

Snohomish County Marine Resources Advisory Committee Meeting Meeting Summary

January 17, 2018 6:30-8:30PM
3000 Rockefeller Ave, Snohomish County Campus, Everett WA 98201
Admin East Building, 6th Floor

<p>MRC Members Present Tom Doerge Mike Ehlebracht Laura Gurley Bob Hillmann Deborah Hopkins Susan Tarpley Sarah Brown Paul Clampitt Cathy Stanley</p> <p>Absent Franchesca Perez (excused) Traci Sanderson (excused) Craig Wollam (excused)</p>	<p>Staff, Presenters, and Others Kathleen Pozarycki, MRC Lead Staff Elisa Dawson, Snohomish County MRC Planner</p> <p>Jerry Masters, Northwest Straits Foundation Tarrell Kullaway, Northwest Straits Foundation Kari Quass, Snohomish Conservation District</p>
<p>Summary of Decisions</p> <p>The MRC approved the November 15, 2017 MRC Meeting Summaries.</p>	
<p>Upcoming Events</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The next County Boards and Commissions Training is Wednesday, Dec. 13th at Snohomish County Campus, Public Meeting Rooms 3000 Rockefeller Ave., Everett 98201 	

Welcome and Introductions

Vice Chair Sarah Brown opened the Marine Resources Committee (MRC) meeting with a quorum at 6:30pm.

Sarah introduced herself and called for self-introduction of meeting participants.

Approval of MRC Meeting Summary

Mike Ehlebracht made a motion to approve the November 15, 2017 MRC Meeting Summary. Debbie Hopkins seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Our Coast Community Film Series MRC 2017-2018 Grant Update

Kathleen passed out a master copy of the MRC Movie Event Logistics sheet. The Event Logistics Sheet includes sign-ups for different volunteer roles which will be needed at each event. Volunteers for greeting, AV technician help, the MRC table, and popcorn help will be needed. Kathleen asked MRC members to please sign up for a minimum of two events they are available for. Elisa and Kathleen plan to attend all of the events. Event times are listed below:

UWB Dates:

Feb 7 (Wednesday), 7-9PM

March 1 (Thur.), 7-9PM

April 19 22 (Sun, Earth day), 7-9PM

EvCC Dates:

Monday January 29: 6:30-8:30PM

Wednesday Feb 28: 6:30-8:30

Wednesday April 25: 6:30-8:30

Kathleen also passed around copies of the draft MRC brochure which was created by Snohomish County Public Works Communication staff. The brochure includes information about the Northwest Straits, the MRC, the movie events, and the MyCoast app. Kathleen asked the MRC members to look at the brochure and let her know if there were any edits they would like to see done. The brochure is intended to be used at the movie events to be handed out as people come in.

Debbie gave an update on the UW Bothell event logistics. Debbie has been working with UW Bothell to secure the room and the necessary equipment for the events. The room at UW Bothell has all of the AV equipment in it which will be used during the events. Cascadia College, which is connected to UW Bothell, has also offered student support for the events. Steve, a Cascadia College student is working to promote the event throughout the campus and post posters. Steve intends to attend the UW Bothell events as a volunteer as well. UW Bothell will be providing and speaker to introduce the event on their campus.

Sarah gave an update on the Everett Community College (EvCC) event logistics. Sarah and Elisa toured the Jackson Conference Center where the event will be held in December. Ardi from the Ocean Research College Academy is the main contact for EvCC and was at the tour. During the tour there were facilities employees who helped show Ardi, Sarah, and Elisa how to use the equipment to show the videos. Both DVD's can be shown as well as video played off of the computer. Microphones will also be available. Technical assistance will be available during the set up for the event on Monday 1/29 as well.

Debbie has secured a popcorn maker for the UW Bothell events. Kathleen asked if anyone knew of a popcorn maker to use for the EvCC events. Laura said that the Port of Everett does have a popcorn maker which they use for their events. Laura will ask the Port of Everett if the popcorn maker can be used for the MRC events.

Kathleen asked MRC members to report which school districts have been contacted about the events. Sarah reported that she has reached out to the Everett School District, Lake Stevens School District, and the Mukilteo School District. Emma, the Girl Scout working with the MRC, is promoting events throughout the Edmonds School District. Kathleen reported that Franchesca has been working with the Arlington School District and Traci has been working with the Snohomish School District.

Kathleen encouraged MRC members to continue to post posters around Snohomish County. The MRC discussed libraries, schools, and other locations which haven't been posted yet and decided who was able to go to those locations. All posters were handed out to be posted.

MRC Administration

Kathleen reported that applications are now available for the MRC Opportunity fund. Kathleen suggested that the MRC apply for the 2018 opportunity fund to pay for consultant fees to process

forage fish samples being collected at the nearshore beach nourishment sites, Meadowdale, and Picnic Point. The MRC agreed to use the Opportunity Fund to help cover forage fish consultant costs. Mike asked how much money will the MRC need to request for the consultant from the opportunity fund. Elisa responded that each survey costs a maximum of \$1,000 to have the samples picked up, processed, analyzed, and reported on by the consultant. The MRC conducts a minimum of 7 surveys each year; once a month between August and February. Therefore, the MRC would estimate that they need to request about \$7,000 for these services. Kathleen asked if anyone is interested in starting a draft of the grant application. Kathleen will follow up with the grant instructions with the MRC. The grant is due February 28, 2018.

