

CHANNEL ISLANDS NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY

Sanctuary Advisory Council Meeting

Friday, July 17th, 2020

9:00 am - 12:20 pm

Online Webinar Session

FINAL Key Meeting Outcomes

These notes were approved by vote of the advisory council on September 18, 2020.

This online public advisory council meeting was not video or audio recorded. To request a copy of any of the presentation slides shown, contact claire.nasr@noaa.gov.

Administrative Business and Announcements

California Sea Grant Fellow Claire Nasr oriented attendees and advisory council members with introductions regarding sign-in and audio/video set-up, with help from sanctuary intern Nathan Shapiro and staff member Lizzie Duncan. Nasr then went over the protocol for how to participate appropriately. Sanctuary deputy superintendent Mike Murray conducted a roll call resulting in the presence of 33 council members representing 19 voting seats (see Appendix 1). In addition, 25 non-member public attendees participated in the Webinar. In total, 73 individuals attended the virtual meeting.

Member appointments

Sanctuary deputy superintendent Mike Murray provided an update regarding recent member appointments to the advisory council. This included: Eva Pagaling, Tano Cabugos, Amanda Allen, Capt. David Bacon, Merit McCrea, Andrea Mills, Michael Cohen, Kristen Hislop, and Daniel Studt. Murray also recognized and thanked nine outgoing council members for their many years of service on the council: Judy Willens, Alicia Cordero, Mark Steele, Kip Louttit, Stephanie Mutz, Phyllis Grifman, Greg Helms, Robert Warner, and Luhui Isha Waiya. Murray also announced that the summer 2020 recruitment period is open, and that staff are accepting applications for 6 seats on the council. The next group of newly appointed members are expected to be in place for the September 18th council meeting.

May 15th, 2020 Draft Key Outcomes

By unanimous voice vote led by Chair Phyllis Grifman, the council approved the draft key outcomes from the May 15th, 2020 advisory council meeting. A copy of this document is available upon request to claire.nasr@noaa.gov. The meeting notes will also

be posted on the sanctuary's website.

Sanctuary Superintendent's Report

Sanctuary superintendent Chris Mobley began by addressing the impacts of COVID-19, explaining how it is continuing to affect activities at the sanctuary including mandatory telework and lack of field work and dive operations. Mobley discussed the pertinent issues of racial justice, equity and recent events occurring nationally, and how NOAA leadership is responding to these circumstances. Mobley continued by introducing new staff members Mr. Nathan Shapiro, COAST summer intern, and Dr. Jennier Selgrath, Spatial Ecologist. He announced that "Get Into Your Sanctuary" programming will occur virtually this year. Mobley's presentation also included highlighting a new sanctuary Sharks and Rays Coloring Book, and shared staff efforts on sound monitoring and other acoustic deployments occurring within the sanctuary.

Council Member Brief Announcements

Council members shared a variety of announcements about recent events from their respective agencies and groups. Due to the large number of departing council members, many of the comments during this time included expressions of kind regards, and recognition of respect and gratitude for council members.

Marine Debris on the Northern Channel Islands

Michaela Miller (2020 CA Sea Grant Fellow, Ocean Protection Council) gave a presentation entitled "Marine Debris on the Northern Channel Islands". This presentation occurred at an opportune time, as the revised management plan will very likely include "marine debris" as an action plan. As a well-versed expert in community regarding marine debris, Michaela provided relevant information on the impacts of marine debris on the channel islands, potential debris sources, and details of her research and monitoring efforts with the Santa Rosa Island Research Station. For more information, contact claire.nasr@noaa.gov.

Public Comment Period

No public comments were provided.

NOAA "Buoy Buddy"

The council received a project presentation from a student group from the University of California Santa Barbara's Department of Mechanical Engineering. William Drummy, Isabel Franco, Helene Levy, and Aine McNulty shared information on their development of an integrated mooring retrieval system that, when retrieved, brings the entire system to the surface, leaving no anchor weight left behind. They explained the specifications, design, and budget of the "Buoy Buddy" which implements a dual release system that can be coupled with an acoustic

release, ensuring data recovery while still retrieving the anchor. Council members were very interested in this student-led presentation, and the students took time to answer questions which then facilitated discussion on how a product like the “Buoy Buddy” can be used in the future. For more information contact: ainemcnulty@engineering.ucsb.edu and learn more online at <https://capstone.engineering.ucsb.edu/projects/noaa-buoy-buddy>.

