



WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF
Natural Resources
PETER GOLDMARK - Commissioner of Public Lands

COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT WITH THE SURFRIDER FOUNDATION

Agreement No. CA 13-291

This Agreement is by and between The Surfrider Foundation (Surfrider) and the Washington State Department of Natural Resources, Aquatic Resources Division, (DNR).

DNR enters this agreement in accordance with RCW 79.10.130 (2009).

The Surfrider Foundation is a nonprofit association that engages in activities that, among other things, provides educational and scientific benefits.

The purpose of this Agreement is to accomplish the purposes of enhancing multiple uses of public lands by hosting public engagement events for coastal communities to provide input on marine spatial planning on Washington's coast.

Attachment A

STATEMENT OF WORK

Marine Resource Committees Coordinated Marine Spatial Planning Public Workshops

Applicant:

The Surfrider Foundation is an international 501(c)(3) non-profit grassroots environmental organization dedicated to the protection and enjoyment of the world's oceans, waves and beaches. Since 2007, Surfrider Foundation has been working closely with Washington Pacific Coast communities to improve coordinated management of coastal resources and enable greater opportunities for community engagement.

Description:

This project will strengthen the goals and objectives setting phase of coastal marine spatial planning by enabling MRCs to solicit additional public input from their respective communities. Each MRC will conduct enhance outreach to interested citizens in their counties with a workshop that will foster greater community engagement in this key early phase of MSP.

Enhanced outreach through a localized MSP workshop would be conducted prior the already scheduled April 26th Goals and Objectives workshop hosted by Washington Sea Grant for the Washington Coastal Marine Advisory Council, along with federal/state/county governments and tribes. MRC and WCMAC members will utilize the community feedback from their workshops to inform the goals and objectives setting process at the April 26th workshop.

Tasks:

Each MRC will be given the opportunity to conduct outreach in their communities. MRCs will communicate with Washington Sea Grant and state agencies in developing these outreach activities. The Nature Conservancy and the Surfrider Foundation will provide support with design, logistics, and planning as needed. Surfrider Foundation will contract an outside facilitator to support MRCs on outreach activities, including workshop planning and implementation. MRCs will be responsible for working with the facilitator to ensure outreach activities are successful and that community feedback is captured in written format, and then presented to the WCMAC.

Outreach activities by the MRC:

The North Pacific Coast MRC will host a workshop in April at the UW Olympic Natural Resources Center, and continue to conduct general education around MSP tailored to reach the rural communities on the north coast.

Grays Harbor MRC has elected to host a workshop in April and has formed a subcommittee to coordinate the event.

Pacific County MRC has elected to do two workshops, one in Long Beach, and one in South Bend, in order to maximize public attendance and participation. A subcommittee has been formed to coordinate the event.

Wahkiakum MRC has elected to do a workshop at their meeting on March 25th. They are in the early planning stages for the workshop.

Deliverables:

For each workshop, the facilitator will produce a document that captures input from the public that can inform the MSP goals and objectives setting process, and will be available as a public record. These documents will be available to MRC and WCMAC members for the April 26th goals and objective setting workshop, and a full formal report will be submitted to DNR by June 15th.

Timeline:

Community feedback will be collected prior to the MSP workshop on April 26th. Monthly progress updates will be sent to DNR the first week of each month, except for June. The project will officially conclude by June 15th, including the submission of final documentation to DNR.