National System Update

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First meeting of national system partners

Products
- Key issues for potential collaboration
- Coordination mechanisms
Key Themes from Partners Retreat - Management

- Use opportunities to include national system in emerging ocean planning and governance efforts
  - marine spatial planning
  - Regional ocean governance
- Support community-based MPAs with technical assistance, information and other resources
- Focus on management effectiveness, enhancing management capacity
Key Themes from Partners Retreat - Science & Analysis

- Conduct ecosystem characterizations
- Understand connectivity
- Develop information on human uses patterns and conflicts
- More research on economic value of MPAs & ecosystem services
- Build and deliver spatial data tools for MPA managers, policy makers, the public (e.g. using Google earth)
Key Themes from Partners Retreat - Outreach and Education

- Conduct in-reach to MPA programs on the national system
- Build on and share existing education efforts
- Focus public outreach on real examples of benefits of MPAs and the national system
Second Round of Nominations

- August 6: MPA Programs invited to nominate sites
- Nov 6: Nomination packages due to MPA Center
- Nov 18: Public comment period begins
- Dec 18: Public comment period ends
- Dec 22: Public comments sent to managing agencies
- Jan 15: Managing agencies make final determination
- Jan 29: List of second set of MPAs accepted & comments in Federal Register
Guides and Resources
Fact Sheets
Graphics
Key Messages
Multimedia

NATIONAL SYSTEM OF MPAs
OUTREACH TOOLKIT

Resources and materials to help communicate the importance of MPAs and the National System of MPAs

Toolkit Instructions
The United States has developed a national system of marine protected areas (MPAs) to advance the conservation and sustainable use of the nation’s vital natural and cultural marine resources. This CD presents a collection of outreach and communication materials that will help you communicate the importance of MPAs and your membership in the national system.

The suite of materials includes guides and resources, fact sheets, key messages, and frequently asked questions to use as outreach materials for your outreach efforts to communicate the importance of MPAs and the National System of MPAs.

This toolkit CD is the first collection of outreach and communication materials available for participating national system sites to use. We expect additional resources to become available as the national system of MPAs is established.

Fact Sheets
- National System Implementation Strategy (PDF)
- Benefits of a National System of Marine Protected Areas (PDF)
- Coastal and Ocean Management and Use Guidance for Marine Applications (PDF)
- Establishing a National System of Marine Protected Areas (PDF)
- Key Messages for Marine Protected Area (MPA) Outreach (PDF)
- Joining the National System: Frequently Asked Questions (PDF)
- NPS-Center (HTML)
- Report: American Wildlife and the National System of MPAs (PDF)
- Fact Sheets (Collective)

Graphics
- National System Implementation Strategy (PDF)
- National System of Marine Protected Areas (PDF)
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Guides and Resources
- Framework for the National System of Marine Protected Areas (PDF)
- Frequently Asked Questions (PDF)
Internal MPA FAC Website Re-established