

Alaska Marine Ecosystem Forum Meeting

Department of Environmental Conservation
555 Cordova St., ground floor conference room, Anchorage, AK
September 18, 2006 10am-5pm

DRAFT Agenda

Signing of the Memorandum of Understanding

Election of Officers

- Chair and Vice Chair
 - o our MOU instructs that one office should be held by a State agency, and one by a Federal agency or the NPFMC

Agency Briefings

- opportunity each agency to address AMEF (max. 10 minutes)
- suggestions for briefing:
 - o agency priorities and goals for research and management in the AI ecosystem area
 - o any ongoing ecosystem efforts or major issues underway affecting the ecosystem area (that are not being covered in depth in the afternoon)
 - o any other potential issues or announcements relevant to the AMEF members

Issues

- State of Alaska/SeaGrant grant money
 - o Heather Brandon, Ocean Policy Coordinator, and Brian Allee, SeaGrant
- Aleutian Island Risk Assessment
 - o DEC, USCG
- Potential oil and gas lease in the North Aleutian Basin
 - o MMS
- National Ocean Research Priorities document
 - o Heather Brandon
- Discussion of AMEF future direction, next meeting