

**2010 Sanctuary Advisory Council Summit and
2010 Council Coordinator Meeting
Port Angeles, Washington**

- Meeting and Travel Logistics -

Host Site: Olympic Coast National Marine Sanctuary

Dates:

2010 SAC Summit Dates: May 11 – 13

2010 Council Coordinator Meeting Dates: May 14 - 15

Location:

- ❖ Lodging is at the historic Lake Crescent Lodge in Olympic National Park (www.visitlakecrescent.com), nestled among giant fir and hemlock trees on the shore of beautiful Lake Crescent. (Note: If increasing numbers for meeting are higher than the Lodge can accommodate overflow will be directed to The Red Lion in Port Angeles.)
- ❖ The meeting will be held at the Olympic Park Institute (<http://www.naturebridge.org/olympic-park>) a campus of NatureBridge, which connects youth to nature through science education in Olympic National Park. OPI is a ten minute walk from the Lodge along the shore of Lake Crescent.
- ❖ The Lodge and OPI are 20 miles west of Port Angeles, Washington.

Participants:

Summit Participants:

- ❖ Council Representative: The council chair from each council is invited to attend the meeting. If the council chair cannot attend, the vice chair, secretary or any other council member (as long as the council supports that member representing them at the meeting) is welcome to attend. Each council sends one representative to the Summit; ONMS HQ covers the cost of that individual's travel. (See travel order and expense section below.)
- ❖ Council Coordinator: The council coordinator from each site attends the meeting. The site covers the cost of council coordinator travel.
- ❖ ONMS HQ Staff: The ONMS Director, Conservation, Policy and Planning Division Chief, National Advisory Council Coordinator, National Council Liaison and other ONMS staff as appropriate attend the meeting.
- ❖ ONMS Regional Directors: The regional directors will all attend to run the May 13 regional session.
- ❖ Host Site Staff: The sanctuary superintendent of the host site attends the meeting. Site staff also typically attends the evening reception.
- ❖ Invited Guests: Other guests are invited as appropriate.

Council Coordinator Meeting Participants

- ❖ Council Coordinators: The council coordinator from each site attends the meeting. The site covers the cost of council coordinator travel.
- ❖ ONMS HQ Staff: The ONMS Conservation, Policy and Planning Division Chief, National Advisory Council Coordinator, and National Council Liaison attend the meeting. Other presenters are invited as appropriate.

Travel to Port Angeles/Lake Crescent

There are two alternatives for travel to Port Angeles/Lake Crescent.

(1) Fly directly into Seattle Tacoma International Airport (SEA), rent a car and drive. Carpooling with at least one other meeting participant, if possible, is recommended.

For driving directions, go to www.mapquest.com and use the below information to obtain directions:

- ❖ Seattle-Tacoma International Airport (SEA), 17801 International Blvd, Seatac, WA 98158
- ❖ Lake Crescent Lodge, 416 Lake Crescent Rd, Port Angeles, WA 98363
- ❖ Opting for the shortest distance on mapquest will include a ferry from Seattle to Bainbridge Island and is estimated at 3 hours and 30 minutes (35 of which is a lovely ferry ride), 110 miles. Mapquest does not take into account ferry schedules so there might be a short wait for the next ferry but they run frequently. For a current ferry schedule go to: <http://wsdot.wa.gov/ferries/> **This is the recommended route from the Seattle airport.****

- ❖ Opting for the shortest time (according to mapquest) will involve driving around the Sound and crossing the Tacoma Narrows Bridge. Estimated at 3 hours and 145 miles. Mapquest does not take into account traffic on this route, which can be horrendous depending on the time of day.
- ❖ Warning: When driving on the Olympic Peninsula always be alert for animals (deer, elk, etc) crossing the roads. Also, be aware that the drive along Lake Crescent is full of curves so drive slowly.

(2) Fly into Seattle Tacoma International Airport (SEA), take an airport-provided shuttle from Sea-Tac to Boeing Field (10 minutes), and fly Kenmore Air from Seattle into Port Angeles. See http://www.kenmoreair.com/sub_content.php?content_type=1215 for details on flights. Once in Port Angeles your options for local transportation include:

- ❖ Rent a car: Budget (airport and Port Angeles location) and Enterprise (Port Angeles location only) rent cars; the number of rental cars is limited so reserve early. Warning: When driving on the Olympic Peninsula always be alert for animals (deer, elk, etc) crossing the roads! Also, be aware that the drive along Lake Crescent is full of curves so drive slowly.
- ❖ Take a taxi from the airport to Lake Crescent Lodge (and return trip when departing): Blue Top Taxi 360-452-1717, approximate cost from Port Angeles Airport to Lake Crescent Lodge is \$40-50. For transportation the rest of the week, rely on the OCNMS van shuttle described below and/or walking.

