the Subcmte shortly to do so. 4/18/12 Conference Call scheduled  The Agenda Subcommittee will work with members to

					develop the meeting agenda and will send out to the group to review at least a week in advance of the meeting.
5	Draft operating procedures/by-laws.	Drafting Subcommittee: Rod Fleck, Brian Sheldon, Key McMurry, Doug Kess, and Jennifer Hennessey /Department of Ecology staff support.	5/4/2012	Yes	4/6/12: In the process of scheduling conference call to begin drafting. 4/20/12: Conference call scheduled  The draft procedures will be sent out to the group to review at least a week in advance of the next meeting.
6	Invitation Letters to Coastal Tribes	Ecology will send invitation letters to the coastal tribes		Yes	5/11/12: Letters were sent to each of the four coastal treaty tribes. Makah has responded and will send a representative to the next meeting.
7	Members will send individual comments and suggestions on potential needs and/or projects for the MSP spending plan to Jennifer Hennessey and/or Michal Rechner.	All Coastal Group members.	6/8/12	Yes	5/16/12: Michal Rechner sent email to the Coastal Group.

8	Ecology will re-advertise the Energy seat on the group.	Ecology – Jennifer Hennessey, Brian Lynn		Yes	
9	Ecology will send an invitation letter to the Shoalwater Bay Tribe	Ecology – Jennifer Hennessey, Brian Lynn			
10	The Drafting Committee will propose 2-3 options for the name of the group. They will be sent out via email using a Survey Monkey, and members will vote on the name. The name with the most votes will be selected.	Drafting Committee All members	Voting closes COB June 15 <sup>th</sup>	Yes	5/31/12: Drafting Committee had a conference call and identified 3 name options. Amanda put them into a survey poll and sent out to the group to vote on.  6/15/12: the group choose the name “Washington Coastal Marine Advisory Council (WCMAC)
11	The Drafting Committee will finalize the draft operating procedures and send them out for review and comment.	Drafting Committee	7/2/12	Yes	5/31/12: Drafting Committee held a conference call to finalize draft operating procedures.  6/29/12: Drafting Committee held a conference call and finalized draft operating procedures.

12	Doug Kess will follow up with Paul Dye, on TNC's offer to provide a workshop of MSP.	Doug Kess	?	Yes	
13	Members will send Doug Kess suggested items for the 3 <sup>rd</sup> meeting agenda	All members.	6/6/12	Yes	
14	Agenda Committee will meet and develop an agenda for the 3 <sup>rd</sup> meeting.	Agenda Committee	7/20/12	Yes	<p>6/14/12: Agenda Committee had a conference call to develop a draft agenda.</p> <p>6/29/12: Draft agenda was sent to the WCMAC for review and comments.</p> <p>7/13/12: Deadline for comments on the draft agenda.</p> <p>7/17/12: Agenda Committee had a conference call to incorporate comments and finalize the draft agenda.</p> <p>7/20/12: Meeting agenda was sent out to the WCMAC.</p>