March 10, 2008

MEMORANDUM FOR: Daniel J. Basta
                  Director, ONMS

FROM: Maria Brown
       Gulf of the Farallones NMS Superintendent

        Paul Michel
       Monterey Bay NMS Superintendent

SUBJECT: Monterey Bay and Gulf of the Farallones Sanctuary Advisory Council’s joint resolution on sustainable joint meetings.

On February 15, 2008 the Monterey Bay Sanctuary and Gulf of the Farallones Sanctuary Advisory Councils passed a resolution to express their collective support for the Blue Oceans, Green Communities Initiative, and commit to holding sustainable joint meetings from this point forward.

The Advisory Councils have requested this resolution be sent to National Marine Sanctuary Director, Daniel Basta.

cc: William Douros

Attachments
Whereas, the Gulf of the Farallones and Monterey Bay Sanctuary Advisory Councils, meeting in joint session on February 15, 2008, wish to express their collective support for the Blue Oceans, Green Communities Initiative, and

Whereas, the Sanctuary Advisory Councils will, to the maximum extent practicable, dedicate their efforts toward electronic distribution and website availability of meeting materials (as opposed to hard copies provided at the meetings); and

Whereas, the Sanctuary Advisory Councils will request that members bring their own re-usable coffee cups and water containers for their own use at meetings; and

Whereas, compostable/reusable utensils, plates, napkins, and other materials will be prioritized for Sanctuary Advisory Council meetings and events; and

Whereas, use of plastic materials will be avoided if possible for Sanctuary Advisory Council projects and meetings; and

Whereas, carpooling by members attending meetings will be encouraged whenever possible; and

Therefore, be it resolved, that this resolution is hereby adopted jointly by the Gulf of the Farallones and Monterey Bay Sanctuary Advisory Councils.