Local Transportation / Car Rental

- ❖ Individual car rental (ideally sharing a rental car between other meeting participants) is recommended.
- ❖ Meeting participants will be responsible for their own transportation between the Lodge and OPI (walking or driving). OPI is a gorgeous 10 minute walk from Lake Crescent Lodge via a trail along Lake Crescent (appropriate footwear and raingear is recommended). If you are driving between the Lodge/OPI, please carpool with others; parking is limited at OPI.
- ❖ Olympic Coast NMS staff will have a van available to shuttle a small number of individuals between the Lodge and OPI but this cannot serve all; priority given to those without cars or for whom walking would prove challenging. The van will also be used to shuttle a portion of the council coordinators into Port Angeles for dinner on May 12.
- ❖ A bus will provide round-trip transportation for the field trip.

Lodging

Lake Crescent Lodge
 416 Lake Crescent Road
 Port Angeles, WA 98363
www.visitlakecrescent.com
 Local Phone: 360-928-3211

For Reservations Call: Call 1-888-723-7127 and **use the GROUP CODE: LCNOAA.**

- ❖ Rooms have been reserved at the federal government rate of \$98.00 per night (for single or double occupancy), under the block "LCNOAA". Triple and quad occupancy is an additional \$15 per person per night—this will only apply to those choosing to room together or bringing additional family members.
- ❖ Our room block will include a variety of room options from historic lodge rooms, storm king rooms, marymere rooms, pyramid rooms, and singer tavern cottages. (Website should have more information, but please note there has been a recent change in management so the website is undergoing development.)
- ❖ **Seeking "adventurous and flexible travelers" for the five historic lodge rooms. Wonderful rooms located on the second floor of the Lodge with lake views but with a central bathroom/shower. Please request when making your reservations!**
- ❖ Each meeting participant must make and secure their own lodging reservation; provide the block name when making the reservation. **Please make your reservation by April 4 to get the government rate and be assured of a room.**
- ❖ Reservations should be guaranteed with a major credit card; a single night room deposit will be taken as reservations are made.
- ❖ Individuals are responsible for canceling hotel reservations, should travel plans change. Check with Lodge for cancellation policies.
- ❖ Wireless internet access is available in the Lodge lobby.

Overflow Lodging Only

ONLY if the number of meeting participants continues to increase to the extent that the Lodge room block can no longer accommodate our group, The Red Lion, 221 N. Lincoln St, Port Angeles (360-452-9215) is an alternative; note that there is not a room block at the hotel. This is a back-up option only!! Primary lodging is at the Lake Crescent Lodge.

Meeting Facility

The entire meeting will be held at the Olympic Park Institute, with the exception of the field trip. The facility offers a unique blend of rustic charm and modern convenience. Views of the lake, mountains and surrounding forests abound with wireless high speed internet available across the campus.

Travel Orders and Expenses

- ❖ Travel for each chair will be covered by ONMS HQ, but the invitational travel order must be prepared by the site. Please use accounting code 10-14-0002-00-00-00 H8K5B75 PSA. Please note that per diem on travel vouchers will need to be adjusted when meals are provided (see agenda).
- ❖ Travel for each council coordinator is covered by the site.
- ❖ ONMS HQ will cover council chair hotel costs Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. For those chairs coming from Pacific sites, HQ will cover additional nights as necessary.
- ❖ 2010 per diem rates for Port Angeles/Port Townsend (Oct 1 – June 30): \$98 lodging + \$61 M&IE = \$159 maximum per diem rate

Field Trip

- ❖ Meeting participants will take a charter bus roundtrip from Lake Crescent Lodge to Neah Bay. Meeting participants should bring extra snacks, water, camera and binoculars if desired, appropriate footwear and layers, layers, layers. Raincoat and sunglasses strongly advised (with Washington weather you may well alternate between one and the other within any given hour).
- ❖ The last several miles of road into Neah Bay is full of curves, so if you are prone to motion sickness you may want to plan ahead to accommodate for that (ginger, wrist bands with pressure points, Dramamine, Bonine, whatever works)!
- ❖ Activities include a tour of the world-renowned Museum at the Makah Cultural and Research Center, a short hike to the Cape Flattery overlook to view Tatoosh Island and the sanctuary (the most northwesterly point of land in the continental U.S.) and a dedication ceremony of a newly-installed geodetic marker. Lunch will be hosted by the Makah Tribe, accompanied with tribal cultural events and an Intergovernmental Policy Council presentation. Some activities will be weather dependent.

