

## NPFMC Ecosystem Committee discussion of its role

Some prompts for discussion at January 2022 Ecosystem Committee meeting

The Ecosystem Committee history document posted to the Committee eAgenda provides an overview of the Committee's original purpose established in 2004, and the various work that the Committee has undertaken since that time.

- How should we articulate the Ecosystem Committee's current purpose and objectives?
- Are the advisory group's purpose, objectives, and tasking clear to both Council members and advisory group members? Does everyone have the same expectation?
- How well does the Ecosystem Committee meet those expectations?
- Does the Ecosystem Committee membership have the breadth of ability/expertise to provide the range of perspectives that should be considered with respect to the group's purpose?
- Is the iterative communication between the Council and the Ecosystem Committee adequate to ensure that work products track with Council expectations?
- Does the Council provide sufficient feedback about how the Ecosystem Committee recommendations get used? E.g., during Council discussion, does the Council reference how the Ecosystem Committee input influenced their decision? Are individual Council members reaching out to Ecosystem Committee members?
- How do the impacts of climate change affect the Ecosystem Committee's purpose and mission?
- Do we have the resources necessary to address the issues and challenges we are addressing currently? Are there changes we could make to membership, or expectations of members, that might assist with addressing our workload?