

# DRAFT 2016 AC WORK PLAN

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ACX= Advisory Council Executive Committee							
<b>Advisory Council Administration and Operation</b>							
IPC-AC Annual Meeting 2016		January 2016 meeting	Promote communication and collaboration, as appropriate, on topics of mutual interest to AC and IPC including Habitat Framework initiative; identify topics to include in AC 2016 work plan	1) Agreement/Outcome of 2016 joint meeting on proposed actions 2) Executive Committee to work with IPC representatives to outline format for AC/IPC annual meeting	1) Hold joint AC/IPC annual meeting; incorporate any agreed upon actions into work plan 2) With concurrence of IPC, conduct work groups/ collaborate on agreed actions.	ACX and IPC representatives; Sanctuary Superintendent	
National AC Chairs Summit		January 11-15, 2016 Annapolis, MD	Shared awareness of different AC initiatives and activities across national marine sanctuary system; AC Chairs provide input on national or regional issues and initiatives	AC Chair briefed on national meeting agenda and topics and reports back to OCNMS staff and AC	AC position on key topics for national meeting such as climate change and constituent engagement; AC to take action on meeting, as appropriate	AC Chair	
Annual Work Plan Development	COM1	Present Draft AC 2016 Work Plan at January 2016 SAC mtg and adopt as working document	Prioritize work of AC to focus on highest priority issues and maximize effectiveness of advice to Sanctuary Superintendent; finalize 2015 annual AC work plan and develop draft 2016 WP	OCNMS staff provide briefing on anticipated priorities for Annual Operating Plan at November 2015 meeting; work with ACX on discussion draft	AC Work Plan developed for AC review and input in January 2016 for adoption	ACX; AC Coordinator	
New Member Recruitment	COM1	Recruitment for Research and Citizen-at-Large in fall/winter 2016; any others as needed (upon vacancies)	Recruit engaged and active AC representatives	Notification of open seats in quarterly periods in 2015; 2 seats expire 12/31/16 but some current members may reapply	1) Identify and share announcement to potential candidates. 2) Executive Committee reviews candidates and makes recommendations to Superintendent	ACX; AC Coordinator	

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Emerging Topics							
A. Collaborative and Coordinated Management							
Sanctuary Outreach for AC members	COM1	Winter/Spring 2016	Increased awareness of OCNMS and its AC among AC members; improved AC member and constituent participation at AC meetings and public reach to networks; OCNMS gains better understanding of what AC members are doing to promote sanctuary	AC members surveyed on what tools they need to help them promote OCNMS to constituents; AC discussion on desired goals and activities; education/training to AC as requested; AC Coordinator to e-distribute bi-monthly Office Report and email recap after each meeting	Possible actions: 1) AC members more effective in their constituent outreach of OCNMS 2) AC members announce AC meetings and outcomes on distribution lists or websites 3) AC members identify and report on a constituent outreach effort for FY16 on voluntary basis 4) Active participation by primary and/or alternate member in AC meetings and working groups	AC Chair/ ACX; AC Coordinator	
Management Plan Implementation	OPS10	Ongoing with end-of-year briefing to AC at November 2016 meeting	Provide advice on OCNMS 2017 MP priorities	2016 MP Implementation Report and 2017 MP Implementation Priorities document	OCNMS presents FY2017 MP implementation priorities at Nov. 2016 meeting and facilitates a discussion on 2017 priorities, with a focus on what the AC considers to be the most important in light of budget	OCNMS Staff	

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Sentinel Site for Ocean Acidification	OCEO3 & CLIM2	TBD 2016	OCNMS to conduct or facilitate workshop to understand the scope and scale of ocean acidification relative to OCNMS, and identify what is needed for a sentinel site.	Assist OCNMS in gap analysis to determine where sanctuary can play most active and effective role and prioritize efficiency OCNMS ocean acidification efforts; Develop a list of priorities for OCNMS to go forward with for sentinel site designation	Form a Working Group to help develop and plan workshop to help OCNMS become sentinel site for ocean acidification.	Kevin Grant, OCNMS staff lead; AC Working Group to help with workshop input and planning	

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<b>B. Research, Assessment and Monitoring</b>							
Indicator species for OCNMS	ECO9 related to CLIM2	<i>see "Ecosystem Indicators" below</i>					
<b>C. Ocean Literacy</b>							
OCNMS Website	VISIT3	Summer/Fall 2016	OCNMS website updated to meet new ONMS website standards and more effectively reach the public audience and its users	OCNMS to share ONMS website standards to be used for updating OCNMS website	SAC members can participate in a webinar showcasing website changes that meet ONMS standards and comment on ease of locating key documents; Advisory Council members test draft OCNMS website pages and comment on how user-friendly it is.	Jacqueline Laverdure- OCNMS staff lead; Formation of Subcommittee	
ONMS Travel and Tourism Strategy	COM1	TBD	Awareness of National Travel and Tourism strategy and ways OCNMS can participate; AC informed about national or regional issues and initiatives	Intentional regional marketing efforts to increase visitor attendance in late winter and early fall seasons. Potential strategic connection with Olympic Peninsula Culinary Loop regarding culinary tourism	TBD	OCNMS Staff, TBD	

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<b>D. Natural Resource Conservation</b>							
Ecosystem Indicators for OCNMS	CLIM2 related to ECO9	fall 2016	A suite of identified indicators, including species and environmental parameters, to guide research and monitoring priorities and improve ability to understand ecosystem health and changes over time	Research Coordinator will provide synthesis of recent indicators evaluation efforts, including relevance to both ecosystem health/changes and OCNMS Condition Report questions	Recommendations for ecosystem indicators and metrics to support OCNMS Science Needs document refinements, research priorities, and future OCNMS Condition Report drafting	Liam Antrim- OCNMS staff lead; Science Working Group (Reconvene or New)	
<b>E. Cultural, Historical and Socioeconomic Significance</b>							
None at this time							
<b>Topics of Interest</b>		<b>How/When Topic Addressed</b>					
OCNMS Data Management							
Coastal Marine Spatial Planning		possibility of forming Working Group to review state's MSP work and determine what is relevant to OCNMS					
Small Vessel Maritime and Environmental Safety		possibility of forming Working Group to help look at small vessels to review what we know about incidences and locations; indications of cause and policy recommendations to mitigate or reduce?					
Science Needs Documents							
IPC Habitat Framework							
Ocean Acidification							
Marine Mammal Ship Strikes							
Acoustics							
Coastal Fisheries							
Oil Spill Risks & Vessel Traffic							
<b>Past Topics to track as needed/desired</b>							
Marine debris and Japan tsunami debris response							
Essential Fish Habitat (EFH)							
Lake Ozette Sockeye recovery (LOSR) planning							
Outreach and Compliance for Area To Be Avoided (ATBA) and Cruise Ship Discharge and Overflight Regulations							
U.S. Navy Activities							