

**MONTEREY BAY NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY
ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING
DRAFT AGENDA
SANTA CRUZ POLICE DEPARTMENT-COMMUNITY ROOM
155 CENTER STREET
SANTA CRUZ, CA
THURSDAY, AUGUST 18, 2011**

8:45 AM	Coffee and Sign-in	
9:00 AM	Call to Order & Roll Call <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Past member recognition and swear in new members • Approval of April 21, 2011 meeting minutes 	<i>Dr. Chris Harrold, Chair</i>
9:15 AM	Public Comment for Items <u>Not</u> on the Agenda	
9:45 AM	Information Item: Superintendent's Report <i>A report on important or newsworthy activities conducted by staff over the last four months.</i>	<i>Paul Michel, Superintendent</i>
10:00 AM	Update: Sanctuary Advisory Council Summit <i>Report on meeting highlights from the May Sanctuary Advisory Council Summit in Savannah, GA.</i>	<i>Dr. Chris Harrold</i>
10:30 AM	Information Item: Beach Closures and Nearshore Water Quality <i>Update on water quality at MBNMS beaches based on data from AB411 monitoring and sanctuary volunteer monitoring programs as well as highlights of the latest technology and research occurring in MBNMS to address this issue.</i>	<i>Bridget Hoover, MBNMS</i>
11:15 AM	Update: Sanctuary Exploration Center <i>Provide an update on construction, exhibits, operations and the Leadership Committee.</i>	<i>Paul Michel, Lisa Uttal, MBNMS/ Mark DiOrio, NMSF</i>
12:15 PM	Visit the Sanctuary Exploration Center <i>Walk to the Sanctuary Exploration Center site to view construction.</i>	<i>Lisa Uttal,</i>
12:45 PM	LUNCH (at the Depot Park)	
1:30 PM	Member Announcements	
1:45 PM	Information Item: Santa Cruz Harbor Tsunami Recovery <i>Description of recovery efforts to the Santa Cruz Harbor after Japan tsunami damage.</i>	<i>Lisa Ekers, Santa Cruz Harbormaster</i>
2:30 PM	Update: Ecosystem Based Management Initiative (EBMI) <i>The EBMI is moving through its information gathering phase with completion of a workshop on unique and rare features, a recreational boating speaker's series, and continued planning for stakeholder involvement in the Integrated Ecosystem Assessment.</i>	<i>Dr. Rikki Dunsmore, MBNMS</i>

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3:15 PM	Information Item: Petition to Establish a 10 Knot Vessel Speed Limit <i>A group of environmental organizations has petitioned the Office of National Marine Sanctuaries to regulate vessel speeds as a means of protecting whales from ship strikes and reducing air pollution. This item is to provide information on the petition, on sanctuary efforts to prevent whale strikes over the past 5 years, and on management options and constraints.</i>	<i>Dr. John Hunt, MBNMS</i>
3:45 PM	Update: Sanctuary Advisory Council Calendar <i>Review calendar to select agenda items for the October meeting in Cambria.</i>	<i>Nicole Capps, MBNMS Council Coordinator</i>
4:00 PM	Adjourn	

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