St. Marys River AOC BPAC Meeting Agenda

Place: CC 202, Essar Convergence Centre, Algoma University

Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario

When: June 17, 2015 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

1. Call to order/introductions

2. Approval of Last Meetings Minutes

• May 7, 2015

3. Business arising from previous minutes

Received a response from AECOM / KPMG regarding the letter that BPAC sent in May.

4. Presentations

- Peter Tonazzo (City of SSM Planner) will be presenting on draft proposed Natural Heritage Policies within City's new Official Plan.
- Angela Darwin with EC's CWS will be presenting on the multi-year study to address the Fish and Wildlife Habitat BUI in the SMR AOC.
- Michelle Bruneau with the Michigan Department of Community Health would like to discuss the BPACs thoughts on the new Eat Safe Fish sign.

5. Office Reports

- Ontario RAP Office received confirmation of EC funding in May (up to March 31, 2016).
- LSSU may no longer be able to host the BPAC website. Corrina is looking into an alternate server through AU or an independent (paid) company (such as GoDaddy).
- Have hired an assistant field technician to help Carrie G. with water sampling this summer.
- Have had three excellent interviews with candidates for Corrina's replacement. Notified successful candidate today. Corrina will be finishing June 26th.
- RAP Office (Ontario) will be participating in the Hub Trail Festival on July 1st, and the Sustain Algoma Expo on July 25th.
- SPAC update

6. Agency Updates

- Little Rapids Restoration Update:
 - o Is someone from BPAC available for a briefing session for Congressional Representative Dan Benisheck on either Saturday June 27 or Friday July 3?
 - Looking for a statement from BPAC regarding the importance of the project to the RAP and the River for a press release on June 30.

7. Memberships

- For new members, applications must be received & prospective members present for confirmation standard procedure.
- Emily Martin has switched to a new position and BMIC, and her repleacement will be Matt Konieczki.

8. New Business

9. Public Comments

10. Next Meeting