

Subtidal and Intertidal Habitat Goals for Humboldt Bay and the Eel River Estuary

Advisory Team Meeting Notes

August 07, 2008, 1:30 to 4:30 pm, Eureka Sea Grant Office

- I. In Attendance:** Diane Ashton (NOAA Fisheries), Annie Eicher (California Sea Grant Extension), Bill Pinnix (USFWS), Kirsten Ramey (DFG), Susan Schlosser (California Sea Grant Extension), Adam Wagschal (Humboldt Bay Harbor District).
- II. Desired Outcome:** 1. Review and revise key ecological attributes and indicators for eelgrass developed at 07-24-2008 meeting. 2. Develop key ecological attributes and indicators for targets: Water Column and Intertidal Flats.
- III. Review and Revise Eelgrass Attributes and Indicators—Group Process**
 - A. The attribute identified as “Minimal Functional Area” was changed to “Patch Size” and the indicator remained as “Patch Size” with clarification that both the range of patch sizes and mean patch size are important; also noting that we need more research into what might constitute a minimum functional area for eelgrass patch size.
 - B. No other changes at this time
 - C. See attached revised table
- IV. Viability Assessment: Ecological Attributes and Indicators**
 - A. Refer to meeting notes for 07-24-2008 meeting for overview of Viability Assessment terminology and methods
 - B. See attached DRAFT lists of key ecological attributes and indicators for the targets: Water Column and Intertidal Flats
- V. Assignment for Next Meeting:**

Think about key ecological attributes and indicators for the targets: Tidal Marsh and Riparian Scrub/Forest, and be prepared to share your ideas with the group on 08-21-2008.
- VI. AUGUST MEETINGS:**

Thursday, August 21, 1:30-4:30, Sea Grant Office
Thursday, September 4, 1:30-4:30, Sea Grant Office
Thursday, September 18, 1:30-4:30, Sea Grant Office