

Marine Planning Partnership for the Pacific North Coast (MaPP) Central Coast Marine Plan Advisory Committee (MPAC) Final Meeting Summary

Advisory Group Meeting #4
January 29/30, 2013
Sheraton Vancouver Airport Hotel
Richmond, B.C.

Objectives:

- 1. Update MPAC members on MaPP and related activities since last MPAC meeting –MaPP products, advice tracking log, member updates, and vision statement
- 2. Review Current Conditions and Trends for Monitoring and Enforcement
- 3. Review Objectives and Strategies for Marine Tenures, Monitoring and Enforcement and Marine Economy and Communities
- 4. Receive presentations from sectors on the Desired Future State and Spatial Interest Areas
- 5. Review draft Spatial Zoning Framework
- 6. Confirm actions for next CC MPAC meeting

Attendance:

MPAC Members and Alternates:

Diana Chan, Karin Bodtker - Conservation
Janice Kyle, Nick Heath — Public Recreation
Warren Warttig, Hans Granander - Coastal Forestry
Jim McIsaac — Commercial Fishing
Paul Kariya — Renewable Energy
Brian Lande - Local Government, Central Coast Regional District
Richard Opala — Finfish Aquaculture

MaPP:

Gord McGee – Central Coast Indigenous Resource Alliance (Co-Chair)
Sally Cargill – Ministry of Forests, Lands, and Natural Resource Operations (Co-Chair)
Charlie Short – Ministry of Forests, Lands, and Natural Resource Operations
Gary Runka - Facilitator
Mairi Edgar – MaPP Technical Planner
Fiona Kilburn – MaPP (recorder)

Regrets:

Mike Pfortmueller – Member for Recreational Fishing Service Providers
Evan Loveless – Member for Commercial Tourism
Anne Salomon – Member for Marine Academic
Roberta Stevenson – Member for Shellfish Aquaculture
Ken Cripps - Central Coast Indigenous Resource Alliance (Co-lead)

Day 1

Welcome and Opening:

- The MPAC Co-Chairs (Gord McGee and Sally Cargill) provided a welcome on behalf of the Central Coast Technical Team, and introduced new member Brian Lande representing the Local Government Sector and Gary Runka the meeting facilitator.
- Charlie Short provided opening comments on behalf of the Province of B.C.
- Sally and Gord reviewed agenda and purpose of the meeting.
- The meeting participants introduced themselves (including alternates and MaPP participants).

Items Discussed and Clarified:

- MaPP is still looking for some sector representation and alternates.
- MPAC members were reminded to email written comments to the co-leads for any clarification concerning the advice log.
- Karin Bodtker provided Google Earth KML File which can be shared with the other sub-regions.
- A reminder to send any reports to Sally or Gord to post to MPAC Dropbox. Reports from MPAC members are available in the dropbox MPAC Member Resources.
- Consensus with finalized draft of the Vision statement.

Introduction to Marine Tenures:

- Presentation by Sally Cargill
- Round table discussion for members and alternates to provide comments

Items Discussed and Clarified:

- Information regarding tenure applications and policies are found at http://www.for.gov.bc.ca/land_tenures/crown_land_application_information/program_areas.html
- For MaPP's purposes, we are looking at the Foreshore (intertidal zone) and Submerged Land (land covered by water).
- Discussion about barriers in the tenure approval process specifically pertaining to the backlog of applications and costs of tenures.
- Discussion about human well-being and tax returns to communities.
- Discussions about responsibilities and rights of the tenure holder.

Coastal First Nations Reconciliation Protocol:

- Presentation by Gord McGee
- Round table discussion for members and alternates to provide comments

Items Discussed and Clarified:

- Identified that the governance framework for MaPP is very similar to that established for the Reconciliation Protocol.
- Clarification regarding the Treaty Process and the Reconciliation Protocol they are completely separate processes.
- Clarification on how MaPP ties into the Reconciliation Protocol. MaPP tenure recommendations
 must align with the Reconciliation Protocol, including its Engagement Framework and relevant
 schedules.

Current conditions and Trends Reports – Monitoring and Enforcement:

- Presentation by Sally Cargill
- Round table discussion for members and alternates to provide comments

Items Discussed and Clarified:

- Discussion about the role industry plays in monitoring and the need to include certain sectors in the list e.g., coastal forestry.
- Discussion about the current capacity for monitoring on the Central Coast and the trend to increase capacity in order to monitor the final plan.
- Discussion about the availability of monitoring information for the public to view and monitoring organizations sharing information amongst each other.

Objectives and Strategies for Monitoring and Enforcement:

- Presentation by Sally Cargill
- Round table discussion for members and alternates to provide comments

Items Discussed and Clarified:

- Request to determine the current state of awareness/adherence to regulations by marine user groups.
- Request to determine the effectiveness of current regulations.
- Discussion about Coastal Guardian Watchmen and their role in monitoring and enforcement.
- Discussion about successful monitoring programs in the forest industry and how forestry practices have improved as a result of the programs.
- Clarification regarding provincial and federal responsibility concerning discharge.

Objectives and Strategies for Marine Tenures:

- Presentation of objectives and strategies by Sally Cargill
- Round table discussion for members and alternates to provide comments

Items Discussed and Clarified:

- Discussion about renewable energy and the funding opportunities available for First Nations and remote Communities.
- Discussion about the types of training required for people to work in the renewable energy sector.

Sector Presentation - Coastal Forestry:

- Presentation by Warren Warttig and Hans Granander
- Questions from members and alternates

Day 2

Day 2 welcome and agenda outline:

• Sally, Gord and Gary welcomed everyone and reviewed the agenda.

Objectives and strategies for Marine Economy and Communities:

- Presentation of objectives and strategies by Gord McGee
- Round table discussion for members and alternates to provide comments

Items Discussed and Clarified:

 Discussion about training and education programs for First Nations and local community and funding opportunities and barriers. • Discussion regarding 3rd party impact-benefit agreements, joint-ventures, and protocol agreements between First Nations and industry

Sector Presentation – Commercial Fisheries:

- Presentation by Jim McIsaac
- Questions from members and alternates

Sector Presentation – Public Recreation:

- Presentation by Nick Heath, Janice Kyle and Brian Lande
- Questions from members and alternates

Sector Presentation – Finfish Aquaculture:

- Presentation by Richard Opala
- Questions from members and alternates

Sector Presentation – Marine Renewable Energy:

- Presentation by Paul Kariya
- Questions from members and alternates

Sector Presentation – Conservation:

- Presentation by Karin Bodtker and Diana Chan
- Questions from members and alternates

Review of Draft Spatial Zoning Framework:

- Presentation by Charlie Short
- Questions from members and alternates

Items Discussed and Clarified:

- Discussion about the benefits of zoning.
- Discussion about the challenges of zoning.
- Discussion about different management zones for the MaPP study area (e.g, General Management Zone (GMZ) and Special Management Zone (SMZ)).

Wrap up

Gord and Sally thanked members and alternates for their input and reviewed potential March meeting topics and homework. The next meeting is scheduled for March 21-22, 2013, in Richmond.