

Charge to MPA Federal Advisory Committee



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Issues for Full Committee

- National System Framework
 - Feedback on key concepts
 - Advice on dialogue with stakeholders
- Priorities for National System Development with Existing Resources
- Products: Dialogue with NOAA and DOI staff to inform Framework and national system planning processes.

Subcommittee 1



- Identifying Regional Priorities for Conservation
 - National system planning coordination with ecosystem approaches to management
 - Developing guidelines for a regional planning process to identify priority areas for new and/or enhanced conservation
 - Integrating with broader ecosystem approaches to management
 - Working with existing regional bodies
 - Integrating across natural, cultural and sustainable production themes



Subcommittee 2



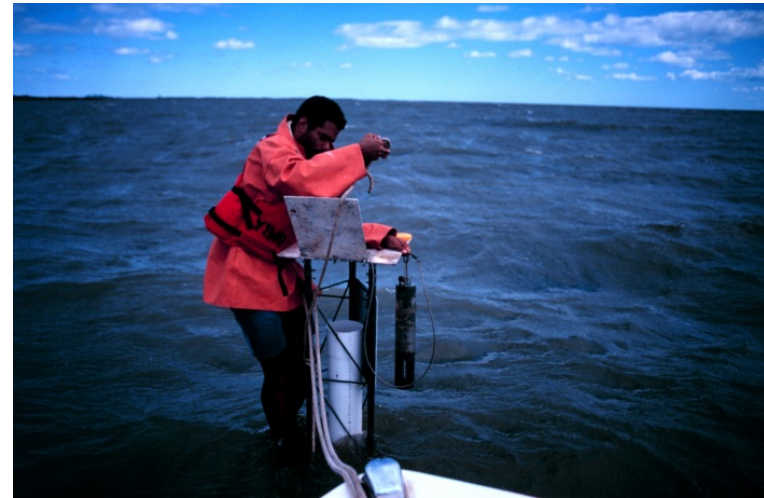
- Incentives and Implementation
 - How can the national system add value to the efforts of existing MPA sites, systems and programs?
 - Long and short term costs and benefits of the national system
 - Ways to improve effectiveness of existing MPAs to meet national system goals
 - Monetary and non-monetary incentives



Subcommittee 3



- MPA Natural and Social Science
 - Common science needs and synergies between the national system of MPAs and ecosystem approaches to management
 - Key information needs to identify priority conservation areas
 - New methods, tools and information needed to design and manage MPA networks
 - Design for multiple conservation goals
 - Resilience
 - Use and value of marine resources



Products

- Report or series of short reports by October 2007.

