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Re: Pacific Marine Conservation Caucus

Dear Jay:

As promised to you at the November 28th meeting of the Pacific Marine Conservation Caucus (MCC) we are pleased to provide you with a fuller description of the makeup and internal structure of the MCC.

MCC Purpose and Guiding Principles

As described in the draft MCC Guiding Principles previously sent to you, the caucus will act as the primary environmental organizations' main method of representing the conservation sector as a "stakeholder" interest in formal DFO consultative processes. Also, the caucus will report to, liaise with, and assist other conservation organizations and streamkeeper/stewardship groups whose concerns are more issue-specific, local, or ancillary mandates and capacity.

MCC Board

The MCC will be governed by a Board of nine organizations, including eight primary marine conservation groups as well as an additional seat occupied by the BC streamkeepers and stewardship community. The MCC Board members are as follows:

- BC Stewardship Centre (streamkeeper/stewardship liaison)
- Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society – BC Chapter
- David Suzuki Foundation
- Ecotrust Canada
- Living Oceans Society
- Raincoast Conservation Society
- Sierra Club of Canada – BC Chapter
- Watershed Watch Salmon Society
- World Wildlife Fund Canada

MCC Executive Committee

A MCC Executive Committee has been established for executive, communication and information-sharing purposes, as follows:

Executive Committee:

- Vicky Husband, Sierra Club of Canada – BC
- Jennifer Lash, Living Oceans Society
- Otto Langer, David Suzuki Foundation
- John Nelson, Raincoast Conservation Society
- Craig Orr, Watershed Watch Salmon Society

Co-chairs:

- Vicky Husband, Sierra Club of Canada – BC
- Craig Orr, Watershed Watch Salmon Society

Subcommittees

The following table lists Pacific Marine Conservation Caucus subcommittees, and their organizational membership, tentatively identified for engagement (lead and secondary) in formal advisory and consultative bodies, and for caucus business on specific issue (* denotes secondary representation for now):

SUBCOMMITTEE	MEMBER GROUPS (AND REPRESENTATIVES)
Wild Salmon Policy	David Suzuki Foundation (Suzanne Tank); Raincoast Conservation Society (John Nelson); Sierra Club of Canada – BC (Ken Wilson, Vicky Husband, Terry Glavin); Watershed Watch Salmon Society (Craig Orr)
Salmon Fisheries Planning	David Suzuki Foundation (Suzanne Tank); Raincoast Conservation Society (John Nelson); Sierra Club of Canada – BC (Ken Wilson, Vicky Husband, Terry Glavin); Watershed Watch Salmon Society (Craig Orr)
SARA/COSEWIC (Fish)	David Suzuki Foundation (Suzanne Tank); Raincoast Conservation Society (John Nelson); Sierra Club of Canada – BC (Ken Wilson; Scott Wallace); Watershed Watch Salmon Society (Craig Orr)
Habitat	David Suzuki Foundation (Otto Langer)
Marine Stewardship Council	David Suzuki Foundation (Otto Langer); Sierra Club of Canada – BC (Terry Glavin; Keith Symington)
Rockfish	Living Oceans Society (Jeff Ardron; Dorthea Hangaard); Sierra Club of Canada – BC (Terry Glavin; Scott Wallace; *Keith Symington) *CPAWS (Jodi Stark)
Integrated Groundfish Management	Living Oceans Society (Dorthea Hangaard); Sierra Club of Canada – BC (Terry Glavin, Vicky Husband) *David Suzuki Foundation (Suzanne Tank)

Oceans/MPAs	CPAWS (Sabine Jessen; Jodi Stark) Living Oceans Society (Jennifer Lash; Jeff Ardron) World Wildlife Fund (Michele Patterson)
Aquaculture	David Suzuki Foundation (Otto Langer) Living Oceans Society (Jennifer Lash) Raincoast Conservation Society (Theresa Rothenbush) Watershed Watch (Craig Orr)
Marine Mammals	Raincoast Conservation Society (Rob Williams) Sierra Club of Canada – BC (Scott Wallace) *CPAWS (Jodi Stark)
Offshore Oil and Gas	David Suzuki Foundation (Ian Bruce) Living Oceans Society (Oonagh O'Connor) Raincoast Conservation Society (Rob Williams) Sierra Club of Canada – BC (Vicky Husband) *CPAWS (Jodi Stark)

Appointments to Consultative Committees

The following MCC representatives have been nominated for appointment to the relevant existing and emerging consultative bodies established by Fisheries and Oceans Canada:

CONSULTATIVE BODY	LEAD REPRESENTATIVE(S)	ALTERNATE REPRESENTATIVE
South Coast Salmon Harvest Management	Ken Wilson (SCCBC); Craig Orr (Watershed Watch); Suzanne Tank (DSF)	
North Coast Salmon Harvest Management	Bruce Hill (SCCBC/CPAWS); John Nelson (Raincoast)	
Coastwide Policy Forum	Terry Glavin (SCCBC)	TBD
Integrated Groundfish	Terry Glavin	Vicky Husband (SCCBC)
Pacific Marine Mammals	Terry Glavin; Rob Williams (Raincoast)	
Killer Whale Recovery	Rob Williams	Scott Wallace (SCCBC)
Sei/Humpback/Blue Whales	TBD	
Sea Otter Recovery Plan	Scott Wallace (SCCBC); Gerald Amos (Ecotrust)	
SARA/COSEWIC (misc. marine finfish)	Scott Wallace	
SARA/COSEWIC (salmonids)	Ken Wilson	
SARA/COSWEIC (freshwater fish)	Suzanne Tank	
Long-term sockeye escapement	Ken Wilson	
Marine Stewardship Council	Otto Langer (DSF); Terry Glavin	Keith Symington (SCCBC)

Additional Comments

The above-listed MCC subcommittees and their representatives are tentative and MCC may - as determined by the Board in consultation with the BC conservation community - appoint additional members to subcommittees and/or consultative bodies. MCC will advise Fisheries and Oceans of changes to its appointed representatives as required.

A full contact list for the MCC Board, including Executive Committee and Subcommittee members, is attached. All formal correspondence to the MCC should be sent to the Co-chairs.

Thank you for this opportunity to provide you with further details about the Pacific Marine Conservation Caucus structure and guiding principles.

Regards,



Vicky Husband, Co-chair



Craig Orr, Co-chair

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