



Council Meeting
Thursday, April 9, 2015
10:30 AM – 12:30 PM ET
11:30 AM – 1:30 PM AT

Briefing Book

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GOMC Council Meeting Agenda • Thursday, April 9, 2015 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. ET / 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. AT		
10:30 AM ET	Welcome, Introductions, and Overview of Objectives for the Meeting <i>Steve Couture, Working Group Chair</i> <i>NH Department of Environmental Services</i>	
10:40 AM	Consent Agenda Draft Summary of Key Decisions and Action Items from December 2014 Council Meeting	✓ For Decision <i>pp. 4</i>
10:45 AM	Review DRAFT GOMC Framework Steve Couture and Joan LeBlanc will present the updated Draft GOMC Framework for Council consideration and discussion. Following the December 2014 Council meeting, the Draft GOMC Framework was developed in collaboration with the Council Advisory Committee, Secretariat Team, and Working Group. Organizational charts, key highlights, and scenarios have been developed to provide detail about how the proposed framework could work during a two-year leadership cycle. Council members are asked to review the framework and provide feedback in advance of the June 2015 joint Council / Working Group meeting. Discussion will include consideration of upcoming GOMC leadership plan and rotation cycle.	✓ For Direction <i>Briefing Note: p. 7</i> <i>Org. Charts: pp 8-12</i> <i>Highlights: pp. 13-14</i> <i>Scenarios: pp. 15-17</i>
11:45 AM	Next Steps for GOMC Draft Framework Council members are asked to provide feedback regarding next steps such as developing Terms of Reference for the proposed GOMC framework, and preparing templates for two-year work plan initiatives in advance of the June 2015 meeting.	✓ For Direction
12:15 PM	Plans for June 2015 Joint Council / Working Group Meeting	✓ For Direction <i>Draft agenda: pp. 18-19</i>
12:30 PM	Adjourn	

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DRAFT Record of Decisions

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December 15, 2014 • Council Meeting • Teleconference

Meeting Participants

Council Members: Jennifer Anderson, NOAA Marine Fisheries Service; Bruce Carlisle, Massachusetts Office of Coastal Zone Management; Mel Cote, US Environmental Protection Agency; Kathleen Leyden, Maine Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry; Geoff Mercer, Environment Canada; Ru Morrison, NERACOOS; Lorrie Roberts, Nova Scotia Environment; Lee Sochasky, New Brunswick; and Jack Wiggin, Urban Harbors Institute.

Others participants: Patty Charlton, Nova Scotia Environment; Steve Couture, New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services; Tim Hall, Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada; Cindy Krum, GOMA Executive Director; Joan LeBlanc, GOMC Council Coordinator; Ellen Mecray, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration; Rebecca Newhall, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration; Christophe Rivet, Environment Canada; Ann Rodney, US Environmental Protection Agency; Susan Russell-Robinson, US Geological Survey/ US Department of the Interior; Theresa Torrent, Maine Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry; and Prassede Vella, Massachusetts Office of Coastal Zone Management.

Opening Remarks

Steve Couture welcomed participants and outlined objectives for the meeting.

Consent Agenda

The following consent agenda items were accepted:

- Draft Record of Decisions, June 2014 Council Meeting
- ESIP and the Delivery of Ecosystem Indicators
- Climate Network Activities (including King Tides)

Proposed Gulf of Maine Proclamation – June 2015

Susan Russell-Robinson requested feedback from Council regarding a proposal to culminate the GOMC 25th Anniversary year with a Gulf of Maine Day Proclamation and celebratory event. The underlying goal of this initiative would be to raise awareness and visibility for protecting the unique natural resources of the Gulf of Maine.

Key Decisions / Action Items

- Council did not support moving forward with the proposal for a Gulf of Maine Day proclamation and event at this time due to the following concerns -
 - Several jurisdictions noted challenges due to lack of resources, timing of governmental leadership transitions, and competing jurisdictional priorities.
 - Moving forward with a proclamation and event would be more productive if resources were available to support associated follow-up education and outreach activities.
- Council members interested in providing any additional input were asked to follow up with Susan Russell-Robinson.

GOMC / GOMA Finance and Fund Development Updates

Cindy Krum provided a brief update regarding GOMA/GOMC financial status and audit, and fund development efforts. Total budget for the current fiscal year has increased to \$1,350,681 (including fiscal agent funds). The budget estimate for FY16 is currently \$483,795. GOMA has completed its audit for fiscal year July 2013 through June 2014. The new management and administrative rate as of June 30, 2014 is 14.45%. GOMA no longer has a fund developer as Jim Boyle's contract was completed at the end of September 2014. Several proposals for federal funding have been submitted. GOMA financial report and operating budget as well as the six-month contractor scopes of work documents are available in the meeting sections of the GOMC website.

