



MRC Members

Glen Alexander (“Alex”)
Citizen-at-Large
Term 2: 01/31/2027

Rick Beauregard (NWSC rep)
Scientific
Term 1: 01/31/2027

Jackie Dexter
Economic
Term 1: 01/31/2027

Mark Fairhart (Chair)
Citizen-at-large
Term 1: 01/31/2028

Alexi Guddal
Conservation/Environmental
Term 1: 01/31/2030

Laura Hanna
Recreational
Term 1: 01/31/2029

Joe Hoats
Economic
Term 1: 01/31/2028

Elizabeth Lorence
Conservation/Environmental
Term 2: 01/31/2030

Mike MacKay (NWSC alt rep)
Scientific
Term 2: 01/31/2028

Paul Meyer
Conservation/Environmental
Term 1: 01/31/2029

Colin Wahl
Scientific
Term 2: 01/31/2029

Abby Neal
Recreational
Term 1: 01/31/2030

Kaylee Galloway
Designated, County Council

Mary Lou Steward
City of Blaine, Mayor

Kurt Baumgarten
Port of Bellingham Rep

Paul Cline
Lummi Nation Representative

Vacancies

Economic Interest (1)

Citizen-at-Large (1)

Nooksack Tribe Representative

WHATCOM MARINE RESOURCES COMMITTEE
DRAFT MEETING AGENDA | March 5th, 2026 5:00pm – 7:00pm
Garden Level Conference Room, [Civic Annex Building](#)

Or

ZOOM [LINK](#), Meeting ID: 893 0081 8888 | Passcode 98225
1-253-215-8782 US (Tacoma)

We acknowledge the lands we’re on today are the ancestral and current homelands of Indigenous Nations who have stewarded them since time immemorial. We respect their sovereignty, support their Treaty rights, their right to self-determination, and we honor their sacred spiritual connection with the land and water. These Indigenous Nations include the Lummi Nation and Nooksack Indian Tribe.

Time	Agenda Item	Lead	Action Y/N
1.	Introductions and Determine Quorum		N
2.	March 5th Agenda <i>Modify and approve agenda as needed. New business can be added if necessary.</i>	Mark	Y
3.	Approval of February Meeting Summary <i>Review and approve summary as final.</i>		
4.	Community Updates <i>Community members attending the meeting who wish to address or update the Committee on MRC related matters will be provided up to five (5) minutes to speak.</i>		
5.	5:10 MRC Partner Committee Updates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> County Council City Council City of Blaine Port of Bellingham Northwest Straits Commission 	Kaylee Lisa Mary Lou Kurt Rick	
6.	5:25 Bioluminescence in Bellingham Bay Presentation: Lucy Ritter, WWU graduate student	Lucy	N
7.	6:05 New MRC Vice Chair Nominations	Mark	Y
8.	6:15 Discussion and Vote on MRC Project Proposal for Additional Funding <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Education and Outreach Materials Proposal Wildcat Cove Eelgrass Preservation Proposal 	Alexi Mike	Y
9.	6:35 MRC Project and Subcommittee Updates <i>Projects</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Beach Seine with Schools – Event dates: April 14th, May 12th, and May 22nd Forage Fish Monitoring: Next surveys on 3/24 (Clayton Beach) and 3/26 (Little Squalicum Beach) Kelp Monitoring Surveys Harmful Algal Bloom (HAB) Sampling: Occurs every Tuesday from 10-11am at the Semiahmoo Marina Olympia Oyster Restoration 	Mike Dana Rick Jackie	N
10.	6:50 MRC Subcommittee Updates	Subcommittee leads	N

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Education and Outreach Subcommittee: Outreach Events: What's the Point (June 14th) and Sunnyland Earth Day Event • Advisory/Policy Subcommittee • Volunteer Engagement and Recruitment 		
11.	~7:00	Adjourn		N

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