

Pribilof Islands Ecosystem Stakeholder Process Organizing Committee  
August 13, 2003, 9 am teleconference

**Agenda and meeting summary**

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1. Updates on preliminary design meeting notices
2. Finalize letters requesting funds for preliminary design meeting
3. Report from Meg re: St. Paul visit
4. Report from Evie, Randy re: NGO meeting

**Summary:**

**Present:** Randy, Heather, Debbie, Evie, Joe, Meg, Margaret

- 1 Updates on preliminary design meeting notices:
  - Evie reported she had sent notices of the September 22-23 date change to the original (Nov. 2002) Pribilof distribution list, to Ron Clarke for distribution to the MCA list, and to the Alaska Oceans Network distribution list.
  - Evie reported that Joe provided telephone numbers and email addresses for some of the industry groups added to the “interested parties” list compiled during the 8/6 organizing committee meeting. Heather provided several additional contacts, and Joe and Heather made suggestions to Evie on how to obtain contacts for the remaining groups.
- 2 Finalize letters requesting funds for preliminary design meeting:
  - Discussion about the funding request letter. Agreement on adding sentence stating that WWF and TNC have already committed to contributing funds, and one stating that no parties will be asked to make commitments to participate in the Collaborative at the September 22-23 meeting. Several other word changes were suggested for the sake of clarity.
  - Evie will make changes, send to committee members directly following the meeting for final review by the end of the day. Evie will email and mail the letters on 6/14.
- 3 Report from Meg re: St. Paul visit:
  - Meg spent about a week on St. Paul on a personal vacation. She agreed to spend some time while she was on the Island talking with people about the Collaborative. Debbie gave Meg a list of people she may want to contact, and Meg was able to meet with several people, including Simeon Swetzof, Greg Fratis, and Jeff Kaufman. She also had informal conversations with others in the community. Meg reported that the primary issues people raised were concern about how stakeholders will be defined, how it will be decided who will be allowed to speak for the community, and what role consultants will play in the process.
  - Next steps: Help Meg identify people to consult with prior to the preliminary design meeting regarding the agenda, concerns, etc..., focusing especially on people who may not be able to attend.

- 4 Report from Evie, Randy re: NGO meeting :
- The following individuals/organizations attended the meeting: Larry Mercurief and Amy/Bering Sea Council of Elders, Whit Sheard/Ocean Conservancy, Ben Enticnap/Alaska Marine Conservation Council, Karin Holser/Pribilof Islands Stewardship program, Michael Levine/Earthjustice (via teleconference). Debbie Harrison and Buffy Turner of the WWF Florida Keys Ecoregion program helped facilitate the meeting and gave brief presentations on the Tortugas and Everglades collaborative processes.
  - Evie reported that several other individuals/organizations, including Mark Spalding and Kevin Haron/AK Conservation Foundation, expressed interest in the meeting and collaborative, but were not able to attend the meeting last week.
  - Randy reported the general reaction was that people had a “healthy skepticism” about some industry players participating in good faith, but that people also agreed that the collaborative approach is worth trying.
  - Evie reported that Buffy Turner is compiling a full report on the meeting, which Evie will forward it to the committee when Buffy sends it.