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**PRINCE WILLIAM SOUND GRS WORKGROUP  
MEETING SUMMARY**

March 9, 2005  
USDOJ Conference Room  
Anchorage, Alaska

**Attendees:**

Joe Banta – PWSRCAC	John Kwietniak – co-chair, Tesoro Alaska
Catherine Berg – USFWS	Tom Lakosh – Public
Gail Colby – APSC (tel.)	Dave Lawrence – APSC/SERVS
Tom Colby – AK Tanker Company (tel.)	Sam Means – DNR
Keith Darby – Alaska Chadux	Judy Miller – APSC/SERVS (tel.)
Mark Fink – ADFG	Mike Munger – CIRCAC
Dale Gardner – ADEC	Doug Mutter – USDOJ
Kathleen George – Nuka Research	Paul Richie – Qualitech
Vince Kelly – ADEC (tel.)	Tim Robertson – Nuka Research
John Kotula – co-chair, ADEC (tel.)	Ken Wilson – APSC

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John Kwietniak opened the meeting and gave the introduction and opening comments, announcing that of this meeting, the shipper's obligations are complete.

Tim Robertson reviewed the agenda, project status and timeline. Since the group last met in June 2003, he gave a more thorough review of the accomplishments since the last meeting. Specifically, that 15 sites had been selected for GRS development and that 14 sites had been approved (two of the 15 sites were combined to make one). In addition, it had been agreed that the sensitive area plans for Port Valdez and the hatcheries should be moved into GRS plans. These four sites, Jack Bay, Olsen Bay, Upper Sheep Bay, and Windy Bay, were approved by the workgroup at this meeting.

The group reviewed the 2004 Deployments and the Response Plan Conversions. The following issues/action items were noted:

- Sam Means will check whether or not additional permitting language needs to be added to these GRS, specifically DNR permitting, Title 41.
- Title 41 language to be moved to the "Site Access" column in the tables.
- Historic Properties language to be added to tables where missing, and be included in the "Special Considerations" column.
- Notation of when site photos were taken, at high or low tide, to be included from this day forward.
- Judy Miller will validate the lat/lon for NE-17 Valdez Duck Flats.
- Dave Lawrence will check the date for NE-22 Anderson Bay testing.
- Mark Fink will check if Title 41 permitting is needed for the small stream in NW-11 Unakwik Cove.

Changes will be made to these site strategies as directed and the GRS are considered approved by the Workgroup. The revised GRS will be posted on the website.

The Copper River Delta and Flats (CRDF) sites were reviewed. The group discussed each site while viewing the aerial photos. After review and input from the Tactics Group, it was decided that of the 7 sites, only two – Boswell Bay and the mouth of Orca Inlet – have the practicality for site specific GRS. The following action items were noted:

- Tactics Group will rework the Boswell tactics.
- Tactics Group will review the drill report for Orca Inlet and attempt to develop a GRS.

Tim led a discussion on the possibility of expanding GRS's in the areas that are Potential Places of Refuge (PPOR). A recommendation was made by the PPOR group that the PPOR areas drive the next GRS's to be developed. The following issues/action items were noted:

- Nuka to produce a map that shows the PPOR delineations overlapping the selected sites that haven't had GRS developed yet.
- Add column to SSM showing how close each site is to existing PPOR's.

Mariculture sites and the approach to handling them were discussed as an agenda item. The result was no change, mariculture alone is not sufficient to make a potential site high priority.

The decision was made to convert the existing hatchery and harbor plans to GRS. In addition, when improving the SSM with the PPOR information, include biological hotspots and provide maps with overlays for both the PPOR information and the biological hotspots.

Waterfowl hazing tactics were discussed as an agenda item and the result was no change.

Joe Banta announced PWSRCAC's new hire – Roy Robertson, and asked that he be included in the tactics sub-group.

John Kwietniak gave closing comments expressing appreciation for all the energy and effort that's gone into this PWS GRS process.

No additional meetings were scheduled. Nuka is to make the edits to the reviewed sites, convert the hatchery and harbors sites, revise the SSM as directed, and upload all to the web. There will be a 30-day comment and review period and a summary of the comments will be provide to the work group.