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Key Decisions / Action Items

- Council members interested in a more detailed budget briefing are encouraged to attend the GOMA meeting scheduled for Tuesday, December 16th.

GOMC Organizational Assessment

Steve Couture and Joan LeBlanc provided an update regarding the GOMC organizational assessment, including feedback and recommendations from the November 2014 Council Advisory Committee and the October 2014 Working Group meeting. Council members discussed the following four potential options for GOMC leadership structure as well as the potential for combining the Working Group and Council into one entity.

Leadership Option 1 – No Action, Retain Existing Leadership

(Working Group and CAC recommended further consideration of this option)

- Jurisdictional government members provide leadership of Council
 - Leadership rotates – one jurisdiction per year
- Federal partners, scientific community members, NGOs, and tribal representative are active participants at the Council table
- Council membership
 - Jurisdictions (2 government representatives each, + 2 non-government)
 - Federal Agencies (1 representative each)
 - Scientific community (2 representatives – 1 US / 1 Canadian)
 - Tribal representative (1)

Leadership Option 2 – State / Provincial and Federal Partner Joint Leadership

(Working Group and CAC recommended further consideration of this option)

- Jurisdictional and federal agencies would co-lead Council
- US / Canadian shared leadership
- Rotating leadership
 - US State and Canadian Federal
 - Canadian Provincial and US Federal
- Council membership remains the same

Leadership Option 3 – State/Provincial, Federal Partners, and NGOs Share Leadership

(Working Group and CAC did not recommend further consideration of this option)

- Leadership shared amongst three entities
 - US / Canadian balance (rotational basis)
 - NGOs elect their own leadership
- Balance amongst NGOs (Canadian and US)
- Council membership remains the same

Leadership Option 4 – Network Approach

(Working Group and CAC did not recommend further consideration of this option)

- GOMC would act as a network where all agencies could be at the table
- Members could include state / provincial reps, federal agencies, non-profit organizations, academia, and others

Structural Option – Streamline GOMC by combining Working Group and Council into one entity

(Working Group and CAC did not recommend further consideration of this option)

Key Council Decisions / Action Items

- Council members did not reach consensus regarding any of the four potential leadership options developed by the Council Advisory Committee as none of them fully addressed the Council's

underlying goals of streamlining, sharing the workload for management of GOMC, and increasing networking.

- Council did not reach consensus regarding the potential option of combining Council and Working Group into one entity.
- Council requested that Steve Couture and Joan LeBlanc work with the Council Advisory Committee and Working Group to develop scenarios for an alternative GOMC leadership and structural approach that would:
 - Address the need for shared leadership and / or management, while factoring in the constraints associated with co-chairing indicated by some federal agencies
 - Streamline and simplify the existing Working Group / Council structure
 - Fully define and create a networking approach
 - Provide flexibility to bring appropriate additional members to the table when needed (most jurisdictions felt that one lead agency at the table to make these requests was sufficient)

Additional key Council concerns:

- GOMC provides valuable organizational and fiscal structure (GOMA) and shared political support needed to fund joint Canadian / US projects such as the Climate Network. Need to ensure that this benefit is considered within restructuring effort.
- Identifying functions of the GOMC is important to ensure that form is appropriate. Proposal for joint Council / Working Group session at June 2015 meeting was supported (see key decisions / action items under next agenda item)
- The organizational assessment process should be driven by jurisdictions as they currently form the leadership of GOMC.
- Future options for leadership and structure for GOMC do not necessarily need to be tied to the existing structure – think creatively.

Next Steps and Plans for 2015

Steve Couture led a discussion regarding next steps for GOMC during the first half of 2015, and plans for the June 2015 GOMC meetings in Portsmouth, New Hampshire.

Key Decisions / Action Items

- Steve and Joan will work with the Council Advisory Committee and Working Group to develop leadership and structural scenarios that support Council recommendations.
- GOMC Council will meet via teleconference during the spring of 2015 to review recommendations regarding GOMC leadership and structure (need to ensure participation from all jurisdictions before finalizing recommendations).
- A two-day combined Council and Working Group session will be held in Portsmouth, NH on June 17 and June 18. Focus of the session will include identifying priority GOMC functions and work plan for next fiscal year.
- Pending funding, a GOMC awards ceremony will be scheduled for the evening of June 17th.

Record of decisions prepared by Joan LeBlanc, GOMC Council Coordinator.