Next, Kathleen led the MRC in conversation for the 2018 MRC Executive Committee. The MRC will be voting on Chair, and Vice Chair(s) for 2018 this meeting. Franchesca Perez has served 2 terms as MRC Chair and is stepping down. Franny will serve as "Past Chair." Sarah volunteered to be MRC Chair for 2018. Bob Hillmann and Mike Ehlebracht volunteered to be co Vice-Chairs for the MRC.

Paul Clampitt made a motion to approve Sarah Brown as Chair for the MRC for 2018. Tom Doerge seconded the motion. All approved and the motion passed.

Laura Gurley made a motion to approve Bob Hillmann and Mike Ehlebracht as co Vice-Chairs of the MRC Committee for 2018. Susan Tarpley seconded the motion. All approved and the motion passed.

Snohomish County MRC 2018 Executive Committee:

- Sarah Brown, Chair
- Bob Hillmann, co Vice-Chair
- Mike Ehlebracht, co Vice-Chair

Kathleen also discussed the annual MRC Retreat, which is being held this year in place of the February MRC meeting. The MRC retreat will be on Thursday, February 8th. Kathleen passed out copied of the MRC subcommittees and asked MRC members to review this chart before the Retreat. At the retreat the MRC will be going over subcommittees. MRC members will have the opportunity to change or become a part of a subcommittee. MRC members will also discuss leadership for each subcommittee at the retreat. Kathleen asked for any feedback on the subcommittee work at the retreat from last year. Laura said that she enjoyed getting an overview of each subcommittee at the 2017 Retreat.

The MRC also expressed interest in talking about lessons learned at the 2018 Retreat. Mike suggested the MRC also have a more in-depth conversation about how MRC members can advocate with council-members as county-appointed board members. There has been some confusion recently on how and when MRC members can use their experience as MRC members to advocate on issues relating to the county. Jerry Masters suggested using the MRC annual report to Snohomish County Council as more of an opportunity to share their suggestions with Councilmembers. Another suggestion was to talk to Monte Marti, the Director of the Snohomish Conservation District, on how to best communicate with Snohomish County Council Mike Ehlebracht offered to follow up with Monte for advice Kathleen agreed to add these topics to the 2018 Retreat.

Finally, the MRC discussed an update to the MRC Bylaws for the 2018 Retreat. Kathleen passed out copies of the Bylaws and asked all MRC members for review the bylaws prior the Retreat. Specifically, Kathleen requested members read the Conflict of Interest and Ex-Officio sections. These sections will be reviewed and edited at the 2018 Retreat.

Derelict Vessel Project Update

Snohomish County is moving forward with the proposed removal of eight boats from the Snohomish River Estuary. Kathleen reported that currently Snohomish County staff are preparing the DES work order requests and laying the groundwork to post the vessels and send out the notices necessary in order to begin the possession taking process. Kathleen said the team is hoping to post the vessels and begin the process to take possession and ultimately remove the vessels in the several months. A list of the vessels is below:

Vessels proposed to be removed:

<u>DVRP ID</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Vessel ID</u>
SN06-010	Elusive Dream	36858?
SN08-002	Unknown	WN 0864 NC
SN17-003	Unknown	Unknown
SN17-004	Unknown	Unknown
SN11-005	Thunderchief	Unknown
SN17-002	Unknown	Unknown
SN17-005	Celia Jean	WN 6936 JC
SN17-008	Unknown	Unknown

Announcements

- **NWSC Update (Paul):** Paul reported that the NWSC Director, Rich Childers, has stepped down after about one year. Paul said that there were no major issues, just that Rich has decided that the job was not a perfect match for him and he has decided to step down at the end of January. The NWSC has begun working on a process for filling the position. Paul also noted that he is serving as the Vice-Chair of the NWSC.
- **LIO (Paul):** Paul reported that there was an LIO Workshop earlier today. The workshop went over the process for creating Fact Sheets which will be due March 30. Several presentations were given on NTA pre-submittal ideas. The MRC has submitted three NTAs: Derelict Vessel Removal, Creosote Piling Planning, and Creosote Piling Removal Projects. All of these NTAs are within the Snohomish River Estuary.
- **Forage Fish Update (Elisa):** Elisa reported that the next forage fish sample will happen February 23rd at Howarth Park and the nearshore sites. MRC members have volunteered to help with that event. Furthermore, Elisa, Tom, and Debbie will be taking samples on February 22 at Meadowdale and Picnic Point. The February forage fish survey is scheduled for February 20th.
- **MRC Retreat:** Kathleen will send out address for the event. Catering will be provided.
- **The Edmonds Starlight Beach Walk** will be February 26th. The MRC has agreed to provide hot chocolate and lighted wristbands for the event.
- **Mussel Watch (Mike):** Mike announced that three mussel watch cages were successfully installed by MRC volunteers. We will be retrieving the cages on February 27th. Elisa will check in with Lincoln to ensure that Lincoln is available to return the mussels to WDFW.

The meeting adjourned at 8:36 pm.