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MARINE PARK LOCAL ADVISORY GROUP

RECORD OF MEETING

Meeting No. 5: Monday, 2 May 2011

Ceduna Council Chambers

The objectives of Marine Park Local Advisory Groups (MPLAGs) are to facilitate effective communications between the Department for Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) and regional communities and to assist in the development of draft marine park management plans.

Members present: Ian Cawood (Chair), Reg Davis, Trent Gregory, Allan Haseldine, John Hoffrichter, Chris Catsambalis, Gus Oestmann, Nick Paleologoudias, Allan Suter, Andrew Minns, Perry Will and Bruce Zippel.

DENR staff: Dirk Holman, Shelley Harrison, Jon Emmett, Louise Smith and Claire Charlton.

Apologies / absent: Jane Lowe, Rob Palmer (proxy for Peter Owen), Debbie Kloock, (proxy for Simon Firth).

Gallery: 4 present.

Members advise that the following outcomes were achieved at the meeting:

- The MPLAG group were provided with a DENR analysis of their initial proposal and chose not to make any alterations based on their knowledge that all environmental values were incorporated into the proposed sanctuary zones, and their sincere belief that the areas are the maximum area that would be acceptable to the community (see Motions below).
- The MPLAG believes that it is a significant achievement to have generated the level of community support for the proposed sanctuary zones.
- The Chair (Ian Cawood) acknowledged the contribution of all MPLAG members, and DENR staff in assisting the MPLAG group in what they have achieved.
- Dirk Holman (Executive Officer) recognised and thanked the MPLAG members for their significant efforts as part of this process.

The following motions were generated:

Motion 1.

This MPLAG group endorsed the proposed Sanctuary Zones, as presented to and unanimously endorsed at, the community meeting held in Ceduna at the Memorial Hall on 25th March 2011. We believe that this has given as much area as the community will support (220km²) and we seek DENR's support for this proposal.

Moved: Allan Suter Seconded: Jon Hoffrichter

Motion 2

That all environmental values have been represented in the proposed sanctuary zones.

Moved: Perry Will Seconded: Gus Oestmann

Motion 3

Areas adjacent to proposed sanctuary zones (3, 5, 6) can only have Habitat Protection Zone on certain sides due to prawn fishing grounds (these areas were provided to DENR). Existing prawn grounds must be in a General Managed Use Zone. It is important to note that there is a whole of Government commitment made to accommodate existing prawn trawlers.

There are three areas relating to anchoring of vessels larger than 80m which must be in a General Managed Use Zone (GPS points will be forwarded to DENR).

Moved: Nick Paul Seconded: Bruce Zippel