The Briefing Book and additional reference documents for this meeting are available at:

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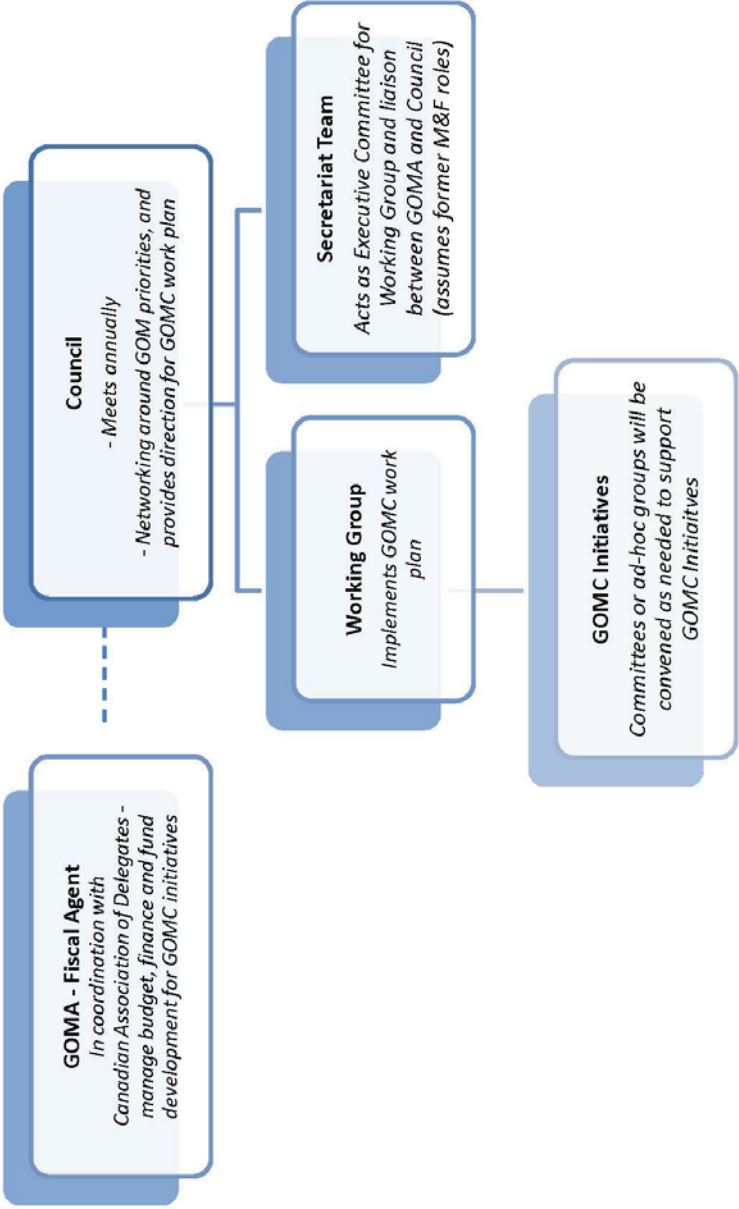
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Gulf of Maine Council on the Marine Environment Meeting Briefing Note					
Title of Agenda Item: Draft GOMC Framework					
Submitted by: Steve Couture and Joan LeBlanc					
Type of Item (place X in appropriate box)	For Decision		For Direction	x	For Information (internal GOMC)
For Information (External)					
Background (required):					
<p>At the December 2014 Council meeting, Council members <u>did not</u> reach consensus regarding four potential leadership options developed by the Council Advisory Committee as none of them fully addressed the Council's underlying goals of streamlining, sharing the workload for management of GOMC, and increasing networking. Council also <u>did not</u> reach consensus regarding the potential option of combining Council and Working Group into one entity.</p> <p>Following the December 2014 Council meeting, Steve Couture and Joan LeBlanc met with the Secretariat Team to develop a draft GOMC Framework. The proposed GOMC Framework incorporates elements of the previously considered organizational alternatives while seeking to address a wide range of issues, concerns, and direction provided by GOMC Council, Council Advisory Committee and Working Group throughout the organizational assessment process.</p> <p>During its January 28th and March 25th meetings, the Council Advisory Committee provided constructive feedback and expressed support for the draft GOMC Framework. Council Advisory Committee requested additional consideration regarding membership of the Secretariat Team to ensure appropriate Canadian / US balance at all times.</p> <p>During its February 18th meeting, Working Group expressed general support for moving forward with proposed framework and began developing strategies for conducting the joint Council / Working Group workshop in June and procedures for developing two-year work plans. Working Group requested additional detail to help demonstrate how the proposed framework would be implemented.</p>					
Actions, Outcomes or Decisions Requested:					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Council members are asked to review, provide feedback, and consider supporting the draft GOMC Framework. ➤ The desired outcome is to reach agreement on a proposed GOMC Framework for Council members to move forward for approval at the June 2015 meeting. 					
Supporting Documentation (If applicable, list additional documents included in the Briefing Book following this Briefing Note):					
<p>The following documents are included following this briefing note:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Organizational Charts Highlighting Proposed GOMC Framework: pp. 8-12</i> • <i>Key Highlights of Proposed GOMC Framework: pp. 13-14</i> • <i>Scenarios (Broad Approach, Baseline Approach, Leadership Options, GOMC Initiative Example – ESIP), pp. 15-17</i> 					

