

Greater Farallones National Marine Sanctuary
FY16 (10/1/15-9/30/16) Sanctuary Advisory Council Work Plan PROSPECTUS

MP Program-Based Action Plans	SAC Activities	Outputs/Outcomes	Status	WG Began	WG Expires	WG Chair
1. Education and Outreach						
a	Phytoplankton Monitoring Education Program	SAC will form a Subcommittee with Bibit Traut as Chair				
2. Conservation Science						
a	Beach Watch	Annual Report provided to SAC. Updates on program extension up north coast	SAC remain informed on Beach Watch program	Update Feb 2016		
b	ACCESS	Annual synthesis of ACCESS cruises provided to SAC		Updates as needed		
c	Beyond the Golden Gate Symposium	SAC chair symposium planning committee	Symposium in 2016	SAC Lead: John Largier		
d	MPA monitoring- see 9b. Marine Life Protection Act	Annual updates provided to SAC on MPA monitoring; combine with BW; guest presentation				
e	Essential Fish Habitat Designation- see 9a. Ecosystem Protection- Fishing Activities					

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3. Resource Protection						
a Sanctuary Permits	Standing updates provided to members at each meeting	Advisory Council is informed on permitted activities	Ongoing			
b Emergency Response- see 6a. Impacts from Vessel Spills						
c Estuaries and Lagoons	Informational webinar or session for SAC on Tomales Bay and Pescadero	SAC informed on issues affecting Tomales Bay and Pescadero Marsh				
d Vessel Strikes and Acoustic Impacts- see 7c. Wildlife Disturbance						
d Ocean Climate Initiative	1) Adaptation Planning: Assess resource vulnerability and develop adaptive management actions to address climate change impacts	SAC recommendations for adaptation strategies	Working group process throughout FY15; recs from working group in Feb 2016	January-15		Anne Morkill

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3. Resource Protection (Continued)						
e Boundary Modifications- see 12d Northern Management Area	SAC remains engaged in MBNMS MPR process	SAC recommendations on Northern Management Area strategies included in MBNMS MP				
f Ecosystem Restoration (Bolinas) see 8f. Introduced Species						
g Enforcement	Receive updates on enforcement issues from NOAA OLE as needed	Advisory Council is informed on enforcement activities				
h Emerging Issues	SAC will be informed of any emerging issues and given the opportunity to provide feedback on	Advisory Council is informed on emerging issues				
4. Administration						
a Sanctuary Advisory Council	1) Maintain Advisory Council: Four meetings and one retreat per year; Council resolutions and correspondence; annual workplan	Recommendations on key Sanctuary issues				

b Youth Involvement in SAC process	Youth Engagement Subcommittee will support mentoring and educational opportunities for youth members. The Youth Engagement Subcommittee will develop strategy to engage youth.	Recruit primary and alternate seats, Subcommittee develops and considers additional opportunities for youth engagement	Ongoing- Recruiting youth alternate			
	2) Participate in National Chairs and Coordinators meeting		Jan-16			

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4. Administration (Continued)						
	3) Maintain Executive Committee	Develop meeting agendas; recommend best council process and protocols	Meet four times per year by phone			
	4) Alternating years Council Meetings with MB and CB, receive standing updates from the CB chair and attendees to MB meetings		Proposed joint meeting with CB in FY16; Joint Executive Committee Meeting for MBNMS and GFNMS ECs			
	5) SAC member training and internal process clarification	SAC formed a subcommittee for Nov. 30th round of SAC seat selection	SAC member training in 2016 after next recruitment process			
	6) Charter Review	revise charter to include a Mendocino-Sonoma County Public At Large primary and alternate	Including language in charter and beginning recruitment in mid 2016			
b Operations - See 3c.1) Green Operations						

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5. Water Quality						
a Tomales Bay Vessel Management Plan	Individual feedback from expert SAC members on plan implementation	Advice on implementation of plan	Superintendent's report update in February 2016			
d Plastics in food chain-	Update on state of knowledge of plastics in food chain- possible briefing or ID need for project	Informational presentation or webinar on micro plastics	SAC Lead: John Largier			
e Marine Debris	Updates provided to the SAC through member reports of participating SAC volunteers					
6. Impacts from Vessel Spills						
a Emergency Response	SAC will receive updates in FY 16 on progress of GFNMS towards SAC JWG recommendations	STET				
7. Wildlife Disturbance						
a White Shark Stewardship Project	SAC will receive invitation to participate in 2016 White Shark Stewardship Training					
b Seabird Protection Network	SAC low overflights working group	Recommendations at the end of 2016				

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7. Wildlife Disturbance (Continued)							
c Vessel Strikes and Acoustic Impacts	SAC will receive updates in FY 16 on progress of GFNMS with Whale Alert, Spotter and vessel speed restrictions	Discuss updates at joint meeting with CBNMS in 2016					
d Low Flying Aircraft regulations and Zones (see 7b. Seabird Protection Network)							
8. Introduced Species							
a Kent Island Restoration and Bolinas Lagoon	Tour of restoration site	2016 GFNMS AC Retreat					
c Tomales Bay Vessel Management Plan- see 5a. Water Quality							
d Sanctuary permits- see 3a. Resource Protection							
e Aquaculture	Update to the SAC in the form of an informational presentation or webinar						
f Mouse Eradication at SEFI	TBD						
9. Ecosystem Protection- Fishing Activities							
a	Essential Fish Habitat	Standing updates provided to members on reasons/data for proposals to PFMC. Meeting with fishermen.	Advisory council is informed on PFMC process in relation to GFNMS	Updates as Needed in Superintendent's Report			
b	MPA Monitoring (see Conservation Science)	Standing updates provided to members on CA MLPA implementation	Advisory Council is informed on MLPA activities	Updates as Needed			

10. Community Outreach						
a	Youth Involvement in SAC process- see 4b. Administration					
11. Ecosystem Monitoring						
a	See 9b. Marine Life Protection Act					
12. Maritime Heritage						
a	Maritime Heritage Program	SAC will receive annual updates and invitations to learn more, participate or engage in MHP activities as they arise				
13. Northern Management Area						
a	Maverick's Surf Contest	Updates provided to members on the contest	Informational updates as needed.	Updates as Needed	No working group established.	
b	Biennial Joint Council Meeting	GFNMS and MBNMS Advisory Councils meet once every other year ("odd" years) in Half Moon Bay. Exec committee meet "even" years.				
c	Boundary Modifications (SF-Pacifica Exclusion Area)	SAC will receive updates and have opportunity to provide feedback to Superintendent as preparation of DRAFT EIS continues	Potential expansion of sanctuary boundaries to include the San Francisco-Pacifica Exclusion Area	Updates as Needed	No working group established.	
d.	SMC Water Quality Protection Efforts	SAC will receive updates through member reports		Updates as needed IF a SAC Action is appropriate. SAC Lead: Kellyx Nelson		