

# **DRAFT Agenda**

## **Marine Protected Areas Federal Advisory Committee**

Annapolis Maritime Museum  
723 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Annapolis, Maryland

**May 23-24, 2017**

### **Objectives**

- Discuss MPA FAC Charge and agree on Committee organization to address it (e.g. Subcommittees, Working Groups)
- Identify initial ideas to enhance effectiveness of MPA FAC recommendations and agency engagement
- Launch Subcommittees to address first priority elements of the charge; begin scoping of issues, timelines and roles and responsibilities
- Elect a Committee Chair and Vice Chair
- Provide an opportunity for public comment on MPA issues

### **Tuesday, May 23**

- 8:30-9:00      Coffee
- 9:00-9:05      Call to Order (Lauren Wenzel, Designated Federal Official and Director, National Marine Protected Areas Center)
- 9:05-9:45      Welcome and Committee Business
- Welcome to Annapolis Maritime Museum – Mark Bartlett, Docent
  - Introduction of Members and Guests
  - Review of Committee Charge and Agenda – Lauren Wenzel, National Marine Protected Areas Center
  - Approval of Minutes from November 2016 meeting
  - Process for electing Chair and Vice Chair
- 9:45-10:45      Updates from NOAA and Department of the Interior (8 min each)
- NOAA/National Ocean Service - Russell Callender, Assistant Administrator for Oceans and Coasts
  - Department of the Interior
    - Brian Carlstrom, Deputy Associate Director, Natural Resource Stewardship and Science, National Park Service
    - Cynthia Martinez, Chief, National Wildlife Refuge System
  - Office of National Marine Sanctuaries – John Armor, Director
  - National Marine Protected Areas Center – Lauren Wenzel, Director
- Discussion
- 10:45-11:00      Break
- 11:00-12:30      Enhancing Our Impact: Connections between the MPA Federal Advisory Committee and NOAA and the Department of the Interior's Leadership and MPA Programs (Panel Discussion) – Lauren Wenzel, National Marine Protected Areas Center (Moderator)
- Context – How We've Been Working with the MPA Federal Advisory Committee – Lauren Wenzel, National Marine Protected Areas Center

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- NOAA Perspective – Russell Callender, Assistant Administrator for Oceans and Coasts
- National Park Service Perspective - Brian Carlstrom, Deputy Associate Director, Natural Resource Stewardship and Science
- US Fish and Wildlife Service Perspective – Cynthia Martinez, Chief, National Wildlife Refuge System
- View from Another Advisory Committee – Heidi Lovett, NOAA Fisheries (Marine Fisheries Federal Advisory Committee)

Discussion:

1. What approaches have worked well in terms of MPA FAC's impact on MPA programs in NOAA, DOI and beyond?
2. What can we learn from other Advisory Committees
3. How can we be more effective?
4. Recommendations moving forward

12:30-1:30 Lunch

1:30-3:00 Making MPAs Meaningful to a Diverse Public (Presentations and Discussion) – Cliff McCreedy, National Park Service (Moderator) (15 min each; 30 min discussion)

- What is an MPA, Anyway? – Lauren Wenzel, National Marine Protected Areas Center
- NPS Lessons from the Centennial, Jonathan L. Doherty. Assistant Superintendent. NPS Chesapeake Bay Gateways and Watertrails Network
- Engaging a Diverse Public: Lessons from USFWS Urban Program – Genevieve Pullis LaRouche, Supervisor, Annapolis Field Office, US Fish & Wildlife Service
- Why We Want a Sanctuary at Mallows Bay, Potomac River - Susan Langley, Maryland Historical Trust

3:00-3:15 Break

3:15-4:15 Adaptive Management – Sustaining MPAs in a Changing Ocean (Presentations and Discussion) (20 min each; 20 min discussion)

- Climate Change Impacts on the Ocean – Roger Griffis, NOAA Fisheries
- Adaptive Management in MPAs: Knowing When and How to Change the Plan – Charlie Wahle, National Marine Protected Areas Center

4:15-4:30 MPA FAC Follow Up to Issues Discussed during Agency Updates

4:30-5:00 Public Comment

5:00 Adjourn

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**Wednesday, May 24**

8:30-9:00	Coffee
9:00	Call To Order
9:05-9:25	Statements of Interest for Committee Chair and Vice Chair / Voting
9:25-10:20	Citizen Science and Marine Protected Areas (10 min each; 15 min discussion) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• DOI's Use of Citizen Science – Cliff McCreedy, National Park Service</li><li>• Citizen Science within National Marine Sanctuaries- Kathy Broughton, Research Specialist, Conservation Science Division, Office of National Marine Sanctuaries</li><li>• Applying Citizen Science at the Chesapeake Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve – Chris Snow, Stewardship Coordinator, Maryland Department of Natural Resources</li></ul>
10:20-10:40	Organizing the Committee to address the Charge – Establishment of Subcommittees and/or Working Groups (Discussion)
10:40-10:55	Break
10:55-12:15	Subcommittees Meet Discussion of Committee charge; key issues to be addressed; approaches; begin developing workplan; select Subcommittee leadership.
12:15-1:15	Lunch
1:15-3:15	Subcommittees Meet
3:15-3:30	Break
3:30-4:15	Subcommittee Reports and Discussion
4:15-4:30	Next Steps
4:30	Adjourn