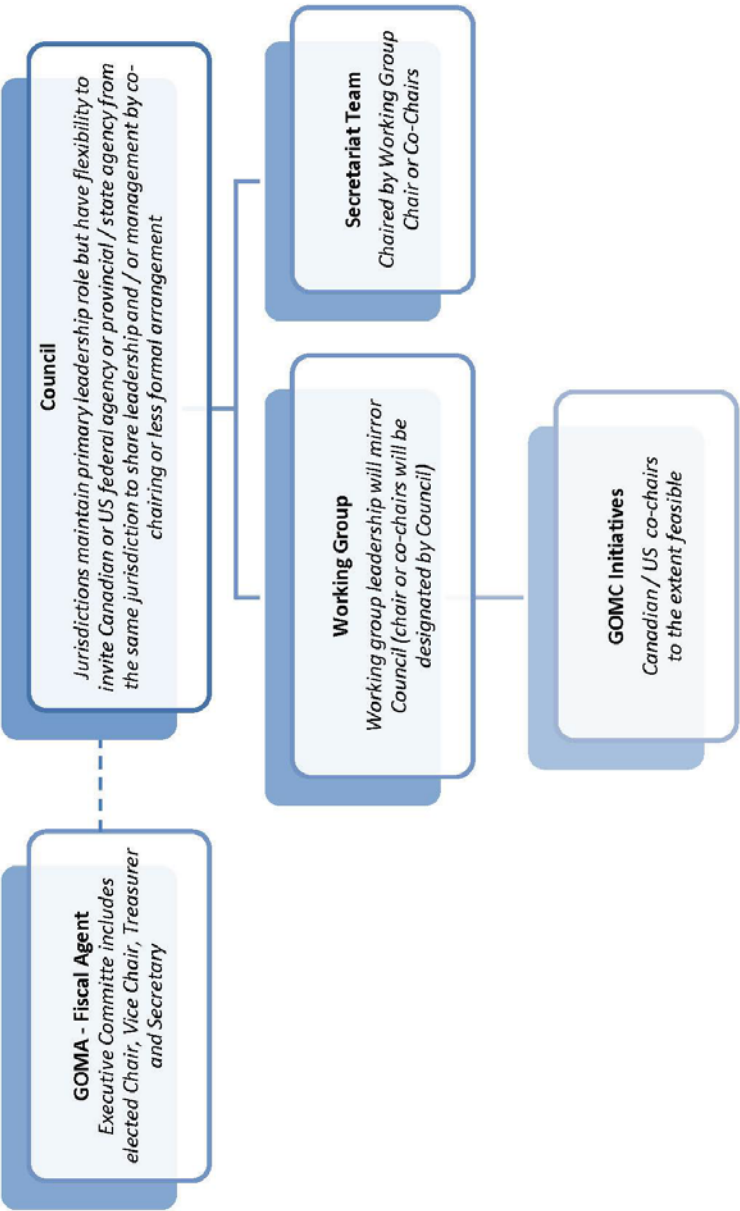
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GOMC Organizational Structure



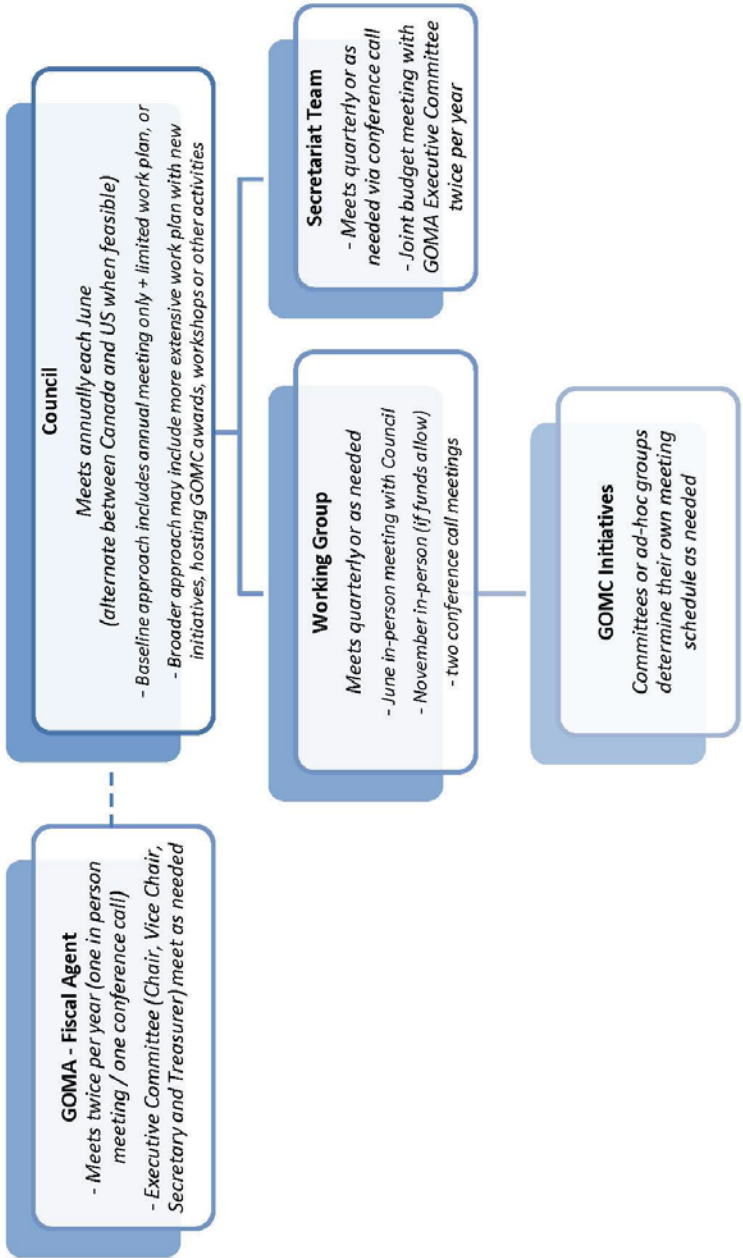
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Leadership (Who?)



