

Pribilof Collaborative Steering Committee Meeting  
January 8, 2004: 9:00 am teleconference  
**Agenda and meeting summary**

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1. Review Day 2 Agenda
2. Review of Expanded Problem Statements

Present: Evie Witten, Denise Woods, Debbie Lestenkof, Randy Hagenstein, Meg King, Georgia Kashevarof, Andy Malavansky, Max Malavansky Jr., Anthony B. Mercurief

**Summary:**

1. Review Day 2 Agenda
  - Steering Committee members will report briefly on the design element they were assigned to talk about. The reports will be very brief and can be as simple as reading the proposed/ strawman design element as it was included in the Executive Summary of the September meeting.
  - There will be time after each briefing for questions and suggested modifications by the full group.
    - From 8:30 –10:00, there will be reports and discussion on:
      - Proposed Structure: Evie
      - Proposed Budget and Funding Strategy: Debbie
      - Proposed Interaction w/NPFMC: Larry
      - Proposed Timeline: Joe
      - Proposed Information Needs: Randy
    - At 10:30 (following break), there will be a report on the Proposed Problem Statement from September by Georgia, Anthony or Greg.
    - Discussion of the strawman Expanded Problem Statements of the 5 major proposed issues (seabirds, marine mammals, halibut, crab, use of TEK) will be discussed for the rest of the day, as time allows.
      - Copies of the written strawman Expanded Problem Statements will be in the notebook for the full group to review (see #2 below).
  - It was proposed that “temperature taking” of the full group on these proposed elements will occur after the discussion of each element, rather than at the end of the day.
  - The time remaining after lunch will consist of small group discussions, one group for each proposed issue.
    - There will be a worksheet in the notebook designed to lead the discussion and provide structure (Meg will draft this).
    - What should result from the small group discussions is a list of
      - All possible ways of stating the problem
      - All possible hypothesized causes of the problem
      - All possible ways those causes can be better examined

- Groups will each include at least one Steering Committee member to provide direction and keep the discussion from turning into a “blame game” and should have a representative from the islands to provide that perspective.
  - If people in the full or small groups want to bring up new issues or if new issues emerge during the discussions, Meg will write them on a flip-chart and they will be addressed by the full group.
  - During Day 1, invited speakers can be questioned about information gaps during the Q&A following their presentation. Those speakers remaining on Day 2 can be asked to join the appropriate small group discussion of an issue to provide guidance on the discussion of information needs.
2. Review of Expanded Problem Statements:
- Expanded problem statements will be neutral representations of the problem from all stakeholder perspectives and will speculate on possible causes (without assigning blame to one group).
  - Meg will email the bulleted format to be used in drafting the Expanded Problem Statements to the Steering Committee so that the statements can be rewritten, if necessary, to fit the guidelines for neutrality and scope. This format consists of the following:
    - State the issue
    - Why care (as simple as “decline of...harms the economy and ecosystems of the P.I.’s)
    - Concerns from each stakeholder’s perspective
    - A general statement of the present situation
    - Speculation on causes
  - Expanded Problem Statements adhering to the bulleted format should be emailed to Evie no later than Friday morning if possible.

Next Steering Committee Meeting will be on Thursday January 13<sup>th</sup> at 12:00pm. Those who will be in Anchorage should plan to meet at The Nature Conservancy’s new office at 715 L Street.