MBNMS Management Plan Review
Schedule Update and
Advisory Council Input Processes

June 17, 2016
Monterey Peninsula College
Overview

• MPR Process Schedule Update
• Advisory Council Workshops
• Outside Workshops
• Subcommittee Work
• Working Groups
Process Schedule

- Preparation and Scoping complete
- Synthesis mostly complete
- Extending schedule by 12 months
  - Provide adequate AC input
  - required reviews in Washington DC
Original Process Schedule

Synthesis Nov 2015 – May 2016

- Synthesis of scoping comments
- Prepare findings report
- Presentations to Advisory Councils
- Prioritization exercises
- Creation of and work by working groups
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Schedule Revision

June 2016 – March 2017

• Advisory Council Input
  – Council Workshops
  – Outside Workshops
    • Information learned presented to AC
  – Working groups
    • Information learned presented to AC

• Staff initiate revisions to exiting plan elements
March 2017 – November 2017

• Staff draft MP update
  – New elements
  – AC input

• Draft revised regulations

• Draft NEPA Analysis
Schedule Revision

December 2017 – February 2018
• Clearance process Washington DC

March 2018
• Issue draft plan, revised regulations, draft NEPA document

March 2018 – July 2018
• Comment Period on draft plan, revised regulations, draft NEPA document
Schedule Revision

August 2018 – December 2018
• Preparation of Final MP, regulations and NEPA document

January 2019 – March 2019
• Clearance Process in Washington DC

April 2019
• Issue Final MP, regulations and NEPA document
Revised schedule

Questions?
Council Workshops

- Presented during meeting (1-2 hours)
- Advice provided same day
- Some are informative (work in progress)
Council Workshops

Workshop Topics

• Sediment management plan implementation (informational)
• Beach nourishment
• Marine Debris (non-entanglement)
• Urban Runoff (informational)
• Whale entanglement
• Climate (followed by outside wkshp)
Outside Workshops

• Full, half or multi day duration
• Outside experts/agencies
• Staff and AC members attend
• Information presented at AC meeting
• Council discusses
• Presents advice to superintendent
Outside Workshops

Workshop Topics

• Climate Change
• Outreach on Wildlife Disturbance
• Harmful Algal Blooms
Staff Updates

• Topical updates to AC
• In progress work
• Sharing of findings for new work
• Advice given at meeting
Staff Updates

Update Topics

• Artificial Reefs
• Citizen Science
• Desalination implementation
• Outreach on marine occurrences
• Regional WQ Monitoring Coordination
• Original MP Elements
• Boundary changes
Subcommittee Work

MPWC Subcommittee

Expectation:
Subcommittee to present the ideas/advice they propose regarding what can be done (in the current regulatory framework) to organize a legal volunteer rescue group.
Ancillary MPWC work

High Surf Warning to High Surf Advisory
• Staff has a regulation change under consideration

New MPWC Zones
• MBNMS will not add new zones
Working Groups

• AC and Staff participation
• Chair identified
• Outside experts/agencies participate
• Specific questions to address
• Report findings to AC
• AC provides advice to superintendent
Working Groups

Working Group Topics

• Wildlife Disturbance
  – approach issues with whales

• Wildlife Disturbance
  – Acoustic impacts
Working Groups

Wildlife Disturbance – approach issues

Key question: is there a need for any regulatory or non-regulatory strategies to address approach/disturbance for whales (Humpback, Gray, Blue, Orca)?

Secondary: How are similar regulations in other places effective?
Working Groups

Staff lead: Karen Grimmer

Interested AC member identification

Chair appointment
Working Groups

Wildlife Disturbance - Acoustic impacts

Key Question: is there a need for any regulatory or non-regulatory strategies to address harmful ocean noise?

Secondary: What are the current noise impacts/threats in MBNMS? What info does MBNMS need to know about noise impacts?
Working Groups

Staff lead: Andrew DeVogelaere

Interested AC member identification

Chair appointment
Thank you