**DRAFT Questions for Councilors Regarding Plans for June 2014**

Background:

Follow up to December Council meeting. Opportunity with 25th celebration – most Councilors will attend. Want to ensure the meeting is productive, compelling, and relevant to Council interests. WG will have a planning session on March 19th and would like to incorporate feedback from Council members in planning for the June 2014 meeting.

Potential Questions:

* Are there any key Gulf of Maine policy issues or decision points that you would like to include on the agenda for discussion among Councilors at the June meeting?
* Given the Council’s 25th anniversary as well as significant changes in funding status - would you like to have a discussion about ‘charting a course’ for the next 25 years? GOMC structure for the future?
  + At the June meeting?
  + In a separate session?
* Regarding committee updates - has the current format for updates worked well? Would you like to have a more streamlined format such as ‘ignite’? Any other suggestions?
* Based upon your past involvement,
  + What has worked well at prior Council meetings?
  + What has not worked well at prior Council meetings?
* Knowing that there will be opportunities to hear from colleagues regarding many programs and initiatives associated with the Gulf of Maine during CZC 2014, would it be preferable not to have any guest presenters at the Council meeting? Or, do we want to take advantage of the opportunity to have collaborative discussion as part of the meeting?
* Do you have any other suggestions or comments regarding plans for the June 2014 Council meeting?

Question for Working Group members -

* Maybe add a questions regarding involvement in 25th anniversary outreach activities?
* Anything else I should ask about?
* Who Should I Call? I will prepare and send a doodle poll following March meeting and try to contact as many Councilors (or appropriate reps) as possible before the March 19th call. Feedback from the Councilors will inform our discussion on the 19th.