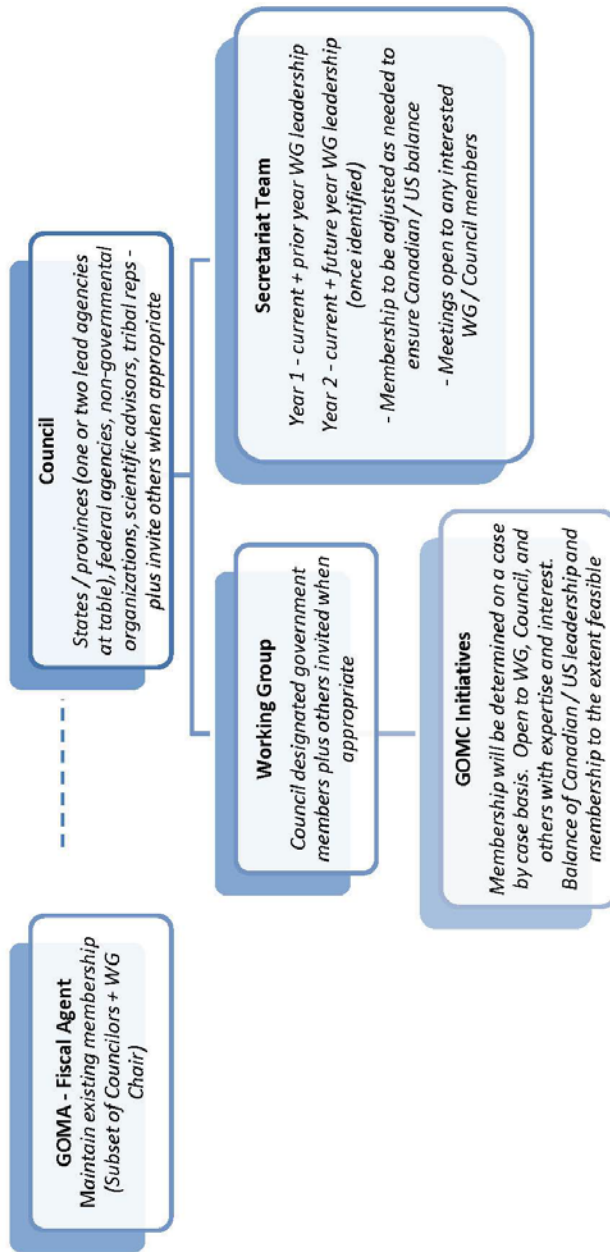
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Two-Year Leadership Cycle
Simplified 2-Year Work Plan (Retain Goals and Outcomes of 5-Year Action Plan)