CINMS Management Plan Update Process

Mike Murray began this agenda item by presenting information about the current status of the management plan revision process, showing and explaining a process roadmap. Claire Nasr then explained the recent staff progress on the management plan including National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) training and discussions with staff and advisory council executive committee members about scheduling future advisory council issue-focused online Webinar sessions. Nasr also reminded council members of the climate change and marine debris council subcommittees, and invited members to join. Murray concluded by informing the council that there will likely be special topic webinars in the near future focused on select high priority issues. Presentation slides are available upon request to michael.murray@noaa.gov or claire.nasr@noaa.gov.

Meeting Close Out

Council Chair Phyllis Grifman thanked everyone for attending, and shared that the remaining council meetings scheduled in 2020 are as follows:

- Friday, September 18, 2020 – online webinar.
- Friday, November 20, 2020 -- Ventura or online webinar.

APPENDIX 1: Sanctuary Advisory Council Meeting Attendance Roster for July 17th, 2020

Name	Advisory Council Seat	Attendance
Michael Cohen	Tourism	Yes
Morgan Coffey	Tourism - Alternate	Yes
Ben Pitterle	Non-Consumptive Recreation	Yes
Dr. Tony Knight	Non-Consumptive Recreation - Alt.	Yes
<vacant>	Business	--
Capt. Kip Louttit	Business - Alternate	Yes
Kristen Hislop	Conservation	Yes
Greg Helms	Conservation - Alternate	Yes
Stephanie Mutz	Commercial Fishing	No
John Hoadley	Commercial Fishing - Alternate	No
Capt. David Bacon	Recreational Fishing	No
Merit McCrea	Recreational Fishing - Alternate	Yes
Cliff Rodrigues	Education	Yes

Andrea Mills	Education - Alternate	No
Dr. Robert Warner	Research	Yes
Dr. Mark Steele	Research - Alternate	Yes
Phyllis Grifman	Public at Large #1	Yes
Amanda Allen	Public at Large #1 - Alternate	Yes
Richard Block	Public at Large #2	Yes
Mary Byrd	Public at Large #2 - Alternate	Yes
Eva Pagaling	Chumash Community	Yes
Tano Cabugos	Chumash Community - Alternate	Yes
Daniel Studt	NOAA Fisheries	Yes
<vacant>	NOAA Fisheries - Alternate	No
<vacant>	National Park Service	No
Ken Convery	National Park Service - Alternate	Yes
CDR Justin Noggle	US Coast Guard	Yes
LCDR Lee Crusius	US Coast Guard - Alternate	Yes
Donna Schroeder	BOEM	No
Jeremy Potter	BOEM - Alternate	No
Walt Schobel	Dept. of Defense	Yes
Greg Sanders	Dept. of Defense - Alternate	Yes
Carlos Mireles	CA Dept. of Fish & Wildlife	Yes
John Ugoretz	CA Dept. of Fish & Wildlife - Alt.	Yes
Jenn Eckerle	CA Natural Resources Agency	No
Paige Berube	CA Natural Resources Agency - Alt.	Yes
Cassidy Teufel	CA Coastal Commission	Yes
Jacki Phelps	CA Coastal Commission - Alternate	Yes
Errin Briggs	Santa Barbara County	Yes
David Villalobos	Santa Barbara County - Alternate	Yes
Danielle Tarr	Ventura County	Yes
Mark Sandoval	Ventura County - Alternate	No
Chris Mobley	Channel Islands NMS [non-voting]	Yes
Mike Murray	Channel Islands NMS - Alt. [non-voting]	Yes
Paul Michel	Monterey Bay NMS [non-voting]	No
Karen Grimmer	Monterey Bay NMS - Alt. [non-voting]	No
Maria Brown	Greater Farallones NMS [non-voting]	No
Brian Johnson	Greater Farallones NMS - Alt. [non-voting]	No