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To: Ron Baird

Jerry Schubel

From: Bob Stickney

RE: Proposed Committee on Sea Grant Priorities

The SGA Delegates have recently approved the attached proposal to establish a Committee on Sea Grant Priorities. This proposal outlines a process to identify and market Sea Grant programmatic priorities. I am now asking both the National Office and the Panel for final concurrence on this document.

As you may remember, an earlier version of the attached document (previously known at the PPPP doc) was discussed at last year's Leadership Retreat and the SGA Fall meeting. Based on additional input, some revisions have been made and the latest version is attached. The basic proposal is the same: to establish a Committee on Sea Grant Priorities (CSGP) with representatives of SGA, the NSGO and the NSCRP to give direction to National priorities as proposed by the Network. The document has been rewritten to make it's intentions more clear. Substantive changes include removal of the proposed rapid response function and addressing potential conflicts with FACA.

I look forward to your responses. I suggest the first meeting of the Committee take place July 28th in Long Beach, CA following the Leadership Retreat.