

# Meeting Minutes

Cape Mohican Trustee Council

September 28, 1998

## Meeting Attendees

### *Department of Interior (DOI)*

SOL: Chuck McKinley

FWS: Jim Haas  
Marge Kolar

NPS: Dawn Adams – PORE  
Sarah Allen - PORE  
Tamara Angel  
Rick Dawson  
Daphne Hatch - GGNRA  
Len Mckenzie – GGNRA

### *National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)*

GC: Katherine Pease

GFMMS: Jan Roletto

MBNMS: Patrick Cotter

### *California Department of Fish and Game*

OSPR: Pete Bontadelli  
Pierre DuVair  
Ed Euber  
Steve Hampton  
Paul Kelly  
Kathy Verrue-Slater

## Topics of Discussion

- A replacement for James Burke needed to be identified. (Since the meeting, Nick Franco has been identified as the Trustee Council Member for the California Department of Parks and Recreation.)
- A discussion was held regarding the need for NEPA and CEQA compliance, particularly the time required for preparing the documents.
- Who/how will the Restoration Plan be completed, contractor, in-house, other? NPS has current contractors experienced in Restoration Planning for similar projects. NOAA suggested a temporary intern be hired. Decision still pending.
- The Council members will reconvene to determine current proposed restoration projects, a structure and process for preparing restoration plan, and forum for meeting with the public. Holding a public workshop was suggested as a means of identifying other possible projects and for enhancing public participation. Following the public workshop, a proposed Restoration Plan, which satisfies NEPA and CEQA will be prepared.

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- Ed Euber commented that the Giacomini Coastal Wetlands Restoration Project has already been funded. PORE and GGNRA were unaware of this and agreed to meet separately to make a determination.
- Providing proposed restoration project updates (including revised scaling and costs) for the next meeting were assigned as follows:
  - Restoration of Injured Bird Species/Red Rock Island – Paul Kelly
  - Herring Spawning Habitat Restoration – Pete Bontadelli
  - Sandy Beach Habitat at PORE and GGNRA – Sarah Allen and Daphne Hatch
  - Wetland Restoration at Lower Tubbs Island – Marge Kolar
  - Giacomini Coastal Wetlands Restoration – Len McKenzie
  - Rocky Intertidal Habitat Restoration/Lost Use Compensation/Duxbury Reef – Ed Euber
  - Lost Use Compensation/Crissy Field – Len McKenzie
  - Lost Use Compensation/Angel Island Foot Trail Enhancement – Pete Bonadelli
  - Lost Use Compensation/Wetlands Walkway at Candlestick Point - ???
  - Alternative Projects – All
- Funding/budget discussions suggested the following as means of budgeting the work per the available funding:
  - \$470K for planning and implementing Council activities to include:
  - \$250K for Restoration Plan/Environmental Assessment and Workshop
  - \$75K for contingencies
  - \$145k for Council salaries, travel, etc.

A suggestion was made to split the \$145K in a 60% for Federal trustees and 40% for State trustees, thus, \$87K would be available for the Federal Trustees and \$58K for the State Trustees. Final decision on this split was not made.

The Co-Leads are to be responsible for tracking the funds spent by the Trustees and their sub-committees. In addition, it was agreed that overhead charges could be incurred and indirect costs are not to be incurred.

Rick Dawson agreed to complete a proposed funding/budget plan. (A new volunteer is now required. Tamara Angel will agree to complete if no other takers.)
- The next Trustee Council meeting will take place at the Gulf of the Forralones National Marine Sanctuary Offices. The proposed dates for the next meeting, in order of preference are December 16, 15, or 14.

**Meeting Follow-up Notes:**

- Due to Rick Dawson's absence, Tamara Angel, NPS Alternate Trustee Council Representative, will assume the responsibilities of Rick Dawson as the Primary Trustee Council Representative.

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–Court decree was entered on September 16, 1998. DOJ is proceeding with payment process, expected in one to two months.

–At next meeting, Council should re-examine its list of projects to determine if they are still valid and what categories/priorities they fall into. Agencies were assigned to review and bring back revised project descriptions by next meeting (see list below). Also, agencies should bring a list of criteria for determining which projects are funded.

–We will need to do a restoration plan, either by contract or by one trustee hiring an employee to write. We cannot depend on folks working on it as part of their other workloads.

–Restoration plan will very likely require NEPA/CEQA and we are already aware that some outside groups have other ideas for funding. Therefore, we will conduct a public workshop early in the process to develop our final list of projects to be funded. This should forestall problems later during public review.

–We developed a general budget for Trustee Council administration, so that we could determine how many folks should be coming to future meetings and how much time Trustee Council member would have to spend on tasks – Total in decree is \$470,000.

\$ 250,000 to develop restoration plan  
75,000 contingency for the restoration plan  
90,000 for Federal agency participation  
55,000 for State agency participation

–The Federal and State costs were developed by distributing the remaining \$145,000 after restoration plan development in a 60:40 proportion. This budget will need to be approved at next meeting. No formal votes were taken at this meeting since there were a mix of official and unofficial attendees.

–Determined that decree requires unanimous votes by ALL trustees whether they are at a meeting or not. Concern over lack of participation by State Parks which is an official trustee. CDFG will try to encourage Parks to attend or will ask for their proxy.

–Next meeting will be Dec. 16 (1<sup>st</sup> priority), Dec. 14 or Dec. 15 at NOAA.

## Cape Mohican Project List

(Agencies should revise to make them scaleable to meet funding likelihood; better define costs and show which categories the projects fit within. Agencies with joint projects or projects within same categories should work out differences before next meeting. New proposals are also requested).

### Funding Categories and amounts (from MOA):

Human Use	– \$1,030,000
Sandy Beach and rocky intertidal	– 500,000
Wetland	– 400,000
Bird Restoration	– 800,000
Fisheries	– 425,000

<u>Project/Cost</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u>Agency Assigned</u>
Red Rock (\$1,800K)	Bird Restoration	CDFG (P.Kelly) and FWS
Herring Spawning (\$1,300K)	Fisheries	CDFG (P. Bontadelli)
Sandy Beach (\$370K)	Sandy Beach/ Rocky Intertidal	GGNRA(Daphne)/PRNS(Sarah)
Tubbs Island (\$634K)	Wetlands	FWS (Marge)
Giacomini (\$300K)	Wetlands	NPS (Lea?)
Duxbury Reef (\$700K)	Sandy Beach/ Rocky Intertidal	NOAA (Ed)
Chrissy Field (\$1,000K)	Human Use	GGNRA
Angel Island (\$120K)	Human Use	State Parks
Candlestick Park (\$60K)	Human Use	State Parks

As can be seen, the costs are higher than the funding.