Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary
Advisory Council:
Administrative Items
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1. Fall 2017 Advisory Council Recruitment Status
2. Advisory Council Charter Update and Renewal
3. 2018 Meeting Schedule
Council Recruitment

Seats that will be open for recruitment:

- Citizen at Large - Middle Keys, member and alternate;
- Citizen at Large – Lower Keys, member and alternate;
- Conservation and Environment [1 of 2], member and alternate;
- Diving - Lower Keys, member and alternate;
- Fishing - Charter Flats Fishing Guide, member;
- Fishing - Commercial Marine/Tropical, member and alternate; and
- South Florida Ecosystem Restoration, member and alternate

Status of recruitment: on hold pending Federal Register Notice publication
Charter Renewal Time Line & Next Steps

• Existing FKNMS Advisory Council Charter expired: November 26, 2017

• Extension granted through: February 28, 2018

• Steps to update and finalize Charter:
  o Input provided by FKNMS Charter Sub-Committee working group (August 15, 2017)
  o Edits reviewed by ONMS headquarters
  o Solicit FKNMS Advisory Council input on key points (December 12, 2017)
  o Submit to ONMS headquarters for review and signature
  o Present and adopt final updated charter (February 20, 2018)
Proposed Charter Updates: Key Points

General updates based on changes to model ONMS charter.

Include updated ONMS Strategic Plan mission, vision and goals (pg. 2)

Clarify specific Membership and Alternate numbers and affiliations across general public, agency, and elected officials; for both voting and non-voting members (pg. 3-4)

Updates member Appointments procedure based on changes at ONMS headquarters (pg. 8)

Specifies that members need to alert the Chair when an alternate will serve in the capacity of member at a meeting (pg. 7)
Advisory Council Discussion

Open Discussion:

Questions ~ Clarifications ~ Additional Considerations
Meeting Dates

- February 20, 2018
- April 17, 2018
- June 19, 2018
- August 21, 2018
- October 16, 2018
- December 11, 2018 (2nd Tuesday)

Location: Marathon

With release of the DEIS, public sessions will be held throughout the Florida Keys, Miami and Ft. Myers.