

**MONTEREY BAY NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY  
ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING  
DRAFT AGENDA  
PACIFIC GROVE COMMUNITY CENTER  
PACIFIC GROVE, CA  
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2011**

8:30 AM	Coffee and Sign-in	
8:45 AM	<p>Call to Order &amp; Roll Call</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Approval of October 20, 2011 meeting minutes</li> <li>• Discussion on meeting minute format</li> <li>• Approve 2012 Meeting Schedule</li> </ul>	<i>Dr. Chris Harrold, Chair</i>
9:30 AM	Public Comment for Items <u>Not</u> on the Agenda	
10:00 AM	<p><b>Information Item:</b> Superintendent's Report <i>A report on important or newsworthy activities conducted by staff over the last two months.</i></p>	<i>Paul Michel, MBNMS Superintendent</i>
10:15 AM	<p><b>Possible Action Item:</b> Letter of Support for Bay Watershed Education and Training (BWET) <i>As decided at the October meeting, Simona will provide more information on BWET and a draft letter for review.</i></p>	<i>Simona Bartl, Education Rep.</i>
10:30 AM	<p><b>Information Item:</b> Site Evaluation List (SEL) <i>An overview of the Site Evaluation List and what it means for the sanctuary program.</i></p>	<i>Bill Douros, West Coast Regional Director</i>
11:00 AM	<p><b>Update:</b> Ecosystem Based Management Initiative (EBMI) <i>News on communications with the Fisheries Management Council, unique and rare features, sustainable use research projects, and the Integrated Ecosystem Assessment.</i></p>	<i>Dr. John Hunt, MBNMS</i>
11:30 AM	<p><b>Information Item:</b> MBNMS Lost Fishing Gear Project <i>An overview of the final year of this three-year project to assess and remove lost fishing gear from the MBNMS.</i></p>	<i>Karen Grimmer, MBNMS</i>
12:15 PM	<p>LUNCH and Screening of "Your Sanctuary" Public Access Television Series <i>A working lunch to view the pilot of this public access television show about the MBNMS.</i></p>	<i>Paul Michel</i>
1:45 PM	Member Announcements	
2:00 PM	<p><b>Information Item:</b> "Reconnecting with Your Sanctuary" - Cetaceans <i>An informative presentation on the key cetacean species found along the Central Coast of California and Monterey Bay.</i></p>	<i>Dr. Karin Forney, National Marine Fisheries Service</i>

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3:00 PM	<b>Information Item:</b> Working Group Updates <i>Updates from working group chairs on recent working group meetings.</i> -Conservation Working Group -Sanctuary Education Panel -Research Activities Panel -Business and Tourism Activities Panel	Working Group Chairs
3:30 PM	<b>Information Item:</b> Options for Engaging Fishing Interests or Policy Issues <i>At the October meeting, the issue of establishing a fishing working group came up during working group report-outs and the Superintendent stated desire to see these groups get re-energized. It was noted that fishing does not have a working group and that this might be something worth pursuing. The council requested an "options paper" to explore some opportunities to enhance communications with fishing interests to ensure that Sanctuary news, issues, questions, etc. are well informed by, and distributed widely to, the relevant groups.</i>	Paul Michel
4:00 PM	<b>Update:</b> Sanctuary Advisory Council Calendar <i>Review calendar to select agenda items for future meetings.</i>	Nicole Capps, MBNMS
4:15 PM	Adjourn – Holiday Gathering at Cannery Row Brewing Company	

**\*\*\* All times are estimates\*\*\***

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