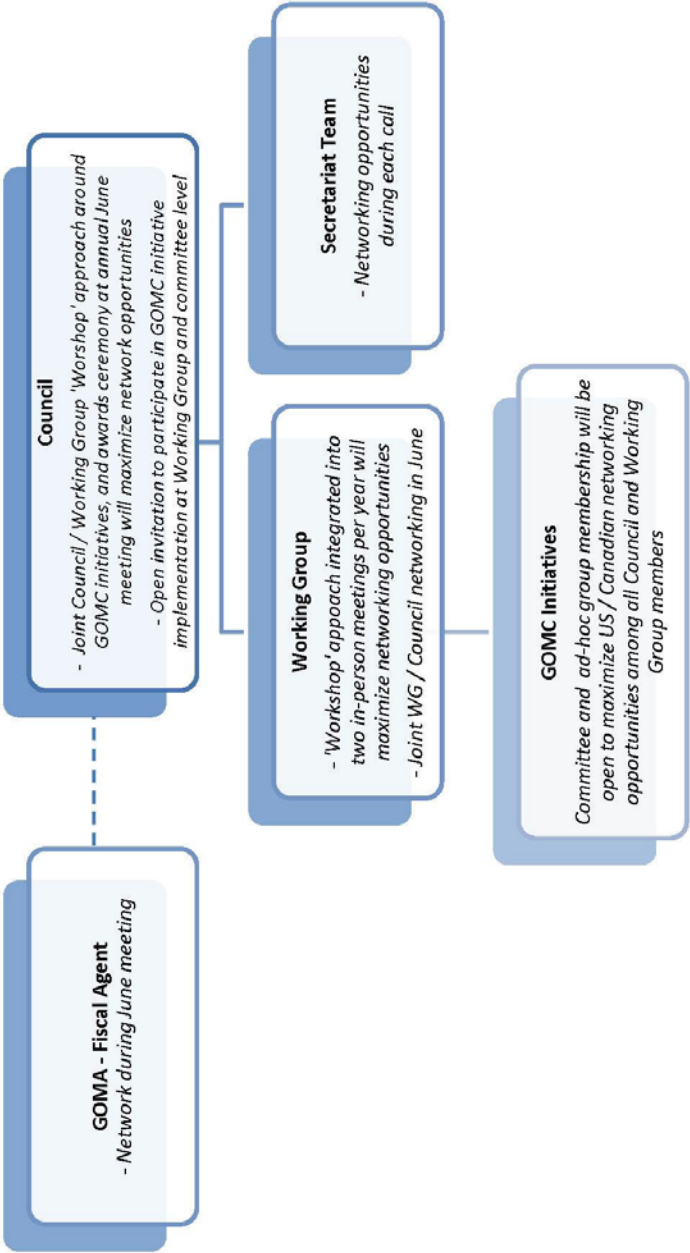
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Membership / Participants



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Networking Approach



DRAFT GOMC Proposed Framework - Key Highlights as Compared to Existing Framework

Leadership

- States and provinces maintain primary leadership role, while gaining the flexibility (if they so choose) to invite Canadian or US federal agency or jurisdictional agency (from the same jurisdiction) to share leadership and / or management tasks by co-chairing or other less formal arrangement
 - Provides opportunity to reduce management burden on jurisdictions
 - Would increase work load for federal partners agencies if they accept co-leadership role
- Extend leadership term from one to two years
 - Enhances productivity by reducing number of transitions
 - **IMPORTANT:** would result in four year period without Canadian leadership

2-Year Work Plans (Retain Goals and Outcomes of 5-Year Action Plan)

- Broad vision, goals and outcomes included in the 2012-2017 Action Plan would be reaffirmed at June 2015 meeting and provide foundation for more detailed two-year work plan
- Aligns work plans with leadership terms
- Simplifies work plans to focus on GOMC priority work during two-year term
- Allows for work plans that focus on realistic tasks that can be achieved with limited funding within the two year leadership cycle
- Aligning work plans with leadership terms will ensure that leadership team is committed to GOMC planned activities during their two-year period
- Revised form allows flexibility for shifting GOMC functions and priorities to be revisited at the outset of each leadership period

Simplified Structure

- GOMC would maintain a minimal baseline approach where Council and Working Group would meet in-person on an annual basis
- Depending upon funding, priorities and preference during the leadership period, GOMC may develop and implement a broader work plan that includes GOMC awards, workshops, and / or other Gulf of Maine Council initiatives
- Secretariat Team will serve as an executive committee to the Working Group and / or a liaison between GOMA and the Council
 - Management and Finance Committee would be eliminated
 - Management and Finance responsibilities would be taken on by Secretariat Team
 - Internal management structure would be simplified, reducing demands on leadership and contractors
- GOMA (US Association of Delegates + Canadian Association of Delegates) would continue to act as fiscal agent - managing budget, finance and fund development for GOMC initiatives
 - Will continue to provide fiscal structure to apply for grant funds as needed
 - GOMA role could be scalable once NROC project is complete
- Meeting schedule would be simplified

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- Reduce Council in-person meetings to once per year
- Limit Working Group meetings to a maximum of two in-person and two conference call meetings per year
- Council and Working Group meetings would be combined where appropriate to promote networking and efficiency
- Secretariat Team would meet only 'as needed' (usually not more than quarterly)

Council and Working Group Membership

- Add flexibility to Council and Working Group membership
 - A state or province may choose either one or two agencies to represent them on the Council
 - Jurisdictions may choose to:
 - Have Council member designate an agency manager to serve on the Working Group, or
 - Agency may designate one representative to serve on both the Council and Working Group if the manager is at a high enough level to ensure agency 'buy-in' for decision making
- Guests may be invited to Council and / or Working Group meetings whenever additional expertise at the table is needed

