

Pribilof ecosystem stakeholder process organizing committee
12/03/02 meeting agenda & minutes

Agenda

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- December 3, 2002 meeting: 12 p.m.
- WWF office: 406 G Street, Suite 301
- Or via teleconference: 1-800-503-2899, access code: 2795504 (please note this is a new number)

1) Discuss all tasks assigned to organizing committee by workshop participants:

General tasks from the 'to do list' include:

- a) Organize, plan and schedule stakeholder process
- b) Identify tools and data needed to inform stakeholder process
- c) Budget and seek funding
- d) Manage the process of stakeholder nomination

In addition, workshop participants asked us to follow up on:

- d) Letter to NPFMC explaining stakeholder process (initiated at 11/26 committee meeting)
- e) Letter to Sen. Stevens explaining stakeholder process and seeking funding for fur seal plan
- f) Obtain halibut by-catch data for Pribilofs area
- g) Provide notes back to workshop participants regarding organizing committee progress
- h) Letters of introduction about stakeholder process to relevant organizations

2) Discuss budget for updating and implanting fur seal plan; select committee member(s) to draft

3) Discuss budget for stakeholder group process; select committee member(s) to draft

4) Select next meeting date, time & location and discuss agenda items.

Present: Aquilina, Joe, Randy, Evie

Not present: Greg

Minutes:

- ♦ Discussion about funding and proposal to Sen. Stevens:
- ♦ Congress will vote on the omnibus reconciliation bill prior to the President's day recess; it would be optimal to have industry and the communities agree on a request to Senator Stevens for funding for the stakeholder process for that deadline.
- ♦ Tribal government of St. Paul has funding for community involvement in revising the fur seal plan, and the initial revision process has been identified.

- ◆ Initiating the stakeholder process will require funds; the fur seal plan revision is an opportunity to address environmental issues and concerns.
- ◆ 3 categories of funding we will seek:
 - ◆ for fur seal plan revision
 - ◆ for stakeholder process from government sources
 - ◆ for stakeholder process from NGO sources
- ◆ We need to contact NMFS regarding their proposed budget for the fur seal plan revision: How much is resolved vs. how much needs new funding?
- ◆ We need to figure out how the Pribilof Islands fur seal plan revision team's activities and goals mesh with this planned stakeholder process.
- ◆ Mike Williams at LGL is organizing the fur seal revision for the St. Paul tribal government; his tasks:
 - Revise section 1 & 2
 - Update each of 8 sections with new research and traditional ecological knowledge.
 - Socioeconomic section
- ◆ Proposed budget for organizing committee:
 - Budget and brief workplan by the end of the year (Evie and Randy will draft)
 - Fed \$ for northern fur seal conservation plan revision
 - Fed \$ for stakeholder process
 - NGO \$ for stakeholder process
- ◆ Larry will draft list of data needs and tools, and 'heads up' letter to Sen. Stevens
- ◆ Discussion about spreading news of stakeholder process more broadly; consensus that will come later, after we refine the list of stakeholders, then we need to get the word out to them first.
- ◆ Discussion about what 501(c)(3) will receive/hold money for stakeholder process.
 - Proposal to approach SWAMC (Southwest Area Municipal Conference).
 - Joe is on board of directors, will discuss with board and staff at their 12/12 board meeting.

Next meeting: 12/13/ 02 10 a.m. teleconference