

**Montrose Settlements Restoration Program Trustee Council
Meeting Summary**

April 16, 2002

Long Beach, California

10:00 a.m.

Attendance

The following primary and alternate Trustee Council members were present: Bill Conner (National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration), Jennifer Boyce (National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration), Dan Welsh (U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service), Andrew Yuen (U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service), Patty Velez (California Department of Fish and Game), Jonathan Clark (California State Lands Commission), Suzanne Goode (California Department of Parks and Recreation), Tim Setnicka (National Park Service), Kate Faulkner (National Park Service).

Also present were: Chuck McKinley (U.S. DOI, Office of the Solicitor), Kolleen Bannon (National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration), Pam Castens (Program Manager), Tom Suchanek (U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service).

Administrative Issues

1. Cost Group Report

Dan Welsh reported that the balance in the Montrose DOI NRDAR Fund currently is \$30,414,709.00. The Trustees voted to invest \$25,000,000.00 in a 180 day roll over account. The remaining funds will be left in a 30 day roll over account.

The Trustees signed Resolution 02-2 authorizing the release of \$910,345.00 to the DOI for partial reimbursement of their past costs.

2. Bald Eagle Funding

The Trustees approved \$581,517.50 to fund the first year of the Feasibility Study for the reestablishment of Bald Eagles on the Northern Channel Islands. Dan Welsh and Kolleen Bannon will prepare a resolution to be signed by the Trustees.

3. Angler Update

Pam Castens reported that the EPA will share a portion of the cost to fund the angler survey update. The Trustees agreed that NOAA will provide the up-front funding for the study to be reimbursed by the EPA.

Pam Castens proposed that the NOAA, representing the Trustee Council, enter into an Inter-

Agency Agreement with the EPA concerning the angler study. The Trustees approved the idea of entering into such an agreement. The EPA will provide a draft IAG to Pam Castens.

4. Fish Sampling Plan

The Trustees agreed that once the Fish Sampling Plan is released, the Trustees and respective staff members will review the plan and meet in Long Beach to discuss it on Monday, June 10.

Next meeting

The next Montrose Trustee Council meeting is scheduled for June 11, 2002 in Long Beach, CA.