# **Water Quality Protection Program**

## **Management Committee Proposal for Steering Committee Discussion**

**Proposal Goal**: Support a facilitated process to assess WQPP progress to date and identify updated priorities and WQPP member contributions to meet those priorities.

#### **Process:**

- Utilize an external facilitator to coordinate this process.
- Utilize existing documents to inform this process:
  - Biennial Report to Congress (2013),
  - Outcomes of WQPP action prioritization exercise (2016),
  - Special Studies summary,
  - FKNMS Regulatory Review WQPP status summary (2013).
- Compile and synthesize other relevant WQPP information / data (e.g. monitoring program outcomes).
- Work with facilitator to design process to meet Proposal Goal.

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#### **Proposed Timeline:**

- May 2018 WQPP Meeting
  - Present proposal and discuss with Steering Committee, if endorsed --
- May 2018 Fall WQPP Meeting
  - Secure facilitator, compile background information, and flesh out details of process (Management Committee staff with facilitator lead effort)
- Fall 2018 WQPP Meeting
  - Present fleshed out process to Steering Committee for discussion and decision
- Fall 2018/Winter 2019
  - Host facilitated session(s)
- Spring 2019 WQPP Meeting
  - Present outcomes to Steering Committee for discussion and decision

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#### Thing to Consider:

- How does the Steering Committee want to be involved if/as this effort develops?
  - Informing and planning process
  - Participating in facilitated sessions
- What staff capacity can your agency/organization contribute to this effort?
  - Planning
  - Compiling information
  - Participating in facilitated session(s)
- How to effectively inform and engage the public?
  - Proposal to model the public engagement process after FKNMS Advisory Council community working group process as part of the Marine Zoning and Regulatory Review process