

Coastal Guardian Watchmen Network

Ideas for Strengthening the Network

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Where were our dinner dates??????



network • noun

- 1** an arrangement of intersecting horizontal and vertical lines.
- 2** a complex system of railways, roads, etc.
- 3** a group of broadcasting stations that connect to broadcast a programme simultaneously.
- 4** a number of interconnected computers, operations, etc.
- 5** a group of people who interact together



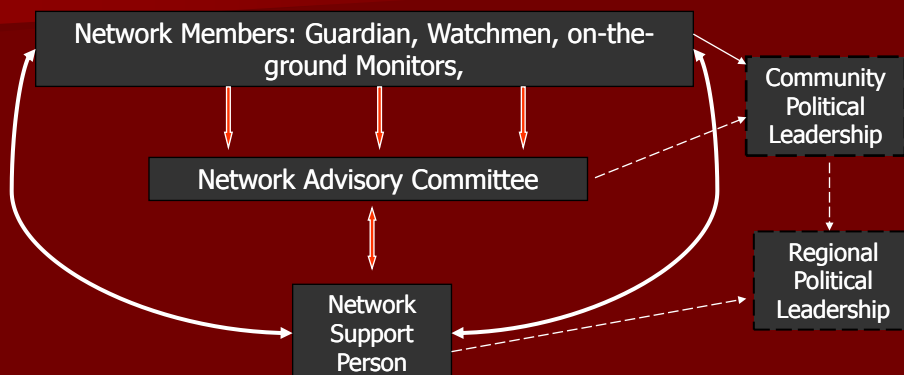
- Listened to what folks are saying, have some suggestions for network based on what we've heard
- We've put together a suggested structure and possible activities that we want to use to generate discussion and clarify next steps forward

Mission/Vision



- We are a network of Coastal Guardians and Watchmen from the central and north coast working together to protect and restore our natural and cultural resources by:
 - Sharing information
 - Collaborating on programs and activities
 - Supporting and learning from each other, and
 - Promoting and encouraging the development and expansion of coastal Guardian/Watchmen programs

Proposed Structure



- Network Members
 - Guardian. Watchmen, on-the-ground monitors, planners, resource managers, others
- Network Advisory Committee (representation ideally from each FN)
 - Help communicate priorities
 - Feedback on network activities
 - Liaise with Network members from their community
- Network support person (dedicated position ½ FTE)
 - Direction from Network Advisory Committee
 - Talking with members, frequent check-ins, provide support and information
 - Organize activities
- Support from political bodies
 - Local and regional political bodies need to buy-in
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The network is you!

(Plus a possible support person)

What do you want to do?

Potential Activities

■ Communications and Networking

- Website
- Annual Conference
- Other information sharing

■ Funding

- Gathering and sharing information re. funding sources
- Working with communities to build “business case” and improve fundability

■ Regional monitoring

- Developing standardized regional indicators to embed in broader community monitoring plans



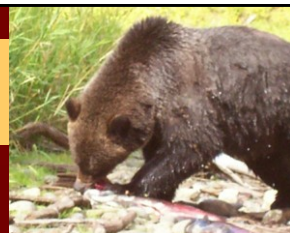
Potential Activities

■ Training

- Supporting outreach for NWCC program
- Sharing information re. other capacity building opportunities

■ Visibility

- Helping to create a visual presence (e.g. uniforms, badges, flags)
- Creating “visibility” and legitimacy to decision-makers and leadership through existence of Network



Potential Activities



- **Collaboration**
 - Researching opportunities for collaboration between Network/members and agencies, institutions, organizations
- **Supporting local programs**
 - Offering support to work with communities to define and strengthen local approach to GW
- **Building Political Support**
 - Liaising and information sharing with regional political bodies

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Questions



- Who should be Members of the Network besides the people in this room?
- Does the mission/vision statement need to change?
- What do you think of the proposed structure?
- What activities would you prioritize?
- What other activities could be achieved through the Network?
- What role should the Network Advisory Committee play?
NEED PEOPLE TO VOLUNTEER!
- What ways could the Network develop political support?
- What should the Network be called?
- Other thoughts, comments, suggestions?

Title



- Guardian
- Watchmen
- On-the-ground Monitors
- Stewards
- Technicians
- Resource Officers
- ?