

UPDATE ON OLYMPIC COAST NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY (OCNMS)  
MANAGEMENT PLAN REVIEW

The Olympic Coast National Marine Sanctuary (OCNMS) was designated as part of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's (NOAA) National Marine Sanctuary (NMS) system in 1994. The sanctuary boundaries encompass 3,310 square miles off of Washington State's Olympic Peninsula, extending from Cape Flattery to the mouth of the Copalis River and extending 25-40 miles offshore. The Sanctuary includes traditional fishing areas for the Makah, Quileute, Hoh, and Quinault Tribes; as well as three National Wildlife Refuges. The Sanctuary shares resource management jurisdiction of the intertidal zone with the Olympic National Park.

The OCNMS initiated a review of its Management Plan in September, 2008, with the release of the OCNMS Condition Report. On March 19, 2010, the Sanctuary submitted a set of Preliminary Draft Action Plans to the OCNMS Advisory Council for review. The process is anticipated for completion in mid to late 2011, with the release of the Final Management Plan. Ms. Carol Bernthal, OCNMS Superintendant, will brief the Council on the ongoing review process.

**Council Action:**

**Provide comments and recommendations.**

Reference Materials:

1. Agenda Item D.1.b, Attachment 1; March 23, 2010 letter from Carol Bernthal to Chairman Ortman, providing an update on the OCNMS Management Review Process.
2. Agenda Item D.1.b, Attachment 2; OCNMS Preliminary Draft Action Plans.

Agenda Order:

- a. Agenda Item Overview
- b. Report of the OCNMS
- c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
- d. Public Comment
- e. **Council Action:** Provide Comments and Recommendations

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