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Rocky Habitat Working Group (RHWG):

I am writing to show my strong support and expectation that all current proposals coast wide will be reviewed fairly and transparently by the Rocky Habitat Working Group in a timely manner using objective evaluation criteria and for RHWG to communicate effectively, early and often with the public including proposal writing groups.

I like to think that RHWG knows and agrees that:
1. Marine Conservation Areas are not Marine Reserves. The Rocky Habitat process is distinctly different from that for Marine Reserve in that the main focus includes public stewardship, public education, and protection of these threatened habitats and species into the future. Marine reserves are mainly about scientific research to inform fisheries management. The Rocky Habitat Management Strategy created in 1994 long predates the creation of marine reserves.
2. This rocky site designation process is not a marketing campaign to popularize sites with the public. Blacklock Point and Crook Point were chosen based on nominations received from the public who live or work at or near the them. Both sites have a history of being recommended by the public for conservation designations, one since the 1970s.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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