



# Offshore Development Working Group

## Meeting Minutes

**Date:** 04/28/11

**Start Time:** 14:00

**End Time:** 15:00

**Meeting Method:** Go to Meetings-small groups in Oahu/Kona Office

**Attendance:** Phil Fernandez (Lead), Justin Viezbicke, Eric Kingma, Glenn Sato, Peggy Lucas Bond, Robin Baird ,Neil Sims, Maka'ala , Benny Ron, Solomon Pili Kaho'ohalahala, Joseph Paulin, Paul Wong

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### MEETING MINUTES

Phil started with overview of process so far from public comments to where we are now using his drawing (see attached) to explain where we are at and what is next.

Starting on the upper left hand we started with 12583 public comments that were accumulated, grouped, sorted and then given to each of the working groups in an excel spreadsheet (see blog to view) so that they could feed into each working groups issues that we are getting ready to develop from the comments. The issues and comments then go to the working groups (upper right hand of picture) where all the group members will develop their issues lists based on public comment and what they are hearing on the ground level. These issue lists will then be accumulated, grouped, sorted and put into the overall mix. This overall mix takes all the issues/comments from public and working groups and squeezes them thru this "grated funnel" that puts other considerations (legal, scientific and socioeconomic frameworks) into the mix as well as our overarching considerations and information from supporting documents to help produce working group recommendations that will be given to the Sanctuary Advisory Council and then to the Sanctuary. Whatever the Sanctuary decides to do with the recommendations the document that we create will be around/referenced for some time as our issues are new and upcoming and there surely will be discussion on aquaculture and offshore development in the years to come. So this document is important.

#### How develop List of Issues to drive process??

Options presented:

1. Everybody tells issues and we put on board during gotomeeting so that all can see and we can discuss
2. Assignment-everybody writes down their issue list and bring to next meeting to discuss
3. Use current blogsite (ODWG.wordpress.com) to help facilitate the issue(s) list for both aquaculture and energy groups. Folks will go to blog and put their issues/discussion under each subgroup issue list so that all can see. Justin will take lists and try to get all info



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organized so that we can discuss the issues for each on our next call on Tuesday May 24<sup>th</sup> from 10am-12pm. Please make sure to check the blog to provide your input to either/both subgroups.

#### **Notes for Aquaculture Blog:**

- Aquaculture should focus on local Hawaiian waters/issues-state/federal waters
- Some concern for Sanctuary boundaries as SAC has directed us to focus on Hawaii but boundaries may be changing so we will sort out boundary issues as we progress
- Try to be specific to issues around development of aquaculture in Hawaii as the recommendations that result from the ODWG will be given to Sanctuary management. Want to consider big picture but focus on Hawaii in particular.
- This document may also become a reference for future aquaculture and energy projects
- Both Channel Islands and Olympic Coast Sanctuaries have looked at aquaculture please refer to the info on the blog from both of these. In particular the Channels Islands NMS actually has an Aquaculture policy.
- Neil Sims suggested the following 4 issues for aquaculture:
  1. Attraction
  2. Aversion
  3. Entanglement
  4. Habitat degradation

#### **GENERAL BLOG NOTES**

- When commenting on blog it may take a few hours to pass thru the filter before getting on screen so please be patient and understand it may take a few hours to get posted.
- To upload anything to the site please to thru Peggy as she will be the site master
- Please use Blog as primary means of communication as too many emails are making it difficult for some to keep track so please if you have info get it to Peggy and she can help you get it on the site

#### **SUBGROUPS**

- Splitting up into two subgroups.... Aquaculture task group and energy task group, if you haven't let Phil know which you prefer to focus on please do so as soon as possible.
- Both subgroups are still a part of the ODWG but again just focusing efforts on two different topics while running the same parallel process for both where we will run issues thru the framework and then compile and link with the entire group to produce recommendations.
- Can participate in both if you like

#### **MISCELLANEOUS:**

- Justin just wanted to check into make sure the blog is working for everyone so if you have any ideas for improvement please feel free to contact Justin/Peggy to help out.
- Since the Sanctuary is making this process as open as possible to the public our meeting agendas/minutes/attendees will be posted on the Sanctuary website and the blog site so if anyone has any problems with their name and who /what group you represent please let Justin know ASAP!!



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- Phil and callers agreed that it would be a good idea to have a public comment period at the end of all of our calls/meetings just in case anyone from the public would like to weigh in.
- All on call agreed to try and make calls as regular as possible and it was decided that the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month from 10am-12pm we will reserve the spot for the meeting. Do your best to make it but we understand if you can't...hopefully if we stay with the same days it will make it easier to schedule the meetings that are coming up to fit into your schedules.

#### **ACTION ITEMS:**

Justin Viezbicke will provide:

1. Olympic Coast NMS info/links
2. Maps of current Sanctuary boundaries in Hawaii
3. Legal Framework/regulatory matrix- this is part of the information that will be used by the group so that we all understand the legal framework in which we are working for both aquaculture and offshore development. This in short will tell us what legal/regulatory options the Sanctuary may have under the National Marine Sanctuaries Act, the Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whale National Marine Sanctuary Act, the State of Hawaii/NOAA Compact Agreement and any other governing/permitting bodies that exist. Justin will begin to compile this and hopes to have this working document by our next meeting on May 24<sup>th</sup>.

Workgroup Members: Please read/submit any background info on topics on the blog that Peggy has created for the group. Please also provide comments/suggestions/issues/etc. to the corresponding topic so that Justin can compile all comments etc. before the next meeting on May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2011

**Next meeting:** 05/24/11 at 10:00am