



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

Meeting Summary

Advisory Group Meeting #8

Nov 28-29, 2013

**Sheraton Vancouver Airport Hotel
Richmond, BC**

Objectives:

- 1) Review, discuss, and ensure understanding on the following emerging products:
 - a. Draft Special Management Zones
 - b. Draft Protection Management Zones
 - c. Draft Acceptable Uses and Activities Tables for Special Management Zones and Protection Management Zones
- 2) Jointly plan how to optimize engagement during spatial plan review process
- 3) Ensure comfort with the tools provided to assist sectors with providing informed advice

Products for Review:

- Draft Special Management Zones
- Draft Protection Management Zones
- Draft Acceptable Uses and Activities tables for Special Management Zones
- Draft Acceptable Uses and Activities tables for Protection Management Zones
- Draft SMZ rationale table



Attendance:

MPAC Members and Alternates:

Diana Chan and Karin Bodtker – *Conservation*
Janice Kyle and Nick Heath – *Public Recreation*
Warren Warttig and Hans Granander - *Coastal Forestry*
Brian Lande - *Local Government, Central Coast Regional District*
Gary Wilson – *Shellfish Aquaculture*
Richard Opala – *Finfish Aquaculture*
Kim Olsen (Day 1) and Jim McIsaac (Day 2) – *Commercial Fisheries*
Evan Loveless – *Commercial Tourism*
Paul Kariya (Day 1) – *Renewable Energy*
Anne Salomon (Day 2) – *Marine Academic*

MaPP:

Gord McGee – *Central Coast Indigenous Resource Alliance (Co-Chair)*
Ken Cripps -- *Central Coast Indigenous Resource Alliance (alternate Co-Chair)*
Sally Cargill – *Ministry of Forests, Lands, and Natural Resource Operations (Co-Chair)*
Craig Darling - *Facilitator*
Matthew Justice – *Marine Coordination Team*
Steve Diggon – *Marine Coordination Team*
Jo Smith – *MaPP Science Coordinator*
Fiona Kilburn – *MaPP Technical Support*
Kelly Wozniak – *MaPP Technical Support*

Regrets:

Mike Pfortmueller – *Recreational Fishing Service Providers*

Observers:

Julie Carpenter
Danielle Shaw
Chris Corbitt
Anuradha Rao
Clint Kendrick

Day 1: Nov 29th

Welcome and Opening:

- Gord provided a welcome on behalf of the Central Coast Technical Team
- Craig reviewed logistics and explained his role as facilitator
- Sally reviewed the agenda



Updates and Advice Review:

- Members provided a brief sector update
- Sally provided an MPAC membership update: Kim Olsen is the new MPAC representative for commercial fishing, Jim McIsaac is the alternate. Public recreational fishing and marine transportation seats are vacant.
- The aspatial plan is in the process of being updated. MPAC members will be sent the version that goes forward for internal review by the province and First Nations. An updated advice log will be circulated along with this version of the aspatial plan.
- Jo Smith provided an update on MaPP contracts and outputs

Marine Spatial Planning: Background and Process

- Gord gave a presentation that summarized the key steps that the Province and First Nations used to develop the first draft of the spatial plan, including data and decision support tools that were used.
- The spatial plan will be refined after the four week MPAC review period
- The plan will begin internal review in February. Internal review will be followed by a six week public review period.

Overview of Protection Management Zones (PMZ)

- Gord explained the IUCN categories that are being applied to PMZs in the Central Coast and described the recommended uses and activities in each of the zone categories. Central Coast is using IUCN categories 1a, II and IV.
- 0.01% of the plan area falls within category 1a PMZ, 8.9% falls within category II PMZ, and 17.5% falls within category IV PMZ.

Actions:

- MaPP to consider adding a new level of dock to the Recommended Uses and Activities (RUA) Tables to account for docks, such as bulk loading facilities, that have a high level of activity/ impact but no services. Currently these docks unintentionally fit within the definition for Level 1 docks, wharves and facilities.
- MaPP to utilize a colour scheme on the PMZ map that allows for better discernment between the various IUCN categories.
- MaPP to consider developing a definition for non-extractive uses
- Sally and Gord to remove superscript "2" from the transportation column in the CC RUA table
- MaPP to remove the word "transportation" from the definition of Log Sort and/or Log Dump as this is covered in the transportation definition.
- Sally and Gord to provide MPAC with an overlay of PMZ (by IUCN category) and proposed marine extensions to conservancies



General Management Zone (GMZ)

- Sally explained the purpose of the GMZ and described the recommended uses and activities in this zone
- Approximately 65% of the plan area falls within the GMZ

Portal Demo

- Melissa demonstrated how to draw and run a reports on polygons in the web-mapping portal

Actions:

- Jo to look into why SeaSketch reports out on fisheries closure layers (ie, the anchovy closure) that aren't included in the description for fisheries closures.



Day 2: Nov 30th

Welcome and Recap of Day 1

- Craig reviewed the meeting objectives and discussed the agenda for the day

Overview of draft Special Management Zones (SMZ)

- Sally reviewed the SMZ categories that are being applied in the Central Coast and described the recommended uses and activities in each of the zone categories. The draft Central Coast spatial plan has Cultural SMZ, Tourism and Recreation SMZ, Renewable Energy SMZ and Aquaculture SMZ.
- Total plan area covered by SMZ is approximately 9%

Actions:

- MaPP to consider developing a formal framework for conflict resolution for conflicts that arise as a result of the spatial plan.
- Sally and Gord to change aquaculture in renewable energy RUA Table to say not applicable instead of Not Acceptable.
- Sally and Gord to make commercial tourism conditional in the RUA table for Cultural SMZ because it is acceptable if there is a guide.
- Sally and Gord to consider making public recreation and tourism conditional in the RUA table for Cultural SMZ. The condition would be staying on the water and not landing.
- Sally and Gord to consider reordering the objectives for the Renewable Energy SMZ so that development of renewable energy comes first and economic development comes second

Review of draft Special Management Zones (SMZ)

- Rationale tables and polygons were reviewed for each SMZ

Actions:

- MPAC members to engage in dialogue with Sally and Gord and with other sectors regarding concerns they have about specific polygons
- MPAC members to submit advice on draft spatial plan using the spatial plan advice log. This advice log is to be submitted once (at the end of the review process) so that Sally and Gord are certain that advice received from members is comprehensive and current.
- Sally and Gord to review SMZ 9 in light of concerns related to Oliver Cove Marine Park
- Sally and Gord to address overlap between SMZ 9 and adjacent PMZ
- Sally and Gord to correct rationale table for SMZ 14 – there is only one tenure within the polygon (not six)
- Sally and Gord to address overlap between SMZ 20 and Fiordland Conservancy
- Sally and Gord to consider adding ecological considerations to the SMZ rationale table

MPAC Review Process

- Ideas and needs to maximize MPAC engagement in the spatial plan review process were discussed



Actions:

- MPAC members to review SMZ polygons and rationale tables and get a preliminary sense of which and how many polygons they have concerns with

Wrap Up

- MPAC members will receive the PMZ rationale tables by December 15th and this will signal the start of the 4 week review period. The last two weeks of December will not be considered part of the four weeks.
- Sally re-iterated that this is just the first technical draft of the spatial plan and that input and advice is being sought from sector representatives in order to improve upon the draft
- Gord and Sally thanked everyone for attending and for their input and their understanding about the shifting review timelines
- Craig recapped the meeting objectives and discussed how they were met