# Pacific Coast Marine Spatial Plan

# SEPA Environmental Impact Statement Scoping

# Public Comment Form

*Please submit by September 23, 2013 to* *mspcomments@ecy.wa.gov*

**Description of proposal**

Develop a Marine Spatial Plan for Washington’s Pacific Coast to address increasing pressures on the resources in this area, conflicts among uses, and proposed new uses (RCW 43.372).

Prior to preparing and submitting comments, we strongly encourage those commenting to review the public scoping document at: <http://www.msp.wa.gov/news>

1. **Purpose of and need for a Marine Spatial Plan**, including comments on the draft goals and objectives, and rationale for any suggested changes based on the criteria. What changes should be made to the goals and objectives and why?
2. **Geographic scope, or boundary, of the plan’s study area** and rationale for particular boundary based on the criteria. What should the study area for the plan be and why?

[ ]  400 fathoms

[ ]  700 fathoms

[ ]  Other:

1. **Potential marine waters activities to address in the plan.** Should the plan address potential activities other than renewable energy? If so, which other activities should be addressed?
2. **Specific metrics for draft objectives.** What does the language in the draft objectives mean to you? How would you measure progress toward the objectives?
3. **Scope of program-level environmental studies or other studies to conduct.** What type of environmental impacts should be included in the scope of environmental review and why? Which elements of the built and natural environment should be analyzed?
4. **Substantial issues and concerns that should be addressed in the Marine Spatial Plan and draft EIS.**
5. **Potential impacts** (beneficial, adverse, direct, indirect, and/or cumulative) and **mitigation measures**.

Written comments will be accepted until **5 pm, September 23, 2013**.

Email electronic comments to: MSPComments@ecy.wa.gov

Send written comments to: Dept. of Ecology, SEA Program, PO Box 47600, Olympia, WA 98504-7600