



Marine Planning Partnership for the Pacific North Coast (MaPP)

North Coast Marine Planning and Advisory Committee (MPAC)

General Meeting Summary

Advisory Group Meeting #8

November 13 & 14, 2013

Highliner Hotel & Conference Centre.

815 West First Ave. Prince Rupert, B.C.

Objectives:

- Share updates on MaPP, MPAC member and other related activities since last MPAC meeting.
- Review draft PMZ zoning and associated planning products.
- Review updated SMZ zoning and associated planning products.
- Confirm actions for next NC MPAC meeting (March 2014).

Products for review:

- Draft spatial components of North Coast Marine Plan (PMZs and SMZs)

Attendance:

<p><u>MPAC Members:</u> Mike Ambach – Conservation (WWF) Andrew Webber – Local Government (KSRD) Dave Nicholson – Coastal Forestry Karl Bergman – Local Government (SQCRD) Charles Justice – Public Recreation Vittorio Venturini – Aquaculture Hermann Mueter – Academia</p>	<p><u>MaPP:</u> Craig Outhet – Co-lead (NCSFNSS) Steve Kachanoski – Co-lead (Province of BC) Robert Grodecki – Marine Working Group (MaPP) Jo Smith – MaPP Science Coordinator Megan Dickinson – MaPP Technical Support Josie Byington – MaPP Administrative Support Graydon Shevchenko – MaPP Technical Support Facilitator: Colin Rankin</p>
<p><u>Alternates and Observers:</u> Clarence Nelson Senior – First Nations welcome Des Nobels – Observer Linda Nolan – Observer (WWF)</p>	<p><u>Regrets:</u> Bill Johnson – Renewable Energy Tracey Hittel – Recreational Fishing Services Evan Loveless – Tourism Henry Clifton – Commercial Fisheries</p>

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NC MPAC General Meeting Summary – Prince Rupert

Day 1 – Nov 13

Welcome and Updates

- Clarence Nelson Sr. provided a welcome on behalf of First Nations.
- Agenda review and introductions of all the participants.
- Review of MPAC Meeting #7 and Advice Log.

Updates

- Robert Grodecki - New Director for the North Coast Skeena First Nations Stewardship Society gave a Working Group update
- General updates from members.

Marine Spatial Planning – Protected Management Zoning – background and process

- Process review – PMZ planning, overview and tools. Update on process and timelines for the marine spatial component of the plan.
- Review of process and tools used to develop PMZs for the NC MaPP area.
- Discussion of how to provide feedback on zones using SeaSketch and general structure and expectations for MPAC review.

North Coast Marine Spatial Plan – Protection Management Zone Polygon Review

- First Nations and Provincial technical staff drafted a protection management zone scenario for review, including recommended use and activities tables and rationale documentation for each zone.
- The North Coast Protection Management zones were presented and participants were asked to review and provide advice on draft polygons.
- Presentation sequence for each polygon:
 - Where is it located?
 - What is the management objective for the polygon/unit?
 - What is the rationale for choosing it?
 - What are the impacts on existing uses?

Day 2 – Nov 14

Marine Spatial Planning – Protection Management Zone Polygon Review, Continued

- Presentation sequence for each polygon:
 - Where is it located?
 - What is the management objective for the polygon/unit?
 - What is the rationale for choosing it?
 - What are the impacts on existing uses?

Marine Spatial Planning – Special Management Zone Polygon Review

- Polygon changes since September MPAC advisory meeting were presented and discussed for areas within the SMZ scenario. Changes to individual areas and SMZ additions were reviewed for, and advice was provided on:
 - Shellfish Aquaculture
 - Renewable Energy
 - Tourism and Recreation
- Cultural Management zones were presented as a new SMZ type.

What's on Tap and Wrap Up

- MPAC LiveMeeting call can be scheduled for a additional review of the spatial components (early December)
- SeaSketch will be used by MPAC members for the NC zoning review. Planning team is working to refine zoning recommendations. Refer to the how-to document for how to provide feedback.
- Next meeting date is tentatively set for March.
- Meeting adjourned at 4:30pm.