

**MONTEREY BAY NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY
ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING
DRAFT AGENDA
SUNSET CENTER – CARPENTER HALL
MISSION STREET AND 8th AVENUE
CARMEL BY THE SEA, CA
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2012**

8:30 AM	Coffee and Sign-in	
8:45 AM	Call to Order & Roll Call <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approval of December 8, 2011 meeting minutes • Review Meeting Minute Protocol • April Executive Committee Elections and Review Seat Terms 	<i>Dr. Chris Harrold, Chair</i>
9:30 AM	Public Comment for Items <u>Not</u> on the Agenda	
10:00 AM	Information Item: Superintendent's Report <i>A report on important or newsworthy activities conducted by staff over the last two months.</i>	<i>Paul Michel, MBNMS Superintendent</i>
10:15 AM	Update: Marine Life Protection Act (MLPA) <i>Regular update from California Department of Fish and Game on the status of the MLPA.</i>	<i>Susan Ashcraft, CA Dept of Fish and Game</i>
10:45 AM	Information Item: Local Catch Monterey <i>An overview of the recently established Local Catch Monterey seafood program.</i>	<i>Oren Frey, MBNMS</i>
11:00 AM	Update: Ecosystem Based Management Initiative (EBMI) <i>Progress on analysis of information gathering to date; IEA development; and considerations for Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) review process.</i>	<i>Dr. John Hunt, MBNMS</i>
12:00 AM	LUNCH	
1:00 PM	Member Announcements	
1:15 PM	Information Item: "Reconnecting with Your Sanctuary" – Monterey Accelerated Research System (MARS): A new Way of Doing Oceanography <i>MARS is a cabled observatory that allows scientists to design new types of oceanographic equipment and study the ocean in new ways.</i>	<i>Craig Dawe, Monterey Bay Aquarium Research Institute</i>
2:15 PM	Information Item: Promoting Volunteer Activities <i>Highlight the various MBNMS volunteer groups and their accomplishments.</i>	<i>Lisa Emanuelson, MBNMS</i>
3:00 PM	Possible Action Item: Sanctuary Site Evaluation List (SEL) <i>At the December 2011 advisory council meeting, Geoff and PJ agreed to draft a letter supporting reactivation of the SEL for advisory council review.</i>	<i>PJ Webb and Geoff Shester, MBNMS Advisory Council members</i>

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3:30 PM	Information Item: Working Group Updates <i>Updates from working group chairs on recent working group meetings.</i> -Conservation Working Group -Sanctuary Education Panel -Research Activities Panel	<i>Working Group Chairs</i>
4:00 PM	Update: Sanctuary Advisory Council Calendar <i>Review calendar to select agenda items for future meetings.</i>	<i>Nicole Capps, MBNMS</i>
4:15 PM	Adjourn	

***** All times are estimates*****

* Pubic comment on agenda items will be heard prior to SAC discussion/deliberation*

*Materials corresponding to items on this agenda are available at
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