

MANAGEMENT AND MITIGATION SUBCOMMITTEE DRAFT CHARGE

The purpose of the Management and Mitigation Subcommittee is to summarize existing methods for the mitigation and management of ocean noise; to present information on the range, effectiveness, and cost of mitigation and management options available in both the short and long terms; and to identify what additional research or commitments may be necessary to improve future options through advances in technology and risk management.

It is anticipated that the Subcommittee will convene between the second and third plenary meetings and again between the third and fourth plenary meetings. The Subcommittee's initial charge, covering the first of these periods, is as follows:

- (1) For each of the major sources of anthropogenic noise in the ocean (commercial shipping, seismic exploration, military activities including active sonar and ship-shock trials, and commercial fishing), the Subcommittee will compile information on management and mitigation methods that have been proposed, considered, or implemented by regulators, researchers, users of sound, and NGOs, either in the United States or abroad. Such methods should include (but not be limited to) mitigation technologies, operational restrictions, siting constraints, monitoring techniques, and permitting and other regulatory processes. The Subcommittee will include information on the efficacy and cost of such measures, where available.
- (2) The Subcommittee will identify any additional types or sources of information that would aid the Committee in evaluating mitigation and management options.
- (3) The Subcommittee will propose a charge to govern its activities between the third and fourth plenary meetings.

The Subcommittee will present its work to the full Committee at the third plenary meeting, and a further charge will be made at that time.

Membership of the Subcommittee is as follows: [TBD]