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Aquaculture Amendment Outlines  
 Tasks and Responsibilities - A

Wayne, Michael, Bruce, and Joe,

Attached is a proposed outline for the Aquaculture amendment, as well as a description of various tasks and responsibilities that need to be completed. As part of the tasks and responsibilities document, I have included placeholders for persons who could potentially assist in writing the amendment. Specific individuals will need to be identified at a later date). Please review these documents and let me know if you have any recommended changes. Once we have agreed to an outline for the document and have determined what sections still need to be completed, then I recommend holding a brief IPT meeting late next week to finalize tasks and responsibilities.

The following are tasks/responsibilities SERO can provide assistance on:

1. Revision to Purpose and Need
2. Cumulative Effects analysis
3. Discussion of environmental consequences as they relate to physical, biological, and ecological environments
4. Review Economic and Social analyses completed by the contractors
5. Revise the Affected Environment section.

Jason Rueter (SERO biologist) and Julie Weeder (SERO biologist) are available to contribute immediately to various sections of the document. Stephen Holiman (SERO economist) and Denise Johnson (SERO economist) can assist in the review of economic analyses and will provide feedback to contractors. Peter Hood, Sarah Devido, and I (all SERO biologists) should be able to contribute periodically to tasks identified above. David Dale (SERO - Habitat) can assist in the permitting and habitat aspects of the amendment and Jennifer Lee (SERO - Protected Resources) can assist in writing responsibilities related to Protected Resources.

If you could also identify persons who can assist in writing the document, we can then discuss responsibilities late next week.

If possible please provide me with comments by C.O.B. Tuesday February 20th.

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Acronyms/Abbreviations	COMPLETE
EIS Cover Sheet	COMPLETE
FIS - Social Impact Analysis	Kiethly, Brannon, SERO Econ Review
1.0 Executive Summary	To be Completed Later
2.0 Introduction	COMPLETE, revisions as needed
3.0 Purpose and Need for Action	SERO staff, GC, Swingle
4.0 Management Alternatives	Rueter, Swingle, HQ staff?
5.0 Affected Environment	
Section 5.1	Dale, Rester
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## Specific Tasks

- Michael McLemore (NOAA GC) to provide comments on Purpose and Need
- SERO staff (Blough, Hood, Strelcheck) and Wayne Swingle will revise Purpose and Need
- SERO staff (Rueter – lead; Strelcheck, Hood, ), Swingle, and HQ staff (???) to coordinate completion of Management Alternatives. Kiethly and Brannon can provide economic discussion as needed with SERO review by Economics/Social Science staff (Johnson, Holiman, Ingles). Specifically, a description of the alternatives and actions is needed and a brief summary of impacts expected for each of the environments. Also, recommend moving economic analyses currently in Section 4 to Section 6 and moving Section 4.9 (Permit Condition Requirements) to Section 4.1. Permit Condition Requirements should not be included as alternatives, but should be listed and discussed relative to the alternatives in Section 4.1. Amendment 26 (red snapper IFQ) can serve as a template for Section 4.1.
- Affected Environment – Description of Physical Environment to be drafted by Jeff Rester (GMFMC) with assistance by David Dale (Habitat) and SERO staff; Description of Biological Environment to be completed by SERO staff (Rueter – lead; Strelcheck and Hood can assist); Description of Economic/Social Environment to be completed by Kiethly and Brannon, with review by SERO Economics staff (Johnson, Holiman).
- Environmental Consequences – Text already drafted for biological/physical environment should be moved to Section 6.1. Would like assistance from HQ staff on Section 6.1. Environmental Consequences for economic environment should be moved from Section 4 to Section 6. Environmental consequences for the biological, ecological, physical, and administrative environments need to be completed. SERO staff and Swingle can take lead with assistance from HQ staff.
- Comparison of Alternatives with Magnuson-Act Requirements – Swingle, SERO staff
- Cumulative Effects Analysis – to be written once Environmental Consequences are completed. Swingle, SERO staff
- RIR and IRFA to be completed by Kiethly and Brannon, with review by SERO Economics Branch (Johnson, Holiman).