OPAC Territorial Sea Plan Working Group

Rocky Habitats Management Strategy Amendment Process Meeting Summary Monday, November 9, 2020, 1:00PM – 5:00PM

Participants: Andy Lanier, Charlie Plybon, Andrea Celentano, Laurel Hillmann, Walter Chuck, Dave Fox, Dick Vander Schaaf, Kerry Carlin-Morgan, Kris Wall, Tom Calvanese, Shawn Stephenson, Scott McMullen, Jena Carter, Michael Moses

Members of the public: Joe Liebezeit, Kent Doughty, Margaret Corvi, Kassie Rippee, Alex Enriquez, Angela, Bev Minn, Bill Stenberg, Brittany Poirson, Geoff Wilkie, Helena Linnell, Jesse Jones, Jim Coast Range, Joseph Youren, Kate Kaye, Liz Ruther, Margaret Treadwell, Paul Engelmeyer, Robert Ivey, Stacy Scott, Steve Griffiths, Tara Brock, Patty Snow

Tribal Nations Comment:

Margaret Corvi (CTCLUSI):

- Provided review/update on first rocky habitat work session, complementing the effort and collaboration
- Thought meetings were good for building an understanding and trust that will be critical for making Strategy as best as it can, and thankful to Working Group and staff

Public Comment:

Joe Liebezeit (Portland Audubon Society):

- Expressed support for public request to extend the Initial Proposal Period
- Expressed concern that public has not been provided guidance on evaluation
- Request contacts for Tribal Nations staff

Kent Doughty (rocky habitat campaign coordinator for Audubon Society of Lincoln City):

• Speaking on behalf of ASLC, Shoreline Education Awareness (SEA), PISCO, North Coast Rocky Habitat Coalition, et al., requesting extension of Initial Proposal Period

Meeting Overview

In this meeting of the Territorial Sea Plan Working Group on the Rocky Habitat Management Strategy update, the group aimed to discussed updates and outcomes of the Tribal Nations rocky habitat work sessions, the limits and sideboards of the proposal evaluation processes, evaluation guidance materials that had been developed, and an update on the Rocky Shores Communications Strategy.

The group was updated on the most recent session of the Tribal Nations rocky habitat work sessions which resulted in identification of specific opportunities to better include and represent Tribal Nations in the Territorial Sea Plan amendment process. This included inclusion of a passage in the Strategy text, and clarification on their role in the proposal review process.

Before launching into the primary discussion, the group addressed repeated requests from the public to extend the Initial Proposal Period by an additional 4-6 weeks. This resulted in a protracted discussion among the group, and consensus around this issue was not achieved. As a result, it was ultimately decided to not provide the requested extension.

The primary discussion of this meeting focused on resolving textual inconsistencies in the descriptions and outlines of the evaluation processes, so that more concrete guidance and planning could be developed. The group provided clarification on intentions for the processes, with direction to resolve inconsistencies in the Strategy text with the process decisions discussed. The group also decided to block off additional dates in February for proposal evaluations as additional details of the process were outlined. However, due to the previous discussion, this discussion was cut short and the remaining discussion items were left unaddressed. The group decided to convene a follow-up meeting in December before the next OPAC meeting.

Tribal Nations Comment: none

Public Comment:

Joe Liebezeit (Portland Audubon Society):

• Expressed frustration among the public and indicated that he will be submitting a letter of complaint regarding lack of decision to extend the Initial Proposal Process