

## **MEETING OF THE SOUTHEAST ALASKA GRS STEERING COMMITTEE**

**December 18-19, 2001**

The GRS Steering Committee met in the ADEC Juneau offices from 0930, December 18 to 1630, December 19, 2001.

The following individuals were in attendance:

Lester Leatherberry (ADEC) co-chair  
LT Darwin Jensen (USCG)  
John Ehrhart (USCG)  
Mike Lebsack (USCG)  
Maya Serphim (Glacier Bay National Park)  
Lewis Sharman (Glacier Bay National Park)  
Doug Mutter (DOI) (via teleconference, 1<sup>st</sup> day)  
Cheryl Fultz (SEAPRO) co-chair  
Deb Rudis (US F&W)  
Tim Robertson (contractor)  
Dave Eley (contractor)

### **Proceedings**

Steering committee members accomplished the following:

1. Reviewed web site process and content.
2. Reviewed the GRS site-selection matrix. The Steering Committee recommended that the Southeast Alaska Sensitive Areas Work Group make the following changes to the site selection matrix:  
Change the following sites to #1 priority: Rudyerd Bay, Crab Bay, Dog Island, Foggy Bay, and Lincoln Channel.
3. The contractor presented a list of the first 20 sites for site strategy development. The Steering Committee added two sites and removed two.

All 1<sup>st</sup> priority sites recommended by the Steering Committee are listed in the table below. The 1<sup>st</sup> 20 sites are listed in the 'checked' column.

4. Reviewed and *accepted* the information fact sheet, PowerPoint presentation and general procedures for public outreach developed by the contractor.
5. Noted the efforts of the contractor and individual members of the GRS work group to solicit the input of the Juneau community in the site selection process. These included a press release, public notice in the Juneau Empire on December 12 and 16, article in the Juneau Empire on December 17, interviews on KTOO

and KINY radio, testimony at the Juneau City Assembly on December 17, e-mail notices through the master contact list, and personal contact with key public interest groups.

6. Attended the December 18 public meeting, held from 1200-1300 in the ADEC main conference room. They critiqued the presentation by the contractor and their suggestions will be incorporated into the next presentation.
7. Noted that additional public meetings would be held in Petersburg (January 15), Ketchikan (February 5) and Sitka (TBA).
8. Reviewed draft generic tactics developed by the contractor.
9. Reviewed and *approved* the instructions for aerial site photography developed by the contractor. Each attendee agreed to use the instructions to obtain photographs as opportunities arose during the course of other missions or work using aircraft.
10. *Agreed* that the CANUSDIX exercise scheduled for September 2002 was an excellent opportunity to test a GRS site. Two sites were selected as possible test or exercise locations. The US Coast Guard will discuss this opportunity with Canadian authorities and report back.

At the conclusion of the Steering Committee meeting, most members joined the GRS Tactics Workgroup to develop a 1<sup>st</sup> draft of tactics and strategies for the first 20 sites. Each maps and tables will be posted on the web site as they are developed.

**Modified Site Selection 1/18/02**

| Zone | 1st Batch | Location               |
|------|-----------|------------------------|
| 1    |           | Bostwick Estuary       |
| 1    |           | Chikamin River Estuary |
| 1    |           | Kanta Bay              |
| 1    |           | Tamgas Harbor          |
| 1    |           | Thorne Bay             |
| 1    | √         | Rudyerd Bay            |
| 1    |           | Crab Bay               |
| 1    |           | Dog Island             |
| 1    | √         | Foggy Bay              |
| 1    |           | Lincoln Channel        |
| 2    |           | Spanish Island         |
| 3    | √         | Blind Slough Estuary   |
| 3    |           | Exchange Cove          |
| 3    | √         | Kah Sheets Bay         |
| 3    |           | Steamer Bay            |
| 3    |           | Stikine River Delta    |

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| Zone | 1st Batch | Location                         |
|------|-----------|----------------------------------|
| 3    |           | Tracy Arm–head                   |
| 3    |           | Windam Bay                       |
| 4    | √         | Big John Bay                     |
| 4    | √         | Gambier Bay–NW arm               |
| 4    | √         | Keku Is.                         |
| 4    |           | Pybus Bay–NW arm                 |
| 4    |           | The Brothers                     |
| 5    |           | Cosmos Cove                      |
| 5    |           | Indian River                     |
| 5    | √         | Mitchell Bay/Angoon              |
| 5    | √         | Pirate Cove                      |
| 5    | √         | Sandy Cove                       |
| 5    |           | Sitkoh Bay                       |
| 5    |           | St. Lazeria Is.                  |
| 6    | √         | Bartlett Cove                    |
| 6    |           | Berg Bay                         |
| 6    |           | Dundas Bay–N arm                 |
| 6    |           | Graves Rocks                     |
| 6    |           | Hugh Miller Inlet                |
| 6    |           | Johns Hopkins Inlet              |
| 6    |           | N Beardslee Is.                  |
| 6    | √         | Neka Bay                         |
| 6    | √         | Pt. Carolus                      |
| 6    |           | S. Marble Is.                    |
| 6    |           | Sandy Cove                       |
| 7    | √         | Auke Bay West                    |
| 7    |           | Berner’s Bay                     |
| 7    |           | Bridget Cove                     |
| 7    | √         | Mendenhall River Mouth           |
| 7    |           | North Gastineau Channel          |
| 7    | √         | Pt. Couverden–NE & NW            |
| 7    |           | St. James Bay                    |
| 8    |           | Chilkat River mouth              |
| 8    |           | Lutak Inlet/Chilkoot River–mouth |
| 8    | √         | Katzehin                         |
| 8    | √         | Taiya River                      |
| 9    |           | Blizhni Pt.–Disenchantment Bay   |
| 9    | √         | Disenchantment Bay–N             |
| 9    | √         | Monti Bay                        |
| 9    |           | Situk River–mouth                |