

Sea Change – Tai Timu Tai Pari

Eighth Stakeholder Working Group (SWG) meeting summary 29 July 2014 at the Royal NZ Yacht Squadron, Westhaven Marina, Auckland

1. Welcome and introductions

A welcome was given by the Independent Chair

Apologies received from Tame, Joe, Laurie, Jake and Dave. Callum for lateness. Matt and Lucy for having to leave early

2. Notes from last meeting

These will be confirmed by email vote after the meeting

3. Matters arising and scene setting for the meeting

All Roundtables are up and running

Scopes now all confirmed except Accessible and Gulf Infrastructure which will be confirmed by email vote after the meeting

The potential for videoing of presentations to SWG meetings was discussed. The resolution was not to video as this might inhibit open discussion. Presentations will be available on the website.

4. Habitat type classification to identify species assemblages – Presentations

Clinton Duffy - Methods of predicting species distributions for marine spatial planning: what lies beneath?

Dan Breen – Habitat Mapping in the Hauraki Gulf Marine Park

Most of the sediment and rocky reef information is in Sea Sketch and can be accessed.

5. Assemblages of fish in the HG and early life histories – Presentation

Tom Trnski *Dispersal of fish larvae and connectivity of populations*

6. HG Use and Values Survey Report Back - Presentation

Rebecca Jarvis with support from Dr. Barbara Bollard Breen Hauraki Gulf Uses and Values Survey

Can be used to incorporate social use and values data with environmental and economic data

The survey had nearly 1500 participants and is statistically representative. There will be further information on the sample demographics. It will be possible to provide further analysis by respondent location (Auckland dominates the raw data)

7. Sediment impacts – Presentations

Mark Morrison - Physical & biological sediment processes in the Hauraki Gulf and the role of mangrove forests in the modern geomorphic evolution of Estuaries – Firth of Thames

Darren Parsons - Coastal fish assemblages in the Hauraki Gulf: habitats, connectivity and threats – in particular from terrigenous fine sediments

Meredith Lowe - Effects of Sediment and fish habitats

Mark Morrison - Habitat landscapes and regions

Professor Simon Thrush - Implications of Trawling impacts to seafloor biodiversity and Marine Spatial Planning

Copies of all presentations will be distributed to the SWG and be posted on the website

8. 'Level setting' report back on Roundtables

Report on an exceptions basis.

9. Other business

Progress with mana whenua engagement was discussed. The Hui organised by Paul Majurey had been useful and the presentations by Justice Joe Williams and Shaun Awatere will be available on the website.

Further support for the SWG MW members is being discussed.

Public communication and engagement strategy needs to be worked on further and reported back

9. Close

The meeting closed at 15.30.