

JOINT MPA SUMMIT AGENDA

MARINE PROTECTED AREAS FEDERAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
AND THE
NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY ADVISORY COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES

ARGONAUT HOTEL, 495 JEFFERSON STREET AT HYDE
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA
JANUARY 17-19, 2018

Wednesday, Jan. 17

Joint Summit Objective: identify benefits of US MPAs for coastal ecosystems and communities, and explore ways that the MPA Federal Advisory Committee and Sanctuary Advisory Council Representatives can leverage their unique roles to sustain those benefits by addressing the important emerging issues, challenges and opportunities facing federal, state, territorial and tribal MPAs in US waters.

7:30am-8:30am: Registration and Breakfast (*all food is provided for invited participants and guests only by the National Marine Sanctuary Foundation*).

8:30am-9:00am: Welcome, Overview, Logistics and Introductions (*Charlie Wahle, MPA FAC Designated Federal Officer, Kate Spidalieri and Nicole Capps, NOAA's Office of National Marine Sanctuaries*)

9:00am-9:30am: Role of Citizen Advisory Committees in Sustaining MPA Benefits

- John Armor, Director, NOAA Office of National Marine Sanctuaries
- Samantha Brooke, Coastal and Marine Program Lead, DOI National Wildlife Refuge System
- Brian Baird, Chair, Marine Protected Areas Federal Advisory Committee

9:30am-12:45pm: Sustaining MPA Benefits in a Changing Future (*Moderator: Brian Baird*)

(9:30am-11:30am): Panel Discussion (*Facilitator: Lauren Wenzel, Director, MPA Center*)

A panel of federal and state MPA practitioners will provide examples of important ecological and societal benefits of US MPAs, and will discuss with MPA Federal Advisory Committee and Advisory Council Representatives key emerging issues facing MPAs moving forward into a rapidly changing world. Discussions will focus on sustaining MPA benefits for: (i) supporting robust coastal communities and economies; (ii) maintaining healthy, resilient and productive ecosystems in a changing ocean; (iii) managing

expanding ocean uses; and, (iv) engaging diverse communities and users in ocean stewardship.

Panelists

- William Douros, Director, West Coast Region, NOAA Office of Natl. Marine Sanctuaries
- Cliff McCreedy, Marine Resource Management Specialist, Ocean and Coastal Resources Branch, National Park Service
- Pete Leary, Marine Program Coordinator, National Wildlife Refuge System
- Becky Ota, Manager, Marine Habitat Conservation Program, California Department of Fish and Game, and Calla Allison, Director, MPA Collaborative Network
- Michael Vasey, Director, San Francisco Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve

(11:30am-12:30pm): Break-Out Groups Meet (*Lauren Wenzel*)

Building on the ideas generated by the panel discussion, small groups of MPA Federal Advisory Committee members, Advisory Council Representatives and panelists will explore and identify high priority emerging challenges for US MPAs moving forward.

(12:30pm-1:15pm): Break and Lunch (*provided*)

(1:15pm-1:30pm): MPA Movie (*Short video on MPAs by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife*) (*Moderator: Brian Baird*)

(1:30pm-2:45pm): Plenary – Break-Out Reports and Discussion (*Moderator: Katy Bell*)

After brief report outs from the breakout groups, the MPA Federal Advisory Committee and Advisory Council Representatives discuss priority emerging issues for future collaboration.

2:45pm-2:50pm): Closing Remarks on Initial Joint MPA Federal Advisory Committee and Sanctuary Advisory Council Representatives Session (*Brian Baird and John Armor*)

2:50pm-3:00pm): Break

3:00pm-5:30pm): MPA Federal Advisory Committee and Sanctuary Advisory Council Representatives Meet Separately (*see separate agendas*)

Friday, Jan. 19

7:30am-8:30am): Breakfast (*provided*)

8:30am-11:00am): MPA Federal Advisory Committee and Advisory Council Representatives Meet Separately (*see separate agendas*)

11:00am-12:00pm: Joint MPA Federal Advisory Committee and Advisory Council Representatives Discussion of Shared Priorities *(Moderator: Lauren Wenzel)*

MPA FAC and Advisory Council Representatives identify highest priority emerging challenges and discuss how these complementary advisory groups can contribute, both independently and together, to advancing concrete solutions to address them.

12:00pm-12:30pm: Closing Remarks on Joint Summit *(Moderator: Charlie Wahle, DFO)*

- John Armor, NOAA Office of National Marine Sanctuaries
- Cliff McCreedy, DOI National Park Service
- Lauren Wenzel, NOAA National MPA Center
- Brian Baird, MPA FAC Chair

12:30: MPA Federal Advisory Committee meeting adjourned *(Charlie Wahle, DFO)*