

# Pacific Islands Regional Planning Body Inaugural Meeting

July 11 – 12, 2013: 8:30am – 5:30pm

NOAA Pacific Islands Regional Office  
1601 Kapiolani Blvd., Honolulu, Hawaii  
11<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room

## Meeting Objectives:

- Introduce Co-Leads and RPB Members
- Come to a common understanding about the assignment to the Pacific Islands RPB from the National Ocean Policy
- Identify drivers for developing a marine plan for the Pacific Islands Region
- **Agree on a mission statement and draft objectives**
- Develop a charter for the Pacific Islands RPB
- Develop a work plan for the Pacific Islands RPB
- Inform the public and receive input from stakeholders about marine planning

## July 11, 2013

- 8:30 Welcoming remarks Co-Leads
- 9:00 Regional Planning Body member introductions
- 9:30 Role of the Regional Planning Body  
*A short presentation will focus on the RPB's assignment and characteristics, the basic operational considerations and the outcome(s) expected.*
- 9:45 Visioning: Why are we doing this?  
*In this facilitated discussion, members will be asked to consider what is driving marine planning from their perspective. This could include discussing examples of ongoing or anticipated planning activities, opportunities to pursue and challenges to overcome. Members will be asked what they view as the vision for the RPB.*
- 10:30 Break
- 10:45 Develop mission statement for the Pacific Islands RPB  
*In this facilitated discussion, the members will consider the principles that will guide the marine planning effort in the region. The group will agree on a concise statement to convey the value of the regional marine planning effort, in a plausible and relevant way, to inspire and encourage ourselves and stakeholders to participate. This mission statement will be revisited when necessary as the effort progresses.*
- 12:00 Lunch (not hosted)

1:30 Setting the objectives of the Pacific Islands RPB  
*In this facilitated discussion, the members will consider the guiding principles and mission of the RPB and discuss the priority areas for regional marine planning. The group will discuss where the RPB is now, where the RPB wants to be, and the process of getting from here to there. The strategies, actions and outcomes necessary to achieve these objectives will be discussed. Each member should consider how their State, Territory, Department or agency objectives mesh with these marine planning objectives.*

3:00 Break

4:30 Public comment  
*Interested individuals will be invited to offer public comments about regional marine planning. Written comments will also be accepted. Additional opportunities for public input will be provided as the effort progresses.*

### **July 12, 2013**

8:30 Review of day 1's work

9:00 Structure and operation of the Pacific Islands RPB  
*After a short presentation on the roles, responsibilities and commitments of RPB members, the discussion will focus on the RPB's organizational structure, operations and procedures, decision-making, and the relationship to existing organizations and authorities. The make-up and use of sub-committees and the framework to allow stakeholder participation will be determined.*

10:30 Break

10:45 Develop charter for the Pacific Islands RPB  
*A charter will clearly describe the operation of the RPB and guide the marine planning effort.*

12:00 Lunch (not hosted)

1:30 Develop Work Plan for the Pacific Islands RPB  
*The RPB members will discuss the initial focus and timeline for the marine planning effort in the region. This includes website development and stakeholder engagement.*

4:30 Next meeting of the Pacific Islands RPB  
*The schedule for future meetings of the RPB will be determined.*