

Pribilof Islands Ecosystem Stakeholder Process Organizing Committee
March 11, 2003, 1:00 p.m. teleconference

Agenda and meeting summary

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1. Interview with Alice Shorett
2. Update on status of funding request to the Marine Conservation Alliance:
3. Discuss stakeholders' concerns about SWAMC; decide how to best address concerns
4. Discuss funding request letter to Senator Stevens

Meeting Summary:

Present: Aquilina, Evie, Anthony, Joe, Randy

- 1 Interview with Alice Shorett
 - The committee interviewed Alice Shorett, Triangle Associates, for the facilitation/process design contract.
- 2 Update on status of funding request to the Marine Conservation Alliance:
 - Joe reported that Paul McGregor attended the recent MCA board meeting; MCA is interested, but needs more information on:
 - o How the process is being planned
 - o What topics the process will address
 - Joe suggested a committee member should attend the next meeting (in May) and explain why the process was proposed, how the organizing committee came to be, what process is intended to accomplish, who stakeholders will be.
 - Joe suggested WWF and TNC and the Tribes consider providing matching funds to the MCA request, including contributions already made to the process (e.g., Nov. meeting expenses, current administrative contribution).
- 3 Discuss stakeholders' concerns about SWAMC; decide how to best address concerns:
 - Two concerns were brought to committee members by stakeholders:
 - o About SWAMC acting as the fiscal agent for the process
 - o That the organizing committee does not have a member of the shorebased processors.
 - The committee agreed on the language of the draft letter to the Nov. workshop list to address the concerns.
 - The committee agreed the halibut by-catch data requests could complicate and confuse people with regard to organizing committee roles and process planning, and agreed that discussion of the data should be postponed until the process starts.
- 4 Discuss funding request letter to Senator Stevens
 - Randy reported that Rob Bosworth (TNC) had a meeting with Lisa Sutherland in Sen. Stevens office last week, and she seemed favorably disposed to the stakeholder process. She suggested we: Provide more detail in the budget (e.g., facilitator, travel, meeting expenses); provide our recommendations about which agency the funding should be channeled. Timing: the sooner the better
 - The committee agreed we cannot send the letter to Stevens until we resolve MCA and St. Paul concerns.