

C.3 Marine Planning

Council Action:

1. Oregon Call Areas letter
2. Draft policy/guidance
3. NOAA AOA's
4. California Proposed Sale Notice
5. BOEM mitigation guidance
6. Future MPC activities & guidance

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ODFW 1st motion on C3. Marine Planning (Moved by Caren Braby; 2nd Christa M. Svensson) Motion as amended twice passed unanimously.

I move that the Council

1. Reaffirm intent and scope of the MPC committee at this 1-year anniversary of this ad hoc committee:

- a. Elevate fishing community voices in emerging marine planning issues, especially for public processes
- b. Play a key role in the Council process to identify priority issues for Council engagement in marine planning, with emphasis on offshore wind (OSW) and aquaculture opportunity areas (AOA's); the emphasis on OSW and AOA's is reaffirmed
- c. Collaborate with the Habitat Committee to address habitat and EFH issues
- d. Coordinate with advisory subpanels to facilitate input on marine planning to the Council for consideration in Council letters
- e. Initiate Council response during public comment opportunities on behalf of the Council, recognizing that external deadlines do not mesh well with Council meeting schedule

2. Guide the MPC committee for the upcoming year on the following topics:

- a. Meetings: schedule 1 recorded public webinar, weeks prior to each council meeting to
 - i. identify high-priority comment opportunities for QR letter response;
 - ii. discuss substance of QR letter comments (for fisheries concerns/issues);

iii. catalog past/future marine planning activities (meetings, letters of interest, etc.);

iv. plan for report development to the Council (covering the above topics), and other committee logistics.

b. QR letter responses are the default approach for the MPC when a letter has been deemed necessary by the MPC in coordination with the Executive Director, Council Chair, and state wildlife agency representative for the state involved (decoupled from Council floor time) and

Amendment by John Ugoretz/2nd by Corey Niles Add after “MPC” add “when a letter has been deemed necessary by the MPC in coordination with the Executive Director, Council Chair, Marine Planning Council Representative, and state wildlife agency representative for the state involved.” Ugoretz amendment passed unanimously.

Amendment by Phil Anderson/2nd by Corey Niles: I move to amend the amendment after “Council Chair” add “Marine Planning Council Representative”, Anderson amendment passed unanimously.

i. Are high priority when an issue has high potential to impact the Council’s resources (fisheries, communities, EFH/habitat, research surveys, etc.) and the Council voice in the process is deemed necessary; this is in contrast to issues for which there is value as public information for the Council family, who can choose to individually participate as desired.

ii. Should be collaboratively crafted (but with a clear lead) in sections relying on expertise of the MPC for fisheries and fishery impact concerns and relying on expertise of the Habitat Committee for habitat-related and EFH issues, as is traditional practice.

iii. After MPC and HC complete a draft, should be finalized with an additional coordination opportunity with advisory subpanels should occur via MPC members (HMSAS, CPSAS, GAP, SAS, EAS), to the degree possible relative to external deadlines, with Council staff finalizing the draft for Council QR approval process.

c. Reiterate consistent policy statements in QR letters:

i. Council strongly advocates to outside partners that marine planning processes should rely on best information available to represent fisheries, habitats and ecosystem; acquisition of best information may require some time to synthesize, analyze, and vet available data sets for purposes of that specific planning process.

1. Prioritize quality and completeness of information over expediency.

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ODFW 2nd motion on C3. Marine Planning

I move that the Council approve the following proposed actions, with the included guidance:

1. Finalize the Oregon Call Area draft letter with strong collaboration with MPC, HC and Council staff to address input from AB's and public comment. Final approval by QR process.
2. Create draft 2 of the policy guidance document, consider comments from MPC, HC and others raised thus far; request review from EWG and EAS and bring back to Council in September 2022. This guidance document should be used as OSW-specific and it should be edited to provide support for the Council's rapid-response to comment opportunities, rather than as a reference document.
3. NOAA AOA's – prepare QR letter for Council approval. Due 7/22/2022.
4. California Proposed Sale Notice – prepare QR letter for Council approval. Due 8/1/2022.
5. BOEM fishery mitigation strategy guidance – track and anticipate future QR letter opportunities.

Moved by Caren Braby

Second by Phil Anderson

Motion passed unanimously.