Secretariat Team Membership

- Secretariat Team will be chaired by Working Group Chair or Co-Chairs for the leadership cycle
- Membership of the Secretariat Team will include:
 - Year 1 – current Working Group leadership + prior year WG leadership
 - Year 2 – current Working Group leadership + incoming WG leadership (once identified)
 - Membership in the Secretariat Team is flexible and will be adjusted as needed to ensure an appropriate balance of Canadian / US leadership each year
- Secretariat Team meetings will be open to any interested Council or Working Group member

Gulf of Maine Initiatives

- Make GOMC committees more flexible / less formal
 - Committees or ad-hoc groups will be convened as needed to support Gulf of Maine initiatives and disbanded when no longer needed
 - US / Canadian co-chairs will be in place where possible but committees can still function as long as they have one active chair

Networking Approach

- Council and WG meetings will be organized to promote active exchange of ideas, knowledge, and strategies for addressing key Gulf of Maine priorities
- Council and Working Group will have joint workshops / collaborative sessions whenever feasible
- Committees will be open to all Council, Working Group and others with expertise and interest
- Council has flexibility to utilize a portion of annual meeting to host a workshop or other networking event that would encompass a broader audience

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Scenario 1: GOMC Framework – Broader Approach

GOMC Activity	2015			Year 1 – 2015 / 2016				Year 2 – 2016 / 2017			
	April	May	June	Q 1	Q 2	Q 3	Q 4	Q 1	Q 2	Q 3	Q 4
Council											
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meets in June 2015 and 2017 with WG for networking purposes and to develop / approve two-year work plan Meets in June 2016 with WG for networking purposes + brief work plan check-in if needed 			x								x
Working Group											
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meets quarterly or as needed for networking opportunities and to coordinate implementation of GOMC initiatives (June meeting is held jointly with Council) (no more than 2 in person meetings/year) 			x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
GOMC Initiatives											
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Active GOMC committees (initiatives) submit two year work plans (these are <u>not</u> funding requests but rather initiatives with expected / anticipated funding or in-kind support) GOMC Council or WG submit proposals for <u>new</u> two-year GOMC initiatives (support and / or funding included with proposal) Council identifies GOMC initiatives with cross-jurisdictional benefit to be supported as part of GOMC two-year work plan – includes review of proposed work plans as well as any new ideas developed during the Council meeting Committees or ad-hoc groups implement GOMC initiatives throughout the year according to their own schedules 		x								x	x
		x									x
GOMC Awards Program											
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> GOMC hosts annual awards program 			x				x				x
Secretariat Team											
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meets quarterly or as needed to coordinate GOMC (conf. calls) 			x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
GOMA – Fiscal Agent Role											
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> GOMA Board meets in person in June + 1 conference call meeting. Level of effort is scaled in proportion to GOMC initiatives. Executive Committee meets as needed 			x		x		x		x		x

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Scenario 2: GOMC Framework – Baseline Approach*

GOMC Activity	2015			Year 1 – 2015 / 2016				Year 2 – 2016 / 2017			
	April	May	June	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Council			x				x				x
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meets in June 2015 and 2017 with WG for networking purposes and to develop / approve two-year work plan Meets in June 2016 with WG for networking purposes + brief work plan check-in if needed 											
Working Group			x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meets no more than quarterly for networking opportunities and to coordinate implementation of GOMC initiatives. June in-person meeting is held jointly with Council. No more than 1 in-person meeting per year. 											
GOMC Initiatives		x								x	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Existing active GOMC committees (initiatives) submit two year work plans (these are <u>not</u> funding requests but rather fully funded / or in-kind supported initiatives) Council identifies GOMC initiatives with cross-jurisdictional benefit to be supported as part of GOMC two-year work plan Ongoing approved GOMC initiatives are implemented throughout the year according to their own schedules 			x							x	x
Secretariat Team											
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meets quarterly or as needed to coordinate GOMC (conf. calls) 			x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
GOMA – Fiscal Agent Role											
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> GOMA Board meets in person in June + 1 conference call meeting. GOMA level of effort is scaled in proportion to GOMC initiatives. Executive Committee meets as needed. 			x		x		x		x		x

* Please note: Because proposed GOMC framework allows flexibility, leadership team can adjust baseline approach according to resources and capabilities anticipated during their leadership cycle.

Two-Year Leadership Scenarios

Proposed Order of Jurisdictional Leadership: New Hampshire, New Brunswick, Maine, Nova Scotia, Massachusetts

- Each two year leadership period will be led by a jurisdiction.
- During their leadership period, jurisdictions may choose to invite a Canadian or US federal agency to co-chair or assist with GOMC management in a less formal manner.
- The GOMC proposed framework allows for a flexible leadership approach to accommodate jurisdictional and federal preferences, management capacity, and resources.
- While each of the five jurisdictions continues to commit to act in a leadership role, federal agency participation as co-leaders is optional.

