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Policy and Legislation Committee Work Plan
October 1, 2002 through September 30, 2003

Action

Strategically expand P&L Committee membership Complete by May 2003 NEANS Panel meeting

Measure

Expanded and diverse Policy and Legislation committee membership

Funding or other support needed

No funding

Lead contact: Kevin Cute, Marine Resources Council, k_cute@crmc.state.ri.us 401.783.3370 and Shannon Weigle, MA Bays Program shannon.weigle@state.ma.us 617.626.1229 coordinate with support from P&L Committee

Action

Schedule conference calls for through February, March, and April 2003 Complete by January 1, 2003

Measure

Three conference calls, one held in January 2003 and one in March 2003

Funding or other support needed

Approximately a total of \$70 at \$35 per call.

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Action

Complete list of legislation and regulations from each province and state Complete by May 2003 NEANS Panel meeting

Measure

Completed list for review at May 2003 Panel meeting

Funding or other support needed

An additional \$2,000 to support the Policy and Legislation Committee intern

Lead contact: Shannon Weigle, MA Bays Program, shannon.weigle@state.ma.us, 617.626.1229 with support and consultation from Les Mehrhoff, G Safford Torrey Herbarium University of CT, 860.486.5708 vasculum@uconnvm.uconn.edu

Action

Give a presentation at NEIWPC Annual NPS conference about incorporating ANS concerns into NPDES Complete by May 14-16 2003 NEIWPC conference

Measure

Presentation by NEANS Panel Policy and Legislation Committee member

Funding or other support needed

\$250 for travel costs

Lead contact: Jeremy Pare, NE Interstate Water Pollution Control Commission, jpare@neiwpsc.org 978.323.7929 Kevin Cute, Marine Resources Council, k_cute@crmc.state.ri.us 401.783.3370, and Shannon Weigle, MA Bays Program, shannon.weigle@state.ma.us coordinate; Tim Sinnott, NY Department of Environmental Conservation 518.402.897 txsinnot@gw.dec.state.ny.us will make presentation

Action

Find out what provinces and states are using for water quality standards that could be applied to ANS Complete by May 2003 NEANS Panel meeting

Measure

Substantive feedback from water quality engineers and other attendees

Funding or other support needed

No cost expected

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Action

Continue to track and participate in NAISA re-authorization and specifically rapid response, early detection, aquatic control programs, and screening Ongoing

Measure

Providing comments to NAISA and Congress committees

Funding or other support needed

No cost expected

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