



Annotation to Agenda Item 10 PAMEs Work Plan 2015-2017 WWFs two project proposals on MPAs (agenda 6) and EA (agenda 7)

The following two project proposals by WWF to be discussed under the relevant subject items (agenda items 6 and 7) and under agenda item 10 – final draft PAME Work Plan 2015-2017 for possible inclusion.

Agenda item 6 - Framework for a pan-Arctic Marine Protected Areas (MPA) Network

Project title: An inventory of area-based conservation measures for achieving effective long-term conservation of Arctic biodiversity in networks of marine protected areas.

This proposal will also be distributed to the PAME MPA expert group.

Agenda item 7 - Ecosystem-based Approach to Management (Norway and USA)

Project Proposal for EPPR and PAME 2015-2017 work plans.

Project title: Linking Ecosystem-Based Management and Arctic Offshore Oil and Gas decision-making

WWF is proposing a joint EPPR/PAME project to identify national approaches to the use of the Ecosystem Approach in offshore oil and gas decision-making related to oil spill prevention, preparedness, and response. Please see attached project proposal.

WWF already submitted the proposal to EPPR in December and are submitting this for possible inclusion in both PAME and EPPR 2015-2017 work plans.

This proposal was distributed to the EA expert group on 8th of January.

Proposed process for both project proposals:

Send written comments to Martin Sommerkorn (email: msommerkorn@wwf.no) and Marc-Andre Dubois (email: mdubois@WWFCanada.org) by 23rd of January for further developing the proposal prior to PAME I-2015 meeting.

Arctic countries and Permanent Participants are encouraged to think about considering sponsoring or (co-)chairing these projects.