



BIG OCEAN
A Partnership of the World's Large-Scale Managed Seas

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Inaugural Meeting of the Big Ocean Partnership

Monday, December 6th, 2010

Papahānaumokuākea Marine National Monument Office
NOAA Office of National Marine Sanctuaries
Honolulu, Hawaii

Host Papahānaumokuākea Marine National Monument (PMNM)

Organizer PMNM and the Phoenix Islands Protected Area (PIPA)

Facilitators John Parks, Sue Taei, and Gene Brighthouse

Purpose

The overall **goal** of the inaugural meeting of the Big Ocean Partnership is to design and launch a large-scale marine protected area (MPA) learning network entitled “Big Ocean – A Partnership of the World's Large-Scale Managed Seas”.

Related to this goal, there are **three objectives** to be achieved during this first Big Ocean Partnership meeting:

Objective 1: To identify a shared set of aspirations, values, and priority needs regarding the effective management of the world's largest MPAs;

Objective 2: To agree on a proposed set of aims and activities for the partnership; and

Objective 3: To develop and communicate a shared statement of commitment to the Big Ocean Partnership that conveys the rationale for and purposes of creating a large-scale MPA learning network.

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- 08:15 AM Participant arrivals
- 08:30 Opening Protocol
- 08:45 **Workshop Welcome**
- Welcome by Host – NOAA Office of National Marine Sanctuaries
 - Opening Remarks by Organizers – PIPA and PMNM
 - Brief attendee introductions
- 09:00 **Review of Workshop Purpose and Agenda** – Sue Taii
- 09:10 **Session 1: Overview of Inaugural Big Ocean Sites** – Gene Brighthouse (moderator)
- Site overview presentation¹ (10-15 min.) – each site manager
 - Brief question and answer session (5 min.) – plenary
- 09:10 - 09:30: Site presentation #1 (PMNM)
- 09:30 - 09:50: Site presentation #2 (PIPA)
- 09:50 - 10:10: Site presentation #3 (GBRMPA)
- 10:10 - 10:30: Site presentation #4 (Mariana Trench MNM)
- 10:30 - 10:50: Site presentation #5 (Coral Sea Conservation Zone – via video conference)
- 10:50 Break; group photo
- 11:00 **Session 2: Synthesis of Site Presentations** – John Parks
- Identify shared aspirations, values, and beliefs (15 min.) – plenary
 - Identify shared operational and management challenges (15 min.) – plenary
 - Identify shared priority learning opportunities (30 min.) – plenary
- 12:00 PM Lunch; working group drafts communiqué
- 01:30 **Session 3: Possible Partnership Aims and Activities** – Gene Brighthouse
- Review and discuss potential partnership aims (30 min.) – plenary
 - Review and discuss possible partnership activities (30 min.) – plenary
- 02:30 **Session 4: Drafting the Communiqué** – Sue Taii
- Review and edit draft language; finalize communiqué – plenary
- 03:30 Break
- 03:45 **Session 5: Next Steps** – John Parks
- Identify 6-month design tasks and timeline leading to partnership launch – plenary
 - Discuss communications needs and Big Ocean partnership profile – Sue Taii
- 04:30 **Session 6: Finalize Communiqué** – Sue Taii
- Review and finalize language for communiqué – plenary
 - Press release
- 04:45 **Meeting Close**
- Review progress made against meeting objectives – plenary
 - Closing remarks – Host and Organizers
- 05:00 Adjourn

¹ Each site presentation should include 6 slides, one covering each of the following 6 topics: (1) site map and geographic location; (2) date and goals of establishment; (3) aspirations for and guiding values of site; (4) summary of key biological and natural resources at site; (5) summary of primary threats facing resources; and (6) summary of highest operational and management challenges needing to be addressed.