

Eastern Shore Islands Area of Interest (AOI) Advisory Committee Draft Terms of Reference

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Review of the draft ToR

- What is the overall purpose of the Advisory Committee?
 - Serve as the “main table” to provide advice to DFO on the establishment of an Eastern Shore Islands MPA
 - Gather the views from diverse group of users, interests and perspectives
- Who can participate and what is your role?
 - One member per group, with exceptions
 - Members are conduits of information and views



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- How will the Committee function?
 - Combination of e-mails, conference calls and in-person meetings (expect at least 4 meetings in 2018 and 2019)
 - Strive for consensus (no voting) and all views will be documented
- Administration
 - DFO will chair the Committee and provide administration and support functions
- Code of Conduct
 - Based on a principle of respect



Topics for Discussion

- **Membership** – Are there any gaps?
- **Observers** – Not an active participant but present
- **Media** – presence at meetings
- **Public information related to Advisory Committee**
 - ToR: DFO website?
 - Meeting summaries: DFO website or by request?
 - Membership composition: Organization or representatives names?
- **Next steps: written feedback and circulate an updated version**