May 12 Council Chair Dinner with Dan Basta

- ❖ Each council chair (or other council member attending) and the Olympic Coast IPC representative will need to notify Karen Brubeck of their entrée selection for the evening dinner with Dan by April 4; if no selection is provided by that date, the vegetarian option will be ordered.

Sea Salt-Seared Pacific Halibut

Summer Vegetables, and Cascade Potato Hash, Meyer Lemon and Basil

Grilled Natural Flat Iron Steak

Roasted Cauliflower, Cascade Potatoes, Pinot Noir Butter

Barnes Pt. Vegetable Lasagna

Roasted Organic Vegetables, Golden Glenn Creamery Mozzarella, Reggiano Cheese, Slow cooked Tomato Sauce

Presentations and Materials

- ❖ **Come prepared. There is no business center at the Lodge, OPI or in Port Angeles.** In the event of a "presentation emergency", please contact Norma Klein at the OCNMS office (norma.klein@noaa.gov or 360- 457-6622 x10).
- ❖ Please bring all powerpoints on a thumb-drive and provide to Becky Holyoke (National Council Liaison) in advance of your presentation. Back-ups are recommended in the event of technical difficulties.
- ❖ If you have handouts, plan to bring 50 copies of each. In an effort to keep the meeting green, limit handouts when possible.
- ❖ If you have bulky materials you would like to send ahead, please ship to yourself c/o Lake Crescent Lodge (address noted under "Lodging" above). Individuals will be responsible for picking up packages and bringing them to the meeting.

Weather/Climate

- ❖ Overall the Olympic Peninsula has a moderate marine climate with pleasant summers and mild, wet winters.
- ❖ The weather is variable so come prepared for a wide range of conditions. Rain gear and layered clothing are essential. Recommend checking the weather forecast for Lake Crescent a few days in advance of the meeting; note that Port Angeles and Lake Crescent forecasts can be fairly different.

- ❖ In May, Olympic National Park temperatures range from an average low of 41 degrees, to an average high of 65 degrees, with an average of 2.1" of precipitation.

Attire

- ❖ The dress for the entire week is casual (think: khakis or jeans and fleece). For those who have attended previous meetings, it will be much more casual dress than past meetings. Lake Crescent is a more remote, rugged and "retreat like" atmosphere, so dress accordingly. Bottomline, meeting participants will be more comfortable in appropriate clothing.
- ❖ Check the weather before you pack and bring layers, layers, layers. Sunglasses, raingear, appropriate footwear, gloves and hats. Fleece topped by either a water-resistant or water-proof shell is typical Northwest gear.
- ❖ Raincoat and sunglasses strongly advised (with Washington weather you may well alternate between one and the other several times within any given hour).
- ❖ For the field trip you may also want to bring a backpack (to keep your layers in), water bottle, snacks, binoculars and a camera.

Extending Your Stay

Opting to extend your stay in the Pacific Northwest on your own time is certainly recommended--wonderful sightseeing and adventures from urban to wilderness. **Note that you must have a passport to visit Canada!** Options include:

- ❖ Olympic Peninsula: Wilderness beaches, temperate rainforests, old growth forests and more. Kalaloch Lodge and Lake Quinault Lodge nice options. Sol Duc Hot Springs down the road. Hurricane Ridge likely to be open.
- ❖ Seattle and vicinity: Pike Place Market not to be missed.
- ❖ Victoria, British Columbia: A ferry ride from Port Angeles. Or explore all of Vancouver Island. Remember your passport!
- ❖ Vancouver, British Columbia: Host of the 2010 Winter Olympics. Remember your passport!
- ❖ The San Juan Islands or the Gulf Islands (the Canadian version of the San Juans) are gorgeous. Again, a passport needed for the Gulf Islands.
- ❖ Karen Brubeck or Andrew Palmer, OCNMS are happy to provide input on local travel.

Further Questions

If you have additional questions please contact:

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