Federal Partner Agencies: Because federal participation in a leadership role is optional, there is no formal order of rotation. However, it is assumed that jurisdictions will communicate with federal partner agencies and federal partners will rotate evenly to the extent that resources and political priorities allow. To the extent feasible, federal co-chairs will be current GOMC Council members. **(US Federal Agencies:** NOAA, EPA, DOI – USGS / **Canadian Federal Agencies:** EC, DFO, DAAF)

Scenario for Existing Active GOMC Initiative (Example - ESIP)

ESIP Activity	2015			Year 1 – 2015 / 2016				Year 2 – 2016 / 2017			
	April	May	June	Q 1	Q 2	Q 3	Q 4	Q 1	Q 2	Q 3	Q 4
ESIP prepares and submits template highlighting expected activities that will take place during two year leadership period		x								x	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Template will be provided by Council Coordinator• Proposed work plan should include secured or committed funding and / or in-kind support for proposed activities											
Council supports proposed two-year work plan for ESIP as part of overall GOMC planned activities for the leadership period			x								x
ESIP provides brief update regarding work plan accomplishments							x				x
ESIP implements program initiatives according to their own schedule and needs throughout the two-year leadership period				x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x

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***Coastwise Tidal Stream Crossings Workshop**

Tuesday, June 16, 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM ET, NH DES, 222 International Drive, Suite 175, Portsmouth, NH

Joint Council / Working Group Meeting • Wednesday, June 17, 2015 NH Dept. of Environmental Services Office, 222 Independence Drive, Suite 175, Portsmouth, NH		
8:00 AM	GOMC Council Meeting - Welcome, Introductions and Overview of Meeting Objectives <i>Steve Couture, Coastal Program Director, NH Department of Environmental Services</i>	
8:10 AM	Consent Agenda <ul style="list-style-type: none"> December 2014 Council meeting summary acceptance April 2015 Working Group meeting summary acceptance Committee Updates 	✓ For Decision
8:15 AM	GOMC Proposed Framework <i>Council Advisory Committee will summarize proposed GOMC framework. Council members are asked to review and decide upon proposed GOMC Framework to be implemented in the upcoming GOMC leadership period beginning July 2015. (Draft Terms of Reference will be prepared in advance of the meeting)</i>	✓ For Direction ✓ For Decision
10:15 AM	Break	
10:30 AM	Roundtable Forum <i>Council / WG members discuss key issues facing jurisdiction and / or region.</i>	✓ For Information
12:30 PM	Lunch / Gulf of Maine Association Meeting <i>All Councilors are invited to the GOMA luncheon meeting. Lunch will be provided for GOMA meeting participants as well as all other Council / Working Group meeting participants.</i>	
2:00 PM	GOMC Joint Council / WG Workshop <i>GOMC Council and Working Group will work together to identify priority issues and develop GOMC two-year work plan. The workshop format is currently being developed - may include facilitated sessions, break-out activities, and / or guest speakers.</i>	✓ For Direction
3:00 PM	Break	
3:15 PM	GOMC Joint Council / WG Workshop (continued)	✓ For Direction
4:00 PM	Adjourn for the Day	

Wednesday, June 17, 2015 • GOMC Awards Reception Seashell Oceanfront Pavilion at Hampton Beach State Park • Hampton, NH	
5:30 PM OR 6:00 PM (TBD)	GOMC Awards Reception <i>GOMC will host special reception to present 2015 GOMC Awards.</i>

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Joint Council / Working Group Meeting • Thursday, June 18, 2015 NH Dept. of Environmental Services Office, 222 Independence Drive, Suite 175, Portsmouth, NH		
8:00 AM	Overview of Objectives for Day 2 <i>Steve Couture, Coastal Program Director, NH Department of Environmental Services</i>	
8:15 AM	GOMC Joint Council / WG Workshop (continued)	✓ For Direction
10:30 AM	Break	
10:45 AM	GOMC Joint Council / WG Workshop (continued) <i>Council and Working Group finalize decisions regarding two-year work plan, including:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Determine plan for meetings (baseline or expanded approach),</i> • <i>Identify support for two-year work plans submitted by active GOMC committees, and</i> • <i>Identify additional GOMC initiatives to be pursued during two-year period.</i> 	✓ For Direction ✓ For Decision
12:30 PM	Lunch – On Your Own	
2:00 PM	Joint Presentation on Sentinel Monitoring for Climate and Ecosystem Change / NECAN Initiatives <i>Speaker (s) TBD</i>	✓ For Information ✓ External
3:30 PM	Break	
3:45 PM	Review of Key Decisions / Next Steps from the Meeting <i>Steve Couture and / or Joan LeBlanc</i>	
4:00 PM	Plans for Next Council Meeting, Closing Remarks, and Passing of the Gavel <i>Steve Couture, NH DES</i>